



The
Salmon Spectator

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Opening Day in Hobart!

Plus:
We Want YOU
to Play at
Bishop Hill
this Saturday.
(Details Inside)





Salmon Success in Soggy Season Starter!

by Katie "Flapjack" Baer (Photographs by Brennan "Sketch" Probst)

The 2023 Salmon season started off with a bang last Sunday with the hometown heroes traveling to Hobart, IN to face longtime friends the Deep River Grinders. It was blustery and rainy, but the Chicagoans didn't bat an eye, and instead victory was perched on their bat-sticks.

Lawman started the match out on the right foot with a triple in the first inning, followed by a corker by Strings into the river, which brought his teammate home, but resulted in a river-rule single. Not to be outdone, Razor followed Strings with a home run, tallying two more aces. The Salmon held the Grinders in the first inning, but in the second the opponents put on a bold front and started making a comeback.

In the fourth inning Razor skeptically took the mound, but after making two outs as the pitcher, no Salmon were complaining! Solid hitting from the Salmon continued to increase the lead towards the end of the match. Even Professor tallied an ace, despite his proposal of extra bases granted to players over sixty five years of age being rejected.

In the seventh inning, GusBus made the last out of the game with a great snag, much to the surprise of Strings, who was preparing to catch the ball himself. The match was concluded after seven innings due to the increasingly inclement weather, and after quick huzzahs and handshakes, the Salmon were treated to a meal provided by the Grinders. Though it was a soggy start to the season, nothing beats playing vintage ball on a Sunday afternoon. Hip, hip, hurrah!

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<i>Final</i>	Salmon	19
<i>Score</i>	Grinders	5



Struck 5 for 5 with 1 Double, 1 Home Run, 4 RBI's, and 3 Tallies. Made 8 Defensive Outs. *Yowza!*





More photos from the match!



Up to Bat

On Saturday, May 6th, the Salmon are heading to Bishop Hill, IL for a Round Robin against the Long Squirrels and the Prairie Chickens. These matches are part of the Bishop Hill Civil War Days, which features a Civil War encampment, demonstrations, and performances throughout the weekend, plus a battle reenactment both days. The matches are at 11:00am, 12:30pm, and 2:00pm on Saturday. All are welcome and ballists are needed! Join the Salmon for what is sure to be an exciting event!



Pig strikes a corker during last year's double-header against the Long Squirrels

On Deck

vs. Blue Island Brewmasters
1:00pm, May 20
Big Ball Park
Riverside, IL

In the Hole

vs. Milwaukee Grays
& Cincinnati Red Stockings
11:00am, June 3
Historic Methodist Campground
Des Plaines, IL

◆ Fresh Salmon Swag ◆

Do you have your 2023 Chicago Salmon pin yet? These fabulous fashion fixtures are limited to an edition of sixty, and are going fast! Make sure to pick one up at your next match for the low, low price of \$1 before they swim away for good!



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Salmon Survey

What is your favorite obstacle on a ball field?



- Trees 52%
- Barns/Buildings 23%
- Bodies of Water 10%
- Hills 10%
- Animal Droppings 5%