

# DODGE

WEEK 1

## PRESEASON REVIEWS

NEW ERA, NEW # 1

MARGAYS: CATCH

THEM IF YOU CAN



STREETS

SEMERE

IRWIN

TIMOR

PASQUEL

KOWALSKI



REAPERS v. GREMLINS  
OAKLAND BANK STADIUM

#7 INTERCEPTORS v. TOROS #3  
ST. LOUIS MUNICIPAL PARK








































OPENING DAY FLEX  
CHAMPIONSHIP REMATCH  
#6 GOLD v. EMPIRE  
GOLDEN GATE ARENA

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## RANKINGS: PRESEASON

#	DIV	TEAM	AGE	CX	HX	RX	T	C	D	TAV	CAV	DAV	PX	PG
1			24	14	70	81	77	44	41	0	0	0	56.4	20
2			26	39	81	76	62	49	38	0	0	0	55.9	19
3			25	-45	75	80	85	40	34	0	0	0	54.9	32
4			24	24	74	76	61	47	43	0	0	0	54.9	9
5			26	0	70	78	76	39	43	0	0	0	54.9	24
6			25	41	80	73	65	41	40	0	0	0	54.5	18
7			25	-12	68	77	74	42	38	0	0	0	54.2	31
8			24	-34	67	78	83	34	45	0	0	0	54.1	30
9			24	46	83	70	61	43	34	0	0	0	54.0	28
10			25	-36	68	78	67	47	40	0	0	0	54.0	13
11			25	4	76	74	75	37	35	0	0	0	53.8	23
12			24	-9	76	73	61	37	54	0	0	0	53.1	8
13			25	21	74	71	71	36	37	0	0	0	53.1	5
14			26	-4	77	72	62	38	47	0	0	0	52.9	11
15			26	5	74	71	57	45	39	0	0	0	52.6	6
16			24	-11	73	71	68	37	37	0	0	0	52.1	25
17			26	16	80	64	58	34	36	0	0	0	50.5	15
18			25	46	82	60	56	33	32	0	0	0	50.2	14
19			25	20	83	59	51	33	34	0	0	0	48.9	27
20			24	-30	78	57	49	32	35	0	0	0	46.7	10

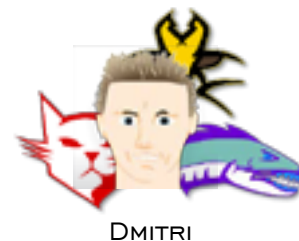


## RETIREMENTS

We all knew it was coming, but Aleksandr started to have the DBL front office scrambling. The oldest player in the league, Aleksandr pulled off a masterful performance in his last season. So good, he won MVP honors for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in his career. The first being 9 seasons ago in his 2<sup>nd</sup> year. How would Commissioner Halim still prevent the BEST player in the league from continuing to play past 10 seasons? Well, it happened. And to put salt in the wound, the rules have changed this upcoming season to unrestricting players to 10 seasons.



In a way, it is fitting. Aleksandr was born into the league at a new Era. As the ZFL's popularity waned, the DBL was readying to be the top sports league in the nation. As Aleksandr's ZFL career shut down, the DBL welcomed his raw talent. Placed in one of the hottest markets for dodgeball, Florida with the recruit-fertile Pentagons, he shined and made himself the face of the league winning the 2008-3 MVP. He was the tag team with Jacoby that played the 'greatest game ever played' in the 2009-2 Championship vs. the Legendary 2009-2 Seadogs and won. Appearing in 4 Championships, 3 All\*Star, and 9 straight playoff brackets, Aleksandr was the class of the league.



His last act was probably the most spectacular. Akin to Jerry Rice, Aleksandr had a resurgence when there seemed to be no way to keep going. After multiple years of playing 2<sup>nd</sup> disappointing fiddle to Jacoby, Aleksandr left his best friend to head to the evil Empire. Season 2012 was a miracle, establishing the 'Chemistry Department' and blowing by the Interceptors and Scarlet Ember to appear in the championship. After losing, Aleksandr was determined to finish on top. He had all the help in the world, equaling the talent levels of the 2011 Interceptors and 2009 Empire, this squad breezed through 9 games to meet the Gold. And to close the story, a rookie named J. Woods shot up from nowhere to lead the Gold to victory.



"It was a sign of the times, he is young and vibrant, and I was held to zero points in my last 2 games. I had become more of an on field coach than a player." – Aleksandr

And he won't be going anywhere, he is now the (off field) coach of the upstart Phoenix.

Another notable departure is Darren of the Seadogs, but more importantly Captain of the Back to Back 2010/2010-2 Toros. He was the face of the team for a couple of years as the Toros launched failed attempt after failed attempt at putting together teams. But in 2010, they drafted lowly Semere from Washington U. And from the play-in with the Silverbacks to winning it all twice, Darren served as the conservative collected Captain in the face of 2 exuberant studs in Rayquan and Semere. Like all things in life, it came to an end.



But this end was pretty bitter. Williame came in 2012 and pretty much blew everything up, a super talented team went 3-7. Semere headed to the Margays, Rayquan stayed put, Williame retired and Darren sought new frontiers as a seasoned veteran Captain to a struggling young team in the Seadogs. Things weren't so fruitful as his talents waned noticeably. One day, perhaps, things will lighten up in Houston and Darren's jersey will hang up in Texas Forum.



Other retirees:

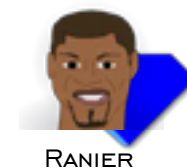
Ranier – 2 years with Diamonds

Dmitri – Journeyman for 7 years, CATS, MAR, DF

Martin – 3 years with Toros, was an All\*Star on a team full of talent in 2012

Ethos – Nephew of great Pathos, but never quite lived up to it, 3 seasons with SB, 1 with GRE

K. Smith – Solid player for the Dragonish for 4 years, prospects dried up.



## COACHING CHANGES

It was a cloudy day in the offices of one of Dodgeball's cathedrals; Kindra Stadium, home of the Florida Dragonfish. It was a long time coming, but nobody could believe it would actually happen. After 2 straight seasons of starting 0-7, registering the 2 worst Dragonfish seasons since 2008-1, Jerry Ramirez had to fire long time friend Coach Riviera. It had been a ten year stint, many considered him tenured, only to leave when he retired, but nope, after posting a record 7 straight playoff seasons, 2 seasons in the dumpiest of dumps tarnished the legacy of Riviera and led him out the door. All things fade, as Aleksandr and Jacoby (Riviera's bread and butter who he raised from infancy) moved on, so does he.

Coach Riviera was quickly scooped up by upstart Louisville Jox, they too hoping to get a bread and butter with sustained success.

Left in Florida is a young leader in Temp and a chip on their shoulders as they try to shake the past. Well, welcome Coach Cindy Wurst. The first female coach in league history hopes to bring her peppy young energy coming from the high school ranks to a team that could use a smile... and a win.

Another legacy was ended unceremoniously as the great Leslie was fired from his position as the Reapers front man. Similar to his sad cut from the Reapers as a player which prompted him to go into coaching, he really didn't want to leave. But a once proud organization had enough of the early season hype and late season collapses of the Leslie regime (Remember that 2012 Preseason Victory?). In comes Doug Benthin, fresh from a successful stint at the college level with the Pentagons. He already has a badge with a Runner Up finish in the Tourney.

Speaking of player to Coach, not just any player, but reigning League MVP Aleksandr hung up his jersey in New York and flew across the country and landed in Phoenix for his first try at coaching. His illustrious career couldn't just come to an abrupt end like that! Aleksandr promises to be a player's coach, even outfitting himself in a coaches uniform to practice with the team.

Chicago is hoping to see some more limelight in a division with 2 'Era' teams in it. Coach Greene registered the Gremlins worst season after 8 years at the helm. The Drama on the team wouldn't stop, and the fans were losing interest. Rick Pulin is looking to change that, making big moves already with Donte finally out and Rookie MVP J. Woods in the folds.

The final firing happened in London. Coach O'Derby and Owner McInnis certainly had their fun, but being the butt of an already ugly division for years on end left both miserable. O'Derby made headlines when he drafted THREE as his first move as Head Coach. The team bonded together but just didn't have the raw talent. McInnis seems to have adopted more of his enemy Ramos' mentality of 'Win Now', because after only 2 years, O'Derby is shown the door. Replacing him will be Julian Tyree. Long time scout for the Seadogs before leaving the league he is known for the Seadogs legendary preseason workouts where his players consistently improve. McInnis is trying to do everything to get 2009-2 back.

Now to the other new teams. The Captains hired Chandler Hearse, known as a risk taker, he was assistant to Ramos on the Empire when Ramos brought revolution to offseason wheeling and dealing. He made his own headlines this year by giving up their inaugural draft pick for Travis of the Gold!

Finally, the Checkers hire Ferris Michaels to the head coaching job. He has experience in Europe as a dodgeball coach for various minor leagues and is being counted on for his international appeal, quite an ask for a team based in Charlotte.



RIVIERA



WURST



LESLIE

BENTHIN



ALEKSANDR



GREENE

PULIN



O'DERBY

TYREE



HEARSE



MICHAELS

# FLORIDA DRAGONFISH


RANK  13  

JERRY RAMIREZ

CHEM:	HAPPY:	RATING:	THROWS:	CATCH:	DODGE:
6	14	13	7	15	12

RECORD	SETS
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**COACH WURST**



AGE: 35 STYLE: O-B.RTG D-B.Dg RECORD: 0 EXP: 1 CHEM: 52

Wk #	SCHEDULE
1	ST. CAT'S


**C. CONNER** 4 2



1 BF 23 RATING: 53 THRW: 32 CTH: 38 Dg: 36 CHEM: 42 UNDERSTUDY

2	CHECKERS
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**TEMP** 2 1



5 ANT 24 RATING: 85 THRW: 93 CTH: 36 Dg: 45 CHEM: 70 1ST ARM

3	GREMLINS
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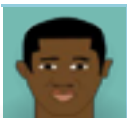
**KENNETH** FREE AG 6 2



2 UV 27 RATING: 75 THRW: 66 CTH: 41 Dg: 43 CHEM: 13 ALL AROUND

4	2 SKYLARKS
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**THOMAS** 7 2



3 ANT 28 RATING: 81 THRW: 85 CTH: 35 Dg: 47 CHEM: 63 DASHER 2ND ARM

5	3 TOROS
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**R. PEETE** DRAFT 3 3



21 YU 22 RATING: 63 THRW: 77 CTH: 29 Dg: 16 CHEM: 51 CAPTAIN

6	ST. CAT'S
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7	CHECKERS
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8	8 PHAROAHS
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9	2 SKYLARKS
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10	3 TOROS
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11	1 MARGAYS
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GRADE: A

**RECAP**

From worst to Wurst, Florida is getting super excited about the 16th rendition of the Dragonfish. The spunky high school coach takes the helms of one of the legendary teams in this league. Every move this team makes is magnified tremendously by the loyal fans, so hopefully Coach Wurst can keep cool. Many were wondering if Riviera's glaring mistake in C. Conner was going to be erased from DF history, but Wurst saw enough potential to keep him around. In the draft, R. Peete from YU was drafted to be the Captain of this new experiment. The move that set the mood for this team was the acquisition of longtime Silverback figure head Kenneth. This interest in playing for the Fish convinces you something is going on here, joining wayyyy underpaid Temp and wayyyyy overpaid Thomas in the marshlands of Kindra Stadium. The guys are rocking together, despite coming 16th with a winless Tourney, they led the league in Participation. Their schedule is almost as relentless as last years, playing the #1, #2, #3 and Tourney Winner in the same season.







# OKLAHOMA CITY REAPERS

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
 10 13 14 17 4 9


COACH **BENTHIN**

	AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
	56	O-B.THW	0	63	1
		D-B.CX	0		


**MILLER** NEW DEAL 7 3

	6	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
ANT	27	84	86	44	35	67
			***			CAPTAIN 1ST ARM


**BORIS** 3 2

	5	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
FLA	28	79	57	54	42	91
						CPT DEFENSE


**JASON** 6 3

	3	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
FLA	26	90	69	50	68	19
			***			CPT ALL AROUND

**H. HARPER** 3 1

	30	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
ANT	23	76	64	50	32	66
						CPT UNDERSTUDY

**PETR** FREE AG 1 2

	9	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
HRT	28	28	8	26	19	79
						DASHER

RANK

15



ROBIN PANNETON

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 7 GREMLINS

2 7 INTERCEPTORS

3 7 CAPTAINS

4 7 ST. CAT'S

5 7 SCARLET EMBER

6 7 GREMLINS

7 7 INTERCEPTORS

8 7 CAPTAINS

9 7 SEADOGS

10 7 SCARLET EMBER

11 8 PHAROAHS

GRADE: A-

## RECAP

Everyone in OKC is pretty numb to promising starts from this organization. After falling from 4-2, 5-2, etc season after season, Owner Panneton figures a change in Coach can fix this clearly talented team. Out with the player legend Leslie, and in comes Coach Benthin, a newbie. Without a draft pick this year, it was a question of how to fill the gap of James, who bolted after a really embarrassing season where he was outplayed by a rookie all season in H. Harper. Coach made sure Miller extended his \$7mil contract for 3 years first and foremost. Then, he kind of sat on his hands with \$3mil to spend and grabbed a Dasher in Petr, who can barely throw the ball past the center line. This team seems to lack a lot on paper, coming in at 17th in Throws, but they were runner-up in the Tourney. With team stats that topped almost every stat line. Majorly important was execution, they believe in Benthin and it led them way further than anyone expected, even upending the fearsome Margays. Out of division matchups against the Pharoahs and Cat's make for a pretty tough road ahead for them. Hopefully, they wont crash and burn like every other year in the Jason/Miller Era.



