

On 12-04-2012 at 1:36:08 PM Green Monsters wrote:  
btw, to stave off any commentary, Bruce should be an X, not a C!

On 12-04-2012 at 1:34:55 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Maybe the LTBNL needs to hold a winter meeting too? Tough to go completely Roto cold turkey for 4-5 months! :-)

For those of you who may need a fix in that regard, the Monsters are open for business and willing to ship just about anyone in the right deal, including:

Clippard 8B  
Boggs 1B  
Jacob Turner 9B  
Travis Wood 1B  
Garza 9X (or can be long-termed)  
Putz 22X  
Mark Rogers 2B  
Luke Gregerson 4B  
HanRam 38B  
Juan Francisco 5B  
EY Jr. 3X (or long term)  
Amarista 2B  
Ruben Tejeda 6B  
Bruce 38C  
Justin Upton 35X  
David Wright 31B  
Blanco 12B  
Holliday 38B

Make me an offer! And, regardless, happy holidays to all!

K.C.

On 10-12-2012 at 1:55:07 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

K.C.,

Always willing to listen to your offers.....:)

On 10-10-2012 at 8:40:14 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Thanks Rick and congrats to u on an amazing season!

Now that the trading market is back open, what would it take to get Cozart? Although I think the jury is still out on him given the weak second half of the season he had, he is my 8-year's favorite player, so I am obliged to make a play for him. :-)

On 10-08-2012 at 3:29:23 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

K.C., My apologies for the late post, Thursday was hectic, and then I joined the Quags & Trees on a

weekend golf/beer fest. Congrats on a historic win. Just crazy that things came down to the wire like that. Despite the heartbreaking defeat, was a very enjoyable season.

Shaws are eager to get the hot stove league going as well. Who wants to make the first trade??

On 10-08-2012 at 11:15:39 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Gentlemen-great season overall!!! Scott, as for our offensive ineptness, our hitting coach was fired today and replaced with a motivational speaker, steroids, and incentives based on cheating and stealing signs. The trees have also hired a strategy team to assist with next years draft. The team is already hard at work devising a plan regarding color coordinating highlighters on the USA Today Fantasy Charts in conjunction with a rather extensive mathematical formula suggesting which players to keep, trade, sell, fire and hire. Early reports suggest that Gorky Hernandez will perform at an astounding rate of \$49 next year. We are very encouraged to say the least.

That being said, the 'Tavern' at 1234 Catalpa Ridge will be the site for the 2013 draft and vacations will be set accordingly. There have been a few upgrades made since the last draft at that local as the bar is completely finished, the TV has wifi, there are two refrigeration units and a fully stocked liquor cabinet. There is also an extra bedroom with full bath should someone need accommodations. Looking forward to 2013 and a Trees title. In the meantime, go Reds. It feels good to be playing baseball in October. Anything going on in Chicago other than a blistery wind and a vacant Wrigleyville?

On 10-04-2012 at 8:13:22 PM SolTrain wrote:

K.C.,

Congrats on another title. Pretty sure we decided at the last auction to reinstitute the YooHoo shower. Just sayin'.

Tom - I'm thinking that you could get some great Baseball HQ swag for submitting the "final at-bat" case study to Shandler & Co.

Trees - 5 offensive points this year? Really? Looking forward to the "man cave" draft next year. Please work on the family vacation schedule in advance.

Greg and Arnie - I am starting the LTBNL Pool today. Wager is \$50 per team (to be held in escrow). Owner that correctly identifies the year in which either of the Peckers or the Knowledge wins their first title wins the pot (\$600). Will collect wagers prior to the first name thrown out at the 2013 draft. Obviously this could influence someone that may be out of it the year they picked and dump to one of these teams, but half our league are Reds fans and still think Charlie Hustle should be in the Hall, so I doubt this will be a problem.

Until the 1st tee next year...

SolTrain

On 10-04-2012 at 1:32:10 PM Gregory Peckers wrote:

Congrats to the Monsters! And to Rick I say, I feel your pain. Still remember watching a virtual Uribe trot around the bases at a friend's house in disbelief in the 8th inning of the last game of the MLB season to

cause a tie with Doug that was broken on the second or third tie-breaker. Ever since, it has been like my own personal Billy Goat curse (especially during the Roto Doug era). I wish you a better fate.

On 10-04-2012 at 10:05:07 AM Green Monsters wrote:

Unbelievable! Thx Commish for doing all the math to relate that information and for your service in running the league once again. Have a great off-season (from fantasy baseball) folks. Look forward to seeing you all March 30, if not earlier. In the meantime, the Monster GM's office door is open if and when anybody wants to start talking trades (the GM, btw, is getting a big raise for his performance in 2012, but the Monster's manager will be lucky to keep his job :-). The Monsters still have lots of cheap, good pitching heading into 2013.

On 10-04-2012 at 09:25:08 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Congratulations to the Monsters! ... and to the Rick Shaws, too, for giving us one of our most incredible finishes ever. KC, it was even more dramatic than you described. The season literally came down to the final at bat of the year, Aoki vs. Gregerson. Every other NL game had concluded. With two outs in the bottom of the ninth of the Brewers-Padres game, the Shaws and Monsters were tied with 101 points. They each led the other in five categories (the first tie-breaker), and the Shaws were poised to claim their first ever title based on the second tie-breaker, runs scored. Gregerson struck Aoki out, and that moved the Monsters' WHIP from 1.25134 to 1.25108, passing the Knowledge, who were at 1.25128, and giving the Monsters the deciding point. Rick pointed out that if Aoki had gotten a hit, the Peckers would have passed the Shaws in batting average, .26666 to .26655. But, had Gregerson walked Aoki, the Peckers would have finished at .26653, and the Shaws would have won.

Again, thanks to everyone for another great season, and congrats to all the money winners. I'll have a Commissioner's Trophy update for you shortly. Opening Day is April 1, 2013 (back to a Monday Opener!), so next year's Auction/Draft will be Saturday, March 30. Put it on your calendar right now! The Joshua Trees, by virtue of their last place finish, have the honor of planning and/or hosting the Auction, so direct any questions to Josh. Will there be a golf outing on the Friday before? (Yes.)

Enjoy the postseason, everyone.

