

DEAL SYNAGOGUE SOFTBALL LEAGUE

PLAY BALL !!!



Defending champion Captain Robert Nesser of last year's "Dallas" leads his '82 entry U. S. A. looking for an unprecedented 3rd "Deal Cup"Can he,Will he repeat??? Eleven other teams say NO. . . . Here we go again . . .Its

OPENING DAY

SEASON OPENING SCHEDULE

Sunday May 28, 1982

Dow Avenue School

FIELD A

- HURRICANES VS POWER PLAY - 9:00 A.M.
- HURRICANES VS PACMEN - 10:30 A.M.
- PACMEN VS VENOM - 12:00 P.M.
- VENOM VS HOTSHOTS - 1:30 P.M.
- HOTSHOTS VS ALAMOS - 2:45 P.M.
- ALAMOS VS POWER PLAY - 4:00 P.M.

FIELD B

- 911 VS JAMES GANG - 9:15 A.M.
- 911 VS GEMALS PALS '82 - 10:45 A.M.
- GEMALS PALS '82 VS WOODSTOCK - 12:00 P.M.
- WOODSTOCK VS U.S.A. - 1:30 P.M.
- U.S.A. VS BUMS - 2:45 P.M.
- BUMS VS JAMES GANG - 4:00 P.M.

#1 CAPT. Mitchell Gemal

1. MARC DWECK
2. Michael Fallas
3. Raymond Beyda
4. Harold Ebani
5. Ronny V. Jemal
6. David Mizrahi
7. Gary Gemal
8. Leon Shneider
9. Jerry Wygoda
10. Sammy Gindi
11. Robert Tobias
12. Abe Seruya
13. Albert Ades

PACMEN

#3 CAPT. Eddie Beyda

1. ROBERT BRAHA
2. Sam Ashkenazi
3. Moses Eastman
4. Sammy Cohen
5. Morris Gindi
6. Ricky Dweck
7. Mal Franco
8. Steve Cohen
9. David Assoulin
10. Eddie Dwek
11. Alan Baily
12. Steven Betesh
13. Marvin Jemal

POWER PLAY

#5 CAPT. Ronnie Gindi

1. RICHIE GINDI
2. Morris Cohen (College)
3. Morris Shalom
4. Elliot Harari
5. Marty Hoffstein
6. Elliot Kattan
7. Charlie Semah
8. Elliot "Red" Dweck
9. Eddie Blanco
10. Eli Tawil
11. Judah Eastman
12. Charlie Saka
13. Raymond Dweck

HOTSHOTS

#7 CAPT. Marty Gemal

1. ELLIOT BRAHA
2. Bobby Blanco
3. Eli Gindi
4. Kemmy Cohen
5. David Shriqui
6. Saulie Winthrop Tawil
7. Isaac Betesh
8. Johnny Dayan
9. Moe Cohen
10. Ronnie Safdieh
11. David Simhon
12. Zuri Gemal
13. Eddie Gindi

GEMALS PALS '82

#9 CAPT. Jack Picciotto

1. IRWIN GINDI
2. Steve J. Nasar
3. Erwin Braha
4. Alan Antar
5. Eddie Chabot
6. David Haddad
7. Morris (Blimp) Ashear
8. Elliot Morabia
9. Morris Hostleman
10. Morris (Swami) Ashear
11. Abo Shamah
12. Bernie Goldenberg
13. Sol N. Tawil

JAMES GANG

#11 CAPT. Robt. Nesser

1. FREDDIE HARARY
2. Richie Braha
3. Wayne Kassin
4. Eddie Mishan
5. Stevie "Biggy" Nasar
6. Jack Saban
7. Alphonse Missry
8. Richie Menahem
9. Mark Matut
10. Moshe Dwek
11. Nathan Esses
12. Jack Saka
13. Steven Jemal

U.S.A.



#2 CAPT. Jack Matalon

1. Jack Haddad
2. Eddie (Lawly) Kassir
3. Morris Sultan
4. Stanley Cohen
5. Eddie Anzarouth
6. Joey Esses
7. Robert Chabot
8. Charlie Haddad
9. Mort Hirshman
10. Jerry Harary
11. David Cohen
12. Saul "Bash" Tawil
13. Ike Haber

HURRICANES

#4 CAPT. Bobby Kassir

1. JOEY BRAHA
2. Sammy "Big" Kassir
3. Joe Harari
4. Eddie Azar Cohen
5. Yogi Kassir
6. Eli Dweck
7. A. J. Gindi
8. Michael Kassir
9. Howie Shreiber
10. Michael (Irving) Fallas
11. Irwin Azar Cohen
12. Bobby Morabia
13. Morris Swed