# RESIGNING

 #8 7TH SEASON  OLD NEW JARED \$6ML/1YR \$6ML/3YR	 #32 5TH SEASON  OLD NEW PELETIERRE \$4ML \$6ML/3YR	 #14 4TH SEASON  OLD NEW ROMAN \$2ML/1YR \$4ML/3YR
 #2 3RD SEASON  OLD NEW TAMP \$4ML/3YR \$6ML/3YR	 #8 8TH SEASON  OLD NEW CASEY \$5ML/2YR \$4ML/2YR	 #11 2ND SEASON  OLD NEW S. SALAZAR FRANCHISE \$9ML/4YR
 #28 3RD SEASON  OLD NEW CHARLIE \$4ML/1YR \$9ML/4YR	 #3 7TH SEASON  OLD NEW KEITH \$3ML/1YR \$4ML/2YR	 #40 2ND SEASON  OLD NEW D. RAMSEY FRANCHISE \$5ML/3YR
 #44 6TH SEASON  OLD NEW LAWRENCE \$5ML/2YR \$4ML/4YR	 #2 6TH SEASON  OLD NEW LYONS \$6ML/3YR \$8ML/4YR	 #80 6TH SEASON  OLD NEW ZACH \$2ML \$5ML/2YR
 #11 3RD SEASON  OLD NEW MCFADDEN \$5ML/2YR \$8ML/4YR	 #6 6TH SEASON  OLD NEW MILLER \$7ML/1YR \$7ML/3YR	 #16 5TH SEASON  OLD NEW SANCHITO \$6ML/1YR \$7ML/1YR
 #2 3RD SEASON  OLD NEW PASQUEL \$6ML/1YR \$8ML/3YR	 #18 4TH SEASON  OLD NEW RICHARD \$3ML/1YR \$5ML/4YR	



The biggest question coming into the offseason in regards to resigning was undoubtedly Stuart Salazar of the Seattle Silverbacks. He was the 2014 Combine winner and the presumptive Rook until J. Woods of the Gold stole his thunder in the Playoffs last season. Before ever throwing a ball, him and his agent could not come to an agreement with the Silverbacks coming into his rookie season after being the 1st pick in the draft. So, they had to slap the franchise tag on him and the Silverbacks had to be on their best behavior to convince Salazar to resign. Well, for \$36ml over 4 years, Salazar couldn't pass up. The Seadogs and Gremlins were in talks with him with similar figures, but after netting a #1 regular season for the Silverbacks, it's easy to see why Salazar wants to keep winning.

Peletierre was a big surprise for the Gold. They had all but packed his locker away to make room for another lucky soul, but with J. Woods bolting before he could and Travis being traded away for draft picks, Peletierre could imagine the Gold finally being built around him. After 4 years as the only Gold member to be drafted and signed, he felt jaded with the attention J. Woods, Simeon and Travis got last season. And just doing simple math, how could the Gold have paid for him with J. Woods clearly deserving at least 6 million, Travis with his \$9 and Simeon with \$8. But things fell strangely, and Peletierre is looking to establish himself as the premiere Dasher and All-Around player for the Gold for years to come.

What is also interesting to note is the securing of arms teams around the league did. Pasquel, Charlie, Sanchito, McFadden, Tamp and Lyons were not due for contract negotiations, but these organization want to show commitment early to ensure a sense of loyalty.

SEATTLE

# SILVERBACKS

RANK

12



THERESE LOVEGREEN

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:

14 9 10 15 12 1

COACH BALDWIN



AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
54 O-B.THW 27 58 6  
D-B.CTH 29

ARTHUR 3 2



14 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
UV 25 40 18 21 51 18

CARTER 2 1



0 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
WF 24 71 66 24 67 51  
2ND DEFENSE

P. SOMERSET DRAFT 1 3



40 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
LS 22 57 65 27 20 44  
UNDERSTUDY

SANCHITO NEW DEAL 7 1



16 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
P.Rico 26 92 61 55 74 13  
\*\* DEFENSE

S. SALAZAR RESIGNED 9 4



11 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
WWU 23 106 94 61 57 61  
\* CPT, DSH, ALL AROUND

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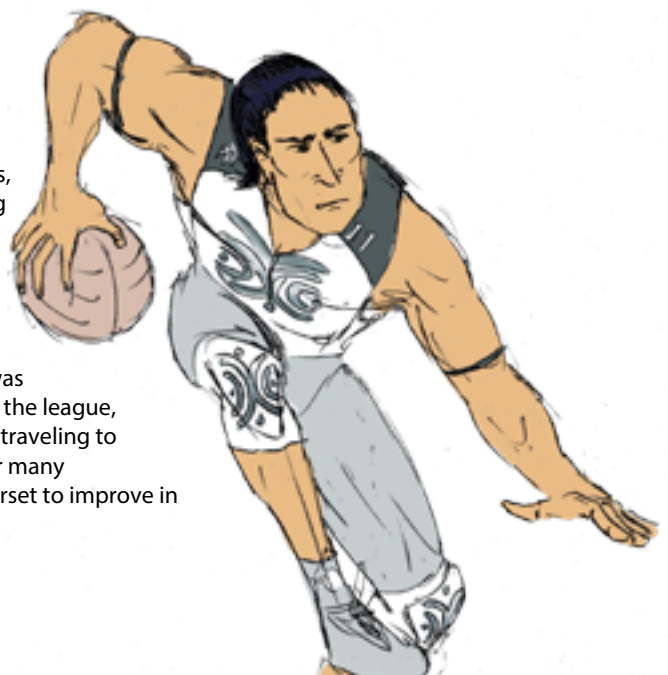
Wk # SCHEDULE

1	8	PHAROAHS
2	1	MARGAYS
3		PHOENIX
4	6	GOLD
5	5	DIAMONDS
6	8	PHAROAHS
7	2	SKYLARKS
8		PHOENIX
9	6	GOLD
10	5	DIAMONDS
11		GREMLINS

GRADE: B

## RECAP

It was the headline story heading into the offseason. S. Salazar #11, had a rookie year almost good enough to snatch the Rook. But all season, the franchise tag hung over Coach Baldwin's head. The better he played, the more important it would be to secure his contract. Also, his tag team bro Sanchito's contract was set to run out, as well as resurging hero Kenneth's, so it was a to be a dealy offseason. Well, Kenneth decided to leave, feeling he couldn't breath around all the hype with Salazar. This was a big blow to their plans for a repeat #1 Season. The first order of business was to swat away all the other teams interests and get a solid deal done. \$9mil/4yrs was just that solid deal. Next, came Sanchito's deal, he still didn't want to sign anything long term, agreeing to a \$7mil/1yr deal. The draft was surprisingly fruitful, with the last pick in the draft, P. Somerset was selected, he has a good arm. The Silverbacks face the hardest schedule in the league, mostly for being in the West, but also hosting the Margays in week 2 and traveling to Atlanta to face the Skylarks. With the #1 Dodging team, it will give Salazar many offensive oppurtunities. But he'll need help, they'll need Carter and Somerset to improve in throwing soon.







# WASHINGTON DC Dizzy Devils

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
5 12 8 13 3 4


**COACH DANIELSON**

	AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
	61	O-B.Rtg	21	31	5
		D-B.Cx	21		


**MCFADDEN** NEW DEAL 8 4

	11	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
	YU	<span style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 2px;">98</span>	68	69	55	32
	24					<i>CAPTAIN 1ST DEF</i>


**LIMBERG** 5 1

	9	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
	NONE	<span style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 2px;">77</span>	57	58	29	27
	24					<i>DASHER 2ND DEF</i>


**ALI C.** 4 2

	25	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
	COU	<span style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 2px;">89</span>	85	45	49	20
	26					<i>1ST ARM</i>

**T. CLOWNEY** DRAFT 2 3

	75	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
	SI	<span style="background-color: #ffe0b2; padding: 2px;">48</span>	43	28	26	45
	22					<i>UNDERSTUDY</i>

**J. JORDAN** 3 3

	29	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
	DCU	<span style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 2px;">68</span>	54	34	56	77
	25					<i>3RD DEF</i>

RANK

4



TERRY PAPILLON

RECORD

0 0 0 0

SETS

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 Jox

2 EMPIRE

3 8 PHAROAHS

4 1 MARGAYS

5 SEADOGS

6 Jox

7 EMPIRE

8 GREMLINS

9 1 MARGAYS

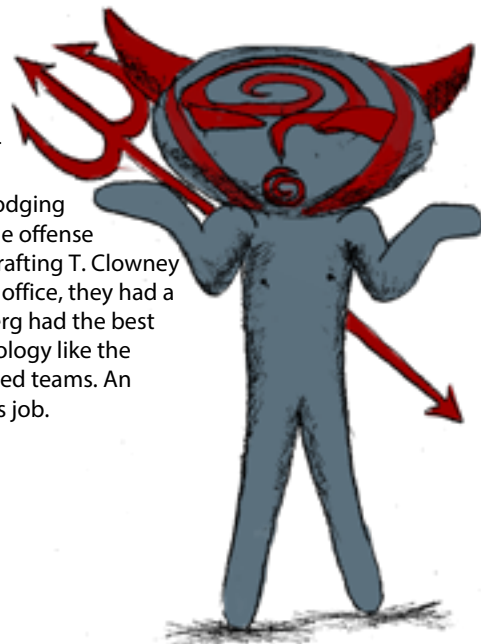
10 SEADOGS

11 ST. CAT'S

GRADE: B-

## RECAP

Coach Danielson is on the hot seat everyone is aware. It was not too long ago he posted this storied franchises best regular season in 2011, but this is not the league for resting on laurels. Last season started iffy and continued to be iffy. This team is a big question mark layered on top of other question marks. The biggest one is; can a defensive team win games? The ranking system loves them for this, placing them at #4. Their catching and dodging is solid with the \$8mil/4yrs newly resigned McFadden leading the charge. The offense is on Ali C., and he is solid in his own right. The only personnel change was drafting T. Clowney from SI, replacing weak E. Rodrigo. Despite the admiration from the league office, they had a disappointing Tourney, beating only the new guys and finishing 17th. Limberg had the best Index unexpectedly. It would be great for the league for a team with the typology like the Dizzy Devils to be competitive, giving rivalry to throw heavy teams or balanced teams. An even keeled schedule will keep Danielson honest, and he hopes, will keep his job.




# DODGEBALL CLUB PHOENIX

CHEM: 17 HAPPY: 7 RATING: 20 THROWS: 20 CATCH: 20 DODGE: 16


COACH **ALEKSANDR**

 AGE: 34 STYLE: O-B.THW D-B.CX RECORD: 0 0 CHEM: 51 EXP: 1


**H. GREELY** DRAFT 4 1

 32 SV 22 RATING: 70 THRW: 77 CTH: 32 DG: 30 CHEM: 36  
*2ND ARM*


**M. BRAUN** FREE AG 2 2

 2 WF 22 RATING: 39 THRW: 38 CTH: 22 DG: 13 CHEM: 9


**DONTE** FREE AG 8 1

 19 DCU 28 RATING: 93 THRW: 86 CTH: 46 DG: 58 CHEM: 64  
*DASHER ALL AROUND*

**OBIERICKA** FREE AG 1 1

 21 ADX 27 RATING: 47 THRW: 22 CTH: 34 DG: 41 CHEM: 29  
*CAPTAIN*

**K. PRIMM** TRADE 2 3

 12 YU 22 RATING: 37 THRW: 21 CTH: 25 DG: 30 CHEM: 13  
*UNDERSTUDY*

RANK

20



MARK RYANS

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 5 DIAMONDS

2 6 GOLD

3 SILVERBACKS

4 8 PHAROAHS

5 JOX

6 5 DIAMONDS

7 6 GOLD

8 SILVERBACKS

9 8 PHAROAHS

10 CHECKERS

11 SCARLET EMBER

GRADE: D-

## RECAP

I understand it is hard being the new team on the block, and that is magnified with a rookie coach fresh out of playing in Aleksandr. But, this offseason was just bad decision after bad decision. They were handed garbage in the form of E. Rodrigo as a tribute from the Dizzy Devils, but looking back on it, he would have been the 3rd best thrower on the final roster. They then looked to the Combine to right this ship. They loved Greely from Vancouver. He was taken with the 4th pick in the draft and this is where the good decisions stop. They spent too much time thinking how to get Salazar that they made a fool hardy decision to get much maligned Donte as their Free Agent Expansion Pick. Looking at the roster, it's hard to criticize it, he is the best player in every category, but his leadership and effectiveness led him to be welcome bid adieu from Chicago. Then, was the trade for K. Primm, an all around underwhelming player, with a B-Rating, was taken from rival Pharoahs for \$3mil over to years. Free money, as he was going to be cut anyway. Obiericka and M. Braun signings also were underwhelming. Coach Aleksandr is banking on Greely being solid, he will determine if this team has a watchable season, in a bruising division.



