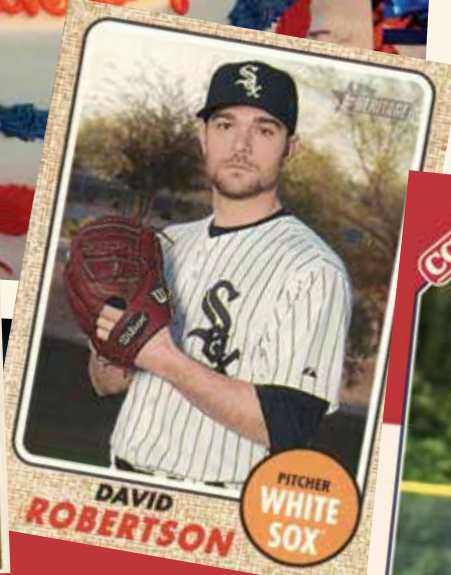
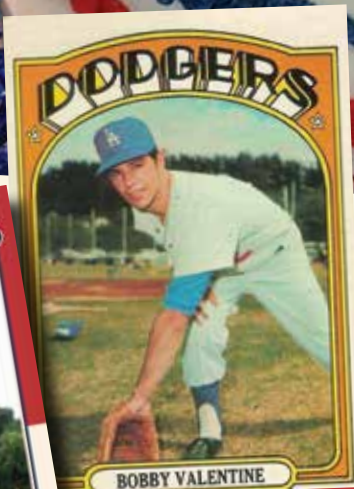




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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Welcome to Red-Wilson Field, home of the ten-time Cape Cod Baseball League champion Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox, as we celebrate our 80th anniversary!

This season's yearbook is a special edition celebrating our rich history. Inside, you'll find a complete history of the franchise by noted author and Cape Cod Baseball League historian Mike Richard, a full list of awards and achievements earned by our players, coaches, and staff, and an engaging interview with veteran manager Scott Pickler on the finer points of the game. Even the player bios are styled like mid-twentieth-century baseball cards, a tribute to our 1946 beginnings.

As we honor our past, we are also marking the third year of our facility upgrade project. In 2024, we added netting, fencing, pitch clocks, and a

brick-padded backstop. Last year, we improved our buildings and broadcasting infrastructure. This season, we replaced the outfield fence and added a warning track to enhance player safety. These upgrades were made possible by the support of the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Department, our local communities, and you – our fans – through your purchases of merchandise and concessions and your generous donations.

I wish to acknowledge our Board of Directors for their year-round efforts; the volunteers and interns that make things happen at our games; the local businesses that support us in many ways; the local families that host players and coaches; our 1946 Club members; and most of all, our loyal fans. Thanks to all of you, the Cape Cod Baseball League remains the nation's finest collegiate summer baseball organization.

Here's to another 80 years!

Paul Izzo, President

A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL MANAGER



as we celebrate our 80th anniversary.

Take a peek behind home plate and you will see Major League Baseball scouts watching the nation's top collegiate players. Over 300 Y-D alumni have played in MLB, including Buster Posey, Craig Biggio, and Chris Sale, just to name a few. This year's team will, without a doubt, include players that will follow in their footsteps to MLB and perhaps even the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown. Why just in the last two years, two of our players were drafted

Welcome to another season of the Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox! We hope you enjoy taking in America's Past Time in the unique atmosphere that is Cape Cod baseball. Buy a hot dog and a soda, grab a seat (and yes, keep that foul ball), and make cherished memories watching our Y-D Red Sox

by MLB in the first round, so get your cameras and autograph pens ready.

I want to thank the people that help make these games possible; our volunteers, game day staff, interns, committees, coaches, and team leadership who work tirelessly throughout the year. A special thank you goes to our Host Families, who open their homes to our players each year, providing support on and off the field to their "summer sons."

We also appreciate the Yarmouth and Dennis businesses, town leadership, D-Y Regional High School, and others who consistently show support for our team. Most importantly, we thank you, our fans, for your support, enthusiasm, and encouragement. Whether you are a first timer or a long timer we thank you for joining us here in the Cape Cod Baseball League, where "The Stars of Tomorrow Shine Tonight."

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DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
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Sunday June 14	@Orleans	Orleans – Eldredge Park	6:30pm
Monday June 15	vs Falmouth	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Tuesday June 16	@Chatham	Chatham – Veterans Field	7pm
Thursday June 18	@Wareham	Wareham – Clem Spillane Field	6pm
Friday June 19	vs Cotuit	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Saturday June 20	vs Bourne	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Sunday June 21	@Harwich	Harwich – Whitehouse Field	5:30pm
Tuesday June 23	vs Falmouth	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Wednesday June 24	@Brewster	Brewster – Stony Brook Field	5pm
Friday June 26	@Hyannis	Hyannis – McKeon Park	6pm
Saturday June 27	vs Wareham	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Sunday June 28	@Bourne	Bourne – Doran Park	6pm
Monday, June 29	@Cotuit	Cotuit – Lowell Park	5pm
Tuesday June 30	vs Chatham	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Wednesday July 1	@Falmouth	Falmouth – Guv Fuller Field	6pm
Friday July 3	vs Hyannis	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Saturday July 4	@Hyannis	Hyannis – McKeon Park	5pm
Sunday July 5	vs Orleans	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Tuesday July 7	vs Brewster	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Wednesday July 8	@Wareham	Wareham – Clem Spillane Field	6pm
Friday July 10	vs Bourne	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Saturday July 11	@Orleans	Orleans – Eldredge Park	6:30pm
Sunday July 12	vs Harwich	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Tuesday July 14	@Chatham	Chatham – Veterans Field	7pm
Wednesday July 15	vs Wareham	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Thursday July 16	vs Orleans	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	5pm
Friday July 17	@Harwich	Harwich – Whitehouse Field	4:30pm
Saturday July 18 – 2026 Cape League All-Star Game – Whitehouse Field, Harwich			
Monday July 20	vs Cotuit	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Tuesday July 21	@Brewster	Brewster – Stony Brook Field	4:30pm
Wednesday July 22	vs Hyannis	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Thursday July 23	@Cotuit	Cotuit – Lowell Park	4:30pm
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Friday July 31	vs Brewster	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm
Saturday August 1	@Bourne	Bourne – Doran Park	6pm
Sunday August 2	vs Chatham	S Yarmouth – Red Wilson Field	4:30pm

Playoffs Begin!

League
Champions

1958

1960

1989

1990

2004

2006

2007

2014

2015

2016

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SCOTT PICKLER

Field Manager
Experience: 28th Season
Alma Mater: San Diego State
Scott "Pick" Pickler returns for his 28th season. With over 620 wins and six CCBL titles, he is the most successful coach in league history.

Pickler also succeeded as a collegiate coach. In 1985, he took over a struggling Cypress College program and turned the Chargers into a respected California powerhouse, winning five state championships. He was chosen the National Coach of the Year for California Community Colleges four times. He was inducted into the Cypress College Athletics Hall of Fame in 2017, the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) Hall of Fame in 2019, the Cape Cod Baseball League Hall of Fame in 2019, and the California Community College Athletic Association (3C2A) Hall of Fame in 2025, along with his brother, Brad. Scott's wife, Sharon, who worked in education, raised two children; Jeff, who played baseball at Tennessee and currently serves as Bench Coach with the Colorado Rockies, and Kari, who, with her husband, Chris, operates a business running major events. Scott and Sharon are also blessed with two grandchildren, Bailey and Brandt. (See "The Mind of a Coach", page 28, for an exclusive interview with Pick.)



CRAIG GIANINNO

Assistant Coach
Started with Y-D: 2022
Alma Mater: Sacred Heart Cathedral High School Bellevue University (NE) '95 CWS Champion

Coach "G" Giannino returns for his sixth season with the Y-D coaching staff, where he serves as a well-respected leader, teacher, and mentor. With a deep commitment to player development, Coach G brings invaluable experience and perspective to Coach Pick's dugout. His steady presence, baseball acumen, and ability to connect with players make him a vital part of the Y-D Red Sox culture. A California native, Coach G played ball for City College of San Francisco where he was named team MVP, and completed his collegiate career at Bellevue University, where he led his squad to the 1995 NAIA National Championship. That team, dubbed "The Cardiac Bruins," was inducted into that school's Hall of Fame in 2018. Coach G is the proud parent of two daughters, Eliana and Sophie.



ERIC BEATTIE

Assistant Coach
Started with Y-D: 2025
Alma Mater: Tampa University
Beattie returns to Y-D for a second season. As a player, he pitched for the Bourne Braves while attending Tampa University. In one season with Bourne, Beattie accumulated a 4-0 record and

led the league with a 0.39 ERA – the third-lowest ERA in league history. Beattie later returned to the Cape, managing the Hyannis Harbor Hawks. In 2022, as interim manager, he earned the CCBL Manager of the Year award. Across two summers with Hyannis, Beattie led the Harbor Hawks to a 47-33-8 record. In 2024, Beattie was the Chatham pitching coach, and late in the season he took over as the interim head coach. In 2014, Beattie was inducted to the CCBL Hall of Fame.



ZACH GLEASON

Assistant Coach
Started with Y-D: 2026
Alma Mater: Rutgers
Zach was raised in Danville, New Hampshire, and currently resides in Gadsden, Alabama. He was a 2021 graduate of Timberlane Regional High School (N.H.) where he competed in baseball, football and

basketball. Zach played baseball at Stonehill College and Rutgers University. He graduated from Rutgers last year with a degree in Management and Employment Relations. This is Zach's first season with Y-D.



JACOB HEATH

Assistant Coach
Started with Y-D: 2026
Alma Mater: University of West Florida
Heath played two seasons at Polk State College, posting a 2.82 ERA with 4 wins and 7 saves in 2022. He then spent three seasons at University of West Florida,

earning 2nd Team All-Conference selections, winning two conference tournament championships, and making three NCAA Division II Tournament appearances. Following graduation, Heath returned to serve as Pitching Coach at Polk State.



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Friday is Family Fun Day! Adults join the fun for a "Kids vs. Adults" game and egg toss, which take place after clinic activities. The day ends with a water "slip and slide," so all kids should bring bathing suits, towels, and change of clothes.

PLEASE NOTE: Kids will be invited to one home game the week of the clinic to take the field with the Y-D Red Sox during the national anthem. Coaches will advise parents of the date. Please bring your child to the field the night of the game wearing his/her clinic t-shirt. Kids meet up at the third base dugout gate at 4:30, unless otherwise instructed.

2026 YOUTH BASEBALL CLINICS SCHEDULE:

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June 29-July 3
July 6-10
July 13-17
July 20-24
July 27-July 31



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CHRIS VOPINEK

Assistant Coach

Started with Y-D: 2025

Alma Mater: El Camino College, Cal State Dominguez Hills

Chris returns to Y-D for a second season. Chris has coaching experience with Cerritos College and Cal State Dominguez Hills.

A graduate of El Camino College,

Vopinek led the South Coast Conference in hitting his sophomore season and helped lead the Warriors to the 3C2A State Tournament in 2010. As a pitching coach for the Cal State Toros, Vopinek coached five All-California Collegiate Athletic Association selections.

JAKE MARR

Graduate Assistant Coach & Bullpen Catcher

Started with Y-D: 2026



COREY GRACE

Field Operations

Started with Y-D: 2020

Alma Mater: D-Y Regional High

A baseball park is a sensitive environment. Only certain types of grass, dirt, and clay are most durable. The field needs constant attention and maintenance, even on off days.

Grass must be watered and mowed. Irrigation systems must be maintained. The infield must be graded, and surrounding buildings need care. It's a big job.

Thankfully, the Y-D Red Sox have Corey Grace. Corey serves the dual role of field maintenance man and assistant coach, and is the go-to person whenever any issue arises at Red Wilson Field.

"We don't know where we would be without Corey," says Paul Izzo. "The entire organization relies on him to make sure our facility is in tip top shape, and his dedication to our team is inspiring."

EIGHTY YEARS AND COUNTING – A HISTORY OF YARMOUTH-DENNIS BASEBALL

By Mike Richard

Cape Cod Baseball League Historian

Ten Cape Cod Baseball League (CCBL) championships. Hall-of-Fame athletes and coaches. As the Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox celebrate their 80th anniversary, we take a fascinating look back at what has been a remarkable ride for this perennial-contending franchise.

There is evidence of baseball being played on the Cape just after the Civil War. Both Yarmouth and Dennis fielded teams, as did many towns across the peninsula. But when the Cape Cod Baseball League was officially established in 1923, neither community fielded a team.

After the CCBL observed a six-year hiatus during World War II, a new two-division format was inaugurated for the 1946 season. The five-team Upper Division consisted of Bourne, Falmouth, Mashpee, Sagamore and Sandwich, while the six-team Lower Division was made up of Barnstable, Chatham, Dennis, Harwich, Mass Maritime, and a new franchise, the Yarmouth Indians, who made their first home at Simpkins Field across from the town hall, managed by Ollie Hallett.

Then, rosters were made up mostly by town residents, but new rules were put into place. According to the book *Baseball By The Beach* by Christopher Price (Parnassus Imprints), "paid players were prohibited, and all players had to be 'bona fide residents of Cape Cod.' This was amended soon after to include all people with summer homes on the Cape, and, then again, to include all those who had summer jobs on the Cape."

