

IRONHEAD FANTASY BASEBALL

WEEKLY ROUNDUP

WEEK 2

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
The Johnny Dickshots	42	11	43	4	.308	3	3	33	5.03	1.29	7
Chef Pauly	38	12	45	3	.308	1	2	32	6.18	1.68	2

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Wilpon's foibles	31	10	19	4	.282	3	0	23	8.35	1.73	2
Chris's Left Arm	36	9	33	7	.265	3	1	65	5.93	1.61	7

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
HorseHide	22	8	27	3	.264	4	0	39	3.38	1.25	4
MicroBrewers	23	10	32	4	.310	3	3	34	4.87	1.31	6

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Boys of Summer	30	11	33	3	.303	3	4	24	3.96	1.38	6
Montreal Royals	30	8	27	3	.261	1	6	32	6.95	1.78	2

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Poker Pirate	26	5	24	1	.300	5	4	49	3.82	1.19	7
Iowa Pig Farmers	27	9	22	6	.238	4	2	36	4.30	1.20	3

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Copperminers	34	12	40	5	.286	4	6	42	3.48	1.18	5
Pesky's Pole	35	12	26	1	.282	5	1	39	2.22	1.11	4

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Kruse	31	8	24	5	.254	2	3	18	6.75	1.89	6
Hooter Hounds	17	6	16	1	.248	4	1	27	3.91	1.15	4

Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Coked Up Werewolf	26	11	30	5	.258	2	0	36	5.03	1.42	2
cook dogg	39	7	24	9	.310	4	4	39	3.33	1.06	8


Team	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	Score
Indy Racers	22	9	36	4	.242	1	1	44	3.58	1.31	3
Pintail Dogs Of Iowa	37	12	40	3	.321	2	4	41	4.86	1.21	7


Best stats of the week shown in red Worst stats of the week shown in blue


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WEEKLY AWARDS

	HARD HITTING MARK WHITEN AWARD	Most Home Runs
	Chef Pauly, Copperminers, Pesky's Pole, Pintail Dogs of Iowa	
	12 Homers	
<p>From time to time you'll get a pair of teams tying for an award, but this week we've got 4 different teams earning HHMW honors. I'm not going to bother highlighting each team. Instead I'll give you a quick movie review. Don't bother seeing "A History of Violence". Just a garbage film. With a paper-thin plot, absolutely no twists, and superfluous blood and gore, it was probably the biggest waste of time I've had in quite a while.</p>		

	THE ROCK	Most Stolen Bases
	cook dogg	
	9 Steals	
<p>Speedster Juan Pierre was the main contributor for cook dogg with 4 steals, but it was a couple of unlikely basethieves that put cook over the top. Its not every week you get 3 combined steals from Nick Johnson and Geoff Jenkins. Hell, its not every week you get both these guys healthy.</p>		


	DOC'S MAGIC 8-BALL	Most Strikeouts
	Christ's Left Arm	
	65 K's	
<p>So looking at CLA's pitching for the week, I see that Glavine had 11 K's. Wait a minute, wasn't Glavine on Indy Racers' team? Yeah, I just figured out that I was looking at CLA's pitchers last week when talking about Indy Racers' Magic 8-Ball performance. I wonder if this means no one is really paying attention to this thing? One thing it does prove is I'm an idiot. By the way, Glavine now has 21 K's in 19.0 IP. What the hell? He had 105 K's in 200+ IP last season!</p>		

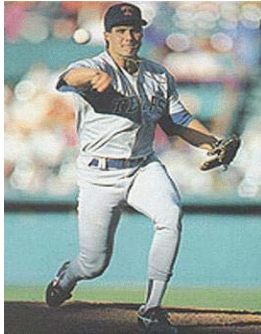
	TEKULVE AWARD	Lowest ERA
	Pesky's Pole	
	2.22 ERA	
<p>Solid performances from Scott Baker and Brandon Webb helped Pesky to his first Tekulve Award of the season. Francisco Liriano also kept his ERA at 0.00 on the year through 8.1 IP in four appearances. At what point do the Twins get this guy in the rotation? Do they need to bind and gag Kyle Lohse and throw him out of a moving van in the Northwoods of Minnesota, hoping he doesn't find his way home? I've got some duct tape and extra time on my hands.</p>		