On 10-04-2012 at 12:12:53 AM Green Monsters wrote:

Wow, what an amazing finish(?)! After the early games, the Monsters were up by a couple of points (see Shaws' 2:55 p.m. post). By the early evening, the Shaws had pulled ahead by 1 point. And then towards the end of the evening both teams were tied at 101 (with the Shaws holding onto the tie-breaker: the teams were tied re the 1st tie-breaker, category leads, at 5-5, but the Shaws led in the 2nd tie-breaker--Runs). I thought it was fitting such a great race should end in a tie---even if I did not like the tie-breaker result. I mentally conceded the championship and stopped checking thinking there was no way for me to pick up any more points with so little baseball remaining (only SD-Mil. and LA-SF were still going and those were late). But, for s&\*ts & giggles, I just checked before hitting the sack and the live scoring has me picking up a point at the absolute last minute to win by 1 point. It appears that the runnerless ninth innings pitched by Axford and Gregerson in the VERY LAST game of the season MAY have pushed me ahead of the Knowledge in the WHIP category. I am fearing a "Dewey-Truman" here (i.e. the Shaws go to bed thinking they lost and wake up in the morning to see the standings proclaiming their victory), but regardless of what the morning brings, my congrats to the Shaws for a tremendous season! And, most importantly, GO REDS!!!!

On 10-03-2012 at 4:50:10 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Me thinks the Shaws are toying with the Roto Gods---and possibly successfully. Camp just blew a win for Wood by serving up a 3-run dinger in the 8th. Momentum shift to the Shaws!

On 10-03-2012 at 2:55:30 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Shaws need a ton of help. It's looking like the Monsters are going to pull it off.

On 10-03-2012 at 1:35:32 PM The Commissioner wrote:

The first tiebreaker is a head-to-head comparison of the tied teams, category by category. See Rule 11.5. Thanks!

On 10-03-2012 at 12:56:33 PM SolTrain wrote:

Are the Monsters and RickShaws scoreboard watching together this afternoon/evening? Also, is the first tie-breaker still W's? Good luck to both teams today!

On 10-03-2012 at 09:07:13 AM Doug Outs wrote:

Good luck to the Monsters and Shaws tonight. What a race!

On 10-01-2012 at 11:24:37 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Good luck, everyone, in the season's last three days. It should be enjoyable to watch the Shaws and Monsters battle for the championship. One final Commissioner's Trophy update (through games of 9/30):

Show Hoffs 80.0

Wonders 75.5

Peckers 54.0

Knowledge 52.5

Udawgs 46.0

Fever 45.0

Trees 35.0

Quags 32.0

On 09-19-2012 at 1:26:12 PM Green Monsters wrote:

My pleasure! I stayed to the happy end and thereby tied a personal record for longest game attended in terms of innings (14). Thought it might never end when the Pirates loaded the bases in the top of the 14th---with no out---and failed to score.

Meanwhile, it is, indeed, turning out to be one heck of a LTBNL pennant race. It looks like it could go down to the last day, maybe even the last game of the day, and end up being decided by one good---or bad---pitching outing. Best of luck to the Rick Shaws over the next two weeks!

On 09-19-2012 at 08:59:09 AM The Commissioner wrote:

First, a belated thanks to KC for organizing last week's LTBNL outing to the Reds-Pirates marathon 14-inning contest. A hardy band of five LTBNL owners made it through 12 innings and approximately 3,500 runners left on base before calling it a night. Thanks, KC!

Second, another Commissioner's Trophy update (through games of 9/17):

Show Hoffs 79.0  
Wonders 74.0  
Nowledge 57.5  
Peckers 52.5  
Udawgs 49.0  
Fever 46.0  
etc.

Two weeks to go! Good luck to everyone down the stretch. It looks like we'll have a battle for the ages for first place this year!

On 09-10-2012 at 5:06:15 PM The Commissioner wrote:

Commissioner's Trophy Update, for those who are interested:

If the season ended today, the Commissioner's Trophy and \$120 cash prize would go to the Wonders. They hold a slight 79.0 - 78.5 advantage over the Show Hoffs. The Nowledge are in third, but well back with 53.5 points, followed by the Peckers at 48.5, Udawgs at 47.5, and, well, things deteriorate further from there. I'll continue to keep you updated.

On 08-30-2012 at 8:58:23 PM Joshua Trees wrote:

Willing to trade my new closer, one of my Miami catchers, and a few guys on the dl. Serious inquiries only. Oh, solis, I have an 11\$ pitcher that has your name written all over it.

On 08-30-2012 at 11:51:49 AM QuagMyers wrote:

Panda for sale. Affordably priced (\$13F), currently healthy, cuddly, experienced in martial arts. Lifetime .304/.354/.494 and WAR of 15.7. Willing to package with Chipper, Weeks, Wheeler, Hanson, Snider, Tabata, Norris, in order to send him to a good home. Inquire by midnight tomorrow.

On 08-30-2012 at 10:59:16 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

K.C.,

I don't believe in Merv or the toy box. Lots of baseball left to be played, and things seem to change everyday. Any prediction or a runaway is completely off base.

On 08-30-2012 at 10:46:09 AM Green Monsters wrote:

Interesting attempt by the Shaws to divert the Roto-Gods over his football faux pas by declaring the Monsters the favorite. However, the OnRoto Toy Box says it will be the Shaws in a runaway. The Monsters and Train have been struggling to keep up with the Votto-less Shaws. So, I think the clearest crystal ball says a title for the Shaws, with the Train and the Monsters battling it out for 2nd.

On 08-30-2012 at 09:10:13 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

Anyone interested in making a deal before our deadline tomorw?? Shaws on the Block:

Mesocraco  
Worley  
De La Rosa  
Campana  
Elmore  
Kelly  
Leake  
Shaws 1st Round draft pick

On 08-30-2012 at 09:07:11 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

The Rick Shaws would like to go on record as stating first that any championship talk is extremely premature at this point, as the Monsters appear to be the team to beat as of today, and this three team race should go down to the wire.. Secondly, after careful consideration of the posts made by the Quags, Wonders & the Train, plans for Monday evening September 10th have been reconsidered, and the Shaws will attend the 1st annual September Reds LTBNL outing at the risk of disappointing the Boy Wonder. Our beloved commish made a very good point regarding one of mans greatest inventions (DVR) & knows I have a very hard time ever turning down an opportunity to "quaff a few ales". Also.....this is not the time of year to upset the Roto Gods. Game On.

On 08-30-2012 at 12:15:55 AM SolTrain wrote:

There was no intent to mock and the Roto Gods know this. They are more concerned right now with why Rick must watch a Bengals game rather than regale in his first championship. Seriously. The Bengals? At least the Reds have a remote chance of making something of their season.