# NEW ORLEANS ST. CAT'S

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
13 8 12 11 11 2

**COACH IVANHOE**



AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
 54 O-B.Thw 42 53 7  
 D-B.Dg 35

**RONNIE** FREE AG 1 2



7 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 BF 50 39 39 13 71  
 25 50 *CAPTAIN DASHER*

**JARED** NEW DEAL 6 3



8 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 HRT 94 80 56 51 79  
 28 94 \*\* *ALL AROUND*

**WALTER** 4 3



18 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 ANT 64 53 19 74 36  
 25 64 *GAME EXTEND*

**AUSONIO** 6 1



5 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 YU 82 88 36 41 77  
 26 82 \*\* *1ST ARM*

**ZACH** RESIGNED 5 2



80 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 YU 71 52 39 58 72  
 27 71 *DEFENSE*

RANK

14



REVEREND CHAPPELLE

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 DRAGONFISH

2 3 TOROS

3 CHECKERS

4 REAPERS

5 2 SKYLARKS

6 DRAGONFISH

7 3 TOROS

8 CHECKERS

9 DIAMONDS

10 2 SKYLARKS

11 4 DIZZY DEVILS

GRADE: C+

## RECAP

What happens when a plan is executed to its desired result... but then there are more seasons to play? This is Coach Ivanhoe and Rev. Chappelle's conundrum right now. The Cat's have always prided themselves on slow building, solid teams. They won the Championship 2 seasons ago and have seemed listless since. Do you blow up a talented team for the sake of a possible bigger peak down the road? Or do you ride into the sunset? Do the fans deserve a team that is content with recent past laurels? Let's ask Jared.


"What did you just ask me?!, nobody in this organization feels any sense of complacency. We worked hard for that Championship, but guess what? The Toros have 2 Championships, we need to get 3. Period." - Jared.


Well, he obviously doesn't feel concerned that the Cat's responded from getting beloved Joseph ripped away as a tribute with a nobody in Ronnie joining the team. But then again, the contracts on a team that keeps its players long term do tend to bloom, with Zach getting resigned for \$5mil/2yrs, and Jared resigning for \$6mil/3yrs. Even with all this lackluster talk, the Cat's powered to a 3-1, 7th place finish in the Tourney. Ausonio is the clear offensive leader and Jared is a solid all-rounder. They don't really get a break in the schedule with out of division games with the Dizzy Devils, Diamonds and Reapers. Godspeed.







## PLAYER TRIBUTES






INTERCEPTORS







CHECKERS  
2ND SEASON


J. SOTO	R: 65	\$4ML/3YR
# 18	T: 45	C: 35
D: 57		






ST. CAT'S







CAPTAINS  
5TH SEASON


JOSEPH	R: 71	\$5ML/2YR
# 8	T: 81	C: 28
D: 37		






DIAMONDS







JOX  
3RD SEASON


RANIER	R: 43	CUT
# 9	T: 10	C: 42
D: 30		





DIZZY DEVILS





PHOENIX  
2ND SEASON

E. RODRIGO	R: 37	CUT
# 12	T: 47	C: 38
D: 24		

## COMBINE XV



The 7th Combine took place, as always, in Diamond Stadium in Diamond City, CA. The field featured the first athletes from Canada, as well as a Frenchman, a Brit, and a Venezuelan. Yellow University of course showed out with 2 athletes. Notably missing was the powerhouses of Harts University and the Florida Pentagons.

Overall, the field was pretty solid. The biggest buzz before the Combine was Kareem Hakim of the Meteors. His career grade of A turned heads and his chemistry and locale fit many coaches. Although he finished middle of the road, the Gold traded Travis to get a slot for him in the Draft!

### Highlights:

To pop things off, A. Guerrero flew to a blistering 4.091s in the 40yd dash, top 10 all-time. Thom Middlestein really started to separate himself from the pack with the all-important Throws drill. He came 2 point short of Sebastian's record, beating his nearest opponent by 12 points!

The Bench Press offered some real fireworks to end the 2 days of testing. Ricky Peete and Thom Middlestein both tied the record at 21 reps before Hans Greely broke through the 21 barrier to achieve the new 25 rep record. Tony Mills of Virginia Tech also broke the previous record putting up 22 reps.

After the dust settled, it was clear who won. Thom Middlestein, the first athlete from Bronx Academy held the crystal trophy high and instantly became the most talked about man in the league.

## COMBINE XV

Players	Grade	CX	40yd	Catching	Vertical	Dodging	Throwing	Bench	Rating	Throw	Catch	Dodge
T. Middlestein #21 BX	B	50	4.45	14	29 3/8	16	73	21	76	86	36	27
H. Greely 32 SV	A	38	5.016	10	32 3/8	13	50	25	73	80	36	27
T. Mills #9 VT	A	46	4.535	6	38 3/8	14	51	22	69	75	31	34
R. Timor #16 GW	C	42	4.502	16	37 3/8	9	43	18	65	62	38	28
S. Rutledge #18 TEX	C	62	5.179	16	30	12	45	18	63	63	36	24
R. Peete #21 YU	C	56	4.889	7	30 1/4	5	45	21	60	69	30	17
S. Madison #12 SV	B	32	4.719	18	34 3/8	5	60	9	56	54	33	21
E. Miller #8 United Kingdom	A	25	5.164	16	32 1/4	15	51	10	55	51	31	29
T. Clowney #75 SI	B	39	4.906	15	34 1/4	9	56	9	54	52	30	25
P. Somerset #40 LS	C	34	5.183	13	31 1/8	5	61	9	51	55	27	18
K. Hakim #10 MET	A	34	4.792	11	34 3/8	13	51	9	51	49	26	29
L. Towers #10 CR	B	56	4.866	17	30	12	46	6	46	40	28	24
M. Braun #2 WF	C	37	4.922	10	24 3/8	10	39	12	45	47	24	16
C. Brantley #13 WWU	C	26	5.252	4	28 1/8	17	41	10	43	45	18	27
K. Primm #12 YU	B	68	4.667	14	33	11	39	4	40	31	25	26
C. Charles #22 LS	B	58	5.383	9	29 3/8	23	46	3	40	34	18	34
W. Nochaud #5 France	C	36	5.065	11	34 3/8	12	36	4	39	30	22	28
Campaign #99 CR	B	73	4.6	11	27 1/4	4	44	6	38	38	22	13
C. Mitchell #11 WF	C	53	4.732	9	30	8	38	4	34	31	19	20
R. Cooper #13 ANT	B	41	4.254	3	27 1/4	17	48	3	34	35	11	26
A. Guerrero #47 Venezuela	A	51	4.091	6	26 1/4	7	59	2	34	39	13	15



NEW YORK CITY

# EMPIRE

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
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COACH RAMOS



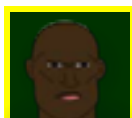
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 D-B.Dg 44

RICHARD NEW DEAL 5 4



18 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 YU 87 99 33 47 50  
 25 \* CAPTAIN 1ST ARM

TRENTON FREE AG 1 1



82 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 WF 49 27 41 25 92  
 24 DASHER

PARKER 2 1



39 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 SSC 86 75 48 50 38  
 29 ALL AROUND

BRASS 6 1



8 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 DD 75 55 56 30 18  
 24 DEFENSE

THOMPSON 3 2



0 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 DD 96 81 59 50 42  
 25 ALL AROUND

RANK

10



CHRIS RAMOS

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 6 GOLD

2 4 DIZZY DEVILS

3 SEADOGS

4 JOX

5 1 MARGAYS

6 7 INTERCEPTORS

7 4 DIZZY DEVILS

8 SEADOGS

9 JOX

10 1 MARGAYS

11 CHECKERS

GRADE: B-

## RECAP

This was an uncharacteristic offseason for Ramos and the Gang. With the departure of MVP Aleksandr, you would think there would be a crazy deal selling off Cap Millions to get another stud to return to the Championship for the 3rd straight year. But, nah. They didn't even max out there Cap space. This is a problem, as the squad is the 2nd least happy team in the league and 2nd worst in chemistry. May it be time for Ramos to fire himself? Or is this a new campaign for the ironically named 'Chemistry Department'? They got Richard to a respectable but cheap \$5mil/4yrs. The only other move was signing dasher Trenton, who brings nothing except running, and some fodder for the Seadogs Empire Rivalry. The Tourney was ok, went 2-2 and finished 10th with good Participation. Despite the ho-hum offseason, this team still comes in with the 4th best rated players talent-wise, 2nd in catching. The schedule is honestly pretty soft, the North, besides the Margays, has room for exploration and figuring it out. But things will take off quickly, going to San Francisco to try to right the Championship result.







CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:

1 3 18 18 18 20

COACH MICHAELS



AGE: 32 STYLE: O-B.Thw D-B.Cx RECORD: 0 0 CHEM: 52 EXP: 1

J. SOTO TRIBUTE 4 3



18 RATING: 65 THRW: 45 CTH: 35 Dg: 57 CHEM: 69  
YU 23 ALL AROUND

T. MIDDLESTEIN DRAFT 4 4



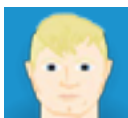
21 RATING: 72 THRW: 78 CTH: 38 Dg: 23 CHEM: 52  
BX 22 CAPTAIN 2ND ARM

KONSTA FREE AG 1 1



1 RATING: 37 THRW: 27 CTH: 28 Dg: 14 CHEM: 45  
MET 27

SVEN FREE AG 8 2



31 RATING: 83 THRW: 91 CTH: 34 Dg: 45 CHEM: 40  
SWEDEN 26 \*\* DASHER 1ST ARM

MUSSMAN FREE AG 2 1 FRN TAG



42 RATING: 47 THRW: 42 CTH: 29 Dg: 20 CHEM: 70  
GERMANY 26

RANK

18



TIMOTHY LEDUFF

RECORD

0 0 0 0

SETS

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 2 SKYLARKS

2 DRAGONFISH

3 ST. CAT'S

4 3 TOROS

5 CAPTAINS

6 2 SKYLARKS

7 DRAGONFISH

8 ST. CAT'S

9 3 TOROS

10 PHOENIX

11 EMPIRE

GRADE: B

### RECAP

Being called Margays Junior is quite a compliment for a team just starting out. Despite the glaring lack of talent, the Checkers bring #1 Chemistry and #3 Happiness to the court. With the 1st pick in the draft, monster Arm and Combine Winner T. Middlestein was selected. J. Soto was the tribute from the Interceptors, a solid young all-rounder. Then with the Expansion Free Agency pick, they selected Sven, a player who was on the cusp of MVP last season. Maybe this new environment will make him feel comfortable and be a team player, now that there is no pressure to beat your teammate for the leadership role, like with Jack SE. Konsta and Mussman were signed as filler. Sven and Middlestein are definitely the team here, occupying the 1st, 2nd Arm, Captain, and Dasher role. Much like Pasquel and N. Streets of the Margays. Coach Michaels is hoping Middlestein goes crazy and can have a potent 1-1 punch instead of 1-2. That is the only way he hopes to make some dents in this ever-stacked South Division.



