

blue hill MUDSLIDES

2008 Clemente Divison Champions



I will be making a change this year and play all my home games on the Computer.

Roster moves TBA as I will be sending monthly instructions. I do not need computer game sheets, and I have no preference of micromanager.

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COMPLETE 2009 ROSTER

Position Players:

NAME	TEAM	AGE	SHIFT	SSN	SPD	SBA	ARM	GAMES/AB	PB	TH	#24'S	31'S	ACQUIRED
BAKO, Paul	CIN	36	SA -3/-1	9	6	2	32	99/299	2	0	2	1	07 WAIVER
BARTON, Daric	OAK	23	SA +3/-3	26	9	3	30	140/446			0	2	09 DRAFT
CAIRO, Miguel	SEA	33	SA +4/-5	28	12	7	30	108/221			2	2	98 DRAFT
CLEMENT, Jeff	SEA	25	SA +4/-3	14	6	1	31	66/203	3	-4	1	1	09 DRAFT
ESTRADA, Johnny	MIL	31											02 DRAFT
<i>Uncarded</i>													
FONTENOT, Mike	CUBS	28	SA -4/-1	31	16	2	30	119/243			0	2	08 DRAFT
GONZALEZ, Luis	FLA	41	PR -4/-1	14	6	3	25	136/341			2	2	95 EXP DRAFT
GRIFFEY, Ken	CWS	39	SA -7/+2	14	6	1	34	143/490			0	1	06 TRADE
HEADLEY, Chase	SD	25	SA -2/-1	31	9	5	31	91/331			0	1	09 DRAFT
MATSUI, Hideki	NYY	34	SA -3/-1	N	12	0	34	93/337			2	2	06 TRADE
NIEVES, Wil	WAS	31	SA +3/-3	14	8	1	31	68/176	1	-3	3	1	09 DRAFT
PEARCE, Steve	PITT	26	SA +8/-5	31	9	2	32	37/109			0	2	09 DRAFT
RAMIREZ, Aramis	CUBS	30	SA -8/+1	20	6	4	34	149/554			1	1	06 TRADE
REED, Jeremy	SEA	27	SA -16/+1	16	15	5	33	97/286			0	2	09 DRAFT
ROLLINS, Jimmy	PHI	30	SA -2/-1	35	18	50	35	137/556			2	2	02 DRAFT
ROMERO, Alex	ARI	25	SA -9/+1	34	15	4	31	78/135			1	2	09 DRAFT
TAVERAS, Willy	COL	27	SA +1/-2	35	19	75	32	133/479			0	2	06 DRAFT
TOLBERT, Matt	MINN	27	SA -1/-1	34	15	8	33	41/113			4	2	09 DRAFT

ACTIVE ROSTER

MINOR LEAGUES

Pitchers:

NAME	TEAM	AGE	GRADE	BB	HR	ARM	FAT	STARTS/RIP	WP	BK	HB	MF	ACQUIRED
BANNISTER, Brian	KC	28	4	14	-21	R	30	32/0	3			+1	08 DRAFT
BYRD, Paul	BOS	38	6	34	-25	R	27	30/0	0	0		+2	02 TRADE
BYRDAK, Tim	HOU	35	*14	-44	-26	L	6	0/55.3	0	0		+0	08 DRAFT
GUERRIER, Matt	MIN	30	*7	-31	-21	R	7	0/76.3	2	0	0	+0	06 DRAFT
HENSLEY, Clay	SD	29	*9	-61	42	R	27/7	1/39	2	0		+0	06 DRAFT
HUDSON, Tim	ATL	33	13	23	24	R	26/5	22/1	1			+1	00 DRAFT
LIZ, Radhames	BAL	25	3	-54	-25	R	30	17/0	3	0		+0	09 DRAFT
LOWE, Mark	SEA	25	*5	-43	22		7	0/63.7	2	0		+0	09 TRADE
MATSUZAKA, Daisuke	BOS	28	17	-62	31	R	25	29/0	2	0		+0	08 DRAFT
McCLUNG, Seth	MIL	28	11/*14	-44	16	R	24/9	12/42	3	0		+1	09 DRAFT
OKAJIMA, Hideki	BOS	33	*16	-14	14	L	6	0/62	2	0		+2	08 DRAFT
OLIVER, Darren	LAA	38	*13	32	26	L	7	0/72	3	0		+0	07 DRAFT
PONSON, Sydney	NYY	32	4	12	14	R	28/5	24/1	2	0		+3	09 DRAFT
SPEIER, Justin	LAA	35	*8	13	-36	R	7	0/68	2	0		+0	01 DRAFT
TASCHNER, Jack	SF	30	*5	-25	16	L	5	0/48	3	0		+0	08 DRAFT
WESTBROOK, Jake	CLE	31	12	31	-22	R	28	5	2	0		+3	04 DRAFT
WILLIS, Dontrelle	FLA	28											04 DRAFT

