



2019 EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME

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Eastern Division All-Stars vs. Western Division All-Stars

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THE 2019 EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME

- Top players from across the Eastern League representing the Western and Eastern Divisions square off in the 2019 Eastern League All-Star Game
- This is the first time Richmond and the Flying Squirrels have hosted the Eastern League All-Star Game

MEET THE MANAGERS

- The Western Division will be managed by Richmond Flying Squirrels manager **Willie Harris**
- Played 12 seasons in the majors with the Chicago White Sox, Washington Nationals, New York Mets, Atlanta Braves, Boston Red Sox, Cincinnati Reds and Baltimore Orioles
- Scored clinching run in the 2005 World Series with the White Sox
- Played in the Eastern League in 2001 with Bowie and ranks second in Baysox franchise history with 54 steals in a season
- Played 17 games for the Richmond Braves in 2007
- Third overall season as an MiLB manager and second in Richmond
- The Eastern Division will be managed by New Hampshire Fisher Cats manager **Mike Mordecai**
- Played 12 MLB seasons with the Expos, Braves and Marlins
- Two-time World Series champion (1995, 2003)
- Played five seasons (241 total games) with the Richmond Braves from 1992-97
- Is currently second overall season as a manager in the minors (Last was 2005 with Jamestown Jammers in the NYPL)

MEET THE TEAMS

- The rosters are comprised of players from around the league's 12 teams as voted on by Eastern League managers and media
- The rosters include players from five different countries: United States, Dominican Republic, Venezuela, South Korea and Australia
- Richmond leads the league with seven All-Star selections, a franchise record
- The Western Division roster includes seven players from Richmond, six from Erie, five from Akron, five from Harrisburg, four from Altoona and four from Bowie
- The Eastern Division roster features six players from Trenton, five from Binghamton, five from Hartford, five from Reading, four from Binghamton and four from Portland
- Erie's **Isaac Paredes** is the youngest player participating in the All-Star Game at 20 years old (born February 18, 1999)
- Harrisburg's **Aaron Barrett** is the oldest player on the All-Star rosters at 31 years old (born January 1, 1988)
- 10 players who were selected as All-Stars are not available to play due to promotions, injuries or participation in the Futures Game
- Western Division pitchers **Tyler Cyr** (2017) and **Aaron Barrett** (2013) are playing in the Eastern League All-Star Game for the second time in their careers

LEADING THE PACK

- Heading into the All-Star Break, several All-Star Game players are leading the league in various statistical categories
- Bowie's **Mason McCoy** leads the league with a .319 batting average
- Portland's **Bobby Dalbec** leads the league with 19 home runs and 56 walks
- Reading's **Darick Hall** leads the league with 55 RBIs, 26 doubles and 40 extra-base hits
- Trenton's **Chris Gittens** leads the league with a .411 on-base %
- Reading's **Mickey Moniak** leads the league with nine triples
- Akron's **Ka'ai Tom** leads the league with 149 total bases
- Bowie's **Alex Wells** leads the league in ERA (1.92)
- Bowie's **Zac Lowther** and Altoona's **James Marvel** are tied for the league lead with nine wins
- Erie's **Matt Manning** leads the league with 106 strikeouts
- Reading's **Addison Russ** leads the league with 35 games pitched

THROUGH THE YEARS

- The Eastern League All-Star Game dates back to 1954 and was hosted annually through 1990
- From 1991-2002, the Eastern, Southern and Texas Leagues combined to host the Double-A All-Star Game each summer
- The current era of the Eastern League All-Star Game began in 2003
- From 2003-2009, the Southern and Northern Divisions squared off
- The North and South split the six games played in that span
- The 2007 All-Star Game in Norwich, Conn. was canceled in the third inning due to fog
- In 2010, the league restructured into its current look with the Eastern and Western Divisions
- Since 2010, the Western Division holds a 5-4 edge over the Eastern Division
- Two All-Star Games, 2015 and 2018, were deadlocked through nine innings and went to a tiebreaker. In 2015, Reading's Brian Pointer won the game for the East in a home run derby. Last year, Altoona's Will Craig won a swing-off to give the win to the Western Division.

PROSPECT WATCH

- The All-Star Game rosters include five of MLB.com's top prospects in baseball, including Erie's **Casey Mize** (2), Erie's **Matt Manning** (32), Hartford's **Colton Welker** (57), Reading's **Adonis Medina** (77) and Erie's **Isaac Paredes** (83)
- This year's All-Star Game rosters also include two of the last four top overall picks in the MLB Draft: Mize (2018) and Reading's **Mickey Moniak** (2016)
- Four players are ranked by MLB.com in the top-10 prospects at their position by MLB.com: Mize (RHP, 1), Manning (RHP, 10), Welker (3B, 6) and Dalbec (3B, 8)
- 22 players are ranked in their respective organization's top-30 prospects by MLB.com

STARS OF TOMORROW

- The Eastern League All-Star Game has featured players who have gone on to become some of the top stars in Major League Baseball
- Since 1985, the Eastern League All-Star Game rosters have included:
- Two inductees to the National Baseball Hall of Fame: **Jim Thome** (1991) and **Vladimir Guerrero** (1996)
- One AL Most Valuable Players: **Vladimir Guerrero** (1996)
- Two Cy Young Award winners: **Doug Drabek** (1985) and **Cliff Lee** (2002)
- 28 Silver Slugger Award winners: **Ellis Burks** (1986), **Jay Bell** (1986), **Rafael Palmeiro** (1986), **Albert Belle** (1989), **Tino Martinez** (1989), **Travis Fryman** (1989), **Bernie Williams** (1989), **Jim Thome** (1991), **Manny Ramirez** (1993), **Nomar Garciaparra** (1995), **Todd Helton** (1996), **Vladimir Guerrero** (1996), **Torii Hunter** (1998), **Michael Cuddyer** (2001), **Victor Martinez** (2002), **Grady Sizemore** (2003), **Aaron Hill** (2004), **Ryan Howard** (2004), **Jose Bautista** (2005), **Hanley Ramirez** (2005), **Adam Lind** (2006), **Neil Walker** (2007), **Alex Avila** (2009), **Madison Bumgarner** (2009), **Brandon Crawford** (2010), **Francisco Lindor** (2014), **Gary Sanchez** (2014-15) and **German Marquez** (2016)
- 59 players have been named to MLB All-Star Games