# DENVER CAPTAINS

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
 8 6 17 16 16 14

## COACH HEARSE

AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
 41 O-B.RTG 0 52 1  
 D-B.RTG 0

JOSEPH TRIBUTE 5 2

8 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 HRT 71 81 28 37 57  
 26 \* CPT, DSH, 2ND ARM

TRAVIS TRADE 9 2

24 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 TEX 91 86 45 55 80  
 30 \*\*\*\*\* 1ST ALL

COREY FREE AG 4 2

16 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 NONE 71 66 35 44 56  
 27 2ND ALL

G. DAVIES FREE AG 1 1

10 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 TEX 43 18 42 17 32  
 23

C. BRANTLEY FREE AG 2 2 FRN TAG

13 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 WWU 43 39 23 26 25  
 22

RANK

17



TONY RENZO

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 SCARLET EMBER

2 GREMLINS

3 REAPERS

4 7 INTERCEPTORS

5 CHECKERS

6 SCARLET EMBER

7 GREMLINS

8 REAPERS

9 7 INTERCEPTORS

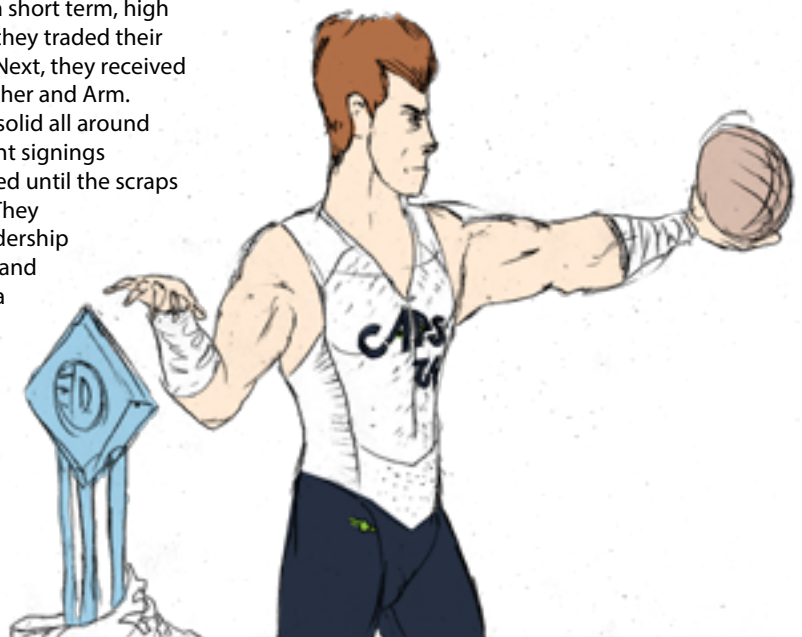
10 JOX

11 6 GOLD

GRADE: B

## RECAP

This team is crazy! Coach Hearse and Owner Tony Renzo have a short term, high success goal. That is why in the first move of the organization, they traded their inaugural draft pick for journeyman and 4x All-Star Travis #24. Next, they received easily the best Tribute in Joseph, providing a solid Captain, Dasher and Arm. What luck. For their Free Agent Tribute, they grabbed Corey, a solid all around player after he bolted from the Seadogs. Their 2 other free agent signings were a bit of head scratchers, the Captains kind of sat and waited until the scraps were left to fetch sophomore G Davies and rookie C. Brantley. They are dead wight, but you never know. This team has built-in leadership in the oldest player in the league, Travis. And B-Tier Happiness and Chemistry, which is the benefit of handpicking each player on a team in one go. But, as expected with an expansion team, they have D- Tier talent. Their schedule only features 2 ranked opponents in the Gold and Interceptors, but they know the



# DRAFT XV

			GRADE	CX	RATING	STATUS
	1.	T. MIDDLESTEIN #21 BX	B	50	76	SIGNED
	2.	T. MILLS #9 VT	A	46	69	T. GREMLINS
FROM CPT	3.	K. HAKIM #10 MET	A	34	51	SIGNED
	4.	H. GREELY #32 SV	A	38	73	SIGNED
	5.	R. PEETE #21 YU	C	56	60	SIGNED
	6.	S. RUTLEDGE #18 TEX	C	62	63	T. JOX
FROM DIA	7.	R. TIMOR #16 GW	C	42	65	SIGNED
	8.	S. MADISON #12 SV	B	32	56	SIGNED
	9.	T. CLOWNEY #75 SI	B	39	54	SIGNED
	10.	K. PRIMM #12 YU	B	68	40	T. PHOENIX
FROM REP	11.	E. MILLER #8 U.K.	A	25	55	T. SEADOGS
	12.	M. BRAUN #2 WF	C	37	45	CUT
	13.	R. COOPER #13 ANT	B	41	34	CUT
FROM MAR	14.	C. BRANTLEY #13 WWU	C	26	43	CUT
	15.	A. GUERRERO #47 VEN	A	51	34	SIGNED
	16.	CAMPAIGN #99 CR	B	73	38	SIGNED
	17.	L. TOWERS #10 CR	B	56	46	SIGNED
	18.	C. MITCHELL #11 WF	C	53	34	SIGNED
	19.	C. CHARLES #22 LS	B	58	40	CUT
	20.	P. SOMERSET #40 LS	C	34	51	SIGNED



It was an exciting night in the Bay Area. The pre-Draft speculation was running wild as the hometown Gold traded a blockbuster with the Captains for the 3rd pick in the draft for Travis. Coach Pierce was

crazy about the A-Rated man from the Meteors, K. Hakim, as were many other teams, which was kind of a head scratcher from the outside looking in. He had a middle of the road Combine and an uncommon Chemistry rating of 34. But the CX and the A rating had Pierce hooked. It is a big risk, K. Hakim basically has to fill the shoes of Rook J. Woods, and somehow help span the gap left by Travis at the same time.

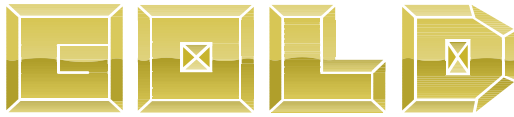
Another exciting development during the draft was the unlikely slide of R. Timor of TEX. The Draginfish had been courting him for a while with the 5th pick in the Draft, but come draft day they chose R. Peete. Timor then slid past the Seadogs and landed on the Margays. The Margays decision to move up paid big dividends, giving up a swapped pick and \$1mil for a year with the Diamonds.

In the most unfortunate story of the night, the Jox, who are really trying to work with bare bones, especially with the weak Tribute in Ranier, had their hopes set on T. Mills. Everyone knew T. Mills of VT was going to the Jox, and Mills was happy about it, super close by his alma mater and a brand new team to be the face of. But in the late night negotiation rumblings, S. Rutledge picked by the Gremlins made A LOT of noise, not signing for \$4mil, the rookie maximum. He demanded a trade and the Jox reluctantly agreed to the swap. Using a trade loophole, Rutledge signed for \$5mil, over the limit. The team received a \$2mil cap fine for the year for doing this.

Moral of the story is don't be like S. Rutledge.



SAN FRANCISCO



CHEM:	HAPPY:	RATING:	THROWS:	CATCH:	DODGE:
3	5	11	10	8	8

COACH PIERCE

	AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
	57	O-B.RTG	63	35	8
		D-B.INX	40		

PELETIERRE **NEW DEAL** 6 3

	32	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
SSC		84	66	48	56	31
26						DASHER DEFENSE

VITO **FREE AG** 7 2

	1	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
MOROCCO		89	85	48	42	20
24						2ND ALL

SIMEON 8 2

	27	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
CR		90	82	56	36	62
28			*			1ST ALL

K. HAKIM **DRAFT** 1 2

	10	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
MET		55	53	26	34	32
22						CAPTAIN UNDERSTUDY

E. RODRIGO **FREE AG** 1 1

	12	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
SPAIN		48	40	26	32	45
23						

RANK

6

RANDY ERICSSON

RECORD	SETS
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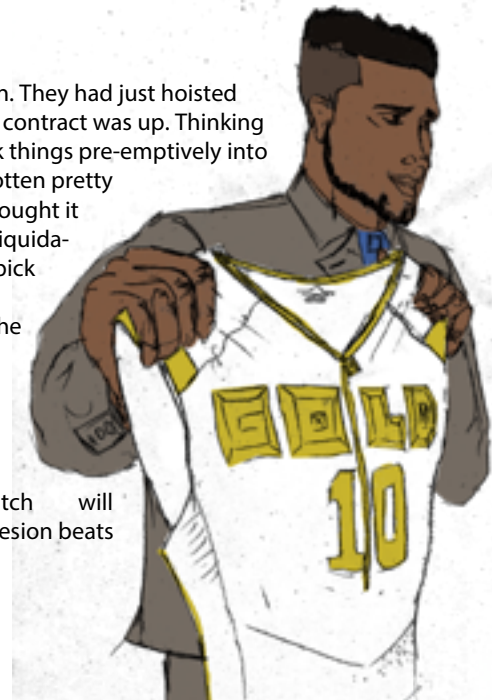
Wk # SCHEDULE

1	EMPIRE
2	PHOENIX
3	5 DIAMONDS
4	SILVERBACKS
5	8 PHAROAHS
6	3 TOROS
7	PHOENIX
8	5 DIAMONDS
9	SILVERBACKS
10	8 PHAROAHS
11	CAPTAINS

GRADE: A

RECAP

The defending Champions made something out a pretty discouraging situation. They had just hoisted the Lewis trophy, and had J. Woods named Rook, and he left town as his paltry contract was up. Thinking about how they could pay him, Travis, Peletierre and Simeon, the youngin took things pre-emptively into his own hands. Coach Pierce thought that it would be simple, Peletierre had gotten pretty miffed at his role on the team, and with his \$4mil contract running out, they thought it would be him skipping town. But, the dynamic changed, the new theory was Liquidation. First 'round the world move was Travis being traded for the Captains 3rd pick in the draft and \$1 mil. With that, they drafted the perfect Gold prototype in K. Hakim, Pierce is convinced he can be Woods II. Pierce worked his magic for the 3rd year straight getting one of the hottest FA's in Vito, squarely replacing Travis. Peletierre got his pay day with \$6mil/3yrs. E. Rodrigo was added late simply to fill the roster. There is always one of those on this organization, like Mussman last year. Gold went a solid 3-1 in the Tourney, finishing 5th overall, Vito finishing 3rd overall in Index. Championship rematch to start the season sets the tone as everyone will be gunning for this team this season. Toros rematch will be fireworks as well. 3rd in Chemistry and 5th in Happiness, the Gold hope cohesion beats Talent.





# ATLANTA SKYLARKS

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
 4 4 7 12 1 10

## COACH FREEMAN



AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
 59 O-B.Rtg 21 51 4  
 D-B.Cx 16

## MAURICE 7 2



1 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 WF 96 67 71 46 62  
 28 \*\*\* 1ST DEF

## ELIOS 6 1



19 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 DD 87 93 43 36 23  
 27 1ST ARM

## KEITH NEW DEAL 4 2



3 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 WF 75 50 55 40 45  
 28 \* CAPTAIN 2ND DEF

## C. MITCHELL DRAFT 1 2



11 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 WF 32 21 21 23 48  
 22 UNDERSTUDY

## POTTS 5 1



12 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 YU 93 81 55 47 38  
 25 DASHER 2ND ARM

RANK

2



RUPERT SKY

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1	CHECKERS
2	SCARLET EMBER
3	3 TOROS
4	DRAGONFISH
5	ST. CAT'S
6	CHECKERS
7	SILVERBACKS
8	3 TOROS
9	DRAGONFISH
10	ST. CAT'S
11	Jox

GRADE: B+

## RECAP

After 2 seasons riding at the top of the league, with only one week ranking more than 3rd???, the question for Skylarks is how long can they sustain this crazy amount of success before they either explode or win something? They have no Championship, Conference, #1 studs. Once pressure hits they crumble. this was exemplified in the literal game for 1st place in week 10 of last year where they fell in 3 exciting sets to the Empire and finished the season #3. Coach Freeman believes in consistency, so he believes there is no reason to switch up this much success as of yet. But do this offseason. They traded Hellstrom to the Gremlins for cash this year and next. Making room to seriously ruffle some things around, perhaps get the hot FA next season if they finish #2 again. Coming in ranked #2, they have an interesting challenge much like the Dizzy Devils; they are middle of the road in offense, but are #1 in catching, making for a potent defense. Maybe the ranking system is too skewed for appreciating defense, as the Skylarks had a forgettable Tourney going 2-2 and placing 13th Elios has things on offense while it is the Maurice show on defense. They get a practice game in the Checkers to begin the season, but then the work won't let up until the 11th week against the Jox. Sky is the limit.



## : CATCH THEM IF YOU CAN

On the North End of Ami Arena in Minneapolis, MN, sits a pristine Birch Chest. It is meant to hold the Hardware the Margays collect each time they accomplish a milestone. Since Ami Arena was opened in the 2010 Season, the chest has sat there anxiously awaiting its' first trophy. Yes, the Margays are the only team in the league not to have won a Division Title yet. In addition, they have never won a Tourney, #1 for the Season, Conference Title or Championship. Waylon Hansson is the Grounds Keeper and designated Chest cleaner.

