



Baseball Trivia

QUESTIONS

- 1) Who scored the Mets winning run in Game 6 of the 1986 World Series?
- 2) Who was a Baseball Hall of Famer and a United States Senator from Kentucky?
- 3) Who is the only Yankee hurler to pitch a no-hitter and lose?
- 4) What was the last year in which the Chicago Cubs won a World Series?
- 5) What pitcher gave up Hank Aaron's 715th career home run?
- 6) What manager returned to the dugout in a disguise after being ejected from the game?
- 7) Who was the first US president to throw out the first pitch on opening day?
- 8) What umpire died on the field during the 1996 Cincinnati Reds opening day game?
- 9) Who was the first baseball amateur draft pick to be given a million dollar signing bonus?
- 10) Who was the first athlete to appear on the front of a Wheaties box?

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THE INAUGURAL CHALLENGE CUP

New Jersey vs New York

The Inaugural Challenge Cup Games were held on September 24, 2013 in Central Park, New York City. A representative team from the Morris Essex Tuesday Senior Softball League (M.E.T.S.S) played against a representative team from New York City. The games were organized by Gene Stracco, Commissioner of the League, and Jim Maresca, who resides in New York City. Both men are teammates on the Legends during the Saturday Morning League season. The games started at eleven o'clock in the morning and concluded at approximately two thirty in the afternoon. The New York team won three consecutive games against the New Jersey team with a score of 7-6, 9-7, and 8-6. All games were extremely close and were played in front of 250 spectators. That was the first time playing in Central Park for many of the New Jersey team members, and in front of so many supporting spectators. Members of the New Jersey Team (yellow shirts) were Ben Colaneri, Bunny Longo, John Hall, Al Heath, Frank Shapiro, Bob Viscardi, Bob Schulman,

Ken McClellan, Sal LaGrece, Alex Strashinsky, John Pinna, Jay Pearly, Steve Rosignolo, Steve Palermo and Gene Stracco. Even though they lost, all players on the New Jersey Team agreed it was a very exciting and fun filled experience. It is anticipated The Challenge Cup Games will continue next season with additional teams participating. Times and places will be determined at a later date.

Submitted by Gene Stracco



Challenge Cup Teams 2013

Notable Quotables

"I have discovered in 20 years of moving around the ball park, that the knowledge of the game is usually in inverse proportion to the price of the seats." —Bill Veeck, Chicago White Sox Owner.

GETTING OLDER AND SLOWING DOWN?

ActiveAdults in National Senior Games

The portion of the U.S. population that has been active throughout its youth and middle age regards its "senior" status as something other than discounts on movie admission and restaurant rates. For this particular demographic, hitting 50 and beyond means a different age category in athletic endeavors. Simply put, there are more active adults than ever, and they're staying active longer.

Like individuals who embrace it, this trend shows no sign of slowing down. In fact, in its annual survey of fitness trends, the American College of Sports Medicine consistently ranks programs for older adults in its top 10.

Active aging adults are the reason the National Senior Games Association exists and flourishes. Created in 1985 as a means of promoting healthy lifestyles for adults through education, fitness and sport, this organization offers the largest multi-sport event in the world for seniors today. Its national

games are held biennially and involve 19 Member Organizations around the country that hold annual qualifying competitions in the year preceding The Games. Athletes who meet specific criteria while participating in the State Senior Games must qualify to participate.

Some people train daily and are very competitive, while some are more casual and social. At this age, 50's, 60's and beyond, there are people who play sports for different reasons. Some have been active all along, but some have become active because of a physical condition, or because they simply enjoy having an activity to do.

"There's no way I can do that," to "There is no reason I can't do that." You realize you can even do it at a modified pace. It's all about participating and engaging in healthy activities.

Marc T Riker, CEO, National Senior Games Association

PLAYERS NEEDED

For Senior Games—2015

Get ready to compete in your State Qualifying Games to punch your ticket to Minneapolis, Minnesota. We are looking for decent players who will be at least 75 in the year 2015. Qualifying games will

be in Woodbridge, NJ in September 2014 at the New Jersey Olympics. If interested, contact Tony Naturale at 973-366-5088.

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