

# The 2011 SPECTATOR



2011 June 8



A good cigar is like a beautiful chick with a great body who also knows the American League box score.  
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## EAST Standings thru June 7

	W	L	Pct	GB
Loretto	6	0	1.000	...
Delano	4	2	.667	2
Maple Plain	2	4	.333	4
Mound	1	5	.167	5

Us ballplayers do things backwards.  
First we play,  
then we retire and go to work..

Based on final 2010 rosters, the list below is the average age of the players on each team.

In general, the teams with the more veteran players have probably had a better won-loss percentage than the teams with the younger average. Overall there are too many other variables involved, how experienced is the pitching staff, the age of the starters and the caliber of player at any age for example to make any strong correlation between average age of a player and number of wins by a team.

## NORTH Standings thru June 7

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Michael	2	0	1.000	.5
Rockford	5	2	.714	...
Albertville	2	4	.333	2.5
Rogers	2	4	.333	2.5
Elk River	0	7	.000	5

## WEST Standings thru June 7

	W	L	Pct	GB
D-C	5	1	.833	...
Maple Lake	4	1	.800	.5
Howard Lake	5	2	.714	.5
Buffalo	3	2	.600	1.5
Cokato	1	5	.167	4
Hutchinson	0	3	.000	3.5



Hutchinson	23.0
Buffalo	23.1
Rogers	24.0
Mound	24.4
Delano	24.5
D-C	24.5
St Michael	24.9
Elk River	25.6
Rockford	26.2
Cokato	26.3
Howard Lake	26.8
Maple Plain	26.9
Loretto	27.0
Maple Lake	27.2
Albertville	27.4

Section 8 Seedings - 3 games have been played. Coon Rapids beat Blaine 4-1  
Hutchinson beat East Bethel 10-3 and St Michael beat Hutch 13-10.



# The NORTH



## ST. MICHAEL 2-0 record

The B teams will play less league games and many of their section seeding games are just starting so St Michael has only two league games to report on. They beat Hutch 13-10 and Albertville 7-4. They received a 5 hit game from Dane Carlson and a 4 hit game from Sam Boisner. Also hitting well in those games were Nick and Chris Volkmann and Travis Enger. The Saints still appear to be the team to beat in the North.

### North Star North (through Games of June 5, 2011) BATTING LEADERS

NAME	AB	R	H	AVE.
D Borchardt Alb	14	4	9	0.643
D Carlson StM	11	7	7	0.636
S Boisner StM	14	5	8	0.571
D Carlson Rog	10	2	5	0.500
P Lenton Alb	21	5	10	0.476
R Rassatt Roc	17	2	8	0.471
T Enger StM	11	2	5	0.455
N Volkmann SM	12	3	5	0.417
T Jarmoluk ER	29	1	12	0.414
T Klaers Alb	22	0	9	0.409
C Volkmann SM	10	3	4	0.400
B Fontanna Roc	22	5	8	0.364
C Hess Alb	22	4	8	0.364
D Ebner ER	14	3	5	0.357
I Keen Roc	20	4	7	0.350
E Smith Rog	12	2	4	0.333
J Stewart Rog	12	0	4	0.333
N Main Roc	25	3	8	0.320
T Bestland Roc	16	2	5	0.313
Au Kopka ER	16	0	5	0.313
C Yarman Rog	13	0	4	0.308

#### 2B Leaders

C Hess Alb	4
N Main Roc	3

#### 3B Leader

B Carlson Alb	1
J Althoff Alb	1

#### HR Leaders

D Borchardt Alb	2
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#### RBI Leaders

N Volkman StM	7
D Borchardt Alb	6

#### Team Pitching Leaders

Name	IP	W-L	SO	E.R.A.
B Lampert Alb	13	1-0	13	1.98
A Sperl StM	9	1-0	5	2.08
J Lesser Roc	22	2-0	20	2.38
A Peterson Rog	21	2-2	24	3.00
T Jarmoluk ER	14	0-2	15	3.86



## ROCKFORD 5-2 record

The River Bandits came out of the chute gunning and won their first five games, scoring five or more runs each time. They've been making some noise with their sticks this year with five players averaging over .300 – Ryan Rassat, Ben Fontana, Ian Keen, Nick Main and Trent Bestland. Jason Lesser continues to be a workhouse on the mound going 22 innings with a 2-0 record to date.