"I have to keep this thing looking amazing. Only the best products are used to seal and keep the dust out of this wood. You have to keep the vision in your mind of the moment the first trophy rests on here, perfectly polished and gleaming under the lights. I can't wait!" – Hansson

Well, things began trending up after seasons of disappointment when the Margays went 5-5 in 2012. Then, set the new standard at 7-3 the next season. Riding a wave of excitement, the Margays hosted their first Playoff game in Ami Arena. It was a quick defeat, but it was the continuation of building towards success.

"Clearly our goal was to shock the world last year, going all the way to the Championship, but we were beaten by a well-oiled machine. Our rivals, the Empire were a team of destiny last year. Sometimes that's how it is. Despite that, there was no let down to be found when we hung it up for the season." - Pasquel

The Margays have had trust issues. The DBL was in serious talks about moving the team for years, after each terrible, low attendance, season. But with Ami Arena only being a few years old, nobody could really take that serious. Until right before the 2012 season, Saturn pulled their sponsorship. Considered the Finest Cloth in the game, this seemingly surface gesture signaled the vultures circling. But Kindra took the reins outfitting the team, in a bid for more visibility after signing a 2 Season branding contract with the DBL. The new horizontal stripe threads became iconic that very season as Pasquel battled but lost to Charlie for the Rook.

But starting this season, it was time for the team from the frozen North to stop taking the back seat.

"When the rankings came out before the Tourney, all I could do was nod my head in agreement, like, have you seen our squad?!" – Semere

To get here, they made a savvy trade with the Diamonds to swap positions to get the 7th overall pick. Then, they caught a break as R. Timor slid 2 projected spots right into their mitts. The rookie from Georgia Western is thought to possibly embody Pasquel. Imagine how crazy that would be if that happened?! Also, Kowalski wrapped up Pasquel for 3 years and \$8 Million. Just these 2 moves gave Minnesota the #1 Talented team in the league and the #1 Ranking coming into Week 1.


The Margays were the clear #1, favorite to ravage through the Tourney in Vancouver and collect that first piece of hardware. But a tight loss against eventual runner-up Reapers didn't allow them to reach the next round going 3-1.

"I'd be lying if I said I hadn't already sized and placed the Tourney Trophy in this chest – in my head. I just knew our boys would get it done. But, ah well, that #1 trophy will do for our inaugural trophy." - Hansson


# MINNESOTA Margays

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
 9 17 1 3 5 6


COACH **KOWALSKI**

 AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
 45 O-B.Thw 12 68 3  
 D-B.Rtg 10


**N. STREETS** 4 1

 32 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 UV 86 90 50 22 46  
 25 \* DASHER 2ND ALL


**R. TIMOR** DRAFT 3 3

 16 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 GW 73 69 43 28 44  
 22 UNDERSTUDY

**PASQUEL** NEW DEAL 8 3

 2 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 ITM 107 107 49 64 78  
 24 \* CPT 1ST ALL

**IRWIN** 6 2

 14 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 TEX 68 54 40 42 78  
 24 \* CAPTAIN

**SEMERE** 2 1

 3 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 DD 75 64 40 48 48  
 27 DEFENSE

RANK

1



NHIANI HALIM

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 SEADOGS

2 SILVERBACKS

3 JOX

4 4 DIZZY DEVILS

5 EMPIRE

6 SEADOGS

7 SCARLET EMBER

8 JOX

9 4 DIZZY DEVILS

10 EMPIRE

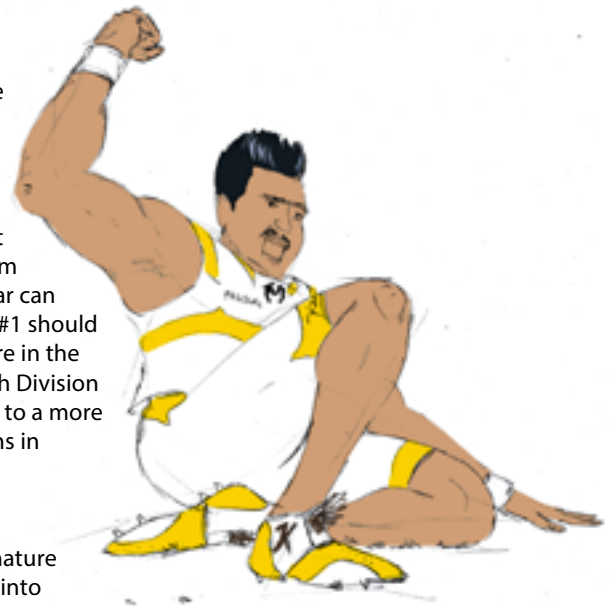
11 DRAGONFISH

GRADE: A+

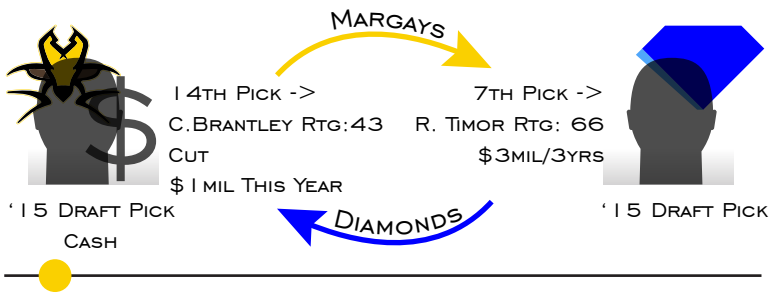
## RECAP

So how has the Margays projections become so crazy? It is all in how they will begin every (almost) set this season: with the speedster N. Streets, the 4th year man out of Switzerland and U. Valley. He has the 2nd fastest legs in the league. He gets the ball guaranteed, he then hands it to Captain and 1st Arm, Pasquel. He then demolishes his opponent, the top thrower on their team, with his league 2nd strongest arm. Then, it's all team effort. So, essentially, the Margays are starting each set 5 against 4. Expect this model to become very popular after this year. You see it in a baby form with the Checkers now. So with everyone buzzing about this team, how far can they really go? Playing in one of the softest divisions in the league, 9-2 at #1 should be expected, giving them that first hardware. Facing off against the Empire in the Division Title Match, the Margays will hoist up that precious, elusive, North Division Title. The Invite might trip them up, another team might be surging, used to a more demanding set of games. But... that's why we play, who knows. It all begins in Minnesota versus the Seadogs, looking to get to a rocking start. Stay Tuned.

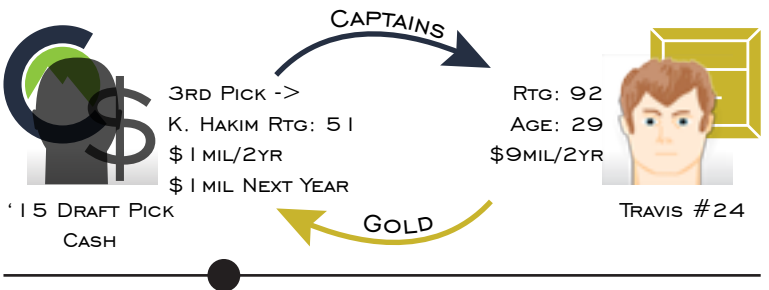
"Sure they aren't from around here, but they represent our hardworking nature here in Minnesota, I can't wait for the day I'm sliding in that Lewis Trophy into that beautiful wooden chest." - Hansson.



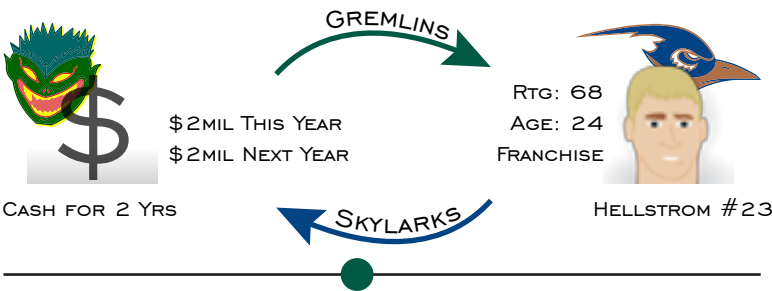
# TRADE WINDS



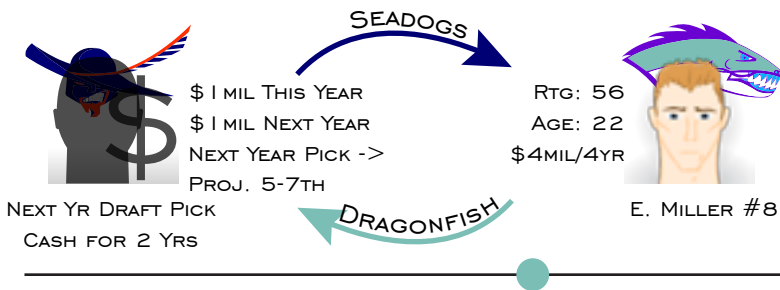
The Diamonds were one of the teams scheming for K. Hakim, they figured he would slide till late in the draft, this is what motivated the Gold to launch the huge trade for the Caps #3 pick. To add insult to injury, the Diamonds ended up cutting C. Brantley anyway, making their trade only worth a quick \$1mil which they didn't even end up needing. MAR benefited from an unlikely slide by R. Timor 2 spaces, now they have a solid understudy for Pasquel. Savvy/Lucky trading from Coach Kowalski.



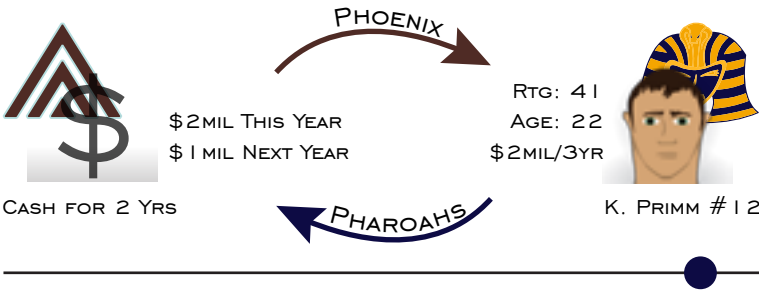
The biggest murmur turned reality this offseason was the trade of Travis. He finally found a team to win a championship on, and after a year and a title, he was welcome to exploring yet another pasture. Surprisingly, the upstart Captains wanted to give up their 1st ever draft pick to get him. Coach Hears comes from a Chris Ramos staff and is exercising how crazy he is willing to be to win THIS season! The Captains get the advantage in the trade, K. Hakim has potential, but not this season.



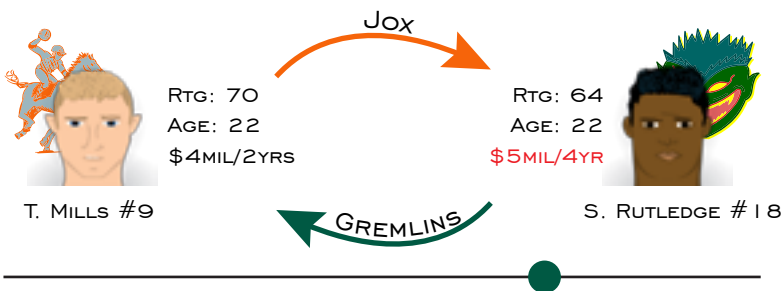
The Gremlins aimed to finally 'win' the Market after years of losing out. Coach Pulin liked what he saw in Hellstrom from the Skylarks. But the Skylarks were not willing to let him go easily, demanding \$2mil for 2 years, giving them room to pay their highly talented team. With Hellstrom not signing a contract, the Gremlins will have to re-open negotiations next season. The Skylarks filled in the hole with C. Mitchell, bad rating but a good student. Gremlins have the edge here.



It seemed like destiny. With the 8th pick in the draft, E. Miller of the U.K. was still on the board, and the Seadogs had him at the top of the list. But they went with S. Madison. The Dragonfish really didn't need the 2nd pick they took from REP, but they grabbed him a few picks later. SEA still wanted him, giving up \$1mil over 2 yrs and a pick that's looking valuable considering how poor their team looks now. DF is finally starting to accumulate talent and the money and pick will ensure a brighter future.



This was the biggest head scratcher of the trades, probably of the whole Market. Coach Aleksandr is looking kind of erratic. He was poised to give the kitchen sink for Salazar before he decided to resign with SB. And then late in the Market, he decides he NEEDS K. Primm, a lowly rookie who the Pharoahs were days, if not hours, from cutting. PHX gives up \$3 mil over 2 yrs, which gave the Pharoahs room to give Charlie a fat contract. Maybe Primm will rise up and headline this team?



