

Petrock's Liquor Plays in Senior World Series



L-R: Roger Porter, Al Mills, Norm Stumpf, Tom Brokaw, Pete Voohees, Tom Carano, Tom Pietryk, R. Winkleman, Bob Pietrzyk, Tom Madax, Wilton, M. Marzano, W. Stevenson, G. Bunting, Mike Christy, John Woodward & Bob Berger.

The Petrock's Liquor 50+ Tournament Team finished the 1991 softball season with 53 wins and 11 losses in 10 senior tournaments in New Jersey and other states.

The team finished first in 6 tournaments, second in 2 tournaments, fourth in 1 tournament and 15th in the World Series. Four of the eleven losses came at the Series competition.

Tournaments were played in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Oklahoma and Florida. The team is looking forward to the 1992 season and all the good competition in the NJ-NY area.

Jersey Shores Comes Up Two Wins Short of Title

Just a heartbeat away. The Ocean County based Jersey Shores 55 and over squad came within two wins of a national title as they competed at the Senior Olympics in Syracuse, N.Y. We were two games from the championship," said Jersey Shores manager John Londres of Lakehurst. Thirty two states sent representatives and top contenders, Virginia and Syracuse, got kicked out in the first day. "That left us the favorites."

Jersey Shores, which won two out of three games at the tournament, earned its biggest win over Florida's representative, Citrus Hill, sponsored in part by Ted Williams. Jersey Shores defeated Citrus Hill, 14-8. "We just tore them apart," Londres said. "We would have beat any team up there, we were so hot."

The win over Florida followed a 14-8 opening-game victory against Minnesota, which posed the Jersey Shores for its quarterfinal games with Colorado. We had them by two runs in the seventh inning, with two out and nobody on base," Londres said. "All we needed was one out. We were facing the bottom of their batting order.

"They got four straight hits to beat us," he said. "I've never seen anything like it happen before in my life."

The Jersey Shores Fell to Colorado, 9-8. "They won all their games by one run and came from behind each time," Londres said. "It was a pure Cinderella thing. When we played, it was their day, they just came from behind."

Jersey Shores was led by Lacey Township's George Mako (eight for 12) an Edison Township's Bob Burger (seven for 12). Lee Williams of Toms River and Ron Forbes of Brick Township also had big weekends. Williams also pitched walking one batter in 21 innings.

One of the top defensive players was second baseman Sam Hanson, Brielle, who teamed with Burger on 10 double plays. The squads left fielder, Frank Haviland, Wall Township, played good defense as well as slugged a home run against Florida. Ed Basile, Toms River, also was a big contributor.

"Ed's a real spark plug guy," Londres said. "He usually plays outfield, but he pulled a muscle in his leg and I had to move him to catcher. I didn't want to take him out of the game. "He's our oldest player at 61, but he's got a lot of mouth and a lot of inspiration. We didn't want to lose his momentum."

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