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WEEKLY AWARDS (continued)

 <p>KEVIN MAAS</p>	KEVIN MAAS AWARD	Lowest Batting Average
	Iowa Pig Farmers	.238 AVG
<p>Maybe I should just create an award for the Dead Team Dipshit of the week? This week, Pig Farmers didn't bother to check in and he finds himself chilling with the Maas. Not that starting Rondell White would've helped but an active manager would've at least noticed the shitty play of Brandon Inge, Shawn Green and Jose Guillen and perhaps made a few moves on the wire.</p>		

	CANSECO BALL	Highest ERA
	Wilpon's Foibles	8.35 ERA
<p>After my team posted an abysmal 7.35 ERA last week, Wilpon's Foible one-ups me, literally, with an 8.35. While I didn't crunch the numbers, I have a sneaking suspicion that Greg Maddux's performance helped to keep this ERA from ballooning over 10. But I still have faith, that some point this year we'll see a double digit ERA for the week.</p>		

	A-TEAM AWARD	Best Team Performance
	cook dogg	8-2 over Coked Up Werewolf
<p>With a healthy dose of basestealing, along with consistent hitting and some great pitching from Pedro, Schilling, Cliff Lee, and Contreras, cook dogg joins the A-Team this week. Cook will help Face, Murdock and the gang on a mission to help an old friend from their days in a Vietnamese POW Camp, who's in danger from drug runners.</p>		


	SHIRTLESS PONCH AWARD	Worst Team Performance
	Hooter Hounds & Wilpon's Foibles	
<p>Wilpon goes from chilling with Mr. T and the gang in week one, to joining Hooter Hounds. While these two teams would've lost to every other team this week. They play each other to a 5-5 tie with Wilpon's hapless pitching, and Hooter's sissified hitting. The two get to spend a week in Ponch's bungalow for a <i>trio apasionado del dormitorio</i>. Ole!</p>		

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BATTING STUDS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER	H/AB	R	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	TEAM
A. Pujols (StL - 1B)	8/21	9	5	9	1	.381	Montreal Royals
C. Wilson (Pit - 1B,OF)	8/22	8	5	10	1	.364	Coked Up Werewolf
P. Konerko (CWS - 1B)	12/23	9	4	9	0	.522	Hooter Hounds
J. Giambi (NYY - 1B)	8/14	6	4	10	0	.571	MicroBrewers



PITCHING STUDS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER	IP	W	SV	K	ERA	WHIP	TEAM
C. Ray (Bal - RP)	3.1	1	3	7	0.00	0.60	Poker Pirate
J. Lackey (LAA - SP)	15.0	2	0	13	2.40	0.73	Hooter Hounds
E. Bedard (Bal - SP)	15.0	2	0	9	1.20	0.93	Poker Pirate
J. Patterson (Was - SP)	14.0	1	0	17	2.57	0.71	Iowa Pig Farmers



LATEST NEWS

Dusty Baker Not Worried About Cubs' Hot Start - *The Onion*

CHICAGO—Despite their impressive 4-2 start and the fact that their pitching and offense appears to be clicking on all cylinders, Cubs manager Dusty Baker said Wednesday that he has "no doubt" that his team will be able to turn things around in time to miss the playoffs.

"I know things look good right now, and you hate to see Cubs fans get encouraged early, but I'm certain that things will straighten themselves out and we'll be in third place by early May," Baker said at a press conference Wednesday. "With the talent and drive we lack, it's foolish to think that this team can continue playing at this rate all year."

"If it's September and we're still atop the division standings? Then we'll start panicking," Baker added.

In their disappointing series sweep of the rival Cardinals last weekend, the Cubs did all the little things right, winning ballgames with a combination of solid pitching, good defense, and timely hitting—fundamentals that Baker says his team will eventually ignore as the season goes on.

"The guys are in a bit of a groove right now, but they'll snap out of it," Baker said. "It's early yet. There's still plenty of time to get back off track and give the fans the kind of season they've come to know and expect."

