C.G.L. NEWSLETTER 12-26-15

We have had our second NO-HITTER of the 2015-16 Season! Canterbury's Chris Sale tossed his No-No at home against the Barking Ducks of Waikiki Beach. Sale walked a pair and fanned a dozen in the Tales 4-0 win. Oddly, it was the only win of the series for the home team. Congrats to Manager Landucci and his Tales on a CGL first of back-to-back months with a No-Hitter being tossed by the same team! The boxscore is attached.

There is only one tight Division race after 100 games this season. Naples holds a slim one game edge over Elyria in the South while Ipanema is still in the mix just six games back. A strong December finish by Saginaw has the Bears and Firetower just six games back of Waikiki Beach in the tough Central Division. Canterbury has opened up a seven game lead in the East as Brook Hollow fights to stay in the Playoff race. Italian has all but wrapped up the North with a commanding 22 game lead as the only team over .500 in the Division.

Pitching continues as the main storyline of the 2015-16 CGL Season. Canterbury leads the League with a sparkling 2.66 team ERA and six other teams boast ERAs of 3.05 or lower. The Tales also lead CGL with a staggering 16 Shutouts in 100 games! Italian is now the only team hitting over .240 (.248) while only six teams have hit over 100 Homeruns placed by the Stallions with 142. Only Italian, Waikiki Beach and Ipanema are averaging over four runs scored per game.

Victor Martinez (WAI) continues to set the CGL pace with a .337 average as one of only three hitters above .300. Kyle Seager (NAP) has jumped to the League lead in HR's with 32 and also leads CGL with 68 RBI. Victor Martinez paces CGL in hits (122), On-Base Pct. (.404) and runs scored (66).

Clayton Kershaw (CAN) has grabbed the ERA lead (1.67) with Matt Shoemaker (ELY/1.85) and Adam Wainwright (WAI/1.90) all under 2.00. David Price of Charlotte leads the League with 223 K's and 13 wins. Kershaw and JulioTeheran (IPA) have six shutouts apiece to pace the starters.

I have attached the CGL Standings, League Leaders and Team Hitting and Pitching through December as well as a copy of Sale's No-Hitter. I previously sent YTD stats to all Managers. If you did not get a copy please let me know ASAP and I'll send another copy to you right away.

I hope everyone has started making plans to attend **THE 2016 CGL ROOKIE DRAFT on SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH, 2016 AT KERRY DONATO'S IN ELYRIA, OHIO.** You should have all received CGL Draft List #3 recently. This updated list contains additions, subtractions and corrections from the previous lists. Please toss the old versions out to avoid any confusion on Draft Day.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. I wish you all a Happy and healthy 2016!

Rob