LAST RICHMOND ALL-STAR GAME

- The last minor-league All-Star Game to be held in Richmond was the 1992 Triple-A All-Star Game, hosted by the Richmond Braves on July 15, 1992
- The American League roster included Tim Salmon, Bernie Williams, Jeff Conine, Damion Easley, Bret Boone, Wayne Kirby and Bob Wickman
- The National League roster featured Mike Piazza, who was the second catcher off the bench for the N.L.
- The game was delayed for rain
- The American League defeated the National League, 2-1

LOOKING LIVE

- The 2019 Eastern League All-Star Game is being broadcast live in Richmond on CBS 6 WTVR and on WCVW-TV
- Broadcaster **Lane Casadonte** will call the action
- Casadonte is the sports director at CBS 6 in Richmond and has been with the station since 1994
- Casadonte will be joined by analyst **Jon Laaser**, former broadcaster in the Eastern League for the Altoona Curve (2007) and the Richmond Flying Squirrels (2010-15) and current voice of the Virginia Tech Hokies football and men's basketball teams
- The live telecast is also being carried in various markets throughout the east coast, including Norfolk, Va., Charlottesville, Va., Harrisonburg, Va., Hartford, Conn., Harrisburg, Pa., Baltimore, Md. and Portland, Maine.

IN CASE OF A TIE

- If the game is tied through nine innings, the winning team will be determined with a home run derby
- Each manager will select one hitter from his roster
- A member of each coaching staff will pitch to the hitter from his roster
- As the visiting team, the Eastern Division would hit first
- Each hitter will have a timed two-minute round
- The team whose hitter hits the most home runs would win the game
- If both players hit the same number of home runs, a second round timed to one minute would be held
- In a second round, the managers can continue with the same hitters as the first round or can select a new hitter
- If the score is still tied through two rounds, a third round timed to 30 seconds will be held
- In a third round, the managers can continue with the same hitters as the first round or can select a new hitter
- If the score is still tied through three rounds, any additional rounds would be time to 30 seconds until a winner is determined



EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR RESULTS & RECORDS

PAST EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME RESULTS

The Eastern League All-Star Game took place annually from 1954-1990.
From 1991-2002, the Eastern, Southern and Texas Leagues combined for a Double-A All-Star Game.
The Eastern League again began hosting its own All-Star Game in 2003.

All records below are reflective of the current era of the Eastern League All-Star Game, beginning in 2003.

YEAR	LOCATION	RESULT	WINNER	LOSER	MVP	ATT.	
2003	New Britain, Conn.	North 6, South 5	David Shepard (TRN)	Brian Schmack (ERI)	Terry Tiffée (NB)	7,168	
2004	Bowie, Md.	South 4, North 1	Dave Crouthers (BOW)	Neal Musser (BIN)	Jeff Keppinger (ALT)	9,166	
2005	Portland, Maine	North 9, South 6	Justin Pope (TRN)	Chris Cooper (AKR)	Danny Matienzo (NB)	6,975	
2006	Altoona, Pa.	South 5, North 3	Kip Bouknight (HAR)	Charlie Manning (TRN)	Brett Roneberg (ALT)	9,308	
2007	Norwich, Conn.	CANCELED IN THIRD INNING (FOG)					
2008	Manchester, N.H.	North 5, South 3	Joe Martinez (CON)	Pat Bresnehan (ALT)	Luke Hughes (NB)	8,762	
2009	Trenton, N.J.	South 5, North 3	Vance Worley (REA)	Roy Merritt (BNG)	Miguel Abreu (BOW)	7,474	
2010	Harrisburg, Pa.	West 10, East 3	Rafael Martin (HBG)	Drew Naylor (REA)	Chase d'Arnaud (ALT)	8,078	
2011	Manchester, N.H.	West 8, East 3	Aaron Pribanic (ALT)	Joel Carreno (NH)	Brock Holt (ALT)	7,517	
2012	Reading, Pa.	East 5, West 4	Daniel Turpen (NB)	Hector Nelo (HAR)	Eric Campbell (BNG)	9,477	
2013	New Britain, Conn.	West 5, East 0	Mike Wright (BOW)	Anthony Ranaudo (POR)	Javier Herrera (RIC)	8,633	
2014	Altoona, Pa.	West 5, East 2	Ryan Beckman (ALT)	Dustin Antolin (NH)	Steven Moya (ERI)	6,055	
2015	Portland, Maine	West 4, East 4*	N/A	N/A	Marco Hernandez (POR)	7,368	
2016	Akron, Ohio	East 10, West 2	Jordan Montgomery (TRN)	Tyler Beede (RIC)	Matt Oberste (BNG)	8,054	
2017	Manchester, N.H.	East 7, West 1	Drew Anderson (REA)	Jairo Labourt (ERI)	Zack Zehner (TRN)	6,120	
2018	Trenton, N.J.	West 4, East 4^	N/A	N/A	Luigi Rodriguez (RIC)	8,296	