ALAMOS

#6 CAPT. Elliot Betesh

1. IKE DWECK
2. Victor Zilberman
3. Steve Shalom
4. Bucky Doueck
5. Jeff Matut
6. Joe Heiney
7. Sammy "Ribs" Kassir
8. Harvey Shomer
9. Steve Tawil
10. Alex Missry
11. Sammy Tawil
12. Sammy Saka
13. Alan (Wiggles) Shabot

WOODSTOCK

#8 CAPT. Charles Saka

1. IKE FRANCO
2. Steve Fallas
3. Marvin Saka
4. Danny Erani
5. Michael Betesh
6. Morris Chera
7. Irving Fallas
8. David "Jaws" Dweck
9. Victor Franco
10. Nemo Chalme
11. Ronny Elway
12. Michael Heiney
13. Josh Jemal

911



#10 CAPT. Joel Rishty

1. NATHAN TAWIL
2. Eddie Kassir S.S.
3. Ralph Zalta
4. Meno Dweck
5. Elliot Gindi
6. Marty Mizrahi
7. Eli Kairey
8. Eli Haddad
9. Abe R. Esses
10. Steve Sutton
11. Steve Zekaria
12. Jeff Menaged
13. Ralph Setyon

THE BUMS

#12 CAPT. Elliot Mavorah

1. GARY ERANI
2. Michael Mishaan
3. Joel Nasar
4. Eddie Grazi
5. Michael Dweck
6. Jack Hakim
7. David Ashkenazi
8. Elliot Solomon
9. Norman Levy
10. Simon (Power) Paskie
11. Douglas Jemal
12. Maurice Zalta
13. Eddie Ashkenazi

VENOM



DEALINGS! "HOT STOVING IT"



A Red Nesser team without Jackie Haddad - the Gindi boys - R & R together for the first time - the return of Elliot Braha and Irwin Gindi to the player ranks, and the "Peachman" to Captain Hood, (welcome back fellas). The "Front" man no longer the Frontman (believe it) - and now batting fourth the centerfielder "Elliot Mavorah" who just happens also to be the Captain. - This year's version of "Remember the Blood Brothers" featuring Kassin Kassin, Kassin and Kassin. All this plus the youngest experienced Capt. in League history (Good Luck, Ell). Help for the Jaws - Nemo tandem (as if they needed it) in the person of a one - Josh (of "Los Machos" fame) Jemal - and 4 teams (can you name them) with an unprecedented line-up of 5 Captains (both past and present) each. Forget the 3^o and 37 wind chill - we're back --- it's here --- the '82 version of Deal Synagogue Softball League - and all signs point to the greatest season of fun ever.

With just a shade over 2 months till the official sound of "Play Ball" (not counting "Robert Red's" Feb. 7 exhibition) we're looking for at least one more session of brisk and heavy trading before teams "Line-up" for position on opening day. Most sought after commodity, (in what would seem to be a total about face from previous years) is an outfielder. Pitchers have seen their lot soar to new heights -- what with the likes of Luke, Hofen-Hoof, and Co. gobbled up by early round 5. The guys we used to call the "Kids" are reaping their due for first time ever this year via well deserved first-round status for Nathan Tawil and Freddie Harari. Positions that continue their yearly up-grading in importance are once again 2nd base, and right field. At least 4 and perhaps as many as 7 out of 12 Captains figure to be leading their troops from the mound position. Keeping all this in mind we "bravely" set out to give you our version of the morning line--- early morning line at that - subject to change, re-evaluation, and the like as season opener becomes a reality and roster-changes develop. P.S. "These numbers are for comparison only - actual finish may differ" (and usually does) so please, fellas, hold back all the nasty calls and try to take this in the spirit in which its meant ----- that's the spirit ----- here goes.

AMERICAN DIVISION



1. U.S.A. Give us the combo of the Redhead and the kids for exciting fun, super-defensive softball with more than enough power from Biggy,

Wayne K, Red, and Fred. Key, clutch hitting and more supplied by Phonse, and Moshe. The veterans, Jack Saka and Richie Menahem, enjoying banner seasons, raising quite a few eyebrows around League.