Neither team wanted this trade. Gremlins were scrambling after their hand-picked 6th draft pick S. Rutledge would NOT sign. Having to decide to franchise him or Hellstrom, Pulin had to fish for a replacement. There was no draft pick more beloved than T. Mills to the JoX but it seemed an equal trade. Not until negotiations did this trade get lop-sided. Rutledge continued to be a baby and demanded \$5MILLION for 4 YEARS! Breaking the rookie rule costing the team \$2mil for the season.



CHICAGO

# GREMLINS

CHEM:	HAPPY:	RATING:	THROWS:	CATCH:	DODGE:
11	10	9	5	13	15

**COACH PULIN**



AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
47	O-B.Thw D-B.Dg	0	61	1

**T. MILLS** TRADE 4 2



9	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
VT	75	85	31	36	46
22					CAPTAIN 2ND ARM

**J. WOODS** FREE AG 5 2



7	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
HRT	77	71	45	34	19
23					DASHER ALL AROUND

**HELLSTROM** TRADE 5 2 FRN TAG



23	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
MET	65	55	36	41	75
24					DEFENSE

**MELISIZWE** 2 1



38	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
DD	82	95	38	27	43
25					1ST ARM

**CASEY** NEW DEAL 4 2



8	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
HRT	72	70	37	38	68
29			*		2ND ALL

RANK



JOELL O'HARE

RECORD

0 0

SETS

0 0

Wk # SCHEDULE

1 REAPERS

2 CAPTAINS

3 DRAGONFISH

4 SCARLET EMBER

5 7 INTERCEPTORS

6 REAPERS

7 CAPTAINS

8 4 DIZZY DEVILS

9 SCARLET EMBER

10 7 INTERCEPTORS

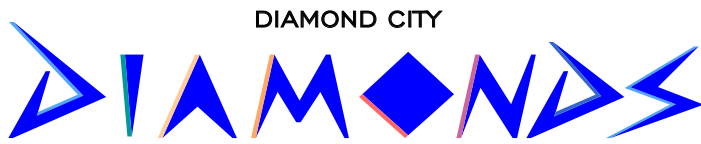
11 SILVERBACKS

GRADE: B+

## RECAP


Gone is Coach Greene and his bad offseasons and in comes Coach Pulin. He is a freshie, but has already inspired the Chicago fans to believe again. Things were looking like same ol same ol when both Willis and Donte fled the minute the offseason began, but in reality, the Donte/Casey rivalry was time to end. It had been 5 seasons of foolish pride between the 2, it was time to lessen the tension in the locker room. In the draft, the Gremlins took S. Rutledge with the 6th pick. But he turned out to be a sour puss, and demanded a trade, seemed like things were quickly breaking down again for this team, but they were able to ink a steal in T. Mills from the Jox, the promising A Rated Captain and 2nd Arm. This victory set off a chain reaction; Hellstrom was signed from the Skylarks for cash this and next year. And the coup de gras was the 2014 Rook J. Woods inking his Sophmore deal. Casey provides the senior leadership for this unorthodox team built on depth, no stars, just even playing talents. Pulin showed this could be viable with the stunning SE victory to kick off their Tourney. They ended up going 2-2 finishing 11th. Gremlins turn on the lights in the first game welcoming bitter rival Reapers into town. This Midwest is completely up for grabs, but in a talented kind of way. The out of division games aren't too tough, could be a watershed year for this unique roster.






CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
 12 16 5 4 10 5


**COACH REEGAN**

 AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
 61 O-B.RTG 45 50 8  
 D-B.RTG 40


**SEBASTIAN** 6 2

 3 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 SI 94 92 39 65 43  
 25 \* CAPTAIN ALL AROUND


**KAPALEI** FREE AG 2 1

 1 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 KENYA 48 20 36 42 83  
 24 DASHER


**LYONS** NEW DEAL 8 4

 2 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 TEX 99 105 42 57 71  
 27 1ST ARM

**HANSEN** 4 1

 36 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 WF 77 81 46 18 22  
 26 4TH ARM

**ANTONIO** 1 2

 22 RATING: THRW: CTH: DG: CHEM:  
 WWU 73 83 31 32 39  
 26 3RD ARM

RANK

5  

CHERYL FACIA

RECORD

0 0 0 0

SETS

Wk # SCHEDULE

1	PHOENIX
2	8 PHAROAHS
3	6 GOLD
4	SEADOGS
5	SILVERBACKS
6	PHOENIX
7	8 PHAROAHS
8	6 GOLD
9	ST. CAT'S
10	SILVERBACKS
11	7 INTERCEPTORS

GRADE: B+

**RECAP**

Despite what on paper looks like malaise from the front office, the Diamonds had a solid offseason. But what characterised the lacky attitude was the weak trade they gave up for the Margays in the draft. They switched spots potentially missing out on R. Timor in hopes of cash and K. Hakim. They got the cash, but only C. Brantley who they ended up cutting. Lyons was signed for a solid \$8mi/4yrs. Despite this, everyone knows it is a team that hinges on Sebastian's play whether they win or not. In Free Agency, Kapalei was selected to begin his DBL career as the dasher for this team. Solid ranks in throws and dodges gives the Diamonds the #5 rank and hope to go home for the Invite game in the Playoffs. They fared well in the Tourney, going 3-1 finishing 8th with Sebastian taking most of the action for the team. This season will be a typical Western gun fight with added Interceptors to polish of the year. Just think, this team was a charity case last year after everyone abandoned ship, but Sebastian and Coach Reagan have righted the ship, and they have a good as chance as anyone of winning the division and beyond.




# SEADOGS


LONDON

CHEM: 15 HAPPY: 15 RATING: 15 THROWS: 8 CATCH: 14 DODGE: 13


## COACH TYREE

 AGE: 67 STYLE: O-B.Thw RECORD: 0 CHEM: 68 EXP: 1  
D-B.Cx 0


**E. MILLER** TRADE 4 4

 8 RATING: 61 THRW: 59 CTH: 33 DG: 30 CHEM: 31  
BRITAIN 22 UNDERSTUDY


**PAOLO** 5 2

 21 RATING: 63 THRW: 60 CTH: 35 DG: 30 CHEM: 76  
BRAZIL 27 \* CAPTAIN DASHER


**S. MADISON** DRAFT 3 3

 12 RATING: 62 THRW: 59 CTH: 36 DG: 25 CHEM: 22  
SV 22 UNDERSTUDY

**WILLIS** FREE AG 3 2

 4 RATING: 81 THRW: 68 CTH: 46 DG: 48 CHEM: 64  
HRT 25 DEFENSE

**TAMP** NEW DEAL 6 3

 2 RATING: 89 THRW: 95 CTH: 37 DG: 50 CHEM: 52  
FLA 24 \*\* 1ST ARM

RANK 16  

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RECORD 0 0 SETS 0 0

Wk #	SCHEDULE
1	MARGAYS
2	Jox
3	EMPIRE
4	DIAMONDS
5	DIZZY DEVILS
6	MARGAYS
7	Jox
8	EMPIRE
9	REAPERS
10	DIZZY DEVILS
11	TOROS

GRADE: B-

## RECAP

The Seadogs used to have the reputation of incredible offseasons. Nothing exemplified this more than the season after the legendary 2009-2 Seadogs, then the Fallout, then the solid season after. Nothing seemed to fetter this teams spirits. But the real story is that this team has an unfavorable environment to work in. That is why legend Deutch, Williame, James and now Vito and Corey left with quickness once they realized how... let's say... 'emotional' Owner Ian McInnis is. People who work for him say he is hot and cold, there is no way to know how to greet him. For these 2 reasons he hired old offseason scout Coach Tyree. Hopefully this old bond will forge a new era of hope. After the 2 hurtful departures of Corey and Vito, the Seadogs sought to keep their rock tight in Temp, signing him for \$6mil/3yrs. Next they drafted S. Madison from Vancouver. Many thought they would go the way of nationalism and select the first Brit in E. Miller, but they passed, but hold that thought. Next, they grabbed a solid defender in Willis from free agency. Filling the last spot was a trade for the Brit E. Miller for cash and a pick next year. He is almost a copy of S. Madison, so they have 2 rookies who could break really well. McInnis s hoping this is the last time for a while that they need 3 new bodies on a team in an offseason. They keep having their plans thrown away by departing athletes. The thing they have going for them is the soft no.2 spot in the North and their 8th ranked throwing power.



# FREE AGENCY

	DONTE #19 RTG: 90 AGE: 28 \$8MIL/1YR	PHOENIX 100% ✓	EXPANSION PICK	
	COREY #16 RTG: 73 AGE: 27 \$4MIL/2YR	CAPTAINS 100% ✓	EXPANSION PICK	
	JAMES #1 RTG: 79 AGE: 28 \$6MIL/2YR	JOX 100% ✓	EXPANSION PICK	
	SVEN #31 RTG: 87 AGE: 26 \$8MIL/2YR	CHECKERS 100% ✓	EXPANSION PICK	
	SALAZAR #11 RTG: 103 AGE: 23 \$9MIL/4YR	SILVERBACKS ✓	GREMLINS 66%	SEADOGS
	WILLIS #4 RTG: 82 AGE: 25 \$3MIL/2YR	SEADOGS 100% ✓		
	VITO #1 RTG: 92 AGE: 24 \$7MIL/2YR	GOLD 50% ✓	SEADOGS	
	J. WOODS #7 RTG: 79 AGE: 23 \$5MIL/2YR	GREMLINS 86% ✓	DRAGONFISH	
	KENNETH #2 RTG: 77 AGE: 27 \$6MIL/2YR	JOX	SEADOGS	DRAGONFISH 80% ✓
	NOZAR #11 RTG: 71 AGE: 28 FRANCHISE	JOX 75% ✓	SEADOGS	ST. CAT'S
	OBIERICKA #21 RTG: 50 AGE: 27 \$1MIL/1YR	PHOENIX 85% ✓	JOX	
	KAPALEI #1 RTG: 49 AGE: 24 \$2MIL/1YR	GOLD 80%	DIAMONDS ✓	
	E. RODRIGO #12 RTG: 47 AGE: 23 \$1MIL/1YR	GOLD 66% ✓	SCARLET EMBER	JOX
	S. BURTON #15 RTG: 50 AGE: 23 \$2MIL/2YR	SCARLET EMBER 100% ✓		
	C. BRANTLEY #13 RTG: 43 AGE: 22 FRANCHISE	CAPTAINS 100% ✓		
	M. BRAUN #2 RTG: 45 AGE: 22 \$2MIL/2YR	PHOENIX 100% ✓		
	MUSSMAN #42 RTG: 45 AGE: 26 FRANCHISE	CHECKERS 100% ✓		
	RONNIE #7 RTG: 51 AGE: 25 \$1MIL/2YR	ST. CAT'S 100% ✓		
	PETR #9 RTG: 25 AGE: 28 \$1MIL/2YR	REAPERS 100% ✓		
	R. COOPER #13 RTG: 34 AGE: 22 \$1MIL/2YR	JOX 100% ✓		
	TRENTON #82 RTG: 40 AGE: 24 \$1MIL/1YR	EMPIRE 100% ✓		
	KONSTA #1 RTG: 39 AGE: 27 \$1MIL/1YR	CHECKERS 100% ✓		
	G. DAVIES #10 RTG: 39 AGE: 23 \$1MIL/1YR	CAPTAINS 100% ✓		
	S. POPKINS #4 RTG: 42 AGE: 23 \$1MIL/1YR	JOX 100% ✓		

Free Agency was the unpredictable and exciting finale to the Preseason Market. The biggest ticket item was the decision by S. Salazar of the Silverbacks to explore his options at the end of his Franchise Tag rookie contract. But first, each of the 4 expansion teams were allowed to get their solo pick of any available free agent.

The Checkers made the best selection with Sven, an all-around force with MVP aspirations last season. It was surprising that Vito and Willis did not get scooped up by any of the four.

The Salazar Sweepstakes commenced immediately after the Sven signing, with the Silverbacks, Gremlins and Seadogs in the running. The Phoenix wanted badly to be there, but were simply not attractive enough having already booked Donte. The Silverbacks had just lost Kenneth, they needed to save face a season after finishing the season #1. The Seadogs had lost Vito, Gremlins Willis. The Gremlins continued their storied free agency woes, having the 66% advantage but not scooping the 2nd year guy. The Silverbacks signed him for the most lucrative contract in the league today \$36mil over 4 seasons.

Next, the Seadogs stole Willis uncontested for ONLY \$3mil/2yr.

The Seadogs wanted to make it 2 in a row with a 50% shot at Vito, who just demanded out, but the Gold worked their magic and convinced the rising star to sign in the Bay. Conveniently replacing Travis. That makes the 3rd year in a row the Gold have signed the hottest unrestricted Free Agent; Simeon, Travis, Vito.

The Gremlins finally got a solid one in the 2014 Rook J. Woods who bolted unceremoniously from the Gold.