* - REA's Brian Pointer won for West in home run derby

^ - ALT's Will Craig won for West in swing-off

EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME TEAM BATTING RECORDS

Most Runs Scored.....	10, 2x (West - 2010, East - 2016)
Most Hits.....	20 (East - 2016)
Most Doubles.....	5, 2x (South - 2006, East - 2016)
Most Triples.....	2 (South - 2006)
Most Home Runs.....	4 (South - 2005)
Most Walks.....	7 (North - 2006)
Most Strikeouts.....	12, 2x (East - 2014, West - 2018)

EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME TEAM PITCHING RECORDS

Most Runs Allowed.....	10, 2x (East - 2010, West - 2016)
Most Earned Runs Allowed.....	10 (West - 2016)
Most Hits Allowed.....	20 (West - 2016)
Most Walks.....	7 (South - 2006)
Most Strikeouts.....	12, 2x (West - 2014, East - 2018)
Most Home Runs Allowed.....	4 (North - 2005)

EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME INDIVIDUAL BATTING RECORDS

Most At-Bats.....	5, 13x (Last - Brendan Rodgers HFD - 2018)
Most Runs Scored.....	2, 15x (Last - Jesmuel Valentin REA/Dylan Cozens REA - 2016)
Most Hits.....	4, 2x (Mike McDade NH - 2012, Matt Oberste BIN - 2016)
Most Doubles.....	3 (Brett Roneberg ALT - 2006)
Most Triples.....	1, 9x (Last - Levi Michael BIN - 2018, Danny Woodrow ERI - 2018)
Most Home Runs.....	2 (Jonathan Van Every AKR - 2005)
Most Grand Slams.....	1, 2x (Chase d'Arnaud ALT - 2010, Steven Moya ERI - 2014)
Most RBI.....	4, 3x (Chase d'Arnaud ALT - 2010, Steven Moya ERI - 2014, Matt Oberste BIN - 2016)
Most Walks.....	2, 7x (Last - Thairo Estrada TRN - 2017)
Most Strikeouts.....	3, 8x (Last - Slade Heathcott RIC - 2017)

EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME INDIVIDUAL PITCHING RECORDS

Most Innings Pitched.....	3.0 (Kip Bouknight HAR - 2006)
Most Hits Allowed.....	5, 3x (Last - J.P. Feyereisen AKR - 2016)
Most Runs Allowed.....	6 (Drew Naylor REA - 2010)
Most Earned Runs Allowed.....	6 (Drew Naylor REA - 2010)
Most Walks.....	4 (Nathan Bumstead ERI - 2006)
Most Strikeouts.....	4, (Conner Greene NH - 2017)

EASTERN LEAGUE HOME RUN DERBY WINNERS

2003.....	Brian Myrow (TRN)	2011.....	Mike McDade (NH)
2004.....	Mitch Jones (TRN)	2012.....	Chris Rahl (HBG)**
2005.....	Shelly Duncan (TRN)	2013.....	Caleb Joseph (BOW)
2006.....	No Derby	2014.....	Western Division^
2007.....	Sergio Santos (NH)	2015.....	Dan Gamache (ALT)
2008.....	Travis Snider (NH)	2016.....	Jason Krizan (ERI)
2009.....	Brian Dopirak (NH)*	2017.....	Aderlin Rodriguez (BOW)
2010.....	Hector Gimenez (ALT)	2018.....	Deivi Grullon (REA)

Prior to 2003, the Eastern, Southern and Texas Leagues combined for a Double-A All-Star Game

* - New Jersey High Schooler Mike Fassi edged Dopirak, who led E.L. hitters

** - In 2012, a points-based hitting challenge was held in place of a traditional derby

^ - In 2014, the "Ghostman Games" were held in place of a traditional home run derby