Throughout the 1940's and into the early 50's, Yarmouth languished in the basement, usually finishing out of playoff contention as the season was divided into halves.

First playoff appearance

In the summer of 1953, under manager John Halunen, the Indians captured a first-half title and finished second in the second half of the season to qualify for the playoffs. Pitcher Cal Burlingame threw the first of two no-hitters for the squad. However, Yarmouth lost in the Lower Division finals to Orleans, 2-0. In 1955-1957, the Indians were frequent postseason qualifiers, losing twice in the finals and once in the semifinals.

Yarmouth's first title in 1958

The 1958 season brought Yarmouth its first taste of glory. After a third-place regular season finish, the Indians topped Brewster in the Division semifinals in three games, before dispatching defending champion Orleans in the Lower Division finals.

In the first game of the Finals, southpaw Jack Silver spun a three-hitter in a pitcher's duel over Sagamore's Bill Powers. Bob Roland's eighth inning single scored Silver

and Jim Hubbard with the winning runs. In the clincher, the Indians scored three runs in the third inning on singles by Bob Kendrick and Johnny Sears in a 4-3 victory. Winning pitcher Bob Sherman wriggled out of trouble to capture the title. The final out reportedly sparked one of the wildest celebrations in years in Yarmouth.

The following season, Yarmouth made another run before being eliminated in the Division semifinals by Orleans in two straight, 10-7 and 5-3.

Champions again in 1960

In 1960, the Indians rebounded, sweeping Dennis and Harwich in the playoffs before meeting up with reigning champion Sagamore. In the last of the ninth, Red Wilson scored on a single by centerfielder Smith to tie the game. After Sagamore grabbed a run in the top of the eleventh, the Indians rallied for two with Wade Mitchell riding home on a single by Wilson for the winning run. The series was decided in a Labor Day doubleheader with Sagamore taking the first game, 5-3 and then grabbing a 5-3 lead in the latter game on an Al Martin three-run homer. From there, Mitchell, Chet Hanewich and Bill Keefe each had a pair of hits, while Hanewich, Ed Connelly and Emile Johnson each scored a pair of runs for an 8-6 victory. Ron Normand pitched the championship victory giving manager John Halunen his second title in three years.

Keefe, who continues to visit Red Wilson field sixty plus years after his championship season, remembers the experience fondly. "Playing alongside and competing against the best players in the 1960's was so much fun and simply an amazing experience. It was truly my field of dreams."



Bill Keefe, member of the 1960 CCBL champion Yarmouth Indians, poses with team President Paul Izzo and Bill's championship jacket.





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In 1961, after finishing first for the regular season with a sparkling 26-4 record, the Indians swept Harwich in the first round before outlasting Orleans in a three-game classic. Red Wilson's two-run double with two out in the last of the seventh climaxed a five-run rally for the clinching win, 7-6. In the finals, Yarmouth faced Cotuit who, with a 24-4 regular season of their own, were hungry for their first title. Yarmouth captured the first game, 3-2 despite Cotuit's Dick Mayo throwing a brilliant one-hitter. However, Cotuit had the last laugh with a Labor Day doubleheader sweep, a five-hit shutout by Bernie Kilroy, 5-0, and then a 7-2 win behind 17-year-old Boston Latin lefty Bob Butkus who scattered nine hits for the Kettleers win.

After the '61 season ended, the Dennis Clippers disbanded and withdrew from the CCBL. There is a common misconception, owing to the modern name, "Yarmouth-Dennis," that the franchise merged with Yarmouth. That is not the case.

In 1962, the Indians made the playoffs again. They won the first game of the Division semifinals over Chatham, 5-1, before missing a chance to close out the series when Corky Schmoyer's single drove in game-winning run for the A's in the last of the 9th, for a 5-4 victory. Chatham went on to win the next game, which marked the last playoff appearance for Yarmouth for more than ten years.

The League Begins a Relationship with the NCAA

In 1963, the CCBL established a formal relationship with the National Collegiate Athletic Association, in which CCBL teams were then fielded increasingly by collegiate athletes. Although the "town team" vibe persisted, the influx of college players from a wider geographic area drove significant improvement in the quality of play.

Yarmouth inaugurates "Red Sox Day" on Cape Cod

On July 8, 1963, the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce sponsored its first-ever Red Sox Day. For the better part of the next decade, the Yarmouth chamber invited Boston Red Sox players, officials, and their families to an all-expenses-paid getaway to Yarmouth during the Major League Baseball All-Star break. The event was billed as "Yarmouth Red Sox Day." This was an important moment in franchise history, as it would later drive the nickname change.

The 1966 season saw the promotion of longtime Yarmouth player Merrill "Red Wilson" to manage the club for one season. The following year former Sagamore manager Lou Lamoriello headed the team in 1967, which was the last season that high school players were allowed in the league. Lamoriello brought in a young centerfielder from Connecticut by the name of Bobby Valentine, who began to hone the skills that made him a solid major leaguer throughout the 1970's, as well as a future manager of the Boston Red Sox. Remarkably, Lamoriello went on to excel in managing another sport – hockey. As general manager of the New Jersey Devils, he built three Stanley Cup champions and in 2009 was named to the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Sensing that "Yarmouth Red Sox" had a nice ring to it, and capitalizing on the excitement following the Boston Red Sox' 1967 Impossible Dream pennant-winning season, in 1968 the team shed the "Indians" moniker and took on the new nickname. Wilson returned to the manager's seat in 1968 and remained there through 1974.

Back to the finals

The 1973 Red Sox moved to the ballfield in Yarmouth which has been their permanent home ever since. On that field, Yarmouth finally returned to the playoffs and advanced, sweeping Chatham in the semifinals and moving on to the finals to meet defending champion Cotuit. In the opener, Kettleer hurler Jack Kucek spun a six-hitter for a 6-1 Cotuit victory. Game two went a total of eleven innings before being called after darkness, tied 6-6 and ruled a suspended game. Yarmouth came back in the next game behind manager Red Wilson's so-called "Italian Army" with hits by Steve Marino, John Basso and Bob Bianco leading the way behind Burt Bornstein's four-hitter, 4-2. However, from there Cotuit won the next two straight, 5-0 in a Ken Herbst five-hit shutout, and a 3-2 victory with Kucek authoring a five-hitter giving the Kettleers their second of four straight CCBL championships.

Bob Stead replaced Wilson as manager in 1975 and remained there into the 1978 season. Y-D returned to the playoffs that first season under Stead, meeting Falmouth in the semifinal series. Each winning team scored in double-figures in the first-round with Y-D picking up an 11-5 win in the first game, however, the Commodores came back to grab an 11-10 victory in ten-innings in game two, and then Falmouth took the clinching game, 13-2.

Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox are born

The 1977 season saw the birth of the "Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox." In the previously-noted book by Christopher Price, Y-D league official Don Tullie offered one explanation how the name came to be. "The reason Dennis came into the name was because, at the time, we used to get approximately \$500 from the Dennis Recreation Department, and they demanded to be included in the activities. So they literally bought their name... That's how the Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox came into the league." Others claim that the name acknowledges the fact that the team's home field is located at Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School. Whatever the reason for the name change, the team soon would be known to all as the "Y-D Red Sox."

In 1977, Y-D made their final playoff appearance for the next ten years, advancing to the championship round before a five-game series loss to Cotuit. The Kettleers were the dominant franchise of the decade, winning four straight titles between 1972-75. Y-D topped Chatham in three game semifinals, only to fall behind 0-2 against the Kettleers in the finals. However, Y-D valiantly rallied to win the next two games to even up the series. After capturing the first game of the doubleheader, 5-4, Y-D took a 3-0 lead only to have the Kets roar back to score an 8-3 victory

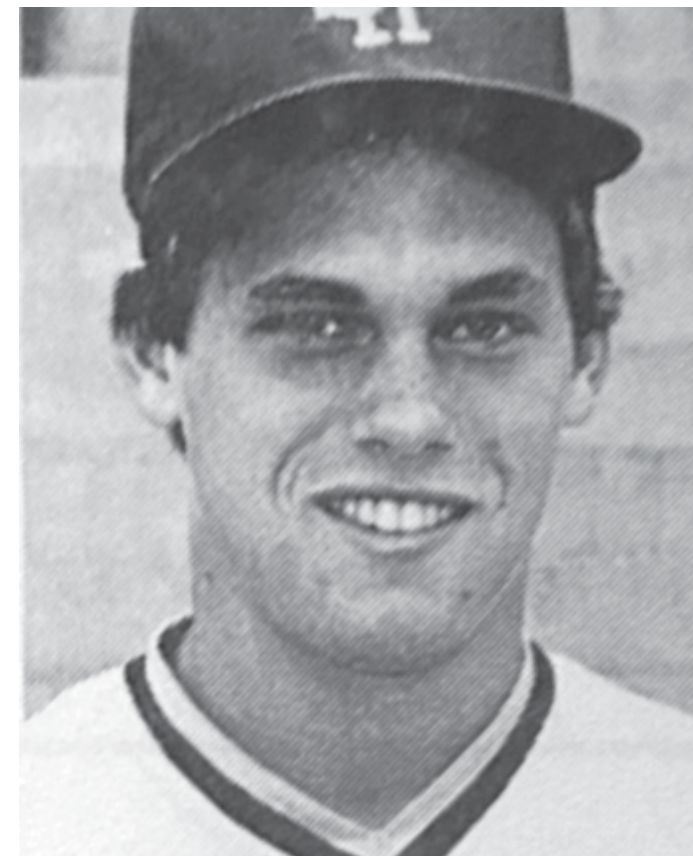
as Cotuit pitcher Kevin Waldrop retired twelve straight Sox batters in the championship game.

Wilson returned to the team as manager in 1979, but Y-D did not make the playoffs during any of his remaining seasons at the helm despite rostering future major league talent such as Kirk McCaskill, Mike Lavalliere, Glenn Sherlock, Jeff Musselman and Mike Bordick. Following the 1986 season, Wilson stepped down as manager after winning more than 250 games over his 16 seasons.

Don Reed welcomed as manager

In 1987, Y-D welcomed Don Reed as the new manager and his appointment paid dividends almost immediately as Y-D returned to the playoffs, advancing to the finals for the first time in ten years. The team was led by two future MLB stars, league MVP Mickey Morandini, who led the CCBL in batting (.376) and set a new single-season stolen base record with 43, and future Hall of Famer Craig Biggio, along with other future MLB players Joe Hall and Darrin Winston, Y-D lost to Harwich in an exciting three-game championship series.

Morandini would go on to a fine MLB career, playing more than a decade in the big's and earning a National League All-Star nod in 1995. When he was named to the Cape Cod Baseball Hall of Fame in 2005, he called it "the biggest honor" of his career. Biggio had an even bigger career in the pro's. As a two-decade member of the Houston Astros, Biggio joined the elite 3,000 hit club, and made seven National League All-Star appearances. He was named to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 2015.



Craig Biggio

The next season saw the emergence of future major leaguers Mike Mordecai, Denny Neagle, Steve Parris, and Cape Cod Baseball Hall of Famer Eric Wedge. Despite another playoff berth, Y-D lost in the semifinals to Orleans.

As the end of the decade neared, Yarmouth-Dennis put its stamp there and into the 1990s with back-to-back championships for the first time in franchise history.

In 1989, after finishing first in the East Division, Y-D met Brewster in the semifinals. In game one, Y-D nipped the Whitecaps 2-1 in 15 innings as Tom Green's one-out single drove in Mark Sweeney. At the time, it was the longest game in playoff history, only to be topped in 2008 when Harwich blanked Orleans 1-0 in an 18-inning marathon. After sweeping Brewster in the semifinals, Y-D dispatched Hyannis. In the first game, Jim Dougherty pitched a three-hit shutout and league MVP Kurt Olson and Sweeney each homered in a 9-0 rout. In the final game, playoff MVP Sweeney (.500 post-season average) laced a pair of triples to lead to a 6-1 championship victory.

In 1990, Sweeney returned and Y-D again captured the East title before sweeping Orleans in the semifinals. This time, their finals opponent, Wareham, featured a potent lineup with future MLB players Mark Smith (league MVP and batting title winner), Doug Glanville, Charlie Greene, and Brad Woodall. In the opener, Y-D's Kirk Piskor belted three homer, including two in an eight-run third inning for a 14-7 victory. After Wareham evened things up in game two, the final game came down to a walk-off. This year, instead of scoring the game-winner, Sweeney knocked a one-out single in the ninth to score Chris Turner for an 8-7 championship repeat. Sweeney, who went on to a fine career in MLB and was elected to the CCBL Hall of Fame, attributed much of his success to his time at Y-D. Sweeney said he "was just fortunate to be with Don Reed with Yarmouth-Dennis and be able to go down there and make adjustments and play better."

Despite the back-to-back championships, Y-D chose to not bring back manager Reed due to "philosophical differences" and appointed John Barlowe, who took charge from 1991-96. Ironically, Reed went on to manage the Wareham club and captured titles with them in 1994 and 1997, while Y-D failed to make the playoffs again until 2001.

Manager Scott Pickler takes the reins

After one season with Steve Cohen at the helm in 1997, where Jason McConnell (.345) captured the batting title and Edmund Muth hit seven round trippers for the home run title, Y-D tabbed a new head coach from Cypress, California. Scott "Pick" Pickler took over a struggling Cypress College program in 1985 and quickly turned the Chargers into a respected California powerhouse. It didn't take long for him to help Y-D enjoy an unprecedented run of success in the first decade of the 21st century, after making his Cape Cod League debut in 1998.