CUTS: BUCKVICH, CRUZ, GIESE, HATTEBERG, HULETT, OTSUKA, PHELPS, SALAZAR, SEXSON, TRACHSEL, WARD

These instructions should be used as a guide only, please use your baseball judgment as the deciding factor in any moves unless explicitly outlined in monthly instructions.

ANTICIPATED ROSTER MOVES

May: McClung & Ponson down, Hudson & Liz up
June: Ponson up, Liz down
July: Bannister down, Liz up
August: Bannister up, Matsuzaka down
September: Matsuzaka up, Byrd down
October: Byrd up, Hudson down

Board Game Lineups:

EMERGENCY LINEUPS:	vs. RHP #1	vs LHP #1
1. Taveras LF	1. Taveras CF	1. Taveras CF
2. Rollins SS	2. Tolbert 2B	2. Rollins SS
3. Fontenot 2B	3. Rollins SS	3. Rollins SS
4. Ramirez 3B	4. Ramirez 3B	4. Ramirez 3B
5. Barton 1B	5. Matsui RF	5. Matsui RF
6. Griffey CF	6. Barton 1B	6. Barton 1B
7. Matsui RF	7. Headley LF	7. Headley LF
8. Gonzalez DH	8. Gonzalez DH	8. Gonzalez DH
9. Bako C	9. Bako C	9. Bako C

Computer Game Lineups:

vs LHP	vs RHP
1. Taveras CF	1. Taveras LF
2. Tolbert 2B	2. Rollins SS
3. Rollins SS	3. Fontenot 2B
4. Ramirez 3B	4. Ramirez 3B
5. Matsui RF	5. Barton 1B
6. Barton 1B	6. Griffey CF
7. Headley LF	7. Matsui RF
8. Gonzalez DH	8. Gonzalez DH
9. Nieves C	9. Bako C

I intend to send out lineups each month. These are to be used only as an emergency.

2009 BLUE HILL MUDSLIDES PITCHING ROTATION:

PITCHER KEY: 1-Bannister(32),2-Byrd(30),3-Matsuzaka(29),4-Ponson(24),5-Hudson(22),6-Liz(17),7-McClung(3),8-Westbrook(5)

APR	1-4	GOH	1,2,3,4	MAY	1-5	@NW	1,2,3,5,6	JUN	1-4	@WHT	1,2,3,4	JUL	1-5	LA	2,3,5,4,6
	6-8	WHT	1,2,3		6-9	@GC	1,2,3,5		6-8	@COL	1,2,3		6-9	DAL	2,3,5,4
	10-13	COL	4,1,2,3		11-14	MUN	1,2,3,5		9-11	@GOH	4,5,1		11-14	@NBO	2,3,5,4
	14-17	@RYE	7,4,1,2		15-18	ZIO	6,1,2,3		12-16	LV	2,3,4,5,1		15-18	@MID	6,2,3,5
	19-23	@HOU	3,4,7,1,2		20-23	MAR	5,6,1,2		18-21	BRO	2,3,4,1		19-22	@KNX	4,6,2,3

AUG	1-4	POR	1,2,5,4	SEP	3-5	GOH	1,3,5	OCT	1-4*	@BRO	3,1,4,2,6	NOV	2-6	GC	8,5,1,2,3
	5-8	MLR	6,1,2,5		6-9	WHT	4,6,1,3		6-9	@LA	3,1,4,2		7-10	HOU	8,5,1,2
	10-13	HUD	4,1,2,5		10-12	COL	5,4,6		10-14	RYE	6,3,1,4,2		11-13	@WHT	3,8,5
	14-17	@WAK	6,4,1,2		14-17	@LV	1,3,5,4		15-18	NW	6,3,1,4		15-18	@COL	6,3,8,5
	18-21	@KAN	5,6,1,2		18-22	@DAL	6,1,3,5,4		20-23	@RIC	6,3,1,4		19-22	@GOH	1,2,7,8

