



BASEBALL BLURBS BY BRUCE

Bruce Bennett, AppleSox Statistician

Walla Walla 9, Wenatchee 2 last night.

Wenatchee (23-28) at Yakima Valley (27-24) 7:05 tonight.

Wenatchee vs. Yakima Valley
Wenatchee

- leads the series 8-7 and is 5-1 in Yakima. After losing their first of six games in Yakima last year, the Sox went on a run and took five in a row.
- lost all three of the games in the first set here this season, then rebounded to take two of the next three when the Pippins returned.

East Division Stuff

- All teams have three games remaining, Wenatchee at Yakima Valley and Kelowna at Walla Walla.
- If the AppleSox win three they finish third for sure. They could also finish third with two, one or zero wins depending on what Walla Walla does.
- Counting games just against each other in the East Division, the standings would be Walla Walla 13-11, Kelowna 12-12, Yakima Valley 12-12, Wenatchee 11-13.

Playoffs

Wild Card. Corvallis finishes at home against Medford, one game Saturday and two Sunday. One Knight win and they are the fourth team in the playoff.

East. Kelowna in.

West. Bellingham in.

South. Bend in. They won their first crown in nine years of divisional play when Corvallis lost to Yakima Valley last night.

August 7 Games

8/7 has been a great date...the AppleSox are 8-2 overall, 7-2 league, 3-1 home, 5-1 away and have a 3-game win streak.

Standings

East: Kelowna 31-19, Yakima Valley 27-24, WENATCHEE 23-28, Walla Walla 22-28

West: Bellingham 32-19, Victoria 27-23, Kitsap 22-28, Cowlitz 19-32

South: Bend 33-15, Corvallis 30-21, Medford 24-25, Klamath Falls 11-39

Who's Hot: Victoria has won 6 of 7 and 9 of 11. Corvallis has won 7 of 8 and 9 of 11.

Who's Not: Walla Walla has lost 9 of 11, Cowlitz has lost 12 of 14. Klamath Falls has lost 5 of 6 and 8 of 10.

AppleSox in the Bigs

Eight former Wenatchee players have reached the major leagues...seven pitchers and one outfielder.

Hammel, Gillespie, Hardy and Milone are all currently on MLB rosters.

If you know of more please let me know.



Jason Hammel, AppleSox 2001

Pitcher

Drafted 10th round in 2002 by Tampa Bay Devil Rays

2006, 2007, 2008 – Tampa Bay Devil Rays

2009, 2010, 2011 – Colorado Rockies

2012, 2013 – Baltimore Orioles

2014 – Chicago Cubs, Oakland Athletics

2015 – Chicago Cubs

Cole Gillespie, AppleSox 2004

Outfielder

Drafted 3rd round in 2006 by Milwaukee Brewers

2010, 2011 – Arizona Diamondbacks

2013 – San Francisco Giants, Chicago Cubs

2014 – Seattle Mariners, Toronto Blue Jays

2015 – Miami Marlins

Clayton Mortensen, AppleSox 2005 and 2006

Pitcher

Drafted 1st round (36th) in 2007 by St. Louis Cardinals

2009 – St. Louis Cardinals, Oakland Athletics

2010 – Oakland Athletics

2011 – Colorado Rockies

2012, 2013 – Boston Red Sox

Tommy Milone, AppleSox 2006

Pitcher

Drafted 10th round in 2008 by Washington Nationals

2011 – Washington Nationals

2012, 2013 - Oakland Athletics

2014 – Oakland Athletics, Minnesota Twins

2015 – Minnesota Twins

Blaine Hardy, AppleSox 2006

Pitcher

Drafted 22nd round in 2008 by Kansas City Royals

2014, 2015 – Detroit Tigers

Steve Ames, AppleSox 2008

Pitcher

Drafted 17th round in 2009 by Los Angeles Dodgers

2013 – Miami Marlins

Chad Smith, AppleSox 2008

Pitcher

Drafted 17th round in 2011 by Detroit Tigers