Y-D captured their first Eastern Division since 1989 during the 2001 season, before falling in the semifinals to Chatham. Then in 2002, following second place regular season finish, Y-D suffered another semifinals loss, this

time to Orleans. Both of those seasons, Jason Cooper captured the All-Star Game Home Run Derby, while Wes Whisler was awarded the 2002 Pro Prospect Award.

Finally, in 2004 everything came together for Y-D who again captured the East Division championship with such future Major Leaguers as Josh Butler, Will Harris, Matt LaPorta, Daniel McCutchen, Brandon Morrow, and Ryan Rohlinger. Y-D then advanced past the semifinals with a two-game sweep over Brewster.

A magical run for the Red Sox to go back-to-back

In the finals, Y-D met a Falmouth team that was West Division champions and took the first game in a 4-3 squeaker on Rohlinger's game-winning home run in the eighth inning. Game two at Falmouth saw the Sox come from behind to score a run in the ninth to tie the game. In the last of the tenth, outfielder Jim Rapaport made a sensational diving catch to keep the game scoreless. In the top of the eleventh, the Sox exploded for four runs which featured a two-run homer by Nick Moresi to capture their first championship since 1990.

Y-D missed the playoffs in 2005, but when they returned to the finals in 2006, they decided it was so nice they'd do it twice, going back-to-back for the first time since 1989-90. The common denominator for both of those teams was future MLB superstar Buster Posey, who played shortstop the first season and then came back as a catcher in the second, splitting time behind the dish that year with another future major leaguer, Jason Castro.

The 2006 Red Sox won another East Division title finishing first for the regular season with such future major league talent as Evan Crawford, Brad Emaus, Josh Fields, Jordan Pacheco, Posey, David Robertson, and Michael Taylor. After dropping the first game of the semifinals to Brewster in a 13-inning marathon, 4-2, they bounced back to take the next two games in succession, 3-1 and 6-5. On to the finals, Y-D again suffered an opening game loss to Wareham, 4-2. However, just like they did in the semifinals, Y-D won the next two in a row for the championship. In the clinching game, pitcher Terry Doyle – who won the league's outstanding pitcher award and hurled a no-hitter that season – took a perfect game into the fifth. He finished with nine strikeouts over six innings before handing the ball off to reliever Robertson. Manager Pickler asked Robertson, who had not allowed a run all postseason, if he could give him an inning. Robertson gave him three, retiring nine straight hitters to clinch the title.

"I went to David in the sixth inning and told him to be ready to give me one inning. He said, ok, but if he was going good 'don't come out and get me,'" Pick told the Cape Cod Times. Robertson went on to a 17-year career in Major League Baseball, winning one World Series title and earning 179 saves.

Buster Posey leads another title run

Perhaps one of the greatest Red Sox teams took the field for the 2007 season. The club welcomed back

Posey along with other future pros Gordon Beckham, Jason Castro, Collin Cowgill, and Grant Green. Y-D set a franchise record with 31 regular season wins, two shy of the record of 33 set by Hyannis in 1979. It was the fourth Eastern Division title for Pickler in ten seasons. Y-D then swept Chatham two straight in the semifinals before facing the Commodores of Falmouth in the finals.

After a first game rout which saw Y-D win 8-2, the second game was a pitcher's duel for seven shutout innings. In the top of the eighth, Posey came in to score on a suicide squeeze by Nick Romero. Later, Castro came in on a passed ball for an insurance tally leading to a 2-0 championship victory. It was their third title in four years.



Buster Posey

Posey went on to stellar career in baseball. He won three World Series titles with the San Francisco Giants, was named National League Rookie of the Year in 2010, won Most Valuable Player in 2012, and made seven NL All-Star teams before retiring in 2021. Now the President of Baseball Operations for the San Francisco Giants, Buster recalls his experience with Y-D. "Having spent two summers playing for Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox. I look back on those times very fondly. Aside from it being a magical setting to play baseball, I made friends in those summers that I still stay in touch with today. Having a chance to compete against the best collegiate talent in the country was instrumental in my development."

Ace Chris Sale dazzles on the mound

Beginning in 2009, Y-D made the playoffs for five straight years. Y-D finished first during the regular season in both 2009 and 2010 but did not capture another championship. The 2009 season was highlighted by the arrival of ace Chris Sale, who won the Outstanding Pitcher Award with a 1.47 ERA, while leading the league in strikeouts with 57. However, Y-D lost in the semifinals to Cotuit.

Sale, like Biggio and Posey, went on to a great MLB career, winning a World Series title with the Boston Red Sox, capturing a National League Cy Young Award with Atlanta, and earning nine All-Star Team nods. Sale also has fond memories of the Cape. "It was awesome," he told one podcaster. "When I went to the Cape, I knew I was a starter. That was kind of solidified, and I could just refine my skill," he told ESPN.



A familiar face was spotted at Red Wilson Field recently, as former Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox alum Chris Sale and his wife recently visited his old stomping grounds with his former host dad, John "Doc" Serjian!

In 2010, the league playoffs were expanded to include four teams from each division. Y-D swept Harwich in two straight before moving on to the semifinals, where they flexed their muscles against Orleans in another two-game sweep. The Kettleers, however, crushed Y-D's hopes in a three-game finals series as Y-D managed only two runs over three games.

The 2011 season ended with a two-game loss to Harwich in the semifinals. In 2012, Y-D returned to the finals only to lose in three games to Wareham. The 2013 season also saw another playoff run, but it ended in the first round to Chatham. However, that drought would only whet the team's appetite for what would follow beginning in 2014.

Red Sox earn an unprecedented three-peat for Y-D

-D became just third CCBL team to three-peat, taking CCBL titles in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Both Cotuit from 1972-75 and Falmouth from 1968-71 won a record four straight.

In 2014, bolstered with a one-two pitching punch which included future major leaguers Walker Buehler and Andrew Stevenson, Y-D caught fire midseason after starting the season 5-11. Other future pro players who made up the team were Phil Bickford, Josh Lester, Cody Poteet, Josh Staumont, and Donnie Walton.

The first round of the playoffs featured three shutouts with Orleans winning the opener 3-0. However, Buehler captured game two as Y-D bats came alive for a 9-0 victory. In the deciding game, Y-D scored the only run of the game on a second inning bunt and pitcher Kevin Duchene made sure it stood up with a one-hit 1-0 victory. The semifinals saw Y-D outlast Harwich in another three-game series to lead to a championship finals meet-up with Falmouth. Buehler won the opener 5-0 as catcher Marcus Mastrobuoni homered and drove in three runs. Y-D completed the sweep with a six-run sixth inning, and Bickford blanked the Commodores the rest of the way. Buehler and Mastrobuoni (who batted .444 in playoffs) were playoff co-MVPs.

In 2015, Y-D and Chatham took the last two playoff spots. But with a squad of future major leaguers like Brendon Bailey, Shane Bieber, Ben Bowden, Tommy Edman, Ryan Noda, Michael Papierski, Mike Shawaryn, Donnie Walton, Conor Wong, and Daniel Zamora, Y-D swept Brewster in the first round before facing Orleans, which won 31 games. The Firebirds blanked Y-D in the opener 4-0 and the Sox were on the verge of being swept before capturing a thrilling 2-1 win in 13 innings when Gio Brusa stole home on a bases-loaded wild pitch in the bottom of the inning. In the deciding game, Brusa homered in the first and then scored the game-winner in the eighth on a hit by Walton for a 2-1 clinching win. In the finals, Y-D again fell behind in the series to Hyannis, dropping an 8-1 game in the opener. In the second game, home runs by Walton and Edman led to a 9-3 victory. In the finale, Cole Billingsley belted a homer in the eighth and reliever Bowden came on to shut down the Harbor Hawks for an 8-1 victory. Bowden and Walton shared co-MVP honors for the playoffs.

In 2016, Y-D manager Pickler etched his name next to Cotuit's Jack McCarthy and Falmouth's Bill Livesey as skippers who won three or more straight CCBL championships. Y-D featured a lineup of future major league players like Mike Baumann, Calvin Faucher, Connor Seabolt, Kevin Smith, Collin Snider, and Erich Uelmen.

Following a second-place finish in the division, Y-D made a clean sweep of Orleans in the first round and Chatham in the semifinals with two straight wins in each series to

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return to the finals. Falmouth grabbed an early series lead with a 5-4 win in the opener, before Y-D came to life early in the first inning of game two. Back-to-back homers by Will Toffey and Deon Stafford in the first, followed by a two-run fourth inning blast by Kevin Smith led to a 9-4 win to even things up. In the finale, superb two-hit pitching of starter Bryan Sammons and shutdown relief work of Calvin Faucher gave Y-D a 3-0 win for the team's third straight title. Smith was the playoff MVP with three home runs and a solid .370 batting average.

Although league titles have since eluded Y-D, it has not slowed the success of the franchise. In 2017, Y-D lost in the first round of the playoffs to eventual champion Brewster in three games, dropping the deciding game in ten innings. Just the same, the league awarded Kris Bubic with the Outstanding Pitcher award, while Riley McCauley was the league's Outstanding Reliever.

Pickler enters the Hall of Fame

Brewster again was Y-D's nemesis in the first round of the 2018 playoffs. The following season, Y-D advanced past Orleans in the first round, only to lose to Harwich in the semifinals.

In November of 2019, Pickler was honored with an induction into the Cape Cod Baseball Hall of Fame. Up to that point, his squads had captured seven division championships, while his six Cape Cod Baseball League titles tied Falmouth's Bill Livesey and Orleans' Laurin "Pete" Peterson for most titles by a manager.

At his induction ceremony, Pick reflected on his time at Y-D. "I never envisioned this. I never thought they'd hire me back after the first year. It takes five years to figure out the league and how to recruit and what it takes to win," he told the Cape Cod Times. Pick also felt honored to join the hall with other great like Kyle Schwrrber, who remains one of baseball's top sluggers.

Following the pandemic shutdown year of 2021, Y-D emerged as division champions the next three successive years – giving Pickler a total of ten regular season titles during his tenure. Then during those three straight seasons, Y-D saw their hopes for another title trip end in the semifinals to Brewster (2022), Orleans (2023) and Harwich (2024). During the 2022 season, Pickler became the winningest manager in CCBL history when he recorded victory number 540 to pass longtime Chatham skipper John Schiffner. The 2024 squad featured power hitter Ethan Petry, who was named CCBL MVP and Most Outstanding Pro Prospect.

One more return to the finals

Ironically, the 2025 season brought an end to the run of regular season titles, with Y-D sneaking into the final playoff spot with a fourth-place finish. However, Y-D swept past Orleans in the first round, outlasted Harwich in a three-game semifinal series, and advanced to the finals against Bourne. There, Bourne continued its recent run of success, capturing its third title in four years with a two-

game sweep in the finals.

Since the Modern Era of the CCBL in 1963, Yarmouth-Dennis is tied with Wareham for second place in championships with eight, behind first place Cotuit who has won 15 in that span.

Red Wilson Field Sees Changes

In recent years, Y-D has invested heavily in their facility. Thanks to donations from alum Mike Bordick, the Yawkey Foundation, CPC grants from the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis and support from fans, the team constructed new dugouts, a merchandise/press box building and a concession stand. More recently, the team installed professional quality netting, a new brick backstop, padding behind home plate, a new outfield wall and warning track as part of a multi-year project to improve both fan and player safety. Team broadcasts are now shown on Cape League TV, including four-camera coverage, graphics, and sideline updates between innings. Live in-game updates are posted on X and Instagram, and a new, expanded stat sheet is distributed free to all Red-Wilson patrons.

