

OLD-TIMERS - FRIDAY DIVISION MANAGERS REPORT

Aug 15, 2025

| AWAY TEAM | RUNS | HOME TEAM | RUNS | FIELD | WP |
|-----------|------|------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|
| Hitmen | 12 | Old Time Ballers | 17 | High School | Frank DiCristofaro |
| Raiders | 22 | Grey Sox | 13 | Dreamwold | Dave Hockman |

Managers Game Report

OLD TIME BALLERS – Manager Frank DiCristofaro

Old Time Ballers 17 - Hitmen 12

The Old Time Ballers defeated the Hitmen 17-12, in a well-played hard fought game. The entire Baller team hit safely, with Bill my Fairweather and Mike Smith (two doubles and a **home run**) leading the charge with four hits! They were well supported by John White and our old veteran George Mallett with three hits, followed by Phil Allen (**home run**), Tom Malvesti , Paul Marshall , Tom Harman and Brian Sullivan all with two hits.

Our defense, which has been porous so far this season, was outstanding today! We featured a number of great play from Bill Fairweather and Tom Malvesti as well as outfielder Brian Sullivan and John Boehmke who made a number of catches and one turned into a double play! But by far the most unusual play was the triple play pulled off when Frank Dicristofaro speared a ground ball threw to Tom Malvesti at third who threw to Mike Fava at second who threw back to Dicristofaro who then threw to Paul Marshall at first to complete the tripe play.

A special nod to Hitman pitcher Ken Robbins who was hit on his pitching hand with a line drive, bandaged the wound and in true Spartan style carried on and pitched the rest of the game!

Hitmen – Managers John Mann/ Duke Schneider

Hitmen 12 Old Time Ballers 17

It was kind of an odd day, The Ballers beat us up in the odd innings...and we scored all our runs in the even innings...But what was even odder was we hit into a triple play with only 2 batters going to the plate, that's gotta be a first in the league...Other than that the Hitmen came to play as usual, everyone got at least 1 hit with Mike Grossman leading the way with 3 hits and a **Home Run**...and we had a great defensive play by John Bonner who chased down and snagged a line drive that was heading to the gap for an easy home run, John later said "He just can't catch anything hit right at him"...and I want to give a pat on the back to Kenny Robbin's who took a shot off the hand in the 1st inning and finished the game while using up several bandages...I'm definitely looking forward to going to battle with these warriors next week.

RAIDERS – Managers Phil Scorgie/Gerry Cetrone

Raiders 22 – Grey Sox 13

The Raiders defeated the Grey Sox 22-13. Winning has become the standard for the Raiders as they posted their 8th straight victory. Consistency is the winning formula as they execute the basics:

Pitching - Hitting - Defense - PHD.

Offensively, many players continued posting multiple hit games. Up and down the lineup, every player had at least one hit for a team total 37 hits!

Hitting performances:

Cusick 4 for 4 with two doubles, Chamberlain 3 for 4 including a double, Moriarty 2 for 4 including a double, Mazzone & Cetrone were 4 for 4

Martinelli, Gibson, Malone, Fisher, Hockman went 3 for 4, Longo was 2 for 4, Bradford, Goose and Spekman each had one hit.

Excellent defense and pitching has become routine for the Raiders.

The infielders (Moriarty, Chamberlain, Mazzone, Fisher, and Longo) were steady. Outfielders, (Bradford, Cusick, Martinelli, and Malone) all had nice catches. The Middle and short field had good coverage from Gibson and Spekman.

With so many players deserving of recognition, it's become difficult to choose the weekly Geezer Award. Bruce Malone earns this week's award for his play in the right field making an outstanding catch and doing it at the plate going 3 for 4.

Addendum to last week's report:

Omission:

I missed the biggest defensive gem of the game (and maybe the season) in last week's game report. Mike Martinelli's ESPN highlight reel catch: While playing centerfield running full speed after a deep fly ball which appeared to be over his head, with his back facing home plate, catching up with the ball for a tremendous grab to end the inning and save two runs from scoring.

