

The Legend

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Big Legends turnout eases 8-4 loss to champs in 50th season finale

August 16 - What could be better? It was the annual Legends Turn Back the Clock Night, and there were 6 original Legends in attendance! Well, I guess the right answer would be...a win.

Having beaten the first place *Hide Out* earlier this season, our boys in green gave it their all, but fell a bit short, 8-4.

It had rained earlier, making the ball skip in the outfield and slippery to handle and throw. However in spite of this, the men of story and song came up with a number of defensive gems.

For example, the **Legends** infield turned in 4, count 'em, 4 double plays, and Manager Lynn pivoted three of them at short center!

The good guys trailed 2-0 in the bottom of the second inning, when Scott launched a missile over the left fielder's head. It was a solo shot hit so far that Scott was hitting third base when the left fielder finally picked it up! It was his seventh four bagger of the season.

In the fourth inning with the score still 2-1, *Hide Out* put runners on first and third base with one out. The next batter lasered a shot to Tom at third. Tom was only able to knock it down, and it dribbled into foul territory.

The runner at third immediately broke for the plate as Tom tracked the ball down. Tom's only play was to go to the plate. He fired the ball to Phil, who applied the tag, and the ump called the runner out!



The traditional post game Turn Back the Clock Legends photo

Two batters later on a ground ball to Joe at short, the boys turned a 6-10-3 double play to end the inning.

However, by that time, *Hide Out* had already extended its lead to 5-1. It was rally time.

In the bottom of the inning, Steve led off with his second hit of the night. Tom then singled, and when Joe followed with a base hit, it was suddenly 5-2.

Scott's infield out allowed Tom to score, making it 5-3. Then Jerry and Phil singled, loading the bases for Tim. Sadly, Tim hit into an inning ending double play.

In the fifth inning, *Hide Out* scored one more, now making it 6-3.

In the 6th inning, there were two more **Legends** defensive highlights. First, Dan ran a mile in from left field to catch a ball literally inches off the turf.

Then with runners on first and second, Joe deflected a grounder heading to left center field. With the ball now heading toward right field. Joe chased it down and at the last moment dove at it on his stomach and grabbed it in his hand. He then reached his foot back toward second base and touched it just before the runner arrived to end the inning!

The score was 8-3 in the top of the seventh when Joe, still at short, decided to go for an encore. The first batter up literally hit a ball at the speed of light at him. Whether it was self defense or a great catch is debatable. Joe caught the liner on his hip for the out. If you blinked your eye, you would have missed the entire play.

In the bottom of the inning,

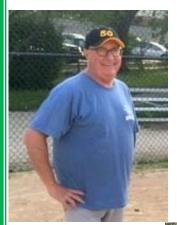
Jerry led off with a hit, and with Scott running for him, managed to come around to score on Ken's infield out to make it 8-4.

Also in the seventh inning, Manager Lynn sent Stan, a long retired original, to the plate for his first at bat since 2008. He struck out on a foul ball. Duke then pinch hit, and his grounder back to the pitcher ended the 50th season for the 2017 **Legends**.

The offense tonight was led by Steve's 3 for 3. Scott had 2 RBI'S, and four different **Legends** scored a run.

Defensively, Lynn led the infield with 5 PO's and 3 A's at short center. In left field, Dan made the only 2 catches made by the whole outfield.

The rest of the infield shared the work...Tom with 2 PO's and 2 A's at third, while Joe at short and Tim at second each posted 3 PO's and 1 A. For their outstanding efforts this season, a big thumbs up goes out to...



Manager Lynn

Scorekeeper Frank



2017 Final Standings

Hide Out 12-2
Chaos 9-5
Rhinos 8-6
Strikers 7-7
Leon 6-8
4 Baggers 5-9
SOKOL 5-9
Legends 4-10

"We're too old and tired!"

—Jerry,

in the 6th inning after the ump asked why we had no third base coach

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FINAL 2017 LEGENDS STATS - RECORD: 4-10								
NAME	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	RBI'S	HR'S	AVE	<u>RP</u>	<u>Last 10</u>
Dan K	44	21	32	14	3	727	32	700
Tom	36	14	25	5		694	19	900
Scott	45	14	27	27	7	600	34	700
Jerry	29	9	17	7		586	16	700
Bob K	7	1	4			571	1	
Joe	41	11	23	17		561	28	400
Steve	39	15	21	11		538	26	800
Ed	43	10	23	7		535	17	500
Bob S	4		2			500	0	
Mgr Lynn	30	6	14	4		467	10	500
Phil	32	3	13	5		406	8	500
Tim	40	2	16	9		400	11	400
Duke	3	1	1			333	1	
Pat	7	1	2	1		286	2	
Dan S	19	4	5	2		263	6	200
Ken	35	3	9	6		257	9	300
Jim	4					0	0	
Stan	1					0	0	
Total	459	115	234	115	10	510	220	
Leaders: RUNS Dan K 21 Steve 15 Tom 14 Scott 14 Joe 11		HITS Dan K 32 Scott 27 Tom 25 Joe 23 Ed 23		RBI'S Scott 27 Joe 17 Dan K 14 Steve 11 Tim 9		HR'S Scott 7 Dan K 3		GW RBI'S Tom 1 Joe 1 Scott 1 Dan K 1
SCORES: Leon 18, Legends 6 4 Baggers 20, Legends 6 Legends 11, Hideout 10 Rhinos 19, Legends 9 Chaos 15, Legends 5 Leon 19, Legends 6			Scott 34 Dan K 32 Joe 28 Steve 26 Tom 19		Walks Jerry 6 Lynn 4 Tim 3 7 tied 2		Doubles Dan K 5 Tim 3 Scott 3 Ed 2 3 tied 1	
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