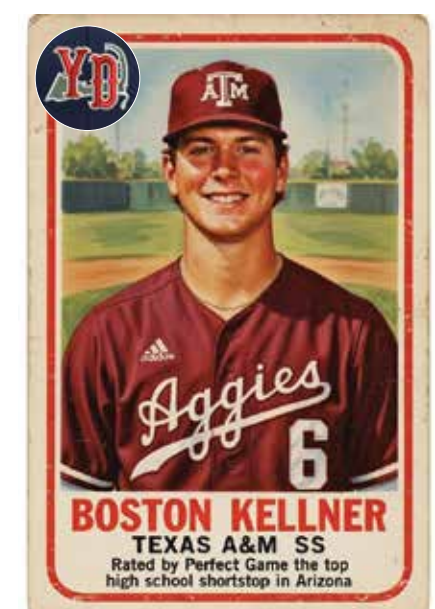
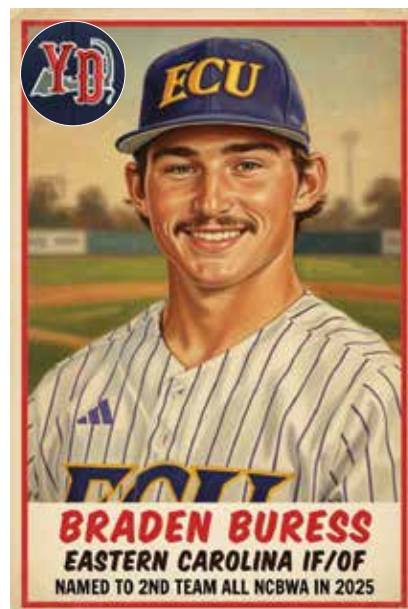
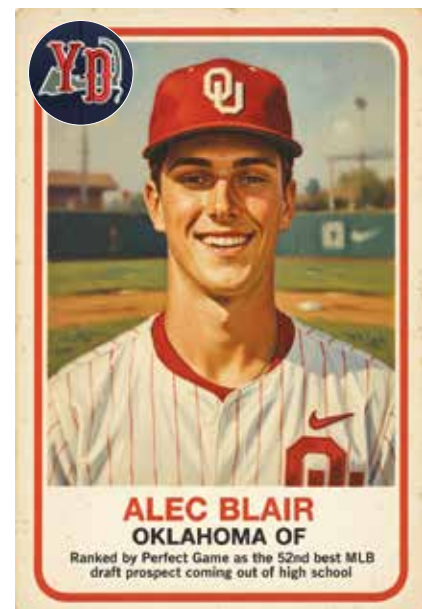
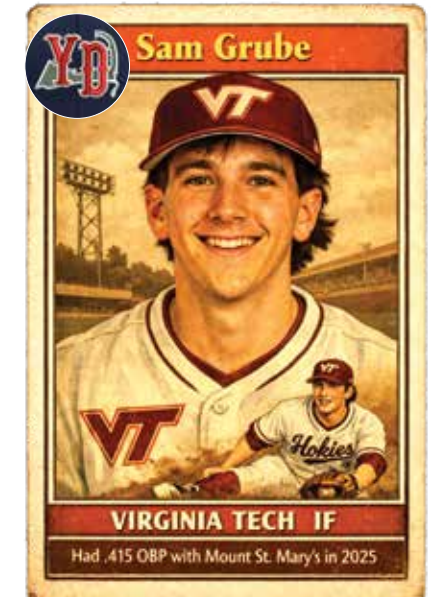
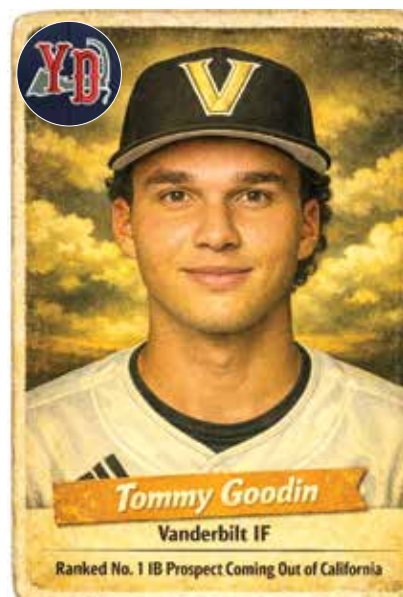
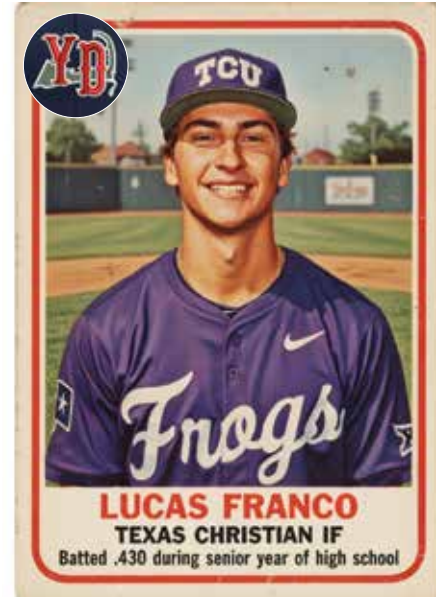
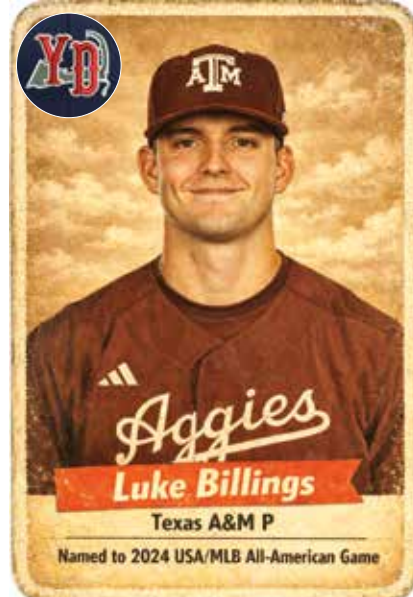
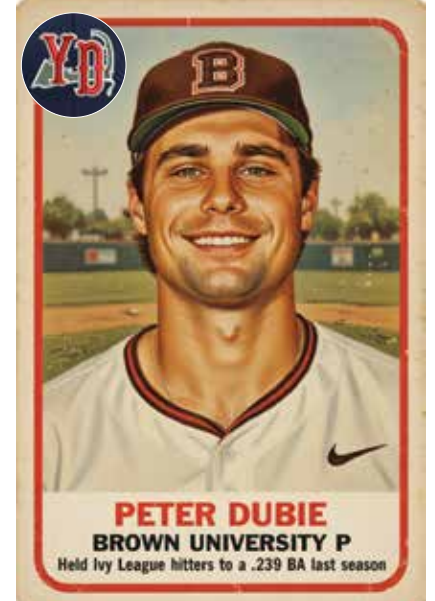
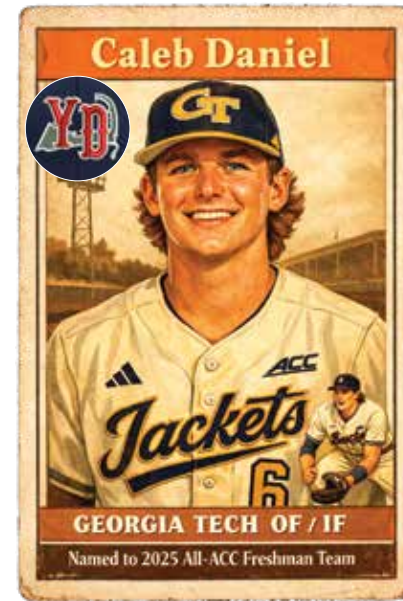
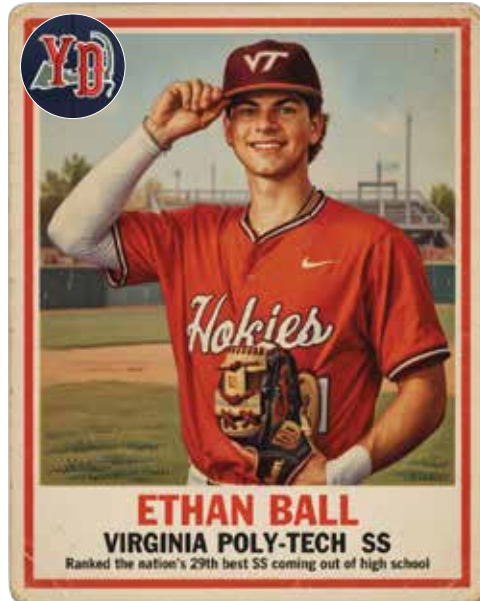
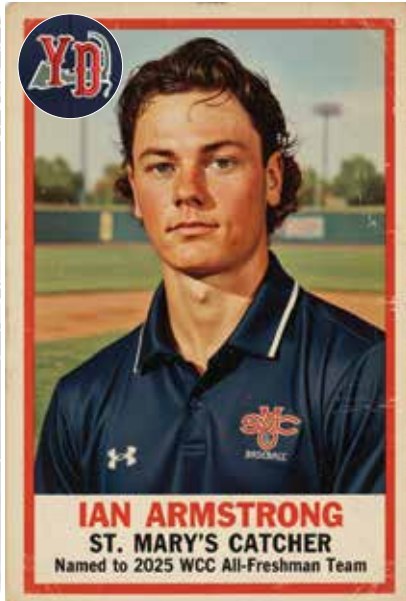
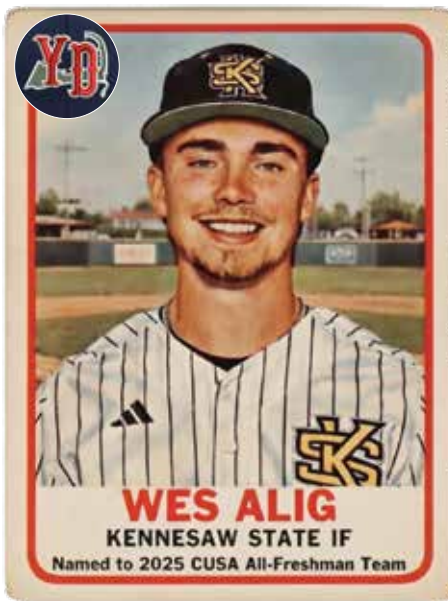
Red Wilson Field also has become a common destination for the CCBL All-Star Game and Home Run Derby, hosting the event in 2006, 2013 and 2025. The team also became famous for one of the most unusual culinary offerings of any ballpark in America – the Donut Burger. Invented by "Burger Bob" Philips, the marriage of a donut and cheeseburger has delighted fans from around the world ever since.

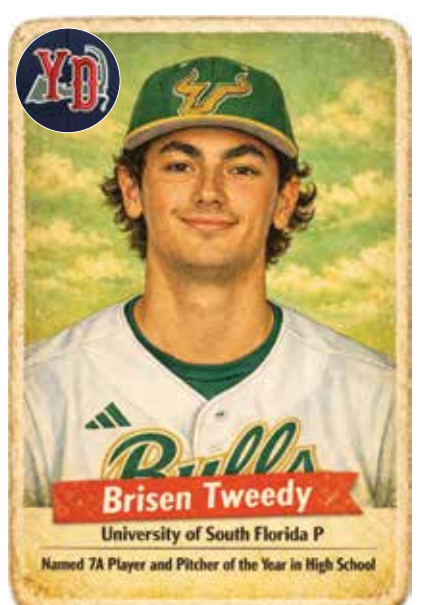
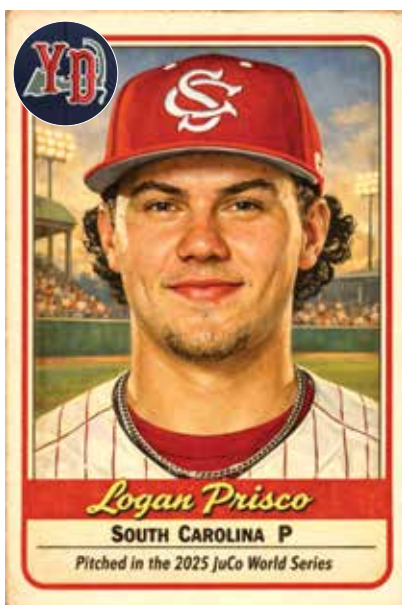
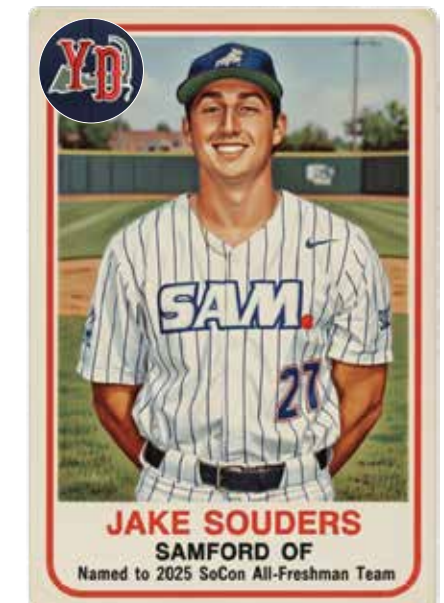
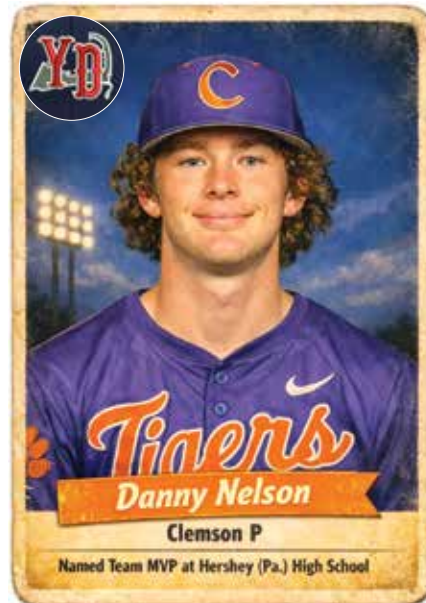
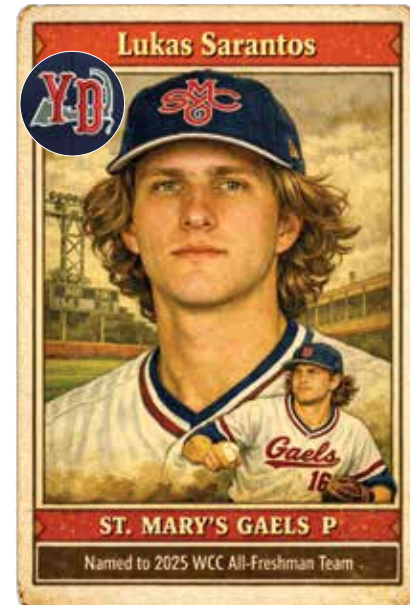
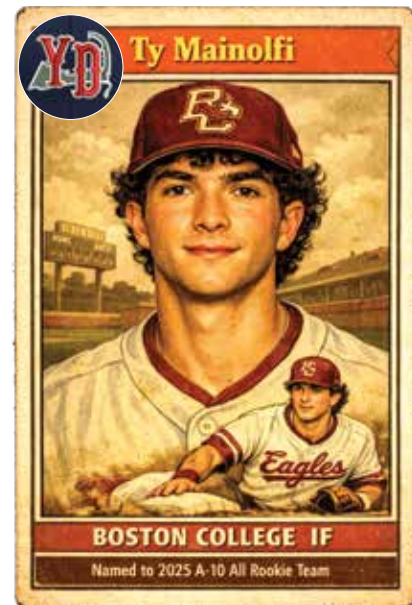
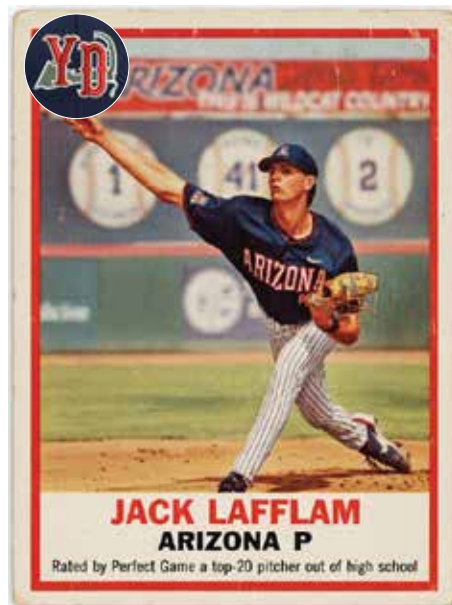
The Y-D Red Sox approach their 80th year in the CCBL with the renewed optimism that seems to greet each season at Red Wilson Field. The franchise is blessed with an active Board of Directors, dozens of committed volunteers, generous host families, and more than two hundred members of the "1946 Club," an association of the team's most committed fans. In a 2024 L.A. Times profile, manager Scott Pickler spoke for everyone associated with Y-D when he said, "It's like heaven... I get to go to the yard and make kids better, and it's so much fun."

