

C.G.L. NEWSLETTER 10-27-17

There were **TWO NO-HITTERS in October in CGL** to start the 2017-18 Season! Newly acquired **Cole Hamels of Elyria** threw his No-Hitter on the road in a 4-0 win at Ipanema. The Pirates' lefty walked only two and fanned 10 Cariocas in his gem. **Dodge righty Jeremy Hellickson** hurled his gem in an 8-0 Bullets' win against Allouez in a face-to-face matchup. Hellickson walked three and fanned 11 Diamond Roughs.

Three teams have started the 2017-18 CGL Season with sizzling 27-11 records. Westwind and Charlotte are tied for the early lead in the East at 27-11 while Elyria leads Naples by five games in the South with his 27-11 mark. Saginaw got off to a strong start in the Central posting a 25-13 mark and jumped out to an eight game lead over Waikiki Beach. In the North the Division looks upside down after Dodge shocked their Division opponents by going 22-16 in October.

Dodge leads the CGL with a .260 Team Batting Average while Ipanema sits with a .192 Team mark through 38 games. Elyria has scored 228 runs already this season. That's 38 more runs than plated so far. Charlotte has clobbered 64 Homeruns while only tow teams (Margaritaville and Ipanema) have averaged less than one HR/game. Saginaw sports a nifty 2.45 Team ERA with seven Shutouts through October with Westwind just behind at 2.55. On the other end is Duluth, who went 18-20 this month despite an ERA of 4.89.

Jose Altuve (Elyria) collected 57 hits in October and also leads CGL with a .352 Average. Evan Gattis (Charlotte) hit a whopping 17 HR's this month while Miguel Cabrera (Dodge) leads CGL with 39 RBI. David Price (Elyria) paces CGL hurlers with a 7-0 record and a shiny 1.52 Earned Run Average. Justin Verlander (Saginaw) is also off to a great start at 7-1. Zach Britton (Westwind) has 11 Saves to top relievers.

I have the 2017 APBA Carded Players list and will begin working on the 2018 CGL Rookie Draft List soon. The 2018 CGL Rookie Draft will be held in Duluth again next year. I will announce a Draft date by the end of the year so everyone can start planning their trip to Minnesota!

Kerry and Joyce Donato happened to be in Las Vegas at the same time Sherry and I were there last week. We had a great time visiting for a couple of hours before Sherry and I headed to see Ringo Starr's All Star Band at PH. I have attached a picture Kerry and I sitting at our table at the Planet Hollywood buffet on Friday, October 20th. Always great to spend some time with our long time CGL friends!

Nice start by all this season. Keep up the great work!

Rob