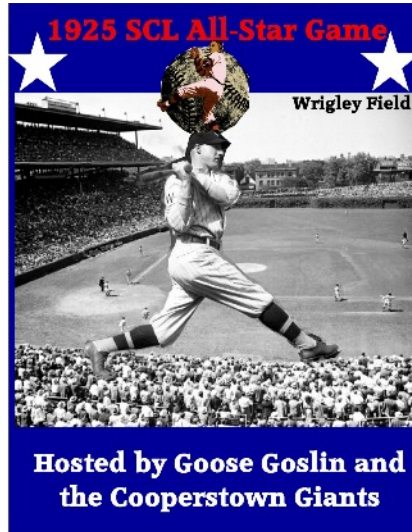


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SECOND CHANCE NEWS

What's News:



The 16th SCL All-Star Game will be played in Wrigley Field, home of the American League Cooperstown Giants. They are the final SCL franchise to host an All Star Game. Next season as per usual we will switch to a National League host. Who gets to be the host of the 1926 All Star Game. Let me know why your NL team should be the host. The GM that does the best job of convincing me, will earn the honor.

Let me know if you would like to pick the All Stars for your respective league this season. I believe Tim and I made the choices last season. So everybody else gets 1st dibs.

I'll be sending out the 1925 Hall of Fame ballot. It's a weak one, so we'll be voting for just 5 players per ballot. Look for the ballot in the coming days.

In past seasons we've had the Babe Ruth draft, the Rogers Hornsby draft, and the Lou Gehrig draft. 1926 will be the Mel Ott draft. I look forward to welcoming the future Georgia Pines OFer to the SCL. Other notables are Joe Cronin, Babe Herman, Tony Lazzeri, Paul Waner, and former Negro League pitcher Chet Brewer.



1925 Champion Pittsburgh Pirates



Players of the Week: 4/10-4/24

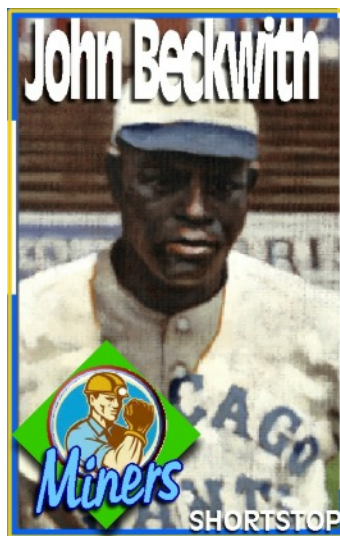
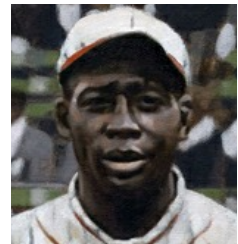
Hitters:

1. Glenn Wright(Caterpillars) .396-3-18, Grand Slam
2. Edgar Wesley(Pines) .403-5-17
3. Turkey Stearnes(Robins) .387-3-17



Pitchers:

1. Bullet Joe Rogan (Warbirds) 4-0. 2.45
2. Dazzy Vance(Storm) 3-0, 2.61, 1-shutout
3. Smokey Joe Williams(Miners) 2-0, 2.38, 4-saves



John Christopher Beckwith. “The Black Bomber” hitting .352 with 5 home runs for the League leading Kenmore Miners.



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GAME OF THE WEEK:

7/10/1905, SYR05-RRR05, Bennett Park

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	LOB	DP
1905 Sunspots (GP)	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	13	1	11	2
1905 Rascals (CCT)	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	12	1	8	1

	AB	R	H	BI	AVG		AB	R	H	BI	AVG
Sunspots						Rascals					
Jones, F	cf	4	1	0	.245	Dunleavy	rf	4	1	1	.253
Titus	rf	4	0	0	.279	Stahl, C	cf	5	0	2	.251
Graham	rf	1	1	1	.500	Schulte	lf	3	0	0	.221
Dolan, C	lf	5	0	3	.254	Anderson, J	1b	4	0	1	.201
Koehler	1b	5	0	1	.215	Falkenberg	p	0	0	0	.000
Warner, J	c	4	0	2	.184	Courtney	3b	4	0	1	.249
Ferris	2b	5	0	0	.230	Bowerman	c	4	0	2	.258
Wolverton	3b	5	2	2	.158	Parent	ss	4	0	2	.214
Brown, B	p	0	0	0	.000	Raymer	2b	2	0	0	.152
O'Leary	ss	3	0	2	.189	Cobb	ph	1	0	0	.196
McIntire	p	3	1	2	.174	Hummel	2b	1	1	1	.228
Neal	3b	0	0	0	.000	Flaherty	p	3	1	1	.161
		39	5	13	5	Chase	1b	1	0	1	.221
								36	3	12	1