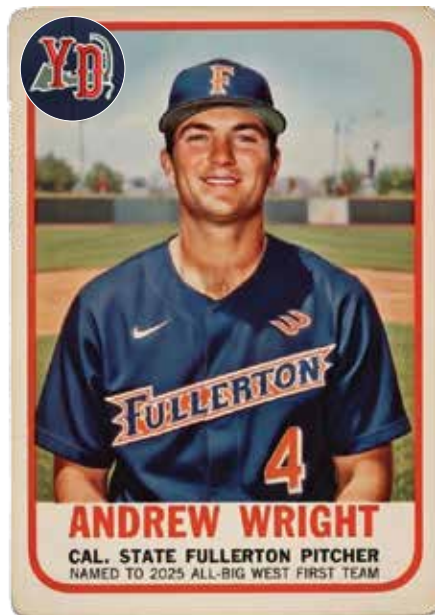
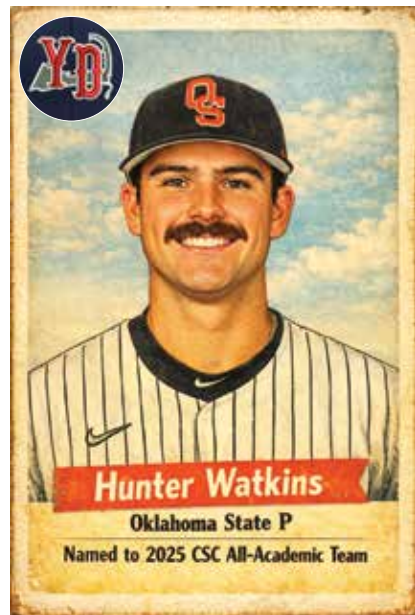
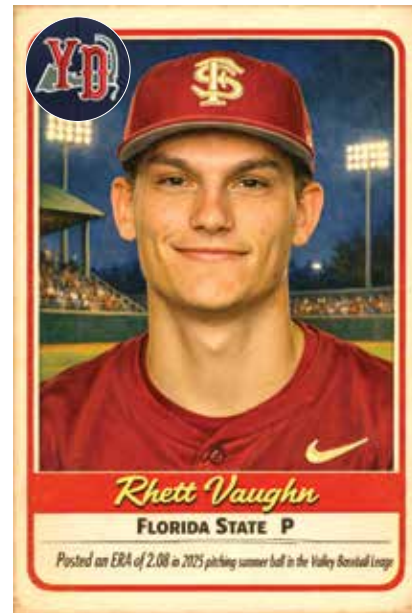
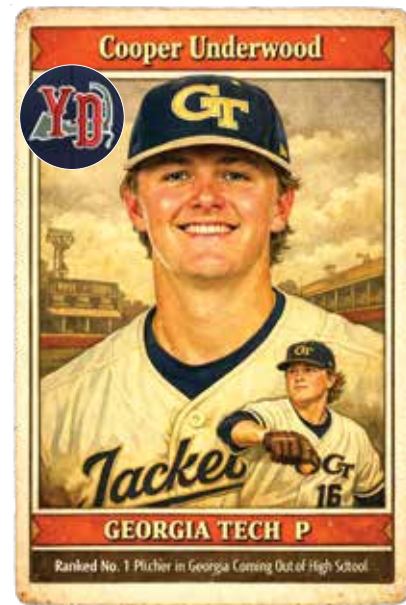
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Y-D ALUMNI ALL-TIME TEAM

As part of our 80th Anniversary, we asked our team historian, Don Kelley, to put together a team of Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox alumni that went on to greatness at the major league level. Let the arguments begin!

INF/MGR BOBBY VALENTINE

Yarmouth 1967. Played 10 seasons in MLB. 16 seasons as MLB manager. Ejected from a game as Mets manager and returned to dugout in a Groucho Marx disguise.

1B STEVE BALBONI

YD 1977. CCBL MVP. Led the league in homers and RBI. Played in the 1977 Championship Series. 11 seasons in MLB. Hit .320 for 1985 World Series Champion Royals.

1B MARK SWEENEY

Played for Y-D Championship teams in 1989 and 1990. Named CCBL Playoffs MVP in 1989. Won CCBL Sportsmanship Award 1990. 14 years in MLB. Holds the all-time MLB record for pinch-hit RBIs. CCBL HoF 2018.

2B CRAIG BIGGIO

Y-D 1986. 20 years in MLB, all with the Astros. 7- time All-Star, 4-time Gold Glove winner, 5-time Silver Slugger (only MLB player awarded at two positions-C and 2B). Inducted into CCBL Hall of Fame and Cooperstown Hall of Fame.

SS MIKE BORDICK

Played on 1986 Y-D team with Craig Biggio. 14 years in MLB. Played in 1990 and 2000 World Series. Succeeded Cal Ripken as Orioles SS. Funded construction of dugouts at Red Wilson Field.

3B JOE PANIK

Y-D 2010 CCBL All-Star. Played in 2010 CCBL Championship Series. 10 years in MLB, including 2014 Giants World Series Champs. Won 2016 NL Gold Glove. Had a fun name to announce.

LF ANDREW STEVENSON

Played on Y-D 2014 Championship team. Hit .327. Gold Glove winner. 5 years with Washington Nationals. Hit .367 for the 2019 World Series Champion Nationals.

CF MICHAEL BOURN

YD 2002. 11 years in MLB Gold Glove 2009, 2010. All-Star 2010, 2012. Hit .303 for the 2011 Astros. Currently radio color analyst for Philadelphia Phillies.

RF BRAD HAWPE

Y-D 2009. Hit .293, highest team BA. 11 years in MLB. In 2007 was NL Player of the Week twice and hit .297. Played RF for Colorado in 2007 World Series.

DH JUSTIN TURNER

Y-D 2005. 15 years in MLB. MLB Rookie of the Month, MLB Player of the Month. 2-time All-Star. Roberto Clemente Award. World Series 2017, 2018, 2020. Holds record for most World Series doubles. Now DH for Boston Red Sox.

C BUSTER POSEY

Played on back-to-back Y-D title teams in 2006 and 2007. Had team highest BA in 2006. 12 years in MLB, all with SF Giants. 7-time All- Star. World Series Champion in 2010, 2012, 2014. Rookie of the Year in 2010. Awarded Comeback Player of the Year. NL Batting Champion 2012. NL MVP 2012. Gold Glove 2016.

C ERIC WEDGE

Y-D 1988. 4 years MLB player, 3 with Boston Red Sox. Managed Cleveland Indians 2003-2009 and Seattle Mariners 2011-2013. CCBL Hall of Fame 2011. Later joined ESPN as Baseball Tonight analyst.

LHP CHRIS SALE

Y-D 2009. Won CCBL Outstanding Pitcher Award. 14 years in MLB with White Sox and Red Sox. Struck out Manny Machado for the final out in 2018 Red Sox World Series Championship. Best strikeout-to-walk ratio in MLB history (2,064 to 387).

RHP SHANE BIEBER

Played on 2015 Y-D repeat Championship. 6 years in MLB, 2019 All-Star, MVP of All-Star game. Won 2020 AL CY Young Award and the pitching triple crown (wins, ERA, strikeouts). Gold Glove Award 2022.

RHP WALKER BUEHLER

Played on 2014 Y-D Championship Team. Was 4-0 with an ERA of 0.63. 7 years in MLB All-Star 2019. World Series 2018, World Series Champion 2020. World Series ERA 0.69. Career winning % .742 (46-16). Twitter handle: @buehlersdayoff.

RHP DAVID ROBERTSON

Played on 2006 Y-D Championship team. Was 2006 Playoff MVP. 14 years in MLB. Replaced Mariano Rivera as Yankees closer. All-Star 2012. World Series Champion 2009 with Yankees, World Series 2022 with Phillies. 19 World Series strikeouts. ERA 0.00.

RHP JOE KELLY

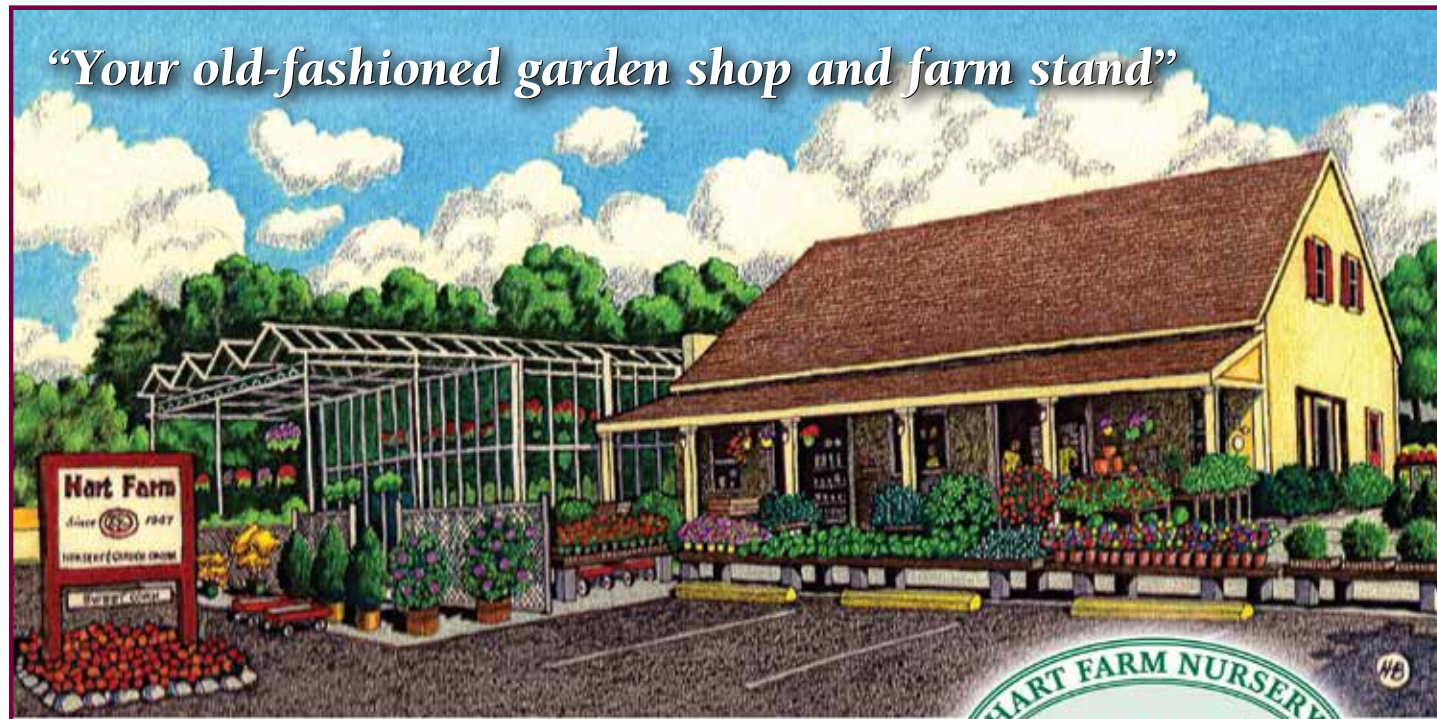
Y-D 2008. 17 Ks, 7 BBs. Whip of 1.81. 11 years in MLB with Cardinals, Red Sox, Dodgers, White Sox. 51-32 record, ERA 3.94. World Series Champion with 2018 Red Sox and 2020 Dodgers. World Series ERA 2.03.