Grey Sox – Managers Bill Rust/Art Hassett

Grey Sox 13 - Raiders 22 (HR Schreiber)

Try as they might, the Grey Sox were unable to take down the mighty Raiders, losing 22-13. The Raiders are an all-around good team - good hitting (they scored in every inning), good defense, good guys. But somebody needs to end that winning streak before it goes to their heads.

Good day at the plate: Jeff Schreiber smoked a line drive **HR** to right that just cleared the fence and clanged off the base of the Pesky flag pole.

Three hits: AJ Hassett, Dan Sides (and a walk), Jim Bryer (double, a walk, 4 RBIs), Tom Heffernan (double).

Two hits: Bill Spooner (and a walk), Jeff Schreiber (**HR**, double, and a walk), Billy Rust, Bob Clifford, Ernie Leep, Frank Driscoll, Donnie Young.

Good day in the field: It's tough to win when you commit so many errors, but there were some highlights for the Grey Sox: Jim Bryer at short stop started two nice double plays, a 6-4-3, Sides to Clifford, and later beating the runner to 2nd and making a good throw on the run to 1st. Bill Spooner struck out 2 batters in one inning. Bob Clifford made two good plays at 1st, making the outs despite a couple of bad throws. AJ Hassett made a nice sliding catch in left. Pat Grasso at 3rd stayed with a ball and made a nice long throw to 1st for an out. And in the play of the day, Billy Rust made a catch in center, relayed to Dan Sides who threw a strike to the catcher, Donnie Young, for the out on the runner who tagged up and tried to score all the way from 2nd.

PITCHING WINS:

Bill Spooner (7) Frank DiCristofaro (6) Dave Hockman (9) Ken Robbins (4)

HOME RUNS:

Jim Pollard (6) Mike Smith (3) Jeff Schreiber (3) John McCarthy (2) Paul Rix (2) Angelo Lobosco (1)
Bill Cusick (1) Tom Heffernan (1) Tom Chamberlain (1) Mike Martinelli (1) Dana Szymczuk (1)
Dave Hohmann (1) Jim Bryer (1) Dan Sides (1) John Moriarty (1) Mike Grossman (1) Phil Allen (1)

FRIDAY DIVISION STANDINGS FOR TOURNAMENT #3

| TOTALS | | | | | | |
|------------------|---|---|--------|----------|--------------|-------|
| TEAM | W | L | | Runs for | Runs against | Games |
| Raiders | 3 | 0 | Total> | 46 | 24 | 3 |
| | | | Ave> | 15.3 | 8.0 | |
| Old Time Ballers | 2 | 1 | Total> | 34 | 33 | 3 |
| | | | Ave> | 11.3 | 11.0 | |
| Grey Sox | 1 | 2 | Total> | 40 | 54 | 3 |
| | | | Ave> | 13.3 | 18.0 | |
| Hit Men | 0 | 3 | Total> | 41 | 50 | 3 |
| | | | Ave> | 13.7 | 16.7 | |

FRIDAY DIVISION STANDINGS FOR THE SEASON

| TOTALS | All Games Played | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|---|--------|----------|--------------|-------|
| TEAM | W | L | | Runs for | Runs against | Games |
| Raiders | 9 | 4 | Total> | 235 | 198 | 13 |
| | | | Ave> | 18.1 | 15.2 | |
| Grey Sox | 7 | 6 | Total> | 228 | 216 | 13 |
| | | | Ave> | 17.5 | 16.6 | |
| Old Time Ballers | 6 | 7 | Total> | 226 | 235 | 13 |
| | | | Ave> | 17.4 | 18.1 | |
| Hit Men | 4 | 9 | Total> | 215 | 255 | 13 |
| | | | Ave> | 16.5 | 19.6 | |

THE FRIDAY DIVISION GAMES NEXT FRIDAY

Start time is 9:00 AM – Batting Practice 8:30 AM (5 swings)

| Home/away Tournament #3 | High School Softball Field | | Central/Lawson | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------------|--------|
| | Home | Away | Home | Away |
| Friday, August 22, 2025 | Old Time Ballers | Grey Sox | Raiders | Hitmen |

Wednesday batting practice at the High School Softball Field. **Start 9:30 AM**