On 08-30-2012 at 12:10:29 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Dare you mock me? Roto gods, anything?

On 08-29-2012 at 9:19:08 PM SolTrain wrote:

Tom,

Can you please check with the league historian on whether or not a team has ever finished last in every hitting category? Was looking at standings trying to figure out if 3rd place is my destiny and noticed that the Trees are 1/1/1/1/1 in hitting points.

Thanks!

On 08-28-2012 at 10:36:19 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

I agree Tom. Rick, you need to be there. I didn't realize that was the reason behind you bailing.

On 08-28-2012 at 5:35:39 PM QuagMyers wrote:

As much as I'd like to meet Steve's son, I am officially calling Rick out for bagging an LTBNL outing so that he can watch the Bengals on TV. Set your DVR, dude! You're about to take a pile of money from the rest of us (even though it's not about the money) and probably win your first LTBNL title. The least you can do is share a little camaraderie and quaff a few ales with your Roto-brethren for a few hours. September baseball beats September football every time.

PS ... Steve, no offense intended.

PPS ... Roto-gods, please take note.

On 08-27-2012 at 11:48:01 PM Green Monsters wrote:

I'm fine with the Geraghty youth plan. A 7 year old isn't likely to act much more juvenile than us Roto nuts and my 8 year old is a regular at games with me. Might this also be the start of the Wonders' succession plan? :-)

On 08-27-2012 at 10:19:09 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Rick - I will buy your ticket if the rest of the attendees don't mind me bringing my 7 year old son. He is a Reds nut.

On 08-27-2012 at 7:21:46 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Any of the Columbus boys interested in my ticket for the LTBNL game on 9/10, or would any of the attenders like to purchase and take a guest?

On 08-27-2012 at 7:08:53 PM SolTrain wrote:

"Pull a Solis" - working on a Wikipedia entry as we speak. Takes awhile though to expound upon a very rich and proud rotisserie history.

On 08-27-2012 at 6:51:04 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Re Doug's comment, seconded by the Commish, I understood that. But, I really did not want to waive the guy I had on conditional waiver UNLESS I got the free agent player and I assume that was the Show Hoff's position as well. So, the bottom line is any time you want to waive more than one player in order to open up enough salary room to pick up a free agent (i.e. "pull a Solis"), you have to do that bid manually. Is that correct?

On 08-27-2012 at 2:06:50 PM QuagMyers wrote:

Yes. Steve claimed him before I could finish putting the transaction through. That will be reversed also. Lee was not on waivers. Thank you.

On 08-27-2012 at 1:27:09 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

More confusion. Doesn't Lee go back to the Show Hoff's since his transaction for Gonzales was denied? Looks like he was picked up today?

On 08-27-2012 at 1:26:37 PM QuagMyers wrote:

Doug is exactly right. That's how it works. And a much more concise explanation than I was able to provide.

On 08-27-2012 at 1:23:17 PM Underdawgs wrote:

I applaud the decision by the Commish. As bad as it sucks, we have to follow the rules..... What did you shoot, Tom?

On 08-27-2012 at 12:45:37 PM Doug Outs wrote:

You can waive any player at any time on the website. The problem comes when you want to 'conditionally' waive a player (i.e. you only want to waive the player if you have the winning bid on the free agent in question).

On 08-27-2012 at 12:26:17 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Commish,

First, under the circumstances I hope the Show Hoffs aren't being fined for exceeding the salary cap? Second, just to be clear, if one wishes to pull a Solis and waive more than one guy in order to obtain a pricey free agent, he MUST do that through you and CANNOT do it via the automated bidmeister? If you look at the free agent bidding from yesterday, I did the same thing the Show Hoffs did---waiving one player and conditionally waiving a second in order to open up enough salary to make a substantial bid on Gonzalez. That seemed to me the only way to "pull a Solis" on the automated system.

On 08-27-2012 at 11:46:56 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Here's what happened with yesterday's free agent bidding:

The Show Hoffs were several time zones away yesterday morning, trying to work the Big Meister on an iPhone. They bid \$45 on Adrian Gonzalez and set the Bid Meister up to waive Carlos Lee. In the bottom section of Bid Meister, they set up conditional waives of two additional players, Brandon League and Wilson Valdez. They intended to waive all three players to clear space under the salary cap to acquire Gonzalez. This is a move (commonly called "Pulling a Solis") that we voted to legalize several years ago. (See 16.6). Dan didn't realize that he would only be waiving one player, as far as the system understood him, since he was only acquiring one free agent.

Bid Meister's interface is confusing and convoluted at times; it's far from being intuitive to the user, especially on a smartphone. At times, it has failed completely. I wish Dan had waived the two extra players using the regular (non-Bid Meister) transaction program before the deadline, or e-mailed me explaining what he was trying to do. As everyone knows, BM runs at noon every day, and our daily deadline for free agent moves is noon (See 13.2). But yesterday's first pitch deadline was 1:10 pm, and Dan didn't realize where he'd gone astray until after that. For what it's worth, I didn't know exactly what had happened either, other than that he was over the cap. I sent an e-mail to him (and to two other teams with illegal rosters) at 1:04. Dan texted me at 1:26 asking whether he'd done his transactions correctly, but by that time I'd already left the house for some excruciatingly bad golf, and wasn't able to figure everything out until this morning. Dan also waived the extra two players on the TQS site, but again, that was after the 1:10 deadline (those moves are showing up in today's transactions).

Rule 21.2 says that if a team is found to be in violation of the cap, all the transactions causing the violation are to be reversed. I've explained to Dan that that's what I'm doing, and why it happened. I know it's a harsh sanction, given that he was clearly trying to waive enough players to have the cap room, but I don't see way around Rule 21.2. I hope everyone understands that by strictly enforcing the rule, I'm trying to be as fair as possible to everyone involved.

The next highest bid was the Wonders at \$37, so Steve gets Gonzalez.. I'll have everything updated shortly.

Sorry about the long post. Good luck to everyone during the last few weeks of the season. Remember

that August 31 is the last day to purchase a free agent or make a trade, but you can still claim a player on waivers after August 31.

On 08-27-2012 at 07:30:00 AM The Commissioner wrote:

I appreciate everyone's patience while I work through yesterday's free agent bidding. I will have things sorted out later today. Thanks.

On 08-26-2012 at 6:02:39 PM Show Hoffs wrote:

Showhoffs submitted conditional waives that should have resulted in roster below the salary cap..

On 08-26-2012 at 3:33:28 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Do I get Gonzalez for \$37 since Hoffs exceeded salary cap and as such, the transaction gets reversed?