The most beautiful thing in the world is a ballpark filled with people



## ALBERTVILLE 2-4 record

The Villains got off to their usual slow start, losing the first four before topping Elk River 5-4. The Villains are getting good results from their four core hitters, Dave Borchardt, Pat Lenton, Todd Klaers and Christian Hess. When the rest of the bats heat up, the Villains should be ready to make a run in the wide-open race among the C teams in the North division.



## ROGERS 2-4 record

The Red Devils' Andy Peterson has won his last two games, thrown 21 innings and has a 3.00 ERA. After winning only one game last year, Rogers put a two game winning streak together. They earned their first win by edging Elk River in 10 innings, 5-4. They followed that up with a more surprising victory over Howard Lake by a 5-2 score. Peterson went all 9 innings in that one.



## ELK RIVER 0-7 record

After scoring only six runs in their first five games, the Pioneers played Delano and Rogers tough, scoring four runs in each game and forcing extra innings each time before falling short. Tony Jarmoluk and Dan Ebner lead the team in hitting with Jarmoluk going four for four in one game, but getting more help scoring runs is needed to move up in the standings.

North Star East (through Games of June 5, 2011)



**BATTING LEADERS**

NAME	AB	R	H	AVE.
B Soule MP	16	6	11	0.688
Joe Althoff Del	15	4	8	0.533
R Moynagh Md	16	3	7	0.438
A Gregg MP	23	3	10	0.435
KC Johnson MP	19	1	8	0.421
R Hayes Del	23	5	9	0.391
R Schaust Lor	21	3	8	0.381
L Gregg MP	16	3	6	0.375
J Janzen Del	11	3	4	0.364
N Waterhouse Md	18	2	6	0.333
Br Scanlon Lor	28	5	9	0.321
T Maher Lor	25	7	8	0.320
P Harrell Md	23	3	7	0.304
K Koch Lor	20	3	6	0.300

**2B Leaders**

T Fisk MP	3
Joe Althoff Del	3

**3B Leader**

B Soule MP	1
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**HR Leader**

Joe Althoff	3
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**RBI Leader**

A Jaunich Del	9
Joe Althoff Del	8

**Team Pitching Leaders**

Name	IP	W-L	SO	E.R.A.
N Koch Lor	27	3-0	9	0.67
M Arens Del	14	1-1	11	1.98
P Kunz MP	10	1-0	6	2.79
C Harrell Md	14	1-1	12	4.50

I watch a lot of baseball on the radio.



**L LORETTO 6-0 record**

The Larks are the only undefeated team. Led by Nick Koch and Adam McGrane, the pitching staff has given up only 8 runs in their six wins. Offensively their top hitters have been Ryan Schaust, Brandon Scanlon, Tyler Maher and Kent Koch. In the Albertville game, the Larks turned a triple play. 1B Reed Pawelk caught a line drive, stepped on first for the second out and threw to Kent Koch at SS to get the third out.



**DELANO 4-2 record**

The A's Joe Althoff hit two round trippers, drove in five runs and pitched 7 innings propelling the A's to an 8-5 victory over Rockford. The A's have won both of their road games (plus a 7-7 suspended game) but are only 1-3 at home. Ryan Hayes and Jeff Jansen join Althoff on the batting average leader board and Adam Jaunich's 9 RBI lead the division.



**MAPLE PLAIN 2-4 record**

Inconsistency defines the Diamond Devils. They played well handing D-C its only loss, but one bad inning in each game cost them against Loretto, Rockford and Howard Lake. Billy Soule who went 5 for 6 in his first game back this year, Adam & Lee Gregg, KC Johnson and Tommy Fisk have provided consistent offense. They will need to avoid defensive lapses and the one bad inning every game in order to contend.

"Every day is a new opportunity. You can build on yesterday's success or put its failures behind and start over again. That's the way life is, with a new game every day, and that's the way baseball is."



**M MOUND 1-5 record**

The Mallards have given up the most runs in the league as opponents are averaging over 8 runs a game. Their victory came in a game versus Rogers when they scored in double digits, winning 12-4. Robb Moynagh is hitting over .400 for them while Noah Waterhouse and Pete Harrell sport averages over .300. The Mallards need to quit giving the other team more than three outs in an inning if they expect to return to their winning ways.