	INN	H	R	ER	BB	K	PCH	STR	ERA	
Sunspots										
McIntire	W 11-7	8.2	12	3	2	2	6	124	82	1.88
Brown, B	S 4	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1.87
		9.0	12	3	2	2	6	127	84	

	INN	H	R	ER	BB	K	PCH	STR	ERA	
Rascals										
Flaherty	L 1-4	8.0	12	5	5	0	2	107	73	4.43
Falkenberg		1.0	1	0	0	1	1	24	14	1.94
		9.0	13	5	5	1	3	131	87	

SYR: Graham inserted at rf in the 7th
 Neal inserted at 3b in the 9th
 RRR: Cobb batted for Raymer in the 7th
 Hummel inserted at 2b in the 8th
 Chase inserted at 1b in the 9th

E-O'Leary, Raymer. 2B-Wolverton(11), O'Leary(5), Courtney(17), Parent(7), Flaherty(1), Hummel(1). HR-McIntire(1). RBI-Dolan,C(42), Ferris(10), McIntire 3(4), Anderson,J(21). CS-Stahl,C, Bowerman. K-Jones,F, Dolan,C, Koehler, Dunleavy, Schulte 2, Bowerman, Parent, Flaherty. BB-Warner,J, Dunleavy, Schulte. SH-O'Leary. HBP-Jones,F, McIntire. HB-Flaherty 2.
 GWRBI: McIntire

Because MLB went all *Field of Dreams* this week, I thought I'd give Moonlight Graham his second chance.

I adjusted his real life stats to 1 AB, and in hopes of fulfilling his dream of stretching a double into a triple, I made his one hit a triple. I put him in the SCL with the 1905 Sunspots(Pines) and simulated a game, putting him in as a defensive replacement, but this time letting him get his chance to bat. He proceeded to fly out. I did it again....walk, again, fly out, again pop out, fly out.....on and on for over 10 simulations, until he finally got a hit. A line drive single to center. He eventually came around to score.

Close enough.

Moonlight Graham played on the 1906 New York State League Champion Scranton Miners. That season he also won the League batting title with a .335 average.

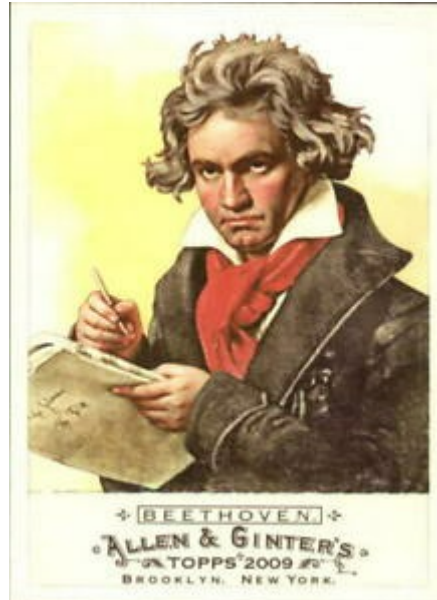


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Card of The Week:



Ludwig van Beethoven

Yes I have a Beethoven baseball card. This baby was issued by Topps in its Allen & Ginter's set in 2009. Some of the other non-baseball player cards include Napoleon, Abraham Lincoln, Amelia Earhart, and Edgar Allen Poe. Some non-existent representatives feature Bigfoot, Yeti, Loch Ness Monster, and a chupacabra.(AKA the goat-sucker)

I grew up listening to opera. My father was a huge fan, and he sang in the local opera group for years, as well as several choral groups. He had a very nice Irish tenor voice. I listened to as much Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo, Beverly Sills, and Maria Callas as I did Elvis and the Beatles. I hated it....still do.

When I was around 13 I remember watching *2001: A Space Odyssey*, and when the monolith was discovered by the chimps and the now iconic background music began to play I was awestruck by what I was hearing. It's not really opera...opera sucks... but this is cool...what is it? My father hooked me up with some Richard Strauss, *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*, and for me, the rest is non opera, classical musical history. Beethoven, Wagner, Bach, Mozart and Tchaikovsky were Rock and Roll before there was Rock and Roll. Listen to Beethoven's *Ode to Joy* and you'll understand.

Beethoven composed some of his best works after gradually losing his hearing in his 20's. He has a crater on Mercury named after him. That's Rock and Roll. I'm pretty sure Elvis doesn't have a crater named after him.