LHP DENNY NEAGLE

Y-D 1988. 13 seasons in MLB. All-Star 1995. Pitched in the 1996 World Series against the Yankees and in 2000 for the Yankees. 20-game winner in 1997.

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Most Valuable Player – Pat Sorenti Award

Year	Player
1977	Steve Balboni
1987	Mickey Morandini
1989	Kurt Olson
1991	Brent Killen
2024	Ethan Petry

Batting Champion – Thurman Munson Award

Year	Player	AVG
1974	Pete Ross (Yarmouth)	.357
1987	Mickey Morandini	.376
1994	John Petke	.379
1997	Jason McConnell	.345
2011	Stephen Piscotti	.349

Outstanding Pitcher – B.F.C. Whitehouse Award

Year	Player
1993	Andrew Taulbee
2006	Terry Doyle (co-winner)
2009	Chris Sale
2017	Kris Bubic
2021	Trey Dombroski

Outstanding Pro Prospect – Robert A. McNeece Award

Year	Player
1977	Steve Balboni
1993	Chris Clemmons
2002	Wes Whisler
2014	Phil Bickford
2019	Austin Wells
2024	Ethan Petry

New England Top Prospect – John J. Claffey Award

Year	Player	College
2004	Frank Curreri	UMass-Amherst
2009	Mickey Wiswall	Boston College
2010	Matt Watson	Boston College

Outstanding Relief Pitcher – Russ Ford Award

Year	Player
2006	Joshua Fields
2007	Nick Cassavecchia
2009	Tyler Burgoon
2014	Phil Bickford (co-winner)
2017	Riley McCauley (co-winner)
2024	Trevor Moore

Sportsmanship – Daniel J. Silva Award

Year	Player
1981	Joe Sickles
1990	Mark Sweeney
2010	Joe Panik
2012	Zak Blair

Star of Stars – MVP Playoffs

Year	Player
1989	Mark Sweeney
1990	Kirk Piskor
2004	Josh Faola/Ryan Rohlinger
2006	David Robertson
2007	Trevor Holder
2014	Walker Buehler/Marcus Mastrobuoni
2015	Ben Bowden/Donnie Walton
2016	Kevin Smith

10th Player – Manny Robello Award

Year	Player
1988	Steve O'Donnell
2000	John Baker
2001	Adam Bourassa

President's Award – Best Regular Season Record

Year	Team	Record
2018	Yarmouth-Dennis	27-12
2024	Yarmouth-Dennis	24-12-4

Manager of the Year – Mike Curran Award

Year	Manager
1989	Don Reed
2007	Scott Pickler
2009	Scott Pickler
2010	Scott Pickler
2018	Scott Pickler

Commissioner's Cup – Paul Gallop Award

Year	Team
2009	Yarmouth-Dennis
2016	Yarmouth-Dennis
2019	Yarmouth-Dennis
2021	Yarmouth-Dennis
2022	Yarmouth-Dennis

GM of the Year – John Wylde Award

Year	General Manager
2012	Jim Martin
2018	Steve Faucher
2021	Steve Faucher
2024	Terry Hisey

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2014	Jim Martin
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THE MIND OF A COACH – An Interview with Scott Pickler

By Paul Izzo

This past offseason, we sat down with Y-D manager Scott Pickler to talk about how baseball has evolved, and what he thinks of the changes he has witnessed in his fifty-plus years in the game. What transpired was a fascinating discussion with a man that has seen baseball from the inside in one of the most transformative eras in the game's history.

Y-D: Thanks for taking some time with us, Pick.

Pickler: You're very welcome.

Y-D: Technology has had a big impact on baseball. What technology existed when you first got involved with the game?

Pickler: There was no technology. You listened, talked to people, wrote things down, went to clinics, and learned that way. You got around baseball people, and talked, watched, listened, learned, and read. That's how it went.

Y-D: Let's talk about pitching. Did radar guns exist when you got involved in coaching?

Pickler: No. They weren't there, and then the radar gun came along and suddenly everybody just wanted to throw hard. So, yeah, that changed the game a little bit. But, you know, I can usually sit there without a radar gun and watch a guy from the stands and see if he is throwing 91, 95 MPH, whatever. Pretty close. If you've been around the game, you can usually tell how hard a kid is throwing.

Y-D: Some people claim that the increase in reported velocity is partially a result of different ways of positioning the radar gun. Is that true, or do you think pitchers throw harder than they used to?

Pickler: Pitchers definitely throw harder. The mechanics are better. The training is better. Guys are learning to use their core more. It's unbelievable. It is going on at every level – the Division One (college) level, in the minor leagues, and especially in the big leagues. When I first

got to the Cape, some teams would have a 7th, 8th, or 9th inning guy. If they were throwing 92-93 or 93-94, you'd think man, this guy's good and he's going to blow somebody up. Now, you're seeing more college baseball pitchers throw 98 or 99 MPH. The downside is that I'm worried that you will see more Tommy John (elbow) surgeries too, because people are throwing so hard.

Y-D: Do you think that Tommy John surgery results just from throwing harder or there are also things being done to put movement on the ball that are putting stress on the elbow?

Pickler: I'm sure both of those play a big factor on this. It used to be a kid maybe had a curveball with a bigger break, so he would grip it tighter and deeper. Now you've got guys throwing the ball out on the fingertips and spinning it more. I'm not a doctor, but I do know that they're having more Tommy John surgeries than they have in the past.

Y-D: Do you think having pitchers throw that hard has been good for baseball, in general? Has it created more excitement? Has it hurt the game?

Pickler: It depends on what you go to a game to see. It excites me when you have a pitcher throwing good stuff. The fans in the major leagues probably don't like it as much because there's so many guys that are throwing that way and we see MLB batting averages going down in recent years.

Y-D: The MLB batting average twenty years ago was .260. This season it's about .240.

Pickler: I don't think that's good for baseball. I am not sure what can be done. I don't think they'll back the mound up (laughs). I don't know the answer. But more guys are dominating with the pitching.

Y-D: When the Boston Red Sox had those great teams in 2004-05, they had a setup man named Mike Timlin to pitch the 8th inning. Every pitch was 93 and 94 MPH, and that was a big deal. He was very effective. He would probably get hit hard today.

Pickler: Yeah, you and I are on the same page. He'd probably get hit hard today.

Y-D: So let me ask you, has the pitching gotten too fast for the hitters?

Pickler: The best way I can answer – we had a guy in California. A monster. Big kid. Pitched at Villa Park High School, I'm there scouting a game and he was throwing 93-94. I'm sitting with three scouts. And this little number nine hitter comes up. And he's a 5 foot 4 freshman, probably weighs 105 playing varsity baseball, maybe a tiny bit bigger than that. And the monster throws this pitch and the kid singles right up the middle on a line drive. The



Pickler and assistant coach Jeff Pickler review reports while managing from the dugout.

scout says that in Southern California these kids see this pitching all day long. They get used to it. There are areas across the nation where they don't play as much baseball, but in the hotbeds of baseball, in Texas, Florida, California, you have kids in high school throwing high 90's. The freshmen and sophomore hitters play so much baseball, they're not intimidated and they get used to it.

Y-D: Has the emphasis on spin rate changed pitcher development? Did you even know about spin rate back in the day?

Pickler: No, not at all. I didn't know anything about it until we got a Trackman device at (Cypress College) and then started using it there, and then we got a kid that could teach how to take the information and translate it to the player. He would check the data and say, "you should be a sinker-slider guy. You can increase your spin rate, put it out to your fingertips, finish here." They're teaching to the spin rate now. There are people smarter than I that can teach what should happen. We take that data and, for instance, when you get horizontal break and vertical break and things like that, the coach might decide that this kid should

not be throwing a cutter, he should be throwing a slider, or a curveball instead of a slider. He gets great break on it. Let's try throwing a two-seamer so we can get some run in, or he's got to put a finger on the outside so his ball runs away and little stuff like that.

Y-D: Interesting.

Pickler: And you try to hire guys around you that understand all this. That's why they quit hiring so many ex-big leaguers in MLB to teach and coach. Several of our former Y-D pitching coaches had no big league playing experience, but now they are succeeding in the big leagues as coaches because they know all this.

Y-D: The starting pitchers at all levels are topping out after six innings, max. We don't have dramatic matchups like we used to have. Complete games are rare. We have "openers," guys starting the game and only going a couple innings. Do you think that has hurt the game from the fan perspective? The best pitcher on the team is no longer in the game at the end. Do you think that's been bad for baseball?

Pickler: No, I think it's fine. It's the evolution of the



Pickler meets with players before the game.

game. You can't throw that hard for nine innings. Your matchups are still good, even if you have an opener. The statistics say when a pitcher gets to the third time around the batting order, that's when the pitcher starts failing. The hitter has the advantage because it is the third time he's seen the pitcher. On the other hand, if you throw an opener to start a game and he goes a couple innings, the second pitcher might get you into the 7th inning or 8th inning before he has seen the same lineup twice. On the Cape, we don't let our starters get past 70-75 pitches, because we've got to protect those arms.

Y-D: Last pitching question. You have shown a willingness to bring a new pitcher into the game in the middle of an at-bat. That is rare.

Pickler: I've taken pitchers out of a game with two strikes on the hitter. If I need a good slider or change up to get a batter out and I think the kid in the bullpen can do it, I will do it.

Y-D: Let's talk hitting. That too, has evolved. It's gone through many theories over the years. On base percentage became the focus back in the 80's, 90's. Now we're seeing on base percentages decline, and people are talking more about launch angle and exit velocity and all these new terms. What has your experience been with

that over the years and how do you incorporate it into your coaching of players?

Pickler: I'm not into the launch angle. I think everybody is trying too hard to get the launch angle to get more home runs. I think it's hurting the game. We used to have your table setters or on base guys. I tell our kids that if we can lead this league in doubles, we're going to do just great. If you're leading it in home runs, I'll bet you're leading it in strikeouts too. Baserunners produce runs.

Y-D: Do you think there are some younger players that are impeding their own development by trying for launch angle when they really should be more of a contact hitter?

Pickler: I think there are guys advising these kids who are trying to make money. They don't know what they're talking about by teaching young kids to hit with launch angle. There are more guys with ordinary power than guys like Aaron Judge. He is a rare breed. A good offensive club is made up of guys that get on base. Very few guys hit for average and hit for power and drive in runs. Not many guys win the triple crowns. Scouts are looking for good solid hitters. The guys that walk more than strike out.

Y-D: Modern day analysts have suggested that bunting is a bad idea because it gives up an out. What are your thoughts about it?

Pickler: I may not bunt very much, but I still think there's a place for it. I think all this analytical stuff is too much. Sometimes, you go with your gut feel. You have to know the situation – who is at the plate; the pitcher-batter matchup; does the pitcher have a nasty slider that will be tough to handle? You have to consider all that. There's so much good data out there. But sometimes you have to think about whether the batter can handle the pressure in that situation, and the analytics can't measure that. I'm sure I failed in a lot of those situations. But you have to trust what you think sometimes instead of the analytics.

Y-D: Stolen bases also are a hot topic among analysts. Some say the risk of running into an out is too great. Others like to use speed wherever they can. What are your thoughts about base stealing?

Pickler: It 100 percent depends on my roster. I try to recruit speed. Speed is a good thing to have. As for base stealing, coaches have good scouting of opposing pitchers and catchers. How quick is the pitcher's move to the plate? How strong is the catcher's arm? What percentage of runners has he thrown out? All that stuff is there. It's pretty exciting to have. And yes, I use it. But it's not the end all. I mean, when deciding when to steal a base, you have to know your personnel too.

Y-D: When a player comes to the Cape League, how much coaching on technique does he get? Is it sometimes contrary to what they've been told at the collegiate level or do you try to build off what they've been taught?

Pickler: If what they've been taught is working, that's beautiful. You gotta let them fail first with the wood bat, then we just talk about making minor adjustments, and if the kid wants to do it, we're gonna do it. And if the kid doesn't want to do it, you may have to let him fail, in which case maybe he'll ask for help. Honestly, I usually don't have enough patience to let them fail.

Y-D: In your over fifty years in the game, a lot of things have changed. We have the pitch clock, at some levels we have bigger bases, in the big leagues they have outlawed the infield shift. What are your thoughts about these changes?

Pickler: The pitch clock is the best thing that's happened in the last ten years. The big leaguers were slow to play. And everybody else thought it was cool to play slowly. The clock is so good for the fans, for everybody. I went to a major league game recently and it was over in two hours and fifteen minutes. Amazing. I like the ban against the shift. Allowing the shortstop to stand behind second base and the second baseman to stand in right field really hurt the left-handed hitters. As for the larger bases, I see the argument both ways but eventually we will probably see it everywhere.

Y-D: What is your take on automatic balls and strike calls; and the MLB challenge system?

Pickler: I think the challenge system is awesome. The fans, they get the replay so quickly. And it lets people know that calling balls and strikes isn't that easy. Imagine a guy throwing 100 MPH. The ball barely touches the plate or misses by a half-inch. Umpiring is tough. The catchers have gotten really good at the challenges, and nobody's letting their pitchers challenge, they're too emotional (laughs). The hitters have to know when to challenge, but the catchers have been really good at it. The idea is to get it right. They've done a great job about how quickly they get the results. And I think it helps the fans. The fans are into it. They love it. You know, I think it's good. Really good.