On 08-26-2012 at 1:01:03 PM SolTrain wrote:

Curious as to when we voted to raise salary cap to \$400?

On 08-26-2012 at 12:30:57 PM The Commissioner wrote:

First pitch today is 1:10 pm.

On 08-26-2012 at 12:29:13 PM The Commissioner wrote:

... expecting a call from the RotoPolice shortly ...

On 08-26-2012 at 11:09:30 AM Gregory Peckers wrote:

The Peckers claim \$17 for Loney.

On 08-26-2012 at 10:09:14 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Note: I've received "manual" bid(s) for today's FAAB extravaganza.

On 08-25-2012 at 07:02:39 AM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Claim \$15 for Drew.

On 08-24-2012 at 2:16:11 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

And look, Underdawgs are 5.5 points away from being relegated.

On 08-24-2012 at 11:23:09 AM Doug Outs wrote:

In my estimation, 4th place gets 10% of the pot (roughly \$300) and 5th place most likely gets the Commissioner's Trophy (\$125) and Hamilton. Sixth place gets squat.

On 08-24-2012 at 11:21:27 AM Doug Outs wrote:

Correction. It is a three team race for 4th place and the runner-up gets Billy Hamilton.

On 08-24-2012 at 11:16:17 AM Underdawgs wrote:

And check out the three team race for the 4th spot and a trip to the playoffs..... 7 teams all still playing for playoffs.

On 08-24-2012 at 11:15:22 AM Underdawgs wrote:

On 08-24-2012 at 09:19:17 AM Green Monsters wrote:

Wow! What a pennant race we have going here! Leader changes almost daily and so tightly bunched. In the words of Pete Rose after Game Six "I am just happy to be playing in this one!". Good luck to all down the stretch!

On 08-22-2012 at 6:16:32 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Interesting - shortly after I waived Randy Wolf, the Brewers released him. Do you think they are following my moves?

On 08-22-2012 at 10:43:33 AM Green Monsters wrote:

I'm not sure what number of players justifies a team name adjustment, but don't forget about Rick's Reds (7 Reds on the Rick Shaws). But, of course, it's a very good year to be a Red!

On 08-21-2012 at 9:30:19 PM Doug Outs wrote:

Reds minor leaguer Billy Hamilton set pro baseball's stolen base record by swiping his 146th base of the season Tuesday. The previous record was set by Vince Coleman back in 1983.

On 08-21-2012 at 3:12:56 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

You told me you wanted Garrett Jones bad. It's taking over. Resist.

On 08-21-2012 at 2:38:17 PM Doug Outs wrote:

Sol Train has 7 Cubs. Doug Outs have only 3 Pirates.

On 08-21-2012 at 1:02:50 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

In addition to the Sol Cubs, we now have the Doug Pirates.

On 08-20-2012 at 2:58:36 PM The Commissioner wrote:

Friendly reminder: A trade can't take effect until all the teams involved have active rosters that are in compliance with our position requirements. See Rule 14.7. It's almost always better for you to e-mail your corresponding moves to the League Office rather than trying to make them yourself. When I get a notice from OnRoto that a trade has been made through the Trade Center, I approve it (and that's when you get the e-mail announcing the trade), but that's not the last step. I can't finalize rosters for that day's games until all 12 teams have balanced rosters for that day's games. If you make the moves yourself, and you do it after our noon deadline, OnRoto considers those moves to be effective the following day ... probably not the day that you intended. Bottom line: If we don't have balanced rosters by the time of the first NL pitch, I have to reverse the trade. Thanks.

On 08-18-2012 at 8:03:31 PM The Commissioner wrote:

That is correct. It's fixed now and remaining FAAB adjusted. Thanks.

On 08-18-2012 at 11:59:44 AM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Trees got Navarro for \$2, not \$1, correct?

On 08-18-2012 at 08:57:09 AM The Commissioner wrote:

All the free agent moves for the last three days should be caught up now. Sorry about the delay and thanks for your patience.

On 08-17-2012 at 11:01:51 AM Gregory Peckers wrote:

The Commish would like you all to know that there was a problem with FAAB on 8/15. He is out of town and has asked me to inform the league that he will fix it tonight or tomorrow. Thank you for your understanding.

On 08-17-2012 at 08:17:37 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

\$1 for beato...just because

On 08-15-2012 at 10:19:52 AM Underdawgs wrote:

Desmond back on Friday, Lee and Zimmerman if you can move cap space, Alonso at 17.....

On 08-13-2012 at 11:38:36 AM Green Monsters wrote:

Absent further word, I am going to go ahead and get tickets for the Monday night Sept. 10 Reds game vs. the Pirates late this afternoon (3:30 p.m.). At this point I have the following folks IN: Steve Geraghty, Tom Myers, Dan Hoffman, Rick Rolfes, and me. If anybody else wants in, please let me know ASAP (i.e. by 3:30 p.m. today).

On 08-07-2012 at 8:21:53 PM QuagMyers wrote:

Only five players in history have ever hit .300 and slugged .500 at age 40-plus: Musial, Williams, Baines, Moises Alou, and Cap Anson. Chipper is .320/.516. (Minimum 300 AB, h/t Jayson Stark).

On 08-07-2012 at 12:13:47 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Folks,

It looks like Monday Sept. 10 is the best choice for LTBNL Reds game round #2. Right now I have in for that one: Steve, Tom (Myers), Rick, Dan (Hoffman), and K.C. Please let me know asap if any of you are no longer in!

I have as maybes: Doug, Greg, and Brad. Gentlemen, has your schedule clarified? Can I count you now as an in? If not, when will you know? Please advise ASAP!

Josh, any chance your schedule has changed enabling you to join us?

Meanwhile, Tom Arnold remains a no show. Has anybody seen hide or hair of him???

K.C.

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On 08-06-2012 at 09:36:40 AM Doug Outs wrote:

Doug Outs claim \$10 for the loss of Jeff Baker :)

On 08-02-2012 at 11:07:16 AM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

How much will Solis pay for Alberto Cabrera today? I say at least 5.

On 08-01-2012 at 12:02:31 PM SolTrain wrote:

SolTrain claim \$37 FAAB compensation for loss of Ryan Dempster, Geo Soto and Casey McGehee to the AL.

On 07-28-2012 at 08:57:48 AM QuagMyers wrote:

Quags claim \$25 FAAB compensation for loss of Zack Greinke to the AL.

On 07-26-2012 at 5:17:21 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Wow, that was a blockbuster.