2009 PITCHING STAFF:

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The rotation this year is a lot weaker than in the past. Matsuzaka provides a wild Grade 17 and Hudson & Westbrook should be good in there limited starts. But after that we are going to need lots of help from the bullpen. There are almost 500 innings available and I suspect we'll use most of them. Okajima will actually return as the closer this year but I'm not sure how many save chances he will get. I expect the workhorses like Guerrier & Lowe will pitch a lot.

The Starters:

Brian Bannister: The sophomore jinx bit him and his grade has fallen big time to a 4. Nonetheless he will lead BH to the hill 32 times and take his lumps. His fatigue is a 30 so pitch him until that is reached unless he is pounded out before that.

Paul Byrd: The only BH starter with decent control he will start 30 games for BH which is another reminder how the pitching has fallen this year. Pitch him until fatigue as well and hopefully his control will help him get pounded out less than Bannister.

Daisuke Matsuzaka: Finally a good grade, Dice-K did not feel the sophomore jinx and came back as a grade 17. Of course the bad control will make him an adventure out there. With only the 25 fatigue I will let him stay in past one downgrade.

Sydney Ponson: Similar to Bannister let him take his lumps and pitch until fatigued or pounded out. The bullpen will get enough work this year I can't afford to be taking starters out early.

Tim Hudson: Hudson was having another solid season when injury cut it short. He will get 22 starts and I expect them to be the best starts of anyone in the rotation. He should be good for 7+ most games so give him every chance to pitch out of trouble.

Radhames Liz: A man after Dice-K's heart there will be lots of free passes when he is pitching. Unfortunately his grade is only a 3 so some of his starts will probably be short lived. He's got a 30 fatigue so if he can make it great! Pitch until that or pounded.

Jake Westbrook: Another good started limited by injury. He gets 5 starts as a grade 12 so please give him every chance to pitch out of trouble so I can get the most out of them. Try your best to get him into the 7th.

Seth McClung: He will get 3 starts and then use the rest of his innings out of the bullpen. A grade 11 starter so try to get the most out of his 3 starts. Pitch until fatigued or pounded out.

The Bullpen:

Hideki Okajima: He will return as the Mudslides closer but he will not be as solid as the previous year. He will pitch the 9th anytime it is a closing situation and can come in in the 8th to shut down a big lefty if required to.

Darren Oliver: The setup man this year he is also a lefty which is a little weird but he's the best I got. He also has 72 RIPs so he can pitch both the 7th and 8th innings. I am hoping that he can get the ball to Okey in close games BH leads.

Seth McClung: A grade *14 in relief, he should be used in middle relief in hopes that his fatigue of 9 will help bridge the gap between the starters and the setup men.

Tim Byrdak: Another grade *14 to be used in middle relief most likely when McClung is unavailable.

Clay Hensley: He will be used in middle relief in games that are not out of hand to try and keep the score close.

Justin Speier: I expect he will see lots of action when the starters can't make it into the 5th inning.

Matt Guerrier: Very similar to Speier I expect when the starters can't get to the 5th to see one of these 2 pitching.

Mark Lowe: He will be used in early relief when a starter needs to be rescued. I expect he will be used early in games and pitch until fatigued or pounded out.

Jack Taschner: He also will be used in early relief when a starter needs to be rescued. If he's in the game it probably makes sense to let him pitch until pounded out.

When the Mudslides are at Bat:

Philosophy: The offense has lost a lot of its pop as some of our big bats have aged. It is going to be up to Taveras and Rollins to get on base and Run!Run!Run! There are going to be growing pains this year as players like Barton, Clement and Headley get some playing time.

Usage: The lineups this year will probably evolve as I try to find a combination of the young and old. Taveras will lead off 133 games with Rollins behind him, the 2 combine for 125 SBA's so they need to get on base. Ramirez & Barton will also play almost every game but after that every day could see a new look.