"I'd love to go out there and lose all 162 games for this city, but both the players and the fans know that's not possible no matter how bad you are," he added.

Longtime Cubs fans have echoed Baker's sentiments, saying that, despite the emergence of Derrek Lee as a triple-crown threat and the acquisition of a top leadoff hitter in Juan Pierre, they still have complete faith that the Cubs have what it takes to make it all the way to October without ever factoring into the playoff picture.

"Sure, other teams may look just as awful on paper, but the Cubs have all the intangibles—the inability to play as a cohesive unit, management that always seems to make the wrong moves, a storied history of crushing, tragic defeats despite favorable odds," said Chicago-area resident Matt Grant. "No winning streak can get that lose-at-any-cost mentality out of our Cubbies' heads."

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Regular Season Standings

Rank	Team	W-L-T	WPct	GB	Last Week	Waiver	Moves	Previous
1	Pintail Dogs Of Iowa	15-4-1	.775	-	7-3-0	2	3	2
2	Copperminers	14-5-1	.725	1	5-4-1	15	6	1
3	Boys of Summer	13-5-2	.700	1.5	6-2-2	11	1	4
4	cook dogg	13-7-0	.650	2.5	8-2-0	6	3	10
5	Poker Pirate	12-8-0	.600	3.5	7-3-0	17	2	8
6	The Johnny Dickshots	11-8-1	.575	4	7-2-1	4	3	12
7	Christ's Left Arm	11-8-1	.575	4	7-2-1	7	4	13
8	Kruse	11-9-0	.550	4.5	6-4-0	14	2	9
9	Chef Pauly	10-9-1	.525	5	2-7-1	9	6	3
10	Pesky's Pole	9-10-1	.475	6	4-5-1	18	4	11
11	Montreal Royals	8-10-2	.450	6.5	2-6-2	16	9	5
12	Indy Racers	9-11-0	.450	6.5	3-7-0	3	4	6
13	Wilpon's foibles	8-11-1	.425	7	2-7-1	10	5	7
14	MicroBrewers	8-12-0	.400	7.5	6-4-0	5	2	16
15	HorseHide	8-12-0	.400	7.5	4-6-0	8	6	14
16	Iowa Pig Farmers	6-14-0	.300	9.5	3-7-0	1	-	15
17	Hooter Hounds	5-15-0	.250	10.5	4-6-0	12	-	18
18	Coked Up Werewolf	3-16-1	.175	12	2-8-0	13	5	17

(Continued from previous page) "This is the year," Grant added. "This is the year we extend our World Series drought to 98 years."

Baker cited several other reasons he thinks the Cubs will work into a slump and quickly get back under .500, including his inexperienced pitching staff returning to their usual form, his plan to rush injured stars Mark Prior and Kerry Wood back to action in time to inflame their injuries and cause enough arm damage to make them miss the entire season, and the fact that his son Darren is now older and larger than he was in the 2002 playoffs, and therefore capable of more effectively obstructing the basepaths while his team is trying to score.

Although his harshest critics say that the Cubs appear to be doing everything right so far, Baker points to Tuesday's 9-2 drubbing at the hands of the Cincinnati Reds as a clear indication that his team is moving in the right direction.

"Tuesday's loss was a prime example of the kind of baseball this team is capable of playing on a regular basis," Baker said of the game in which the Cubs managed to score only two runs while leaving 15 men on base and allowing six home runs. "The key is that this was a balanced attack against us. Any team can allow a big inning—as we did in the five-run sixth that featured a grand slam—but the Reds also scored a run in each of the first four frames. If we can consistently take that kind of well-rounded beating—and if any team can do it, it's us—I truly think we can lose 90 games."

Baker said that, although the box scores show that the Cubs won four of the first six games, in reality, they had the opportunity to lose "any or all of them."

"Unfortunately, we just happened to get some lucky breaks, some good bounces, and had some calls go our way—over the course of a long season, that's gonna happen to any team a few times," Baker said. "We'll be fine, though."
He added: "Talk to me in June."