The Dragonfish got a solid player in Kenneth, who's last game of the regular season last year makes it seem like he is entering a renaissance. The Dragonfish are looking to build a solid base is the Wurst era.

An interesting note was the talent cliff, from Nozar the 71 to Obiericka the 50, from there it was struggle season for all teams especially the 4 expansion team scrambling to simply fill seats. The Jox signed a record 4 free agents.






**RANK**  
19  

**KENT TERRIL**

CHEM:	HAPPY:	RATING:	THROWS:	CATCH:	DODGE:
7	2	19	19	19	18


<b>RECORD</b>	<b>SETS</b>
0 0	0 0

**COACH RIVIERA**


	AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
	59	O-B.RTG	68	53	11
		D-B.RTG	63		

Wk #	SCHEDULE
1	4 DIZZY DEVILS
2	SEADOGS
3	1 MARGAYS
4	EMPIRE
5	PHOENIX
6	4 DIZZY DEVILS
7	SEADOGS
8	1 MARGAYS
9	EMPIRE
10	CAPTAINS
11	2 SKYLARKS

<b>S. POPKINS</b>	FREE AG	1	1		
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	4	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
SI	23	45	22	35	33	69


<b>JAMES</b>	FREE AG	6	2		
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	1	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
SSC	28	77	73	40	40	46
			**			CPT, DSH, 1ST ARM


<b>NOZAR</b>	FREE AG	6	2		FRN TAG
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	11	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
BF	28	72	61	41	43	22
						DEFENSE

<b>S. RUTLEDGE</b>	TRADE	5	4		
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	18	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
TEX	22	66	69	34	25	65
						ALL AROUND

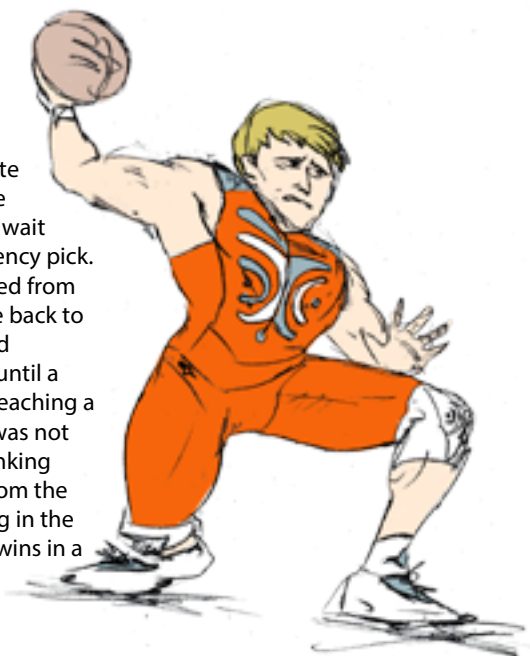
<b>R. COOPER</b>	FREE AG	1	2		
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	13	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
ANT	22	35	32	14	28	39

GRADE: B

**RECAP**

The Jox fared the best in the Tourney out of the newbies. They even knocked off the mighty Toros. But, looking at their first move as an organization, this isn't that crazy. They went and hired one of the winningest coaches in league history in Coach Riviera, whose time as a Dragonfish was unthinkable coming to an end after 2 forgettable seasons. After cutting tribute Ranier, their first permanent personnel move was drafting their coveted prize T. Mills from VT. Everyone knew these 2 were a perfect fit and Mills could not wait to sign his contract. Next, James was brought in from the Expansion Free Agency pick. Trying to get his footing after a complete bust year in OKC. Nozar was acquired from free agency but did not accept anything but a franchise tag, this would come back to bite. Filling the team out were more free agency acquisitions in R. Cooper and S. Popkins, nothing really added here but bodies to hit. It all seemed perfect until a scream was heard in Chicago. S. Rutledge demanded to be traded after not reaching a deal, naive Jox owner Kent Terril agreed to a simple swap. But the Rutledge was not done, he forced the team to pay him \$1mil over the rookie contract limit, thinking there was a loophole in being traded. The Jox suffered a \$2mil/1yr penalty from the league and ended up with a worse thrower. But, their 2-2, 12th place showing in the Tourney show promise. It is all on James to turn some heads and steal some wins in a soft North.



# SCARLET EMBER

RANK

9



EMBER ENCLAVE

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:

1	1	16	14	6	19
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RECORD

0	0
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SETS

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COACH SKINNER



AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
49	O-B.THW	54	55	8
	D-B.RTG	44		

Wk #

SCHEDULE

1	2	CAPTAINS
2	2	SKYLARKS
3	7	INTERCEPTORS
4		GREMLINS
5		REAPERS
6		CAPTAINS
7	1	MARGAYS
8	7	INTERCEPTORS
9		GREMLINS
10		REAPERS
11		PHOENIX

JACK

7 3



0	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
FLA	97	96	54	40	59
26			*!*		ALL AROUND

D. RAMSEY

RESIGNED

5 3



40	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
CR	74	80	45	13	87
23					2ND ARM

L. TOWERS

DRAFT

2 1

FRN TAG



10	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
CR	50	41	32	26	57
22					CAPTAIN UNDERSTUDY

SKOGSTAD

3 1



82	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
SWEDEN	80	65	58	27	44
24					DASHER 2ND ALL

S. BURTON

FREE AG

2 2



15	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
ANT	52	25	28	63	50
23					GAME EXTEND

GRADE: B+

## RECAP

Much better team than is on paper. The Scarlet Ember weath-ered a Swedish storm for the oast 2 seasons in Sven. He never wanted to sign more than 1 year contracts and never was really committed to the team. Even when Coach Skinner brought in fellow countryman Skogstad, it turned out to be a rivalry, as the young Swede was surging in talent. But, Sven on track for a MVP season until he hit the wall against the Empire in the Conference Finals (RIP). But he bolted. And the team was squarely back in Jack's hands. This season will be a race featuring Jack for who can score the most points in a game/season. He is all the offense on this team, with D. Ramsey helping out. They bought in Captain L. Towers, and the 'Game Extender' S. Burton, who really came in clutch during the Scarlet Embers Final 4 run in the Tourney. This team has the best chemis-try and happiness in the league, the talent can hopefully catch up. It needs to as #1 Margays and #2 Skylarks are on the schedule was well as the rest of the Midwest. They do have a reprieve in Phoenix for their final game, which will probably be a 6th home game.



# TOURNAMENT XV

## GROUP 1

PHAROAHS
#2 GOLD
JOX
#8 TOROS
#7 DRAGONFISH

(4-0)
(3-1)
(2-2)
(1-3)
(0-4)

## GROUP 2

#3 SCARLET EMBER
#1 SKYLARKS
SILVERBACKS
#5 GREMLINS
SEADOGS

(3-1)
(2-2)
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VANCOUVER, BC



(4-0)
(3-1)
(2-2)
(1-3)
(0-4)

## GROUP 3

INTERCEPTORS
DIAMONDS
EMPIRE
#6 DIZZY DEVILS
CHECKERS

(3-1)
(3-1)
(3-1)
(1-3)
(0-4)

## GROUP 4

REAPERS
#4 MARGAYS
ST. CAT'S
CAPTAINS
PHOENIX

GROUP 1

PHAROAHS



#3 SCARLET EMBER

GROUP 2

REAPERS

PHAROAHS

LAS VEGAS PHAROAHS

GROUP 3

INTERCEPTORS

REAPERS

GROUP 4



Oh Canada! The DBL headed up to Vancouver, BC for the preseason tournament to open up Season XV. This season the format was brand new with group stages, allowing teams to get at least 4 short games to see what they are working with.

It's hard to keep up with 43 games in 3 days, but here are some things that stuck out:

The Toros came in as one of the best throwing teams, but had probably the worst Tourney, even losing to the lowly Jox in 2 straight sets. They only won 2 sets total.















The new team the Jox turned heads as they won 2 games over the Toros and Dragonfish, coming out midway in the group of death. Maybe James really can resurrect his career in Louisville.

Group 4 was quite exciting, it was looking like the Margays were going to walk away with it before the tourney started but the Reapers dealt a blow to them early. The winner had to be chosen on least sets lost between the Cat's, Reapers and Margays. The Reapers squirted through and made it all the way to the final game.

In the final 4, the Midwest took everyone by surprise taking 3 of the 4 spots. The last spot was claimed by the Pharoahs. They were the story of the tournament, not losing a game throughout, 6-0. They got out of the toughest group unscathed, even beating the highly touted Gold in 2 sets. They easily handled the undefeated Interceptors and then cruised to victory in the final vs. the Reapers. Solid play all around, but especially Lenore and Charlie, the Tourney MVP. The pre Tourney rankings were made to look like rubbish as the only ranked team in the final 4 was the #5 Scarlet Ember. The Pharoahs were slotted at #18?! Don't worry, the formula has been tweaked for next season.

"I really feel like this is a statement win, not just the championship game, but the whole tournament. We showed we are a solid team with great chemistry, that is what happens when you get the same 5 for 2 seasons. Love it, on to the regular season." - Charlie #28 Pharoahs

## TOURNAMENT XV : TEAM STATS

#	DIV	TEAM	SETS	POINTS	INDEX	EXEC	EFF	PART	SHARE
1		<b>PHAROAHS</b>	8	47	64	52	72	44	62
2		<b>TRAPETS</b>	7	40	64	92	68	44	64
3		<b>INTERCEPTORS</b>	8	46	60	51	66	49	59
4		<b>SCARLET EMBER</b>	7	42	57	79	62	29	60
5		<b>COLD</b>	7	39	59	76	64	42	59
6		<b>Margays</b>	6	34	59	81	63	36	60
7		<b>ST.CAT'S</b>	6	39	49	57	57	28	49
8		<b>DIAMONDS</b>	7	45	47	86	58	39	42
9		<b>SILVERBACKS</b>	4	31	43	71	53	28	40
10		<b>EMPIRE</b>	6	44	42	64	53	43	36
11		<b>GREMLINS</b>	5	39	39	74	48	47	31
12		<b>JOX</b>	4	29	34	79	46	13	30
13		<b>SKYLARKS</b>	4	37	32	86	46	34	23
14		<b>SEADOGS</b>	3	29	32	78	41	41	23
15		<b>CAPTAINS</b>	2	22	30	76	42	15	24
16		<b>DRAGONFISH</b>	3	33	26	78	41	52	12
17		<b>Dizzy Devils</b>	3	30	25	80	38	37	15
18		<b>Cherubs</b>	2	30	23	88	37	43	10
19		<b>TOROS</b>	2	24	23	64	34	41	12
20		<b>PHOENIX</b>	0	9	10	66	21	15	2



