



The
Salmon Spectator

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Salmon Excavate Rocky Victory Against Quarrymen

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

Last Saturday the Salmon traveled to Lemont, IL to face the Quarrymen on their home field. While the opposing club posed quite a challenge, the field itself did so as well, with a steep hill in right field, and long grass that stopped many balls dead in their tracks. It was a hard fought and high scoring battle, with both clubs playing admirably.

The Salmon bats were as hot as the weather, and started off strong with a double by Goose in the first. Strings and Pig both hit doubles in the third, and the Salmon began to gain steam. Pig hit another double in the fourth, and another in the sixth, with brother Nickels joining in, making a pair of Daniels doubles. Sketch was thrown out going for second later that inning, but managed to hold out until an ace tallied—a piece of base running so smart, it couldn't have been on purpose! At the bottom of the seventh Razor launched a cannonball shot to right-center field that bounced off the top of a small outbuilding and then out of sight, making for a home run that brought in three aces!

The Quarrymen bats were brawny as well, but the Salmon defense was up to the task. Nickels turned a double play in the third, and Strings and Goose played well at rover and third base in the fourth. In the fifth Nickels took over as rover and flipped three balls to Flapjack at second base for all three outs of the inning. Flapjack grabbed a foul on the fly as catcher in the sixth, and husband Sketch followed with an out on the bound to end the inning. Strings made a great catch in left in the seventh, and Nickels did the same twice in the eighth. In the ninth the Quarrymen began to mount a comeback, but an impressive, nerve-wracking out on the bound by Sketch finished the game in favor of the Salmon. Hip, hip, hurrah!

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SCOREBOARD										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Final
QUARRYMEN	2	1	0	0	0	7	6	1	4	21
SALMON	2	1	5	5	0	3	8	0	-	24

★ MOST VALUABLE SALMON ★



The Grass

The unkempt and wild lawn provided very little bounce, allowing for many Salmon fly balls to go uncaught in the outfield.





More photos from the match!



Up to Bat *Last Match of the Year!*

OCT. 08 The 2023 Salmon season will come to a close on Sunday, October 8th with a match against the Deep River Grinders. This match was a late addition to the schedule, but the Salmon couldn't ask for a finer club to face for the last contest of the year. It should be an excellent day for fall ball, and rumor has it that a moving pictures crew will be present to record the event. The match begins at **10:30am** at the Historic Methodist Camp-ground in Des Plaines, IL.



[Above] Dizzy makes a great grab at the H.M.C. last season

Three Facts and a Fib

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

Andrew "GusBus" Gustafson

Which Ballist Fact is Bogus?

- A. He is primarily Scandinavian and Argentinian.
- B. He has been able to grow a full beard since he was 14.
- C. Until 2020, the Gustafson family had not given birth to a girl in over 80 years.
- D. He has two bidets in his home and they're the best thing since sliced bread.



Answer: B

Top Prospects of Tomorrow

Salmon spawn showed up in droves (and in uniform) at last weekend's match to support their parents. Could they be future vintage ballists themselves one day? Damian (1) cheered on his dad, Iron Jaw. Vivi (11) and Violet (9) rooted for their mom, Peaches. Julia (5), Andrew (3), Thomas (6 mos.), and Georgia (6 mos.) all went crazy for their dad, Razor.