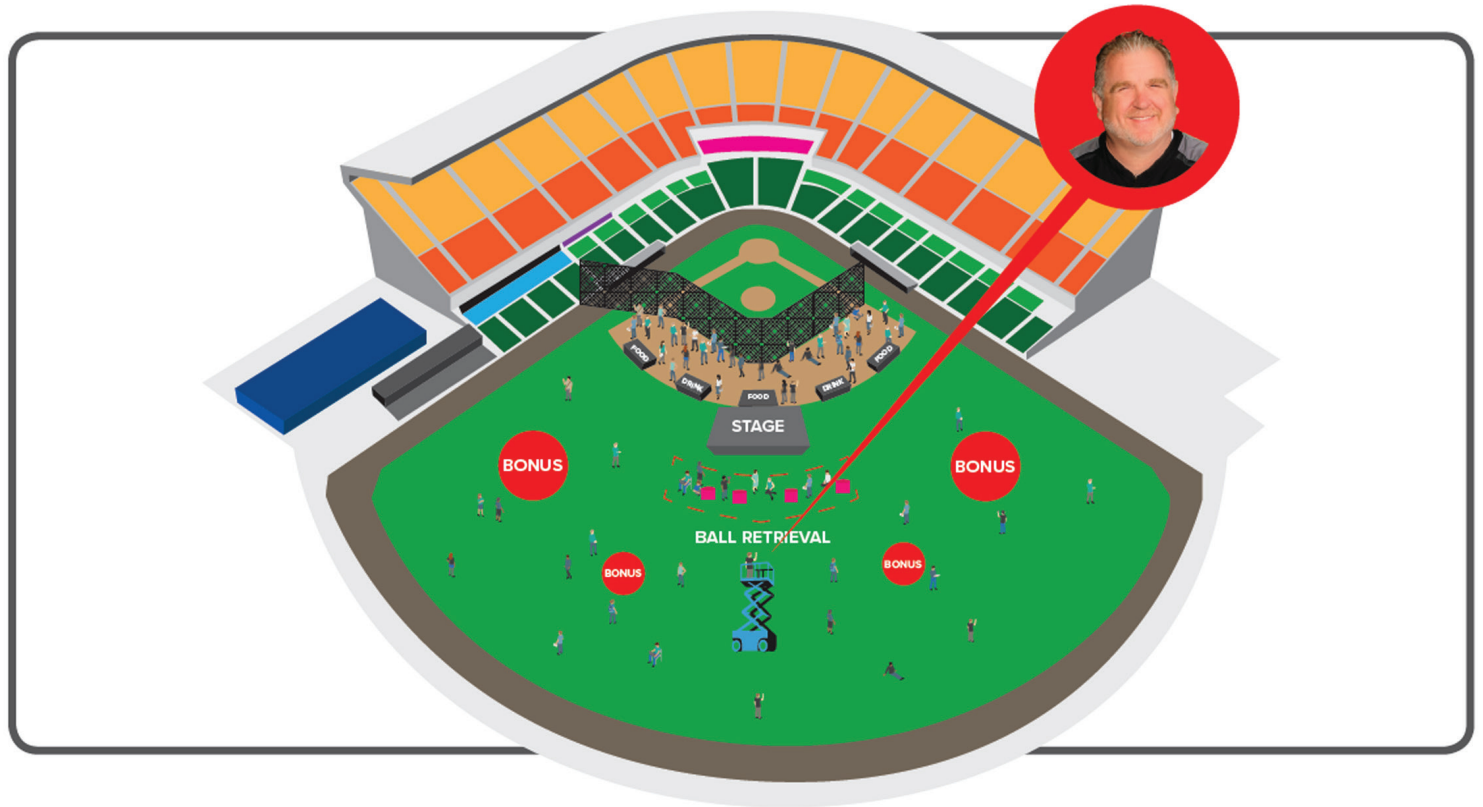
EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME HISTORY

NOTABLE PREVIOUS EASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STARS (SINCE 1985)