Y-D: Still love this game?

Pickler: You know I do.

Y-D: Thank you for your time, coach. Good luck this season.

Pickler: You're welcome. I enjoyed it.

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CHASE MEIDROTH (2022)
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YARMOUTH-DENNIS SEASON BY SEASON

By Mike Richard – Historian, Cape Cod Baseball League

POST WORLD WAR 2 YEARS CAPE COD LEAGUE HISTORY (1946-62)

Yarmouth Indians						
Year	Manager	W	L	T	Finish	Playoffs
1946	Ollie Hallett	5	12	1	4th/6th	No Playoffs
1947	Percy Brown	7	12	0	4th/5th	No Playoffs
1948	Percy Brown/Ken Chase	13	26	0	5th/5th	No Playoffs
1949	Ned Harrison	15	23	0	6th	No Playoffs
1950	Ned Harrison	18	24	0	6th	No Playoffs
1951	Ken Chase	13	23	0	4th/6th	No Playoffs
1952	Al Marchant	17	13	0	6th/2nd	No Playoffs
1953	John Halunen	27	8	0	1st/2nd	Lost in Division Finals Orleans, 2-0
1954	unknown	20	14	0	2nd/5th	No Playoffs
1955	Lloyd Dauphinais	20	10	0	3rd	Lost in Division Finals Orleans, 2-0
1956	Ted Reynolds	19	17	0	3rd	Lost in Division SF Orleans, 2-1
1957	unknown	27	10	0	2nd	Lost in Division Finals Orleans, 2-1
1958	John Halunen	16	14	0	3rd	Won in Finals Sagamore 2-0
1959	John Halunen	14	20	0	4th	Lost in Division SF Orleans, 2-0
1960	John Halunen	18	14	0	1st	Won in Finals Sagamore, 2-1
1961	John Halunen	26	4	0	1st	Lost in Finals Cotuit, 2-1
1962	John Halunen	13	16	0	2nd	Lost in Division SF Chatham, 2-0

YARMOUTH MODERN ERA CAPE COD LEAGUE HISTORY (1963-1976)

Year	Manager	W	L	T	Finish	Playoffs
1963	John Halunen	7	24	0	5th	Did not qualify
1964	Charley Duchesney	18	15	0	3rd	Did not qualify
1965	Charley Duchesney	16	18	0	3rd	Did not qualify
1966	Merrill "Red" Wilson	12	24	0	5th	Did not qualify
1967	Lou Lamoriello	20	20	0	3rd	Did not qualify
1968	Merrill "Red" Wilson	16	24	0	4th	Did not qualify
1969	Merrill "Red" Wilson	21	22	0	3rd	Did not qualify
1970	Merrill "Red" Wilson	13	26	3	6th	Did not qualify
1971	Merrill "Red" Wilson	15	23	3	6th	Did not qualify
1972	Merrill "Red" Wilson	15	24	3	6th	Did not qualify
1973	Merrill "Red" Wilson	19	20	3	4th	Lost in Finals Cotuit, 3-1-1
1974	Merrill "Red" Wilson	16	23	3	7th	Did not qualify
1975	Bob Stead	20	20	2	4th	Lost in SF Falmouth, 2-1
1976	Bob Stead	10	27	4	8th	Did not qualify

YARMOUTH-DENNIS MODERN ERA CAPE COD LEAGUE HISTORY (1977-2025)

Year	Manager	W	L	T	Finish	Playoffs
1977	Bob Stead	21	17	3	3rd	Lost in Finals Cotuit, 3-2
1978	Brian Sabean, Bob Stead	13	29	0	8th	Did not qualify
1979	Merrill "Red" Wilson	14	25	2	8th	Did not qualify
1980	Merrill "Red" Wilson	19	21	1	5th	Did not qualify
1981	Merrill "Red" Wilson	19	22	1	6th	Did not qualify
1982	Merrill "Red" Wilson	18	23	1	6th	Did not qualify
1983	Merrill "Red" Wilson	18	18	5	5th	Did not qualify
1984	Merrill "Red" Wilson	13	28	1	8th	Did not qualify
1985	Merrill "Red" Wilson	14	27	1	7th	Did not qualify
1986	Merrill "Red" Wilson	15	23	1	8th	Did not qualify
1987	Don Reed	24	15	0	2nd	Lost in Finals Harwich, 2-1
1988	Don Reed	22	18	0	1st	Lost in SF Orleans, 2-1
1989	Don Reed	28	15	1	1st	Won in Finals Hyannis, 2-0
1990	Don Reed	24	16	3	1st	Won in Finals Wareham, 2-1
1991	John Barlowe	20	22	2	4th	Did not qualify
1992	John Barlowe	18	24	1	4th	Did not qualify
1993	John Barlowe	22	20	2	4th	Did not qualify
1994	John Barlowe	20	21	2	3rd	Did not qualify
1995	John Barlowe	17	24	2	3rd	Did not qualify
1996	John Barlowe	13	29	2	5th	Did not qualify
1997	Steve Cohen	19	25	0	4th	Did not qualify
1998	Scott Pickler	21	23	0	4th	Did not qualify
1999	Scott Pickler	19	23	0	3rd	Did not qualify
2000	Scott Pickler	21	23	0	5th	Did not qualify
2001	Scott Pickler	25	19	0	1st	Lost in SF Chatham, 2-0
2002	Scott Pickler	21	20	3	2nd	Lost in SF Orleans, 2-1
2003	Scott Pickler	21	22	1	4th	Did not qualify
2004	Scott Pickler	26	17	1	1st	Won in Finals Falmouth, 2-0
2005	Scott Pickler	20	23	1	4th	Did not qualify
2006	Scott Pickler	28	16	0	1st	Won in Finals Wareham, 2-1
2007	Scott Pickler	31	12	1	1st	Won in Finals Falmouth, 2-0
2008	Scott Pickler	18	25	1	5th	Did not qualify
2009	Scott Pickler	28	15	1	1st	Lost in SF Cotuit, 2-1
2010	Scott Pickler	27	17	0	1st	Lost in Finals Cotuit, 2-1
2011	Scott Pickler	19	21	4	4th	Lost in SF Harwich, 2-0
2012	Scott Pickler	25	19	0	2nd	Lost in Finals Wareham, 2-1
2013	Scott Pickler	20	22	2	4th	Lost 1st Round Chatham, 2-0
2014	Scott Pickler	24	19	1	3rd	Won in Finals Falmouth, 2-0
2015	Scott Pickler	22	22	0	3rd	Won in Finals Hyannis, 2-1
2016	Scott Pickler	26	17	1	2nd	Won in Finals Falmouth, 2-1
2017	Scott Pickler	27	16	1	2nd	Lost 1st Round Brewster, 2-1
2018	Scott Pickler	27	12	5	1st	Lost 1st Round Brewster, 2-0
2019	Scott Pickler	22	19	3	3rd	Lost in SF Harwich, 2-0
2020	No League - Covid					
2021	Scott Pickler	16	14	7	3rd	Did not qualify
2022	Scott Pickler	19	17	8	2nd	Lost in SF Brewster, 2-0
2023	Scott Pickler	24	19	1	1st	Lost in SF Orleans, 2-0
2024	Scott Pickler	24	12	4	1st	Lost in SF Harwich, 2-0
2025	Scott Pickler	19	18	3	4th	Lost in Finals Bourne, 2-0

YARMOUTH NO-HITTERS			
Date	Pitcher	Opponent	Score
July 1, 1952	Ted Reynolds	North Truro	9-0
June 23, 1953	Cal Burlingame	Chatham	4-1
June 9, 1954	Cal Burlingame	Eastham	1-0
July 23, 1957	Jerry Rood	Brewster	2-0
Aug. 30, 1961	Dick Cassani	Orleans	3-0
July 6, 1964	Bob Fenton	Otis AFB	3-0
July 10, 1967	Bill Pettingell	Bourne	5-0
July 23, 1968	Stan Thomas	Chatham	2-0
YARMOUTH COMBINED NO-HITTERS			
Aug. 17, 1970	Fred Thatcher, Brian Martin	Chatham	4-3
YARMOUTH-DENNIS NO-HITTERS			
July 27, 1994	Mark Watson	Harwich	6-0
July 3, 1998	Hank Thoms	Orleans	6-0
July 24, 2002	Jim Brauer	Chatham	7-0
July 17, 2006	Terry Doyle	Chatham	1-0
June 26, 2010	Jordan Pries	Orleans	2-0

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Joe Jabar, Yarmouth, 2003	Dan DeMichele, Yarmouth, 2012
Dave Staton, Y-D, 2004	Barbara Elsworth, Y-D, 2018
Mickey Morandini, Y-D, 2005	Mark Sweeney, Y-D, 2018
Steve Balboni, Y-D, 2006	Scott Pickler, Y-D, 2019
Jim Hubbard, Yarmouth, 2006	Bob Stead, Y-D, 2025
Mark Angelo, Y-D, 2009	

FUTURE MAJOR LEAGUERS FROM YARMOUTH (Listed by the year they played for Yarmouth)			
1967	Bobby Valentine	1972	Dave Schuler
1968	Stan Thomas	1973	Dave Schuler
1969	Stan Thomas	1975	Tony Brizzolara, Bert Roberge
1970	Stan Thomas	1976	Chris Welsh

FUTURE MAJOR LEAGUERS FROM YARMOUTH-DENNIS	
1977	Steve Balboni
1980	Joe Johnson, Kirk McCaskill
1981	Mike Lavalliere, Bob Sebra, Glenn Sherlock
1982	Mike Raczka, Glenn Sherlock
1983	Gary Wayne
1984	Jeff Musselman
1986	Craig Biggio, Mike Bordick
1987	Joe Hall, Mickey Morandini, Darrin Winston, Pete Young
1988	Mike Mordecai, Denny Neagle, Steve Parris, Eric Wedge
1989	Jim Dougherty, Mike Durant, Scott Ruffcom, Mark Sweeney, Chris Turner
1990	Mark Piscotta, Mark Sweeney, Larry Thomas, Chris Turner
1991	Alan Benes, Chad Fonville, Joe Johnson, Chris Petersen
1992	Todd Greene, Fred Rath, Jr.
1993	Chris Clemons, Carl Dale, Shane Monahan, David Neuhan
1994	Steve Connelly, Cody McKay, Russ Ortiz, Britt Reames, Mark Watson
1995	Matt Wise
1996	Scott Downs, Luke Hudson
1997	Morgan Ensberg, Matt Guerrier, Justin Lehr, J. J. Putz
1998	Steve Smyth, Justin Wayne, Danny Wright, Jason Young
1999	Jeff Duncan, Brad Hawpe, Mitch Jones
2000	John Baker, Cory Sullivan
2001	Jesse Carlson
2002	Michael Bourn, Chris Carter, Jake Fox, Bobby Korecky, Garrett Mock, Mark Reynolds, Jamie Vermilyea, Wes Whisler
2003	Trevor Crowe, Philip Humber, Nick Hundley, Rob Johnson, John Mayberry, Jr., Jon Meloan, Garrett Mock, Curtis Thigpen
2004	JoshButler, Will Harris, Matt LaPorta, Daniel McCutchen, Brandon Morrow, Ryan Rohlinger
2005	Daniel McCutchen, Brandon Morrow, Mike Stutes, Justin Turner, Jackson Williams, Blake Wood
2006	Evan Crawford, Brad Emaus, Josh Fields, Jordan Pacheco, Buster Posey, David Robertson, Michael Taylor
2007	Gordon Beckham, Jason Castro, Collin Cowgill, Grant Green, Buster Posey
2008	Mike Belfiore, Joe Kelly, Whit Merrifield, Anthony Ranaudo, Josh Rutledge, Tony Sanchez, Shawn Tolleson, Andy Wilkins
2009	Daniel Butler, Drew Hayes, Mario Hollands, Josh Rutledge, Chris Sale, Steve Selsky
2010	Jeff Bauman, Anthony DeSclafani, Danny Muno, Joe Panik, Scott Snodgrass, Beau Taylor
2011	Mark Appel, Matt Carasiti, Steve Hathaway, Brian Johnson, Jake Lamb, Stephen Piscotty, Matt Reynolds, Chris Taylor, Zack Weiss, Mike Zunino
2012	Carlos Asuaje, Aaron Blair, Alex Blandino, Alex "Chi Chi" Gonzales, Ben Lively, Justin Shafer, Sam Travis
2013	Dan Altavilla, Sam Coonrod, Erick Fedde, Taylor Gushue, James Kaprielian, Justin Shafer, D.J. Stewart, Jose Trevino
2014	Phil Bickford, Walker Buehler, Tyler Jay, Josh Lester, Cody Poteet, Josh Staumont, Andrew Stevenson, Donnie Walton
2015	Brendon Bailey, Shane Bieber, Tommy Edman, Ryan Noda, Michael Papierski, Mike Shawaryn, Connor Wong, Daniel Zamora
2016	Mike Baumann, Calvin Faucher, Bryan Sammons, Connor Seabolt, Kevin Smith, Collin Snider, Erich Uelmen
2017	Kris Bubic, Carlos Cortez, Hogan Harris, Tommy Henry, Nico Hoerner, Kyle Isbel, Connor Kaiser, Karl Kauffmann, Christian Koss, Alfonso Rivas, John Rooney
2018	Patrick Bailey, Jonny DeLuca, David Hamilton, Blair Henley, Tommy Henry, Brant Hurter, Alec Marsh, Ryne Nelson, Nathan Wiles
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2022	Chase Meidroth

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feedback, begin the process of building their professional networks, and assist us in a variety of capacities both on and off the field. Many of our recent interns have gone on to exciting careers not just in professional sports, but in fields such as marketing and social media.