On 07-26-2012 at 1:22:06 PM Underdawgs wrote:

The U-Dawgs have called a Press Conference for tomorrow at 4 pm We ask that all media please refrain from contacting the U-Dawgs until after the press conference.

On 07-24-2012 at 1:30:30 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

\$31 for Sanchez and Infante please....both waived today by the Wonders.

On 07-23-2012 at 12:04:32 PM Joshua Trees wrote:

\$9 for crHAPP please....

On 07-22-2012 at 01:12:52 AM Green Monsters wrote:

I worked a typo into my last message on this subject.... The proposed dates for round two of LTBNL night at the Reds are either Monday Sept. 10 or Tuesday Sept. 11 (Not Sept. 12). BOTH night games. Right now Sept. 10 is the leading candidate. If you have not already done so, please let me know asap if you can and would attend on one or either of those dates!

On 07-21-2012 at 11:14:19 AM Dan's Fever wrote:

\$10 for Brandon Lyon, please.

On 07-20-2012 at 6:19:42 PM Green Monsters wrote:

So far I have only heard from Steve and Josh re doing another Ltbnl Reds game this year. Choices are mon sept 10 or Sept 12 are options. Let me know!

On 07-19-2012 at 12:25:24 PM Joshua Trees wrote:

Available trees: happ, buck, Werth...will package for back up catcher

On 07-19-2012 at 10:38:33 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

Shaws will pick up Henry Blanco today if anyone is interested in trading me an All Star for him.....

On 07-19-2012 at 09:26:07 AM Green Monsters wrote:

I would bet that a first round draft pick went from the Show Hoffs to the Quags as well....

On 07-19-2012 at 07:12:11 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

Am I reading this right? Yadier Molina was traded for Brett Hayes? Seriously??

On 07-19-2012 at 07:12:01 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

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On 07-18-2012 at 6:43:20 PM Green Monsters wrote:

If only you weren't too far away to catch Rick!

On 07-18-2012 at 1:45:42 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Apparently the ales were really flowing. Well played KC

On 07-18-2012 at 1:26:21 PM Show Hoffs wrote:

Most of the damage was self inflicted.. That said - no hang over regret's here

On 07-18-2012 at 1:20:20 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Ya gotta do what ya gotta do! :-) ...But note that the Quags also got the Monsters' First Round pick in next year's reserve draft.....

On 07-18-2012 at 1:10:32 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Did Monsters get Hoffs and Quags drunk last night?

On 07-18-2012 at 09:16:25 AM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

I could do the 10th.

On 07-18-2012 at 08:31:47 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

unfortunately i will be in las vegas that week and wont be able to attend. Also, i am quite certain that the columbus contingent will be at the USA/Jamaica world cup qualifier on the 11th at Crew Stadium so they are most likely out as well ;)

On 07-18-2012 at 01:06:57 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Sorry to step on KC's post. Please see below and let the Monsters know what you prefer. Pirates-Reds baseball that matters in September! Shades of 1990.

On 07-18-2012 at 01:01:28 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Many thanks to KC for organizing tonight's outing to the D-backs/Reds game. The Doug Outs called the outing our league's "Summer Meeting," and it did have that kind of a feel to it. It was great to see everyone, and we had : Great seats, great camaraderie, a couple of trades, a few near-trades, quaffable ales, some eye candy if you pay attention to things like that, and a Reds' win. Huge thanks also to the Columbus folks for making the drive down. Very much appreciated. To those who couldn't make it, due to vacations or work: We missed you. There was talk of another outing in September .... I hope we can pull that off and do it again. To everyone, I'd like to say, in the 24th (!! ) year of this league's somewhat improbably long existence, thanks for everything. Despite my own team's woeful standing, I'm happy and proud to be associated with a group of men such as you. [If that's too sappy, eff you.] Best of luck to everyone in the second half. And again, thanks very much KC!

On 07-18-2012 at 12:42:18 AM Green Monsters wrote:

Although a majority of owners were not able to make this year's annual Itbnl Reds game (5 attended), the game saw a great deal of action nonetheless. In addition to a convincing Votto-less Reds victory over the D-Backs, 2 big Itbnl deals were struck and several more are on the cusp.

In light of the success of tonight's event, the fact that a majority of owners were unable to attend, the prior suggestion that a September game be considered, and an intriguing Sept. matchup between the Reds and Pirates, I propose we do a second Itbnl Reds game this season. The choices are Mon. Sept 10 or Tuesday Sept. 11, both night games and both against the Pirates. Please let me know asap: 1) if you are in; and 2) which game you prefer/are able to attend. Once we settle on a game and # of attendees, I will get in touch with the Reds and get us primo seats.

On 07-11-2012 at 5:04:15 PM The Commissioner wrote:

Two nights with no baseball! I hope everyone is prepared to reintroduce himself to his family and possibly watch a "movie," read a "book," or play a "board game" the next two nights. (There's always APBA or Strat-O-Matic). As we get ready to start the second half, I wanted to remind everyone about the "Commissioner's Trophy," a new innovation this season. You might remember from our (unanimous) vote prior to the Auction/Draft ... the idea was to try to disincentivize merger-dump trades to some extent and give the second-division teams something to play for. A handsome cash prize will be awarded to the team that fares the best under our roto-rules from here on out but doesn't finish in the money. I will be keeping track of the Trophy standings in a spreadsheet of some kind and will post results from time to time (or possibly share it in Google Docs).

Good luck to everyone in the second half. Looking forward to seeing a lot of you next week at the Reds-D'Backs game .... Many thanks to KC for organizing it again this year.

On 07-04-2012 at 2:46:41 PM The Commissioner wrote:

.... annnnd, as it turns out, Josh was apparently able to make the claim himself. No commish intervention required. Carry on, and enjoy the holiday.

On 07-04-2012 at 11:02:19 AM The Commissioner wrote:

The Joshua Trees have claimed Gorkys Hernandez on waivers. I'm announcing it now, in lieu of the usual cryptic "manual bids have been received" message, because no one can trump Josh. Happy Fourth everyone!

On 06-29-2012 at 8:56:48 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

So far, I have been offered a part time outfielder and two pitchers that just had/will be having Tommy John surgery for Victorino, Fowler and Goldschmidt. Come on guys, you can do better than that.

