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## Defense Dominates in Blue Island Bout

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Last Sunday the Salmon traveled to Blue Island, IL to meet the Brewmasters for a fine afternoon for vintage base ball. The two evenly matched clubs put on a spirited contest for the spectators, as well as onlookers from the nearby parties and barbecues in the park.

The Salmon started the first inning with strong defense, which lasted throughout the match. Strings made two nice outs on the bound at rover in the second inning, followed by an impressive fly ball catch at left field in the third. The bottom of the third was a beauty for the Salmon, with an overthrow double by Iron Jaw bringing home Scooter, good running by Nickels and Strings both tallying aces, and a double by Goose adding to the score. The top of the fourth belonged to Zeus who made an amazing catch at first off a rocket throw by Nickels, followed by a great grab on the bound for another out.

The fiery Salmon hitting fizzled, and at the bottom of the fourth Scooter had to tear a GusBus foul ball out of the hands of an unsuspecting spectator and dramatically throw it to the ground to prevent the Brewmasters from snatching the ball for an out. He then made an impressive out himself as pitcher at the top of the fifth, throwing a rare vintage base ball strike out. At the top of the sixth, Sketch made all three outs himself with a trio of diving catches on the bound in right field. At the bottom of the inning, GusBus struck a corker into the center field bleachers, but the Salmon weren't able to score.

At the top of the seventh Dizzy made two foul tick outs as catcher, a bit of payback for the unbelievable eight foul tick outs the Brewmasters catcher made. Despite no further aces after the fourth, with sturdy Salmon defense they were able to preserve their lead to victory. After the match the clubs enjoyed a lovely potluck together thanks to the hospitality of the Brewmasters. Hip, hip, hurrah!

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SCOREBOARD										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Final
Brewmasters	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	3
Salmon	2	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	-	10



He made three diving catches in right field during the same inning. He also had two RBI's, and only fouled out once!







More photos from the match!



### Up to Bat

**AUG. 19** At the kind invitation of the Village of Sheridan, IL, on Sunday, August 19th, the Salmon are meeting friends the Deep River Grinders for a vintage base ball match. This will be the second annual vintage base ball match held at Sheridan Elementary School in Sheridan, IL. If this year's anything like last year, it's sure to be a lively contest on a lovely afternoon in this beautiful, historic village. The match begins at 1:00pm and is free to attend. We hope to see you there!



[Above] Scooter shows off his broken bat during last year's match in Sheridan

### On Deck

**AUG. 27** vs. Milwaukee Grays  
Estabrook Park Beer Garden  
Milwaukee, WI  
1:00 PM

### In the Hole

**SEPT. 16 & 17** Barnstorm Weekend  
Nappanee, IN  
Benton Harbor, MI

### — Three Facts and a Fib —

How well do you know your fellow Salmon? This week:

**Mark "Razor" Uittenbogaard**

#### Which Ballist Fact is Bogus?

- A. He's played vintage base ball for the Chicago Salmon for twelve years
- B. He has four children under the age of five
- C. He has a dog named Millie
- D. He's never hit for the cycle in any form of bat and ball sport



### He's Always Dashing...

On last issue's cover we quoted Boss Lady saying how Nickels "sure is pretty when he runs." In fact, this was not Boss Lady's quote, but rather her quoting a *different* individual.

We here at The Spectator sure wouldn't want to start any scandalous rumors! The editors, however, have to agree that Nickels *is* oh-so-pretty when he runs. (What a hunk!)



Answer: A (He's played for the Salmon for ten years)