2. PACMEN A bunch of veteran ballplayers who have been there before and know what it takes to win. Marco - Michael - up the middle unbeatable. Very deep in personnel, no wasted picks here. Shneider coming off a great year as is his former and present Captain. Both should repeat. Can't beat the likes of Raymond Beyda when it comes to team spirit and in our opinion is best S.C. in League. Gary - Davie Miz. - R.V.J. - Ebani all guys that have proven themselves over the years. Definitely set in catcher's position a dogfight for Wygoda - Serouya - Toby all of whom could start.

3. HOTSHOTS Ronnie and Richie with Hoffstein on the mound could do it with any supporting cast. Quite a few other good names here - Morris Cohen (his availability could be key) Morris Shalom coming off a banner year - should have super infield - - a couple of question marks in outfield and reserve players all being of a good hit no position variety might prevent them from an even higher finish. Even with question marks we look for Ronnie's enthusiasm to rub off (even on Richie) and compensate for any and all short-comings, and besides how many runs do you have to score if you have Hoffen - Huffin and Puffin and blowin' that ball past those mean ole hitters, anyway.

4. JAMES GANG Peaches is back, with a lot of new faces - about the long layoff for Irwin Gindi it will seem as if he never left the game going right back to S.S. and performing as superbly as ever. A great team ballplayer with overflowing spirit and enthusiasm. Names like Erwin Braha - Eddie Chabot - being counted on heavily to bounce back from what was "off" years for them. Can Alan Antar play an outfield position? Will Morabia - Goldenberg be able to recapture form after sitting out '81 season. David Haddad among League's most underrated, should enjoy another fine season. Ditto, "Blimp". But forget all the names as key here is the Peachman's "uncanny" talent to maximize ability of each man on team. In control of entire situation while not allowing pressure to interfere with his own personal game and star performance.



5. GEMALS PALS '82 Uncertainty of Bobby Blanco's playing status and all that goes with it (shifting around men into unfamiliar positions) lands Pals an "early line" - out of money finish. With Blanco in there for even some of the games joined with everyone's "Mr. Everything" Elliot Braha, a most underrated hitter in Capt. Marty, a clutch Eli Gindi, and lefty power from Zak, they would figure to finish no lower than 4th and perhaps as high as 2nd despite obvious lack of defense in infield or outfield wherever Braha doesn't play. Guys like Eddie Gindi, Kemmy Cohen (coming off a super year) Simhon and Winthrop might hold key to this team if one or two of above names can adequately nail down a vacant defensive position.

6. POWER PLAY Someones got to be last in this black and blue division so we give our early nod (though reluctantly) to Front's favorite man Eddie Beyda. Oh, not really him, as we are expecting another super year both offensively and defensively from E.B.. Ditto "Front" and definitely a great one again in C.F. with Robert this time instead of Joey. But after conceding home run crown to Moses and .800 season to Morris Gindi talent definitely thins out and quickly. Lack of team speed and defense together with talent shortage might "short-circuit" this Power Play though they figure to be contenders all the way till the end.



NATIONAL DIVISION

1. 911 Okay, let's hear it, all those snide remarks of "favoritism," "always gets his way," etc., etc., etc. but we can't help it if the guy simply picks (in our estimation) a super team year in, year out - first he surprised everyone by going "Bone Head" first round then still manages to get all his "Boys" back in Later picking and finally even lands Uncle Irving after years of "falling short." Stevie Fallas is best 2nd round pick in League and you can bet your old Blood Brother scorecard that he'll be there. "Mell" is back tape measure in hand and an awesome sight at 1B. Put Nemo and Jaws on any other team and they'd just be Nemo and Jaws and over here they're rally igniters and game stoppers. Let us welcome back Erani and Elway on their second tour with the "Charles". Some how, some way they'll find a spot on this team for Josh and he'll come thru like old times again, with Jon Seltzer munching his cigar on the sidelines nodding his approval. Chera (Morris) and Betesh (Michael)



should both prove they can still excel and will need no other incentives to deliver. Unlike other division race this one should be a walk-away with 911 out in front by at least 3-4 lengths as this thing winds down.

2. VENOM

He won this years first annual Wayne Kassin "Chuckle" award as soon as he said Gary Erani in round one. But he ends up with last laugh and super infield of Nasar - Mishaan - Erani - Grazi. All four can hit and field their positions with the best of them. Figures to get excellent seasons out of guys like Simon-Douglas - Solomon who are all tickled pink to be here. Looking for a bounce back year out of Michael Dweck who a short 2 seasons ago was League's best in R.F. No "dead wood" on this team as every player can handle the stick. If there is a weakness it might be pitching with 2-3 candidates vying for starting berth. Will he, -- can he, -- play C.F.?? We will all know the answer to that one very shortly. P.S. - don't bet against it.--- Good Luck Cuz!!!