On 06-27-2012 at 9:53:08 PM The Commissioner wrote:

Yes, all bids were taken into account when Bidmeister was run yesterday. As it turned out, the manual bids were not a factor. As commissioner, I have the ability to review all the bids every day and either approve the way Bidmeister handles them or intervene and award players to the prevailing team myself. Usually, my intervention isn't necessary and I can just approve the way the software handles it. Still, any team can always bid by e-mailing me or sending a message on the site. That is often a lot easier when there are salary cap implications or a lot of contingent bids or the like, and to be clear, it is always OK to

do that. I posted the message about there being "manual" bids because I wanted everyone to know that there was at least a chance that a bid that didn't show up on the site could trump the ones that did.

Thank you, everyone. And at the risk of beating this into the ground... It's always okay to bid on a free agent up until noon, even if you can't use Bidmeister, and it's always okay to make a transaction up until the first NL pitch. Just e-mail the League Office. Finally, if you win a player in FAAB bidding and he doesn't immediately show up on your team, that's my fault. Please don't hesitate to send me a reminder e-mail ... there are days when I don't get a chance to put things through right after noon.

On 06-27-2012 at 12:25:27 AM Green Monsters wrote:

So, what was the manual bid and has it been incorporated into the 6/26 free agent bidding?

On 06-25-2012 at 2:16:23 PM The Commissioner wrote:

FYI: The League Office has received manual FAAB bid(s) for tomorrow, 6/26.

On 06-22-2012 at 10:08:40 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Selling. Inquire within.

On 06-15-2012 at 11:42:41 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Is there a bigger pussy in baseball than Jason Bay?

On 06-12-2012 at 2:21:41 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

It is nice to get timely and valuable analysis such as what I found on Rotowire today about Roger Bernadina today. "The hamstring injury could cost Bernadina a few days, but the length of his absence will depend on how long his leg takes to heal." Thank you, Rotowire.

On 06-01-2012 at 9:11:14 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Randy Wolf will be on the waiver wire soon. If you would like to trade for him at \$8, let me know.

On 06-01-2012 at 08:17:34 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Oswalt was not traded to an AL team; he signed as a free agent. There is no compensation. See Rule 16.8. Sorry, U-Dawgs.

On 06-01-2012 at 07:21:25 AM Underdawgs wrote:

The U-Dawgs would like to claim \$11 of FAAB money for Roy Oswalt signing with an American League team. Best Regards.

On 05-29-2012 at 11:37:13 AM The Commissioner wrote:

The League Office neglected to put through a couple of FAAB purchases on Sunday. My apologies to the affected teams. The error has been corrected, retroactive to May 27. Thanks.

On 05-09-2012 at 12:34:24 AM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Shitty pitchers for sale. On the clearance rack: Bailey, Wolf, Correia and Salas. Get them at their lowest prices of the season.

On 05-08-2012 at 4:47:13 PM Green Monsters wrote:

Monsters claim their \$7 for the loss of Frieri to the AL.

On 05-02-2012 at 07:07:58 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

dont deflect.

On 05-02-2012 at 07:07:48 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

dont deflect.

On 05-02-2012 at 06:39:07 AM Karnold Knowledge wrote:

The Knowledge pleads ignorance and waives Byrd accordingly. Roto place (i.e. upper division)kicking a man while he's down.... meanwhile, April dumping?

On 05-01-2012 at 11:50:28 PM Doug Outs wrote:

Roto Police Blotter....the Knowledge did not waive Marlon Byrd within the 7 day requirement.

On 05-01-2012 at 06:44:17 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Was it really a dump trade? I increased in points yesterday after the trade.

On 05-01-2012 at 06:44:16 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Was it really a dump trade? I increased in points yesterday after the trade.

On 05-01-2012 at 06:44:03 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Was it really a dump trade? I increased in points yesterday after the trade.

On 05-01-2012 at 12:44:02 AM Gregory Peckers wrote:

Earliest dump trade ever?

On 04-30-2012 at 6:22:26 PM The Commissioner wrote:

Sorry, everyone, about the double e-mail you may have gotten regarding the Rick Shaws - Joshua Trees trade. The trade was made before the first game today and the first time I put it through, I inadvertently made it effective tomorrow. If the Roto Police need corroborating evidence, let me know. If you want to change your e-mail preferences so you don't get so many notices, go to "team set-up options" under "team pages." Thanks.

On 04-30-2012 at 2:27:42 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Press Conference scheduled for this afternoon at Shaws headquarters to announce the first trade of the season.

On 04-23-2012 at 11:28:08 PM QuagMyers wrote:

Good job, Bud. "It appears management has no interest in a decision detailing how collection procedures weren't followed and the union has no interest in getting an explanation of a decision many believe let Braun off on a technicality."

<http://es.pn/laqr5>

On 04-23-2012 at 08:12:35 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

when is dumping permitted?

On 04-23-2012 at 07:01:49 AM Karnold Knowledge wrote:

The Knowledge would like to claim the free agent dollars (15) "lost" in the trade of Marlon Byrd. Club officials admitted that his .070 batting average will hurt the team's chances of securing the "worst batting average ever" title, but are confident that others (see Mayberry and Morgan) will pick up the slack. Offers from other clubs looking to trade aging hitters with slow bats are being also presently being entertained.

On 04-11-2012 at 4:26:52 PM QuagMyers wrote:

Hypocrisy defined: <http://bsun.md/lpsWsY>

On 04-06-2012 at 11:47:24 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Self-transacting and FAAB both seem to be running smoothly. Have at it!

On 04-05-2012 at 12:55:23 AM The Commissioner wrote:

The reserve draft is a wrap. It lasted about 43 minutes, start to finish, and the cost was \$56.71, including the FUSF surcharge, whatever that might be. (Probably has something to do with Barry Zito.) All rosters have been submitted and finalized ... no problems at all this year. The e-mailed transactions have been entered. You are now free to self-transact. As always, if you don't get your moves in by noon, just e-mail me prior to first NL pitch. FAAB should be up and running, but we might need to have someone try it to be sure. Five NL games tomorrow ... Happy Opening Day, everyone!

On 04-04-2012 at 08:05:40 AM The Commissioner wrote:

Reminder: Please hold off on entering your own transactions for another day or so. Following tonight's Reserve Draft, I'll enter all the rosters, finalize them, and then enter any transactions you've e-mailed me so far, so that they take effect in time for tomorrow's games. I'll give the go-ahead when it's OK for you to self-transact. Thanks! Talk to you guys tonight.

On 04-03-2012 at 3:12:36 PM The Commissioner wrote:

There's been a slight change to the Reserve Draft Grid posted on the Annex, as the Rick Shaws moved one of their frozen players today. Be sure to get the latest version prior to the Draft tomorrow night. Thanks!