Pinch Hitters: You will have 3-5 bats to choose from each month. Here are some suggestions on who to use in what situation:

Chase Headley: He will be available most days to hit against either lefties or righties.

Jeremy Reed: He will always be available to PH against righties only.

Matt Tolbert: When available he is a great choice to lead off an inning.

Steve Pearce: When available he should PH against LHP when his +8 will make a difference.

Alex Romero: Can PH against RHP when we're desperate.

Do Not Use as Pinch Hitters ever: Cairo

Pinch Run: When we are in the 7th tied/trailing by 3 or up 1, consider pinch running. Candidates to run for are: **Bako, Clement, Gonzalez, Griffey** and **Ramirez**. Also any non "F" in the 8th winning or tying run. Please use in this order: **Reed, Tolbert, Romero, Pearce, Cairo**

Hit and Run: Always H&R when legal and Taveras or Rollins are on first base.

Stealing: Innings 1-6 **Rollins** and **Taveras** can run with adjusted SSN of 27+. After 6th, anyone can steal with less than 2 outs and SSN of 28+. Do not steal home.

Sacrifice: Only late in a one run game with runner on 1st or 2nd with no outs when the H&R is not in order and no SBA can be made. Sacrifice with

Base running: Please send runner with 28+ chances and never with less than 18 chances. Otherwise use your best judgment. COMPUTER: Always send runner who is "well around."

When the Mudslides are on Defense:

Defensive Guidelines: This years defense stinks! It's a combination of young guys still learning there positions and old guys that can't get it done anymore. Making outs is going to be an adventure in '09! Here is a breakdown of the defense by position to give you some idea of what I am looking for.

Defense by Position:

Catcher: Jeff Clement was drafted this year as the "catcher of the future." He will gain some experience this season while splitting time with veteran Paul Bako. Wil Nieves will cover a few of the games.

1B: Daric Barton was drafted with hopes that he will seize the first base job that has belong to Sexson for several seasons. Barton will play the majority of the games with Cairo most likely playing the rest.

2B: Mike Fontenot will start 119 games at 2B and Matt Tolbert will start 41. Neither one will "lay the leather" but should provide some decent offense. "Mr. Versatile" Miguel Cairo will start the other 2 games.

3B: Aramis Ramirez starts 149 games here, unfortunately his fielding got worse so there'll be lots of errors again. Once again we'll turn to Cairo to fill out the other 13 starts.

SS :Jimmy Rollins the '07 MVP got off to a horrible start but rebounded enough to get a decent card and swipe 50 bases. Uncharacteristically he missed 25 games so of course Cairo will cover them.

Outfield: The Mudslides are getting pretty long in the tooth here so there is nothing very impressive. Ken Griffey will start 143 games in Centerfield so that says a lot. Willy Taveras will start the other 19 there and then will play 114 in LF. Luis Gonzalez will fill out the rest of the LF starts so they'll be lots of runners rounding third base this year. Hideki Matsui will split RF with new blood Chase Headley. Jeremy Reed, Steve Pearce, and Alex Romero will be the other outfielders.

Overall Defense: Besides Rollins SS-9 the defense is bad, Ramirez is back to a 3B-3 and even Taveras lost a grade and is just OF-2. It is going to be an adventure defensively in Blue Hill more than ever this year!

Other: IBB - If 7th inning or later, score 0/-2 and 1st base ope with 1 or 2 out and a big power hitter up with no real shift advantage.

INFIELD - Play IN 8th inning or later with 0 or 1 out for lead run with runner on 3rd and 1B open and IBB doesn't apply. Play IN 9th inning or later with 1 out with tying lead or lead run on 3rd and 1B is open. The infield defense should play for the double play in most other situations.

HOLD RUNNER - Board: Hold any runner with adjusted SSN 20+. Always hold PL batter. Always pitch from the stretch. **Computer:** Always hold runners.

OUTFIELD THROWS - Throw for the lead runner with adjusted advance number of 34 or less unless winning run in 9th+ inning. Otherwise hold the trail runner from advancing.

Please use these instructions as a guideline, you should use your best judgment if something comes up that is not covered here.