3. ALAMOS

All comparisons to last years "Family Affair" should stop as soon as season gets rolling. How could you have a better start to any team than Bobby K. and J.B. up the middle. Cast our early vote for a "Big" (as in Sammy) comeback of the year award. Best pick might well prove to be Joe Harari - steadying influence on any team pulling from years of know-how and experience. And, Yes, Ma, he also still hits and fields with the best of them. Big question here, too, is who pitches???

4. HURRICANES

The final playoff spot goes to a team that should not have any problems with at least one position -- you guessed it -- pitching. In what might prove to be a gutsy, daring, and knowledgeable move after nailing down a super outfield of Haddad - Sultan - Kassin. They get the strong southpaw to put them in immediate contention. Not a bad bat to have around either. Weaknesses would appear to be infield and bench strength especially as it relates to defensive capabilities.

5. THE BUMS

Here, too, a break of any kind could put those Bums in playoff picture. Admittedly a strong team up the middle no matter how they go with Joel - Nathan - Eddie combo. Ralph Zalta a strong #2 outfielder both at bat and in field. Meno should have 2nd well in control and Marty Miz at first is more than adequate -- especially batting from



the left side. Question marks are A. starting pitcher B. 3rd outfielder. Filling even one of the two spots adequately could assure a playoff position for this new team.

6. WOODSTOCK There's this joke about the first day of spring training the Capt. gets up and announces to his players "everyone onto the field and take your accustomed position". If they ran that same scrimmage with this year's Woodstock they'd wear out the turf around the S.S. position before the season ever got underway. Should be able to convert a couple of those premier shortstops to other infield positions but job becomes increasingly harder to turn one into a decent outfielder. Assuming it will be Elliot - Ikey up the middle they could play with the best of them. Question marks here are A. pitcher B. 1 outfield position. Lack of power punch in line-up non-multi-talented personnel in reserve. A trade or two in any of these directions here, too, could turn this prediction right around.

That's our views for now -- we "kinda" get the feeling that we'll be hearing yours, and real soon. But regardless, we sincerely wish Good Luck to all on upcoming season, and Thanks for reading.

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UPDATE... UPDATE... UPDATE... UPDATE... UPDATE...

Very little in the way of trading, roster moves, etc., occurred since we last "touched base". However, after checking out various "Spring training camps", re-analyzing the needs and shortcomings of each team and reading the "FRONT LINE REPORT" (P. S. - The wife's chicken soup recipe on its way to Norma). We bring you as promised our final revised predictions for upcoming 1982 season:

AMERICAN	NATIONAL
1. U. S. A.	1. 911
2. Pacmen	2. Venom
3. Gemals Pals '82	3. Alamos
4. Power Play	4. Hurricanes
5. James Gang	5. Woodstock
6. Hotshots	6. Bums

Clubhouse Confidential Shorts: Despite what you may have read U. S. A. can't finish anywhere but first especially with luxury of having at least 8-10 players practicing any given day or time of week with the Redhead . . . Pals jump from 5th to 3rd by virtue of solidifying C. F. situation with a returning Hy Gindi. . . with Elliot B. at S.S. Perennial weak 3B position for Marty G. shouldn't be a factor . . . Will Winthrop be able to return to action for important tail-end of season??? We look for Pals to sit on that one 'till replacement deadline. . . Still like Pacmen in the No. 2 slot. . .P. S. Marco looks as good as ever at S.S., and no, Beverly he was not in work

Synagogue of Deal Softball League (cont'd)

last Wednesday. . . One of 13 guys spotted at Phillips in final tune-up . . . Beyda Front and Co. climb from 6th to 4th. . . Great steal in re-acquiring Marty Miz. . . and maybe Sammy's right about "Me and Eddie with Eastman, Gindi, Braha" etc., Besides, he never had a solid bottom of order or bench since he joined league and you can't argue with success. . . James Gang drops to fifth especially of reports of uncertainty of Stevie "J" injury, loss of Morabia and unsuccessful attempt in off-season to land bona fide third outfielder. . . Hotshots slip to sixth by virtue of too many unanswered questions in original predictions plus who backs up Hoffstein on mound should he falter??? . . . Many potential personality problems and clashes waiting in wings especially if they get off to slow start. . . . Woodstock out of cellar into 5th giving Hurricanes a run for their money. . . Bums very much out of it in cellar with too many guys unproven to date being counted on heavily at key positions. . . .

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