On 04-02-2012 at 11:50:42 AM The Commissioner wrote:

The Reserve Draft will be held by conference call Wednesday night at 10:30. The call-in number is 800-610-4500, and the access code is 8510192. My apologies to all of those who preferred Tuesday night. More details on the Annex ... [lbnl.org](http://lbnl.org).

On 04-01-2012 at 12:54:39 PM The Commissioner wrote:

Thanks to everyone, and especially to Steve and Doug, for a great Auction. All rosters are now entered ...

as always, please check yours and report any errors. The Reserve Draft will be either Tuesday night or Wednesday night, probably at 10:30 EDT. (It only takes half an hour ...) If you have a strong preference, send me a message today. I'll announce the winner tomorrow morning. I'm sorry that it's not possible to accommodate everyone. but we'll make the best of it. Later today, I'll post the draft grid on the Annex, reflecting all the forfeited picks and draft pick trades. Thanks!

On 04-01-2012 at 09:22:05 AM Gregory Peckers wrote:

I respectfully disagree with Doug's analysis. I believe Doug's strategy is flawed in that it only analyzes rosters on draft day. We don't care about dumping on draft day. Under the old system (and the new one), we care about roster economics more on trade deadline day, so let's analyze it from that viewpoint.

This analysis starts with the following assumption: a team "loading up" for the stretch run will try to jam as much salary as possible on the active roster and trade their prospects for \$1 players to stash on the reserve roster.

Under the present system, there are 10 reserve slots, thus allowing for ten \$1 reserves, which means the maximum a team can have on the 25-man active roster at any given time is \$380, or an average of \$15.20.

Under the new system we passed, there are 9 reserve slots, thus allowing for nine \$1 players on reserve. There will be 23 active roster spots, so the maximum a team can have on its active roster at any given time is \$341, or an average of \$14.83.

So , actually, we just lowered the amount of salary that a contending team can load on their active roster by an average of \$.37 per player.

I figured this out before I made my proposal, but felt that it was too much information to include in it. All that being said, I would be in favor of further restricting the cap if that's what people want, but I suggest we use the system that we approved for one year and see how it goes. Thanks.

On 04-01-2012 at 09:07:14 AM Doug Outs wrote:

I got to thinking this morning about the new rule we voted-in yesterday for 2013...the one that reduced the auction salary cap to \$260, the in-season salary cap to \$350, and the Reserve list salaries to \$9 through \$1 instead of \$12 through \$3. In effect, what we've just done is raise the in-season salary cap.

Currently, if you add up the numbers 3 through 12 (3+4+5+6+7+8+9+10+11+12) you get \$75. Add \$75 to \$280 and you get \$355, leaving you \$35 under the in-season salary cap of \$390.

Under the new rule, when you add up the numbers 1 through 9 you get \$45. Add \$45 to \$260 and you get \$305, which is \$45 under the new in-season salary cap of \$350.

Therefore, I would like to propose we amend the new rule to reduce next year's in-season salary cap to \$330. This would make dump-trading a little harder to execute...but not impossible. At the very least, however, we should reduce the in-season salary cap to \$340 for next season.

On 03-29-2012 at 12:59:06 PM The Commissioner wrote:

All rosters should now be correct on this site. Please let me know ASAP if you find any errors. I circulated a Google Docs version of the Big Sheet last night. Hopefully you got it and have checked it out. Today I am updating it with the projected last minute moves of demoted players to reserve (since I won't be able to work on it at all tomorrow). If you have a player on your radar who might get sent down, let me know. I'll be on the road all day on Friday, but will be available by e-mail, cell, or text.

Thanks everyone! See you Saturday. Looking forward to it!

On 03-28-2012 at 10:10:08 AM Underdawgs wrote:

Dear Train,

Please direct your concerns, focus, and anxiety toward your own roster.

Best Regards,

U-Dawg Mgt

"Celebrating the 15th year Anniversary of the Magical 1997 team"

On 03-28-2012 at 07:00:27 AM SolTrain wrote:

Checking rosters this morning and what jumped out at me was that the UDawgs appear to be trying to keep more than 15 players. Assuming Tom fell asleep at the computer right before he was going to enter Brad's freeze list, because I'm sure Underwood got it in before midnight last night like everyone else did.

On 03-26-2012 at 6:58:51 PM Stevie's Wonders wrote:

Gentlemen -

My office address is 2074 Arlington Avenue 43221. You actually enter our building off of the side street called S. Mallway under what used to be a blue awning but is now faded purple with some moss on it. You can park right near the door and come up the stairs and around to the left. I will be here by 8:30 am getting things set up.

Please post here if you want me to stock up on coffee, water and pop. I am happy to also bring bagels and snacks if you all want to just BYOB. Just let me know as I don't want to stock up and then everyone bring their own snacks and then I end up eating all the shit at home and expanding my wasteline even more. I could even use a small amount from the LTBNL funds but only if you all agree that is okay and that you don't bring your own stuff (except for your booze.)

I am also expecting that those that still owe will have payment on Saturday - Fever, Nowledge, Shaws and a partial balance remaining from the Quags. Doug, I have a check made out to you for \$1,278 and will present it to you Saturday. Again, I apologize for not collecting earlier on in late fall.

On 03-25-2012 at 9:26:00 PM SolTrain wrote:

Work trip on April 4th and won't be available until about 10pm CT. Possible to do Tuesday instead?

On 03-25-2012 at 9:22:22 PM SolTrain wrote:

On 03-24-2012 at 12:18:24 PM The Commissioner wrote:

One more thing: Please submit your freeze lists by midnight on the night of Tuesday, March 27. I'll try to get them all entered and distributed by noon on Wednesday. Thanks!

On 03-24-2012 at 12:07:05 PM The Commissioner wrote:

One week from today, boys!

The 2012 LTBNL Auction Draft is Saturday, March 31 at 10:00 a.m. The Wonders have graciously offered to host again. Steve, when you have a moment, can you post your address? Please arrive on time so that we can vote on rules changes and get started. If you're not planning to be present in person, please let me know as soon as you can so that we can work out a Skype hookup or something.

For those who are still interested in basketball, the first national semi-final starts at 5:00 pm, so let's try to be finished before then.

There's been a request that we hold the Reserve Draft conference call on the evening of Wednesday, April 4. Any objections? It generally takes less than half an hour to complete. (There is a National League game that night, so presumably you could watch while drafting.)