YEAR	PLAYER	TEAM	NOTES
1985	Doug Drabek	Albany-Colonie Yankees	NL Cy Young Award (1990), All-Star (1994)
1985	Russ Morman	Glens Falls White Sox	2014 Richmond Flying Squirrels manager
1985	Chris Sabo	Vermont Reds	3x All-Star (1988, '90-91), Rookie of the Year (1988), World Series champion (1990)
1986	Roberto Kelly	Albany-Colonie Yankees	2x All-Star (1992-93)
1986	Ellis Burks	New Britain Red Sox	2x All-Star (1990, '96), Gold Glove (1990), Silver Slugger (1990, 1996)
1986	Rafael Palmeiro	Pittsfield Cubs	4x All-Star (1988, '91, '98, '99), 3x Gold Glove (1997-99), 2x Silver Slugger (1998-99)
1986	Jay Bell	Waterbury Indians	2018 Eastern Division EL ASG manager, 2x All-Star (1993, '99), Gold Glove (1993), Silver Slugger (1993), World Series champion (2001)
1987	Chris Hoiles	Glens Falls White Sox	Baltimore Orioles Hall of Fame
1987	Tom Prince	Harrisburg Senators	2015 Altoona Curve manager
1987	Mark Grace	Pittsfield Cubs	3x All-Star (1993, '95, '97), 4x Gold Glove (1992-93, '95-'96), 2001 World Series champion
1987	Dwight Smith	Pittsfield Cubs	Son, Dwight Jr., played in EL ASG in 2015
1988	Dave Eiland	Albany-Colonie Yankees	Pitching coach for Yankees (2008-10), Royals (2011-17) and Mets (2018-19)
1988	Joe Girardi	Pittsfield Cubs	All-Star (2000), 3x World Series champion as a player (1996, '96, '99), World Series champion manager (2009), Marlins (2006) and Yankees (2008-17) manager
1988	Omar Vizquel	Vermont Mariners	3x All-Star (1998-99, 2002), 11x Gold Glove (1993-01, '05, '06), Cleveland Indians Hall of Fame
1989	Bernie Williams	Albany-Colonie Yankees	5x All-Star (1997-01), 4x Gold Glove (1997-00), Silver Slugger (2002), Batting Title (1998), 4x World Series champion (1996, '98-2000), ALCS MVP (1996), Yankees No. 51 retired
1989	(Joey) Albert Belle	Canton-Akron Indians	5x All-Star (1993-97), 5x Silver Slugger (1993-96, '98)
1989	Travis Fryman	London Tigers	5x All-Star (1992-94, '96, '00), Gold Glove (2000), Silver Slugger (1992)
1989	Tino Martinez	Williamsport Bills	2x All-Star, Silver Slugger, 4x World Series champion
1989	Scott Cooper	New Britain Red Sox	2x All-Star (1993-94)
1990	Charles Nagy	Canton-Akron Indians	3x All-Star (1992, '96, '99), Cleveland Indians Hall of Fame
1990	Carlos Garcia	Harrisburg Senators	All-Star (1994)
1991	Jim Thome	Canton-Akron Indians	Baseball Hall of Fame, 5x All-Star (1997-99, '04, '06), Silver Slugger (1996), Cleveland Indians No. 25 retired, Cleveland Indians Hall of Fame, Philadelphia Phillies Wall of Fame
1991	Jeromy Burnitz	Williamsport Bills	All-Star (1999)
1992	Mike Lieberthal	Reading Phillies	2x All-Star (1999-00), Gold Glove (1999), Philadelphia Phillies Wall of Fame
1993	Manny Ramirez	Canton-Akron Indians	12x All-Star (1995, 1998-08), 9x Silver Slugger (1995, '99-'06), Batting Title (2002), 2x World Series champion (2004, '07), World Series MVP (2004)
1994	Mark Grudzielanek	Harrisburg Senators	All-Star (1996), Gold Glove (2006)
1994	Matt Stairs	New Britain Red Sox	World Series champion (2008), MLB record 23 pinch-hit HR, Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame
1994	Charles Johnson	Portland Sea Dogs	2x All-Star (1997, '01), 4x Gold Glove (1995-98), World Series champion (1997)
1995	Nomar Garciaparra	Trenton Thunder	6x All-Star (1997, '99-00, '02-03, '06), Silver Slugger (1997), 2x Batting Title (1999-00), Rookie of the Year (1997), Boston Red Sox Hall of Fame
1996	Vladimir Guerrero	Harrisburg Senators	Baseball Hall of Fame, 9x All-Star (1999-02, '04-07, '10), 8x Silver Slugger (1999-00, '02, '04-07, 2010), MVP (2004), Angels Hall of Fame
1996	Todd Helton	New Haven Ravens	5x All-Star (2000-04), 3x Gold Glove (2001-02, '04), 4x Silver Slugger (2000-03), Batting Title (2000), Colorado Rockies No. 17 retired)
1997	Kevin Millar	Portland Sea Dogs	World Series champion (2004)
1998	Torii Hunter	New Britain Rock Cats	5x All-Star (2002, '07, '09-10, '13), 9x Gold Glove (2001-09), 2x Silver Slugger (2009, '13), Minnesota Twins Hall of Fame
1999	David Eckstein	Trenton Thunder	2x All-Star (2005-06), 2x World Series champion (2002, '06), World Series MVP (2006)
2001	Michael Cuddyer	New Britain Rock Cats	2x All-Star (2011, '13), Silver Slugger (2013), Batting Title (2013), Minnesota Twins Hall of Fame
2001	Marlon Byrd	Reading Phillies	All-Star (2010)
2002	Victor Martinez	Akron Aeros	5x All-Star (2004, '07, '09-10, '14), 2x Silver Slugger (2004, '14)
2002	Cliff Lee	Akron/Harrisburg	4x All-Star (2008, '10-11, '13), Wins/ERA Title (2008), Cy Young Award (2008)
2002	Ryan Madson	Reading Phillies	2x World Series champion (2008, '15)
2002	Freddy Sanchez	Trenton Thunder	3x All-Star (2006-07, '09), Batting Title (2006), World Series champion (2010)
2003	Grady Sizemore	Akron Aeros	3x All-Star (2006-08), 2x Gold Glove (2007-08), Silver Slugger (2008)
2003	Kevin Youkilis	Portland Sea Dogs	3x All-Star (2008-09, '11), Gold Glove (2007), 2x World Series champion (2004, '07), Boston Red Sox Hall of Fame
2003	Chien-Ming Wang	Trenton Thunder	AL Wins Leader (2006)
2004	Angel Pagan	Binghamton Mets	World Series champion (2012)
2004	Aaron Hill	New Hampshire Fisher Cats	All-Star (2009), 2x Silver Slugger (2009, '12)
2004	Ryan Howard	Reading Phillies	MVP (2006), Rookie of the Year (2005), 3x All-Star (2006, '09-10), Silver Slugger (2006), World Series champion (2008), NLCS MVP (2009), 2x MLB HR leader (2006, '08), 3x MLB RBI leader (2006, '08-09)
2005	Jose Bautista	Altoona Curve	6x All-Star (2010-15), 3x Silver Slugger (2010-11, '14) 2x MLB HR leader (2010-11)
2005	Rajai Davis	Altoona Curve	AL stolen base leader (2016)
2005	Jon Lester	Portland Sea Dogs	5x All-Star (2010-11, '14, '16, '18), 3x World Series champion (2007, '13, '16), NLCS MVP (2016), NL wins leader (2018), pitched a no-hitter on May 19, 2008
2005	Hanley Ramirez	Portland Sea Dogs	3x All-Star (2008-10), 2x Silver Slugger (2008-09), Batting Title (2009), Rookie of the Year (2006)
2005-06	Jonathan Papelbon	Portland Sea Dogs	6x All-Star (2006-09, '12, '15), World Series champion (2007)
2006	Michael Bourn	Reading Phillies	2x All-Star (2010, '12), 2x Gold Glove (2009-10), 3x NL stolen base leader (2009-11)
2006	Denard Span	New Britain Rock Cats	AL triples leader (2009), NL triples leader (2013), NL hit leader (2014 - tied)
2006	Matt Garza	New Britain Rock Cats	ALCS MVP (2008), Pitched a no-hitter on July 26, 2010
2006	Adam Lind	New Hampshire Fisher Cats	Silver Slugger (2009)
2006	Gio Gonzalez	Reading Phillies	2x All-Star (2011-12), NL wins leader (2012)
2006	Glen Perkins	New Britain Rock Cats	3x All-Star (2013-15)
2007	Neil Walker	Altoona Curve	Silver Slugger (2014)
2007	Steve Pearce	Altoona Curve	World Series champion (2018), World Series MVP (2018)
2007	Clay Buchholz	Portland Sea Dogs	2x All-Star (2010, '13), World Series champion (2013), Pitched a no-hitter on Sept. 1, 2007
2007	Jed Lowrie	Portland Sea Dogs	All-Star (2018)
2008	Chris Tillman	Bowie Baysox	All-Star (2013)
2008	Kyle Haines	Connecticut Defenders	2017 Richmond Flying Squirrels manager, Giants Director of Player Development
2008	Jordan Zimmermann	Harrisburg Senators	2x All-Star (2013-14), NL Wins leader (2013), Pitched a no-hitter on Sept. 28, 2014
2008	Austin Jackson	Trenton Thunder	2x AL triples leader (2011-12)
2009	Carlos Santana	Akron Aeros	All-Star (2019)
2009	Madison Bumgarner	Connecticut Defenders	4x All-Star (2013-16), 3x World Series champion (2010, '12, '14), 2x Silver Slugger (2014-15), World Series MVP (2014), NLCS MVP (2014)
2009	Alex Avila	Erie SeaWolves	All-Star (2011), Silver Slugger (2011)
2010	Josh Harrison	Altoona Curve	2x All-Star (2014, '17)
2010	Brandon Crawford	Richmond Flying Squirrels	2x All-Star (2015, '18), 2x World Series champion (2012, '14), 3x Gold Glove (2015-17), Silver Slugger (2015)
2011	Starling Marte	Altoona Curve	All-Star (2016), 2x Gold Glove (2015-16)
2011-12	Brock Holt	Altoona Curve	All-Star (2015), World Series champion (2018)
2012	Buck Britton	Bowie Baysox	Current Bowie Baysox manager
2013	James McCann	Erie SeaWolves	All-Star (2019)
2013	Aaron Barrett	Harrisburg Senators	2019 Eastern League All-Star
2014	Francisco Lindor	Akron RubberDucks	4x All-Star (2016-19), Gold Glove (2016), 2x Silver Slugger (2017-18), Platinum Glove (2016)
2014-15	Gary Sanchez	Trenton Thunder	2x All-Star (2017, '19), Silver Slugger
2015	Josh Bell	Altoona Curve	All-Star (2019)
2015	Dwight Smith Jr.	New Hampshire Fisher Cats	Father, Dwight, played in 1987 Eastern League All-Star Game
2016	Bradley Zimmer	Akron RubberDucks	2016 MLB.com No. 25 overall prospect
2016	Clint Frazier	Akron RubberDucks	2016 MLB.com No. 15 overall prospect
2016	David Dahl	Hartford Yard Goats	All-Star (2019)
2016	German Marquez	Hartford Yard Goats	Silver Slugger (2018), Tied MLB record with 8 consecutive strikeouts to begin a game (9/26/18)
2016	Rhys Hoskins	Reading Fightin Phils	Hit 38 HR, 116 RBIs with Reading in 2016
2016	Dylan Cozens	Reading Fightin Phils	Hit 40 HR, 125 RBIs with Reading in 2016
2016	Tyler Beede	Richmond Flying Squirrels	2016 MLB.com No. 99 overall prospect, one of 20 player all-time draft in first round multiple times
2017	Francisco Mejia	Akron RubberDucks	2017 MLB.com No. 14 overall prospect
2017	Rafael Devers	Portland Sea Dogs	World Series champion (2018)
2018	Tim Tebow	Binghamton Rumble Ponies	Heisman Trophy (2007), 2x BCS national champion (2006, '08)
2018	Brendan Rodgers	Hartford Yard Goats	2018 MLB.com No. 9 overall prospect
2018	Cavan Biggio	New Hampshire Fisher Cats	2018 Eastern League MVP
2018	Vladimir Guerrero Jr.	New Hampshire Fisher Cats	2019 MLB Home Run Derby, 2018 MLB.com No. 1 overall prospect (did not play - injury)
2018	Bo Bichette	New Hampshire Fisher Cats	2018 MLB.com No. 11 overall prospect
2018	Ke'Bryan Hayes	Altoona Curve	2x MiLB Gold Glove (2017, '18), 2018 MLB.com No. 48 overall prospect