## TOURNAMENT XV : PLAYER STATS

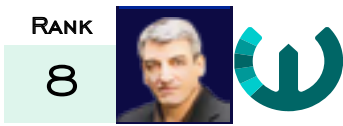
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MAR	32	N. STREETS	12	9	6	5	1	1	78	74	14	31	37	19
PHA	28	CHARLIE *	15	11	8	7	7	5	77	74	18	52	29	36
GOLD	1	VITO	25	17	3	3	5	1	68	72	20	38	41	19
CATS	5	AUSONIO	23	18	6	3	1	0	68	70	21	48	26	5
REP	30	H. HARPER	6	5	6	4	0	0	75	66	9	34	32	
INT	14	ROMAN	8	7	4	1	4	4	84	66	8	52	16	36
SE	40	D. RAMSEY	23	16	4	2	1	0	64	65	18	40	27	5
SKY	19	ELIOS	13	10	11	5	3	2	64	65	15	54	26	13
INT	25	SALEM	13	8	10	7	0	0	65	65	15	33	42	
EMP	39	PARKER	13	11	8	3	4	1	63	63	14	42	35	33
PHA	15	LENORE	13	10	3	1	2	1	71	63	11	46	9	27
REP	6	MILLER	21	14	5	3	0	0	62	62	17	41	21	
DIA	3	SEBASTIAN	22	14	5	2	5	4	62	62	16	41	27	43
INT	87	KYLE	14	12	6	2	7	3	60	60	14	65	29	38
SEA	2	TAMP	15	10	2	0	5	2	54	59	10	49	18	35
DIA	36	HANSEN	11	10	5	2	1	0	63	58	12	45	29	3
GRE	7	J. WOODS	13	9	8	3	0	0	57	58	12	35	25	
EMP	18	RICHARD	11	8	10	4	7	5	61	58	12	40	24	28
REP	5	BORIS	3	3	4	2	2	1	75	57	5	41	27	29
SKY	1	MAURICE	16	9	8	4	3	1	51	57	13	37	40	35
SB	11	S. SALAZAR	12	8	8	5	4	4	60	55	13	40	36	31
SEA	8	E. MILLER	5	3	8	4	2	1	56	54	7	36	17	21
DF	3	THOMAS	12	8	5	2	5	2	51	54	10	46	20	37
PHA	1	B. RUIZ	7	6	5	2	1	1	65	54	8	54	17	14
GOLD	27	SIMEON	7	4	4	3	3	0	52	53	7	32	35	23
SB	16	SANCHITO	8	5	5	4	6	3	49	52	9	31	37	49
JOX	18	S. RUTLEDGE	11	8	5	2	3	2	53	52	10	39	18	17
GRE	38	MELISIZWE	19	12	4	0	1	1	49	51	12	62	21	17
TOR	21	L. MCCARRON	6	5	7	2	1	0	45	51	7	43	19	9
MAR	2	PASQUEL	11	7	5	2	3	2	49	48	9	58	35	40
DIA	2	LYONS	6	6	11	3	1	1	53	47	9	54	26	43
CPT	24	TRAVIS	13	10	4	1	1	0	43	47	11	53	7	35
PHA	9	HOLCOMB	3	3	6	3	1	1	59	47	6	51	31	18
EMP	8	BRASS	7	4	7	3	4	2	54	46	7	25	33	20
DF	21	R. PEETE	9	6	7	1	0	0	43	46	7	38	15	
CHX	31	SVEN	15	9	8	3	1	0	41	45	12	32	28	20
REP	3	JASON	1	1	11	6	4	2	48	45	7	59	28	48
GRE	8	CASEY	7	5	8	3	1	1	46	43	8	40	24	35
JOX	1	JAMES	15	10	5	4	3	1	47	43	14	33	21	33
MAR	16	R. TIMOR	6	5	3	3	2	1	50	43	8	33	21	6
GOLD	32	PELETIERRE	3	2	8	3	5	5	62	43	5	21	24	47
DD	9	LIMBERG	10	6	10	3	0	0	39	42	9	29	29	
SE	15	S. BURTON	0	0	8	4	12	8	55	42	4		18	42
SE	0	JACK	13	8	6	2	0	0	40	41	10	47	27	
INT	6	RICKY	6	4	5	3	3	1	42	41	7	31	20	36
CATS	18	WALTER	11	5	1	1	3	3	45	39	6	22	12	45
CHX	21	T. MIDDLESTEIN	12	5	5	0	2	2	38	39	5	38	21	14
CPT	16	COREY	10	5	3	0	2	2	47	38	5	27	21	32
DD	25	A. COUGAR	8	5	6	1	2	0	34	38	6	39	23	22
CHX	42	MUSSMAN	8	3	6	2	2	1	37	37	5	16	15	15
CATS	7	RONNIE	3	0	8	4	0	0	44	37	4	6	26	
DD	11	McFADDEN	11	4	8	3	1	1	33	36	7	29	40	49
DF	1	C. CONNER	5	1	12	6	0	0	33	36	7	15	20	

REP	9	PETR	1	0	4	2	0	0	50	35	2	5	17	
TOR	44	LAWRENCE	5	3	8	2	1	0	31	35	5	23	20	21
SKY	12	POTTS	8	4	8	3	2	1	34	35	7	31	29	34
SEA	4	WILLIS	7	4	8	3	4	3	40	35	7	35	19	31
GOLD	10	K. HAKIM	5	3	4	3	1	0	35	34	6	29	21	23
EMP	0	THOMPSON	12	5	7	3	5	1	31	34	8	30	26	35
SB	0	CARTER	6	4	3	0	5	3	35	33	4	30	11	45
DD	29	J. JORDAN	6	4	3	0	6	2	38	32	4	24	17	45
GRE	9	T. MILLS	6	3	8	2	4	1	31	31	5	49	19	24
PHA	8	KURTIS	5	4	5	0	1	1	38	31	4	28	18	38
PHX	19	DONTE	7	2	5	2	2	1	29	30	4	30	23	28
JOX	11	NOZAR	5	2	7	3	3	1	27	30	5	27	27	23
DIA	22	ANTONIO	5	4	5	2	4	1	32	30	6	37	21	19
CATS	8	JARED	2	2	9	4	4	1	30	30	6	55	30	25
EMP	82	TRENTON	7	2	1	1	2	0	38	29	3	14	35	17
SE	82	SKOGSTAD	5	4	6	4	1	0	30	29	8	38	46	14
TOR	2	RAYQUAN	11	7	2	0	2	0	27	28	7	35	17	26
SB	40	P. SOMERSET	8	4	3	1	1	0	28	28	5	31	17	9
MAR	3	SEMERE	3	0	4	2	1	0	31	27	2	13	23	7
CPT	8	JOSEPH	4	3	6	1	5	3	27	27	4	45	14	24
DD	75	T. CLOWNEY	4	3	5	1	3	1	29	26	4	26	14	24
TOR	1	REID	4	2	8	1	2	1	25	26	3	56	28	40
SE	10	L. TOWERS	1	1	4	1	1	0	33	25	2	35	18	14
DF	5	TEMP	10	5	2	0	6	1	23	25	5	27	24	30
PHX	32	H. GREELY	5	2	4	0	2	0	17	24	2	38	18	21
CHX	18	J. SOTO	3	1	7	2	3	0	19	23	3	24	25	37
CATS	80	ZACH	2	1	4	1	2	1	29	22	2	30	20	30
GRE	23	HELLSTROM	2	1	7	1	2	1	29	22	2	17	25	14
SEA	12	S. MADISON	9	3	4	0	0	0	21	21	3	31	21	
TOR	99	CAMPAIGN	9	2	3	0	1	1	23	21	2	25	14	13
DF	2	KENNETH	7	2	8	2	2	0	18	21	4	15	23	15
CHX	1	KONSTA	5	3	7	2	1	0	18	18	5	17	15	10
CPT	10	G. DAVIES	3	0	4	1	0	0	25	18	1	9	23	
GOLD	12	E. RODRIGO	2	1	2	0	3	0	25	18	1	32	20	15
PHX	12	K. PRIMM	6	0	3	1	3	2	23	17	1	14	17	22
DIA	1	KAPALEI	4	0	7	2	1	1	19	15	2	12	19	38
INT	47	A. GUERRERO	5	1	1	1	0	0	17	15	2	12	9	
SKY	3	KEITH	3	0	4	1	2	1	21	14	1	18	40	24
PHX	2	M. BRAUN	6	1	2	0	1	0	8	13	1	18	12	7
MAR	14	IRWIN	1	0	4	1	2	1	17	12	1	25	28	19
PHX	21	OBIERICKA	2	0	5	1	3	0	8	11	1	13	24	15
SEA	21	PAOLO	5	0	7	2	1	0	8	10	2	26	18	27
CPT	13	C. BRANTLEY	3	0	5	1	0	0	8	9	1	11	11	
SKY	11	C. MITCHELL	3	0	6	1	0	0	8	7	1	7	11	
SB	14	ARTHUR	6	0	0	0	4	2	17	7	0	8		35
JOX	4	S. POPKINS	1	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	15	17	21
JOX	13	R. COOPER	1	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	8	10	19

LAS VEGAS

# PHAROAHS

RANK



EUGENE DAVENPORT

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:

18	20	3	2	17	3
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RECORD

0	0	0	0
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SETS

COACH CANDELSON



AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:

34	O-B.THW	9	59	3
	D-B.CTH	11		

HOLCOMB



9	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
23	68	62	42	28	46
				CPT	UNDERSTUDY

KURTIS



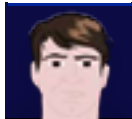
8	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
24	76	79	33	43	90
		*			2ND ALL

B. RUIZ



1	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
23	80	85	34	45	26
					3RD ARM

CHARLIE



28	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
24	96	93	41	67	48
			*		CAPTAIN 1ST ALL

LENORE



15	RATING:	THR:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
26	74	94	20	41	13
					1ST ARM

Wk #	SCHEDULE
1	SILVERBACKS
2	DIAMONDS
3	DIZZY DEVILS
4	PHOENIX
5	GOLD
6	SILVERBACKS
7	DIAMONDS
8	DRAGONFISH
9	PHOENIX
10	GOLD
11	REAPERS

GRADE: A-

## RECAP

Sometimes you know you have a good thing going. And Coach Candelson felt he had all the pieces to succeed after a last season meltdown last year.

"I know the stats, 0-8 in the RTP, but we as a solid unit can overcome this hex" - Candelson.

Charlie and the Win Phactory simply manufactured win after win going a clean 7-0 in the Tourney. This turned many heads as they were close to the back of the line in the Pre Tourney rankings. Before this, they had to match the Silverbacks star deal for their own star, Charlie, \$9mil/4yrs, preventing him from seeing the end of his rookie contract. They then picked up K. Primm, from the draft, kind of as a formality, but he drew intense interest from the Phoenix, who offered \$3mil over 2 seasons for him, a player they were planning to cut any way, hazahh! In the Tourney, PHA led all teams in Index, Sets, Points, Efficiency. Charlie was voted Tourney MVP, leading in Index, Catches. Now, it is time to face the season. They have a mediocre schedule out of division, and in division is gonna be a dog fight. Every fan is looking at the final stretch and hoping it wont end the same way it has the first 2 years of the Charlie Era.




ST LOUIS


# INTERCEPTORS

CHEM:	HAPPY:	RATING:	THROWS:	CATCH:	DODGE:
16	18	6	6	7	11


**COACH DOUGLASS**

	AGE:	STYLE:	RECORD:	CHEM:	EXP:
	34	O-B.THW	44	66	6
		D-W.CTH	27		


**SALEM** 5 2

	25	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
DCU	28	82	77	61	8	67
				*!*		ALL AROUND


**KYLE** 6 1

	87	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
DCU	25	104	104	47	62	87
			**			1ST ARM


**A. GUERRERO** DRAFT 1 3

	47	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
VENEZUE	22	37	39	15	20	47
						CAPTAIN DASHER

**ROMAN** NEW DEAL 4 3

	14	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
NONE	25	81	85	32	51	75
						2ND ARM

**RICKY** 7 2

	6	RATING:	THRW:	CTH:	DG:	CHEM:
NONE	27	85	65	54	49	4
			*			DEFENSE

RANK

7



ELIAS WENTWORTH

RECORD

0

0

SETS

0

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Wk #

SCHEDULE

1	3	TOROS
2		REAPERS
3		SCARLET EMBER
4		CAPTAINS
5		GREMLINS
6		EMPIRE
7		REAPERS
8		SCARLET EMBER
9		CAPTAINS
10		GREMLINS
11	5	DIAMONDS

GRADE: B

## RECAP

Coach Douglass has had quite the run with this team, and hopes to continue strong into this season. The Interceptors come in as the only ranked MidWest team at #7. J. Soto was a bright young pickup last season, but he was whisked away to the Checkers as a tribute. So, the only personnel change they made was drafting a dasher on A. Guerrero. He pretty much has no other talents, but he does have an A rating. Roman's contract ran out, but the Interceptors struck a cheap deal with the 4th year 2nd Arm for \$4mil/3yrs. Aside from that, it's still 4 of the 5 from the 2011 Dream Season. And this constancy proved a good move as they went 4-0 in the Tourney Group stage, finishing 3rd overall. Participation was 2nd, and Kyle led all with the highest throwing average at 65. I think it is safe to say the baton has been passed. Salem is still the familiar face, but this is Kyle's team now. Week 1 against the Toros under the lights should quickly let this team know where they stand and how good they are. Other out of division meetings with the Diamonds and Empire, in addition to the proven tough MidWest, should make this whole season a dog fight.





# TEXAS TOROS

CHEM: HAPPY: RATING: THROWS: CATCH: DODGE:  
 20 11 2 1 9 17

COACH WAGNER

AGE: STYLE: RECORD: CHEM: EXP:  
 59 O-B.Thw 8 53 2  
 D-B.Dg 7

**LAWRENCE** NEW DEAL 4 4  
 44 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 BF 83 83 45 36 78  
 27 4TH ARM

**REID** 5 2  
 1 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 BF 101 100 50 54 91  
 25 DASHER 2ND ARM

**L. MCCARRON** 4 3  
 21 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 WF 79 89 37 30 74  
 23 3RD ARM

**CAMPAIGN** DRAFT 1 4  
 99 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 CR 42 43 23 16 75  
 22 CAPTAIN UNDERSTUDY

**RAYQUAN** 8 3  
 2 RATING: THRW: CTH: Dg: CHEM:  
 TEX 97 110 46 35 14  
 26 \*\*\* 1ST ARM

RANK

3



AUSTIN JOHNSTON

RECORD

0

0

SETS

0

0

Wk #

SCHEDULE

1 7 INTERCEPTORS

2 ST. CAT'S

3 SKYLARKS

4 CHECKERS

5 DRAGONFISH

6 GOLD

7 ST. CAT'S

8 SKYLARKS

9 CHECKERS