We here at the League Office are excited about the new season. See you all next Saturday!

On 03-23-2012 at 01:16:27 AM Green Monsters wrote:

On the Block:

Johnny Cueto 11B  
Josh Collmenter 1B  
Hector Sanchez 1B  
Rafael Furcal 18X  
Jose Reyes 27X  
(and others---inquire within!)

On 03-22-2012 at 11:41:22 AM Gregory Peckers wrote:

For next year, I propose we go to 23 active players, 9 reserves (\$9 through \$1 salaries for reserve draft), \$260 auction day cap, \$350 in-season cap. Can I get a second?

On 03-22-2012 at 10:30:17 AM Doug Outs wrote:

A fair point made by the Rick Shaws and seconded by the Soltrain. Therefore, I would like to amend my proposal to just include the part about 2013. Reduce the in-season salary cap to \$360 in 2013.

On another note, it appears this will be Chipper Jones' 18th and final season in the LTBNL. At 12B, he has a reasonable salary and is perhaps a slight bargain. For a reasonable offer, he could retire in YOUR TEAM's uniform and perhaps go into the HOF in YOUR TEAM's uniform.

On 03-20-2012 at 12:09:36 PM SolTrain wrote:

Agree with RickShaws that changing cap for this season at this point in time would be tough on some.

Agree on 2013 reduction.

On 03-20-2012 at 11:50:10 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

I am all in favor of voting for changes for 2013, but would strongly object to a reduction to 380 for this year. Shaws made deals to acquire 2 extra picks in the first two rounds on the reserve draft last season, and need all the cap room I can get for my 10 reserves.. I would need to be aware of any changes before freeze day, as that could impact my freeze list. Shaws would cry foul on this one...

On 03-20-2012 at 10:59:55 AM Doug Outs wrote:

Fellow LTBNL Owners,

At the advice of our Commissioner, I am submitting the following proposal to change Article 21.1 of our Constitution. The goal is to have everyone contemplate the rule change and discuss it before the March 31st so that we can have a quick vote on it prior to the start of the Auction.

Article 21.1 currently reads as such:

1. From Auction Draft Day until the end of the National League season, no LTBNL team's cumulative salary, including both active and reserve rosters, shall exceed \$390.

The proposed change would reduce the In-Season Salary Cap from \$390 to \$380 in 2012 and to \$360 in 2013 and beyond. The change for 2013 coincides with the Houston Astros going to the American League which will presumably result in the LTBNL returning to 23 man rosters and a \$260 draft day salary cap.

The purpose of this proposal is to make dump trades a little more difficult to execute, yet not impossible. In my humble opinion, there are valid arguments both for and against dump trades. I believe reducing the in-season salary cap will appease owners on both sides of the issue and at the same time add a little more strategy to our beloved game.

Respectfully,

The Doug Outs

On 03-15-2012 at 08:44:00 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

Because it wasn't very good. Young Mr. Strasburg better step it up if he hopes to make the Shaws opening day roster.

On 03-15-2012 at 08:36:01 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Rick, why didnt you post Strasburg's line from last night?

On 03-12-2012 at 8:58:57 PM Doug Outs wrote:

On the Block:

Chipper Jones 12B

Mark Ellis 7B

Aaron Hill 20B

J.J. Putz 22B

On 03-12-2012 at 2:57:07 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Looks like someone is ready to get the season started:

Philadelphia IP H R ER BB K  
Worley 4 0 0 0 0 8

On 03-08-2012 at 10:27:14 PM Gregory Peckers wrote:

On the block:

Ted Lilly 19x  
Tony Campana 9b  
Andre Ethier 36b  
Jay Bruce 38b

On 02-06-2012 at 6:24:19 PM Rick Shaws wrote:

Good doing business with you today Josh. This league wouldn't have a hot stove if not for the Shaws and Trees.

On 02-03-2012 at 1:27:01 PM Doug Outs wrote:

Doug Outs "On the Block":

Need a Second Baseman?

Aaron Hill \$20B  
Orlando Hudson \$12B  
Mark Ellis \$7B

While your shopping, take a look at:

Shaun Marcum \$19B  
J.J. Putz \$22B

Finally, always remember that everyone has a price on the Doug Outs.

On 02-03-2012 at 11:50:31 AM Rick Shaws wrote:

Shaws "On the Block" if anyone wants to make a deal:

Domonic Brown \$12X  
A. Chapman \$12X  
J. Francisco \$4X  
C. Denorfia \$2X  
C. Volstad \$1B  
M. Pelfrey \$3X  
B. Hand \$5B  
A. Huff \$13X  
C. Richard \$6X

Still Virgins:

W. Flores \$10B

C. Marrero \$8B

W. Miley \$9B

On 02-01-2012 at 11:14:23 AM SolTrain wrote:

Soul Train founder dead of gunshot wound.

SolTrain management would like to clarify that Mr. Solis is alive and well. However, our hearts rest heavy upon the news that Don Cornelius - our patron saint - is no longer with us.

[http://www.cnn.com/2012/02/01/showbiz/soul-train-founder/index.html?hpt=hp\\_t3](http://www.cnn.com/2012/02/01/showbiz/soul-train-founder/index.html?hpt=hp_t3)

On 01-27-2012 at 8:06:55 PM The Commissioner wrote:

The LTBNL's 24th season is just around the corner. Draft Day is Saturday, March 31. We'll be drafting somewhere in the Columbus area ... details to follow. Contracts have been "rolled over" on this web site, so your roster should accurately reflect contract statuses for 2012. Freeze Lists are due March 27. Someone should step up and make the Friday golf outing happen!

On 01-26-2012 at 01:21:54 AM Green Monsters wrote:

I don't know that I can get out of the office on Friday March 30 to embarrass myself on the golf course, but having the draft on March 31 in Columbus works for me. As for Ryan Howard, though, I will need to pass. I've already got 5 potential keepers at 1B: Gamel, Belt, Loney, Rizzo, and Ike Davis. Anybody need a 1B? :)

On 01-24-2012 at 09:39:26 AM Joshua Trees wrote:

Seeing that my wife booked the family vacation on April 1st, i vote for march 31st as draft day. I would also vote for the first annual LTBNL golf scramble/skins game and that it be held Friday the 30th. I further suggest that it is certainly the columbus groups time to host. Finally, i would like to say that howard is available.

On 01-23-2012 at 11:58:05 AM SolTrain wrote:

Plans for the draft? Working on my number one reserve pick and waiting for Merv to get me access to RotoLab 2012...