CELEBRITY HOME RUN DERBY & HITTING CHALLENGE



HOME RUN DERBY & HITTING CHALLENGE FORMAT

- All 14 position players from both the Eastern and Western Division All-Star rosters get an opportunity to bat along with 14 celebrity guests. The batters are divided up into six hitting groups - three groups representing the Eastern Division (red jerseys) and three groups representing the Western Division (black jerseys).
- Each batter has 90 seconds to hit. Batters accumulate points by hitting balls to or off the outfield wall, striking targets in the outfield and, of course, by hitting home runs. At the end of the 90-second round, each batter will be thrown a gold ball worth double amount of points
- The batters with the top scores from each division will be awarded trophies - giants 5-foot baseball bats - at the conclusion of the event

OFFICIAL SCORING

- Flying Squirrels Vice President & COO Todd "Parney" Parnell will be positioned atop a scissor lift in shallow centerfield. If a batter hits the bucket of the lift (or Parney), he will be awarded 50 points. However, Parney will have a giant glove, and if he is somehow able catch a batted ball, the batter will lose **25 points**.
- A batter receives **20 points** for hitting a home run or by hitting one of the bonus targets set up in the outfield either on the fly or on the ground.
- A batter is awarded **10 points** for a ball that hits off the outfield wall on the fly and **5 points** for a ball that rolls to the wall.

HONORARY BP PITCHERS

- Ray Hedrick - Head Baseball Coach at Randolph-Macon College
- Tim Merry - Executive Director, Virginia Baseball Coaches Association
- Merrill Morgan I Head Baseball Coach at Virginia State University
- Nate Mulberg - Assistant Baseball Coach at the University of Richmond
- Sean Ryan - Head Baseball Coach at Benedictine High School
- Shawn Stiffler - Head Baseball Coach at Virginia Commonwealth University

HONORARY SHAGGERS

- The **Lakeside Youth Baseball 15U Ardillas Voladoras** adopted the Flying Squirrels' Copa de la Diversión moniker as a celebration of the league's diversity. The team won the Babe Ruth 2019 district championship and will compete at the state championships July 12.