**The WEST**

**DC DASSEL-COKATO 5-1 record**  
 The Saints have started off strong, beating each team in the West for a 5-0 division record. Their only loss coming in their only league game against a team from another division. Leading hitters have been Brice Berggren, Brent Opsahl and Matt Bergstrom. Tony Zweibohmer has picked up 3 of the wins on the mound with 16 strikeouts in 21 innings.

**M MAPLE LAKE 4-1 record**  
 The Lakers, have outscored four teams in their home park this year by a combined score of 29-1. Jeremy Schmidt has gone 25 innings on the mound, giving up no earned runs and only one unearned run. Offensively, the Lakers have six players hitting over .300 – Chad Raiche, Bert Marsnik and Mitch Wurm at .500 or better, Mike Kloepfner at .429, Tyler Decker and Nate Johnson both over .300. Maple Lake's ability to shut down opponents should keep them in the thick of the tight West division race.

**O HOWARD LAKE 5-2 record**  
 The Orphans have won 5 games by a combined score of 43 – 4. Unfortunately for them, they have played two other games losing 7-5 and 5-2. Eric Schreifels has led the way, hitting three 2Bs, two HRs, leading the league in RBI with 12 and collecting 5 hits in one game on his way to a .483 average. Also hitting over .300 are Tim Sonnek, John Stueven and Cam Lehner. The pitching staff has been magnificent in the five wins topped by Adam Koch and his 0.60 ERA.

**B BUFFALO 3-2 record**  
 The Bulldogs have scored 36 runs in their three wins and a total of 3 runs in their two losses. Apparently good pitching can stop good hitting. Offensively, Mike Olson had a five RBI night and has hit two homers. Nate Hill picked up four hits in one game and the top of the order; Derek Bauer, Dan Wackler, Cody Kielsa and Corey Braun have all contributed to the attack. The most consistent pitcher has been Justin Holker with a 1.80 ERA in ten innings, striking out eight.

**H HUTCHINSON 0-3 record**  
 The Huskies are again off to a slow start in league play losing one run game to Howard Lake and D-C and 13-10 to Class B rival St Michael. Tim Thode and Justin Juergenson have posted the top batting averages for Hutch. The Huskies won their first Section eight seeding game 4-3 over East Bethel behind a complete game effort by Matt Timm who struck out six.

**K COKATO 1-5 record**  
 Another team having trouble scoring runs, the Kings have only one hitter on the leader board – Abel West. In their five games, the Kings have scored only six runs and four of those came in one game. On the road they have been outscored 15 to 1. With the West division being tough to start with, Cokato's struggling offense will need great improvement for them to work their way out of the cellar.

**North Star West (through Games of June 5, 2011)**

**BATTING LEADERS**

NAME	AB	R	H	AVE.
C Raiche ML	19	4	10	0.526
B Marsnik ML	20	4	10	0.500
M Wurm ML	12	3	6	0.500
E Scheifels HL	29	8	14	0.483
M Kloepfner ML	14	3	6	0.429
C Braun Buf	19	3	8	0.421
D Bauer Buf	17	7	7	0.412
T Sonnek HL	10	1	4	0.400
B Berggren DC	24	5	9	0.375
A West Cok	16	1	6	0.375
J Stueven HL	17	2	6	0.353
C Kielsa Buf	20	5	7	0.350
T Thode Hut	20	1	7	0.350
Br Opsahl DC	18	7	6	0.333
C Lehner HL	18	4	6	0.333
D Wackler Buf	22	5	7	0.318
T Decker ML	22	5	7	0.318
M Olson Buf	19	4	6	0.316
N Johnson ML	19	2	6	0.316
J Jurgensen Hut	16	1	5	0.313
M Bergstrom DC	23	7	7	0.304

**2B Leaders**

C Raiche ML	4
E Scheifels HL	3

**3B Leaders**

5 tied at 1

**HR Leaders**

E Schreifels HL	2
M Olson Buf	2

**RBI Leader**

E Schreifels HL	12
M Olson Buf	9

**Team Pitching Leaders**

Name	IP	W-L	SO	E.R.A.
J Schmidt ML	25	3-0	23	0.00
A Koch HL	15	1-1	9	0.60
J Holker Buf	10	1-0	8	1.80
V Pokornowski Cok	15	0-2	9	2.81
M Timm Hut	9	1-0	6	3.00
T Zweibohmer DC	21	3-0	16	3.74

*In a way an umpire is like a woman.  
 He makes quick decisions, never reverse them  
 and doesn't think you're safe when your out.*