MEDIA AND BASEBALL ANALYTICS INTERNS



ELEANOR BENGE
Senior Media Intern
Home: Massachusetts
School: University of Kentucky (Marketing and Integrated Strategic Communications))
Highlights: Member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, Vice President of Merchandise for Letters of Love, and Campus Manager for Fresh Prints



MARTHA BRENNAN
Content Writer
Home: Illinois
School: Georgetown University (Major– Government; Minor – Journalism and Jewish Civilization)
Highlights: Plays for school's Women's Club Ice Hockey and Tennis teams, writes for Just Baseball Media, and interns at Foul Territory



JACK BROWN
Camera Operator
Home: Massachusetts
School: Bryant University
Highlights: Member of school's broadcast team and the Sports Analytics club



OLIVIA CATALA
Social Media Coordinator
Home: Connecticut
School: Salve Regina University (Major – Marketing; Minor – Communications)
Highlights: Sports Broadcasting Intern



NICK EVANS
Play-by-Play Broadcaster
Home: Pennsylvania
School: Syracuse University (Broadcast & Digital Journalism)
Highlights: Works for school's radio stations WAER and Z89. Last summer, Nick was a broadcast intern for the Atlantic League's Lancaster Stormers



CASEY GRIMM
Photographer
Home: Massachusetts
Highlights: Casey plays ultimate frisbee and soccer



NICOLAS HERNANDEZ
Baseball Analyst
Home: Texas
School: University of Texas (Sports Broadcasting and Kinesiology)
Highlights: Analytics intern for TCU baseball



CONNOR KALB
Graphic Designer
Home: New York
School: Farmingdale State College (Communications)
Highlights: Coaches youth flag football and is a freelance designer

MEDIA AND BASEBALL ANALYTICS INTERNS



OLIVIA LAMBERT
Sideline Reporter
Home: Massachusetts
School: Florida State University (Media Communication Studies and Sport Management)
Highlights: Correspondent for V89 Sports of WVFS Tallahassee and volunteer at Seminole Productions



TOMMASO LEVERONI
Baseball Operations
Home: California
School: University of Oregon (Business)
Highlights: Member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity



SAM MACGILPIN
Content Writer
Home: Connecticut
School: Springfield College (Sports Journalism)
Highlights: News editor for the school paper and beat writer of both men's and women's lacrosse



RYAN MCHUGH
Camera Operator
Home: Massachusetts
School: University of South Carolina (Sports Media)
Highlights: Member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity and plays intramural baseball



MATT MCKENNA
Website Manager
Home: Massachusetts
School: Stonehill
Highlights: Plays for school's club baseball and basketball teams and has contributed to the student-run sports page, the Flyover



LOGAN MILLER
Producer
Home: Massachusetts
School: Assumption University
Highlights: Broadcasts, films, and produces games for the Athletics Department



BROOKS PAYNE
Public Address Announcer
Home: Georgia
School: University of Kentucky (Sports Journalism)
Highlights: Writes for the school-based newspaper, the Kentucky Kernel



IAN PLASKOFF
Play-by-Play Broadcaster
Home: Indiana
School: Indiana University (Sports Media)
Highlights: Calls games for WIUX Sports and Indiana's Big Ten Plus program



BRANDON POPPER
Game Notes Writer
Home: Massachusetts
School: Elon University (Journalism)
Highlights: Writer for school's Athletic Department and broadcaster for women's basketball

MEDIA AND BASEBALL ANALYTICS INTERNS



PALMER ROUTH
Videographer
Home: Georgia
School: Southern Methodist University (Finance and Sports Journalism)
Highlights: Creative Video intern with SMU Athletics



OLIVIA RUGGERI
Marketing
Home: Massachusetts
School: University of Colorado Boulder
Highlights: New Member Leader in her sorority, Delta Gamma



JACK ROOTENBERG
Baseball Analyst
Home: New York
School: Wake Forest
Highlights: attended Poly Prep, where he was part of a New York State Championship team



NICK TOOMEY
Baseball Analyst
Home: California
School: University of Oregon (Business)
Highlights: Serves as analytics manager with Oregon baseball



GRANT JAMES WALTERS
Pre and Postgame Show Host
Home: Connecticut
School: UCLA (Communication and Business)
Highlights: Hosts two weekly radio shows on UCLA Radio called "Stop the Cap!" and "Motor City Update"



JACKSON WANTMAN
Senior Media Intern
Home: Massachusetts
School: University of Maryland (Journalism)
Highlights: Broadcaster and social media manager for the school station, WMUC Sports, and part of the Stephen M.

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GAME DAY OPERATIONS INTERNS



ELAINE LACEY

Elaine, Director of Game Day Operations, is also the secretary of the Cape Cod Baseball League. She graduated from Bentley University with a degree in Marketing and Management. She currently sits on the Executive Board as the Secretary for Y-D

and has held this seat for 12 years! She is super excited for another year of Cape League Baseball!



BOBBY MCDONOUGH

Head Intern

From: Longmeadow, MA
School: Providence College (Economics/Accounting)
Activity: Baseball
Goal: Learn more about baseball analytics



CONNOR TASHJIAN

Senior Intern

From: Longmeadow, MA
School: Grinnell College (Economics)
Activity: D3 Baseball
Goal: Strengthen leadership and communication skills



ALYSSA BURKE

From: Abington, MA
School: College of the Holy Cross (Political Science and Economics)
Activity: Big Brother Big Sister Volunteer
Goal: Excited to meet other interns and gain experience in the industry

Fun Fact: I plan to pursue Law School post-grad



ELLA CUSSON

From: Needham, MA
School: College of the Holy Cross (Economics)
Activity: Women's Club Volleyball; Women in Business
Goal: Gain hands-on experience and build connections

Fun Fact: I'll be working at Ember in Harwich Port this summer



GUS DEGEN

From: Portland, OR
School: University of Oregon (Sports Business)
Activity: Pi Kappa Alpha; golf
Goal: Gain industry experience and make connections
Fun Fact: I want to work in marketing for a professional sports team



CONNOR DONLAN

From: Hanover, MA
School: James Madison University (Sports and Recreation Management)
Activity: Student manager for JMU Lacrosse; Sigma Rho Mu
Goal: To work in sports using analytics and gain hands-on experience while building connections



KYRA DRISCOLL

From: Santa Cruz, CA
School: Cal Poly SLO (Business Administration)
Activity: Club Lacrosse
Goal: Learn more about the specifics of how a baseball team is run

Fun Fact: I love going on mission trips and have been on 4 so far



AVERY GUGLIOTTA

From: Wrentham, MA
School: University of Tampa (Sports Management and Criminal Justice)
Activity: Women's Club Ice Hockey; Kappa Alpha Theta
Goal: to learn more about Baseball and operations

Fun Fact: I have played hockey for 12 years



ZACHARY HALPERT

From: Cumberland, RI
School: Duquesne University (Sports Information and Media)
Activity: Club Lacrosse
Goal: Gain real-world experience and build connections

GAME DAY OPERATIONS INTERNS



WEST HASTINGS

From: Granville, OH
School: Denison University (Communications)
Goal: To be able to see how a sports organization works from top to bottom
Fun Fact: I am studying abroad in Namibia



ASHLEY HOLLOMAN

From: Dennis, MA
School: Bridgewater State University (Communications and Public Relations)
Activity: Campus Life Editor, The Bridgewater Comment
Goal: to broaden my knowledge on the inner workings of the sports industry
Fun Fact: I worked for the Boston Fleet this past season as a content writer



JOHN KEYES

From: Worcester, MA
School: Southern New Hampshire University (Business Analytics)
Goal: To work in baseball analytics and learn the baseball industry
Fun Fact: I'm cousins with Joe and Dom DiMaggio



ANIKA KINI

From: Rye, NY
School: Brown University (Economics)
Goal: Excited to meet other interns and gain experience in the industry
Fun Fact: I plan to pursue Law School post-grad



COLIN LEMAY

From: Easton, MA
School: University of Rhode Island (Sports Media & Communications)
Goal: making connections and learning all aspects of the game
Fun Fact: I have played baseball my whole life



JACK MAHONEY

From: Fairfield, CT
School: Indiana University (Sports Management and Marketing)
Goal: Gain firsthand experience in the field
Fun Fact: My right arm is an inch shorter than my left.



FINN MAIONA

From: Boston, MA
School: Providence College (Business Management)
Activity: hockey operations assistant – Providence Women's Hockey
Goal: To make new connections in the field
Fun Fact: I love watching the Sox at Fenway



JAY MILLER

From: Crozet, VA
School: James Madison University (Sports Recreation Management)
Goal: Learn as much as possible and meet people in the industry
Fun Fact: I went to my first baseball game at 9 days old



ETHAN NOSEK

From: Hanover, MA
School: Merrimack College (Sports Management and Communications)
Activity: Basketball team manager; athletic department intern
Goal: Learn what goes on behind the scenes
Fun Fact: I'm obsessed with 80s movies and music



GIANNA PAOLILLO

From: Arlington, MA
School: University of Massachusetts Amherst (Finance)
Goal: gain insight into the behind-the-scenes operations and experience working within a sports organization
Fun Fact: I have played guitar for 5 years

GAME DAY OPERATIONS INTERNS



JORDYN PINEAU

From: Dennis, MA
School: Salve Regina University (Business Administration)
Activity: Field Hockey
Goal: Gain experience in operations and explore interests
Fun Fact: I'm left-handed



ELIAS PRESS

From: New York City, NY
School: Miami University (Sports Management)
Goal: Learn as much as possible across all areas of the sport
Fun Fact: I want to work for one of my hometown teams in the future



JACK RYAN

From: Kingston, MA
School: University of South Carolina (Sport and Entertainment Management)
Goal: Gain relevant experience in baseball
Fun Fact: I work for the South Carolina football team



MEGAN TRACEY

From: Holden, MA
School: San Diego State University (Business Management)
Activity: Kappa Delta; Women in Business
Goal: Learn how the ballpark environment is created and build connections

Fun Fact: I'm in the 2013 Red Sox World Series yearbook with David Ortiz



SARAH TULLEY

From: Framingham, MA
School: University of Delaware (Finance)
Goal: To make new connections and learn about the behind-the-scenes of Y-D gamedays
Fun Fact: I went skydiving in Sydney, Australia



TOMMY VERHEY

From: St Paul, MN
School: Wake Forest University (Economics)
Activity: Wake Forest Baseball; Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Goal: Learn how to run game day operations

Fun Fact: I've been to over 50 countries



ANDREW WOLFE

From: Centerville, MA
School: University of New Hampshire (Business Management)
Goal: Gain hands-on experience in game day operations and team management

Fun Fact: I grew up going to Cape League games

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SANDI HOYT MEMORIAL Brooke Woodward

Brooke is a student whose academic commitment, leadership, and character set her apart. Academically, Brooke ranks 16th in a class of 187 with a weighted GPA of 3.85, despite a rigorous schedule of Honors and AP courses. Outside the classroom, Brooke served as captain of both the girls' ice hockey teams, as well as the D-Y state championship field hockey team where she was both a standout performer and mentor for younger athletes. She is the perfect person to be receive a scholarship in Sandi Hoyt's name. Brooke plans to attend University of New Hampshire this fall.



MICHAEL DIEBOLT MEMORIAL Benjamin Rondina

Ben is interested in Exercise Science; being a Fitness Trainer/ Nutritionist, or playing pro baseball. Being a member of the baseball team has brought Ben new friendships and given him the chance to use athletics as a healthy outlet. He is a devoted teammate and credits the game for teaching him to work with others toward a common purpose, learn self-discipline, and set personal goals. Ben plans to attend Cushing Academy in the fall.



MICHAEL DIEBOLT MEMORIAL Griffin Endres

Griffin is a standout student athlete. He has played baseball through his time at D-Y where he serves as a leader and committed teammate. Griffin is also senior class Vice President, an Advanced Placement student, student ambassador, and is invested in a number of organizations close to his heart. Griffin plans to attend Providence College next year and major in Finance.



MICHAEL FRICK MEMORIAL Remidee McBride

Remidee plans to be a social worker and work in a hospital setting. She interned with Star & Fox Pediatrics, quickly advancing to independently taking vitals, conducting basic assessments, and assisting in patient care. Through this experience, Remidee has developed professional skills, technical knowledge, and the patience and compassion necessary to work effectively with children and families. She plans to attend Salem State University in the fall.



MICHAEL FRICK MEMORIAL Edward Angiolillo

Edward is a dedicated athlete and motivated student. He is in four National Honor societies and is the senior class Treasurer. He has played football and lacrosse at DY since his freshman year. Edward is also a member of the Interact club and a student ambassador. Edwards plans to attend Bryant University and major in Finance and Marketing.

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