CELEBRITY HOME RUN DERBY & HITTING CHALLENGE LINEUPS

Team Brooks (1)

Jalen Miller (Richmond)
 Jonah Arenado (Richmond)
 Tres Barrera (Harrisburg)
 Ian Sagdal (Harrisburg)
 Rhett Wiseman (Harrisburg)
 Celebs
 Willie Harris
 Aaron Brooks

Team Alie-Cox (2)

Jacob Heyward (Richmond)
 Zach Houchins (Richmond)
 Connor Marabell (Akron)
 Ka'ai Tom (Akron)
 Celebs
 Michael Robinson
 Rob Ukrop
 Mo Alie-Cox

Team Sadler (3)

Alan Trejo (Hartford)
 Colton Welker (Hartford)
 Patrick Mazeika (Binghamton)
 Braxton Lee (Binghamton)
 Celebs
 Mike Mordecai
 Elliott Sadler

Team Hightower (4)

Jhon Nunez (Portland)
 Bobby Dalbec (Portland)
 Santiago Espinal (New Hampshire)
 Nash Knight (New Hampshire)
 Forrest Wall (New Hampshire)
 Celebs
 Chris Mooney
 Tim Hightower

Team Minicozzi (5)

Hoy Jun Park (Trenton)
 Chris Gittens (Trenton)
 Ben Ruta (Trenton)
 Grenny Cumana (Reading)
 Darick Hall (Reading)
 Celebs
 Jonny Fairplay
 Mark Minicozzi

Team Clark (6)

Jason Delay (Altoona)
 Rylan Bannon (Bowie)
 Mason McCoy (Bowie)
 Jose Azocar (Erie)
 Isaac Paredes (Erie)
 Celebs
 Mike Rhoads
 Will Clark

CELEBRITY HOME RUN DERBY & HITTING CHALLENGE

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About Will Clark

Known lovingly by San Francisco Giants fans and the baseball world as “The Thrill,” Will Clark became one of the Giants’ all-time greats during his eight-year stay by the Bay. Clark, a native of New Orleans, continued his MLB career for seven seasons after leaving the Giants, finishing a decorated 15-year career with the St. Louis Cardinals in 2000. A six-time all-star and two-time NL Silver Slugger Award winner, Clark ended his career with a .303 average, 284 home runs and 2,176 hits. The sweet-swinging lefty was inducted into the College Baseball Hall of Fame in 2006 and currently serves as a Special Assistant for the Giants.

About Willie Harris

Now in his second season as the manager of the Flying Squirrels, Willie Harris became just the second manager in Flying Squirrels history to lead the club for multiple seasons in 2019, joining Dave Machemer (2011-2013). Known as a speedy and versatile utility man, Harris enjoyed a 12-year MLB career, suiting up for the Baltimore Orioles, Chicago White Sox, Boston Red Sox, Atlanta Braves, Washington Nationals, New York Mets and Cincinnati Reds. He won a World Series with the White Sox in 2005, scoring the clinching run in Game 4.

About Mike Mordecai

A Richmond Braves infielder for parts of five seasons in the mid-1990s, Mike Mordecai played in 241 career games with Richmond on his way to becoming an MLB regular. Currently in his first season as manager of the New Hampshire Fisher Cats, Mordecai played in the Majors for 12 seasons as a member of the Atlanta Braves, Montreal Expos and Florida Marlins. Mordecai is a two-time World Series champion, winning his first ring in 1995 with the Braves and his second in 2003 with the Marlins.

About Elliott Sadler

A native of Emporia, Va., Elliott Sadler has raced across a combined 22 seasons in NASCAR’s top national circuits, including 16 seasons in the Cup Series. During his decorated career, Sadler drove for some of the most storied teams in racing, including the Wood Brothers, Robert Yates Racing, Richard Petty Motorsports, Joe Gibbs Racing, Roush Fenway Racing and JR Motorsports.

Sadler picked up three career Cup Series wins and 69 top-ten finishes in his career. He qualified for the first-ever Chase for the Nextel Cup in 2004. In the Xfinity Series, Sadler finished in second place in the final standings four times (2011, 2012, 2016 and 2016) and won 13 races. He was selected as the Nationwide/Xfinity Series Most Popular Driver four times, more than any other driver. Sadler was the cover athlete for the EA Sports video game NASCAR 07 and was featured on the special-edition cover of NASCAR 09.

Sadler retired from full-time racing following the 2019 season, but he returned to run the ToyotaCare 250 at his home track, Richmond Raceway, back in April.

About Michael Robinson

A native of Richmond, Michael Robinson played eight seasons in the National Football League with the San Francisco 49ers and the Seattle Seahawks. He was selected for the Pro Bowl in 2011 and was part of Seattle’s Super Bowl XLVIII championship. Robinson scored two touchdowns as a rookie with the 49ers in 2006 and primarily played fullback beginning in 2008.

During his collegiate career at Penn State, Robinson played multiple positions including quarterback and running back. In 2005, Robinson was selected as the Big Ten Conference Offensive Player of the Year and was named Second-Team All-Big Ten, and he finished the season ranked fifth in Penn State’s storied history in single-season passing yards. Robinson was included on several award watch lists and finished fifth in Heisman Trophy voting that season as Penn State won the Big Ten and defeated Florida State in the Orange Bowl.

An alum of Varina High School, Robinson serves as an analyst on various programs across the NFL Network. He is the founder of the Excel to Excellence Foundation, which encourages kids to excel in academics and society.

About Aaron Brooks

A native of Newport News, Va., Aaron Brooks played seven seasons in the National Football League with the New Orleans Saints and the Oakland Raiders, throwing for 20,261 yards and 123 touchdowns.

With the Saints, Brooks started 82 games over six seasons. He is ranked third in all-time passing yards and second in all-time touchdown passes in Saints history. In the 2000 season as a rookie, Brooks helped lead the Saints to the NFC West championship and the first playoff victory in Saints history against the defending Super Bowl champion St. Louis Rams with four touchdown passes. Brooks was inducted into the Saints Hall of Fame in 2014.

Prior to being drafted by New Orleans in the fourth round in 1999, Brooks was a starting quarterback at the University of Virginia in 1997 and 1998, where he passed for 5,118 yards and 33 touchdowns, while also rushing for 14 touchdowns in his career. In 1998 with Brooks at quarterback, the Cavaliers reached as high as seventh in the AP Poll and went 9-2 in the regular season, earning a bid in the Peach Bowl.

About Chris Mooney

The winningest coach in the University of Richmond men’s basketball history, Chris Mooney has been a stable force on the Spiders’ bench since 2005. In his 14 seasons at Richmond, Mooney has led his team to seven postseason appearances, including back-to-back trips to the NCAA Tournament in 2010 and 2011, and the program’s second-ever trip to the Sweet Sixteen in 2011.

An alum of Princeton and a native of Philadelphia, Mooney is the second longest-tenured coach in the Atlantic 10 and ranks fifth all-time in conference history with 250 wins at the University of Richmond.

About Mike Rhoades

Mike Rhoades became the 12th head coach in the history of VCU men’s basketball in 2017 and has quickly found success with the Rams, leading the team to a 2019 Atlantic 10 regular season championship and NCAA Tournament at-large berth in just his second season on Broad Street – all en route to becoming the 2019 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year.

After thirteen years as a coach at Randolph-Macon, Rhoades joined Shaka Smart’s staff at VCU as an assistant coach in 2009 and was part of the team’s 2011 Final Four run. He returned to VCU in 2017 after three years as the head man at Rice, where he led the Owls to their second-best season in program history in his third year.

About Tim Hightower

A former running back at the University of Richmond, Tim Hightower played six seasons in the National Football League for the Arizona Cardinals, Washington Redskins and New Orleans Saints. For his career, he ran for 2,977 yards and 32 touchdowns, plus caught 162 receptions for 1,208 yards and two touchdowns.

Hightower earned All-Conference honors in his junior and senior seasons for the University of Richmond Spiders, and he ran for 1,924 yards as a senior and scored 20 touchdowns, finishing ranked sixth in the nation in rushing yards. The Arizona Cardinals drafted Hightower in the fifth round in 2008. After four years away from the NFL, Hightower returned with the New Orleans Saints in 2015, where he played the final two seasons of his professional career.

About Mark Minicozzi

A member of the Flying Squirrels in 2012 and 2013, Mark Minicozzi had one of the most decorated careers of any hitter in team history while in Richmond. Over his 209 games with the Squirrels, Minicozzi played first base, second base, third base, shortstop, left field and right field.

Minicozzi’s name fills the Flying Squirrels’ record books. He holds the team’s single-season record for most runs scored (74), most walks (62), highest on-base percentage (.400), most sacrifice flies (11) and highest batting average in a single month (.427 – May 2013). Minicozzi also holds the mark for the second-best batting average in a season in team history (.309) and the fifth-best slugging percentage in a single season (.445). His career .299 average is the fourth-best in franchise history.

Minicozzi was an Eastern League All-Star with the Flying Squirrels in 2013. He played 12 total professional seasons, totaling over 1,000 games played.

About Jonny Fairplay

A native of Danville, Va., Jonny Fairplay was a competitor and a memorable star on two seasons of the hit CBS television show, Survivor.

Along with 15 other castaways, Fairplay was a member of the seventh season of the Survivor series, Survivor: Pearl Islands. He lasted 38 of the 39 days in Panama before being voted out, finishing the season in third place. The season aired during the fall of 2009.

Fairplay returned for the 16th season of the show, which aired in the spring of 2008. The season, dubbed Survivor: Micronesia – Fans vs. Favorites, was filmed in Palau, and Fairplay finished in 20th place. Since his first run on Survivor, Fairplay has been featured in numerous television shows.

About Mo Alie-Cox

Now a tight end on the gridiron for the Indianapolis Colts, Mo Alie-Cox endeared himself on the hardwood to VCU basketball fans during his four years with the Rams thanks to his rim-rattling dunks and emphatic blocked shots. With a 7-foot-2 wingspan and 250-pound frame, Alie-Cox became VCU’s all-time leader in career shooting percentage and ranks second in career blocks.

Despite last playing organized football during his freshman year of high school, the Arlington, Va. native was signed by the Colts in 2017 and caught his first career touchdown from Andrew Luck on October 28, 2018.

About Rob Ukrop

Rob Ukrop became one of Richmond’s all-time soccer greats during his 12-year professional career, retiring in 2004 as the Richmond Kickers record holder for career goals, career assists and career matches. A former Collegiate Cougar and Davidson Wildcat, Ukrop led the nation in scoring in his senior season at Davidson en route to becoming a 1992 first-team All-American. The forward was inducted into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame in 2016. A Richmond native and self-proclaimed “lover of all things RVA,” Ukrop is currently an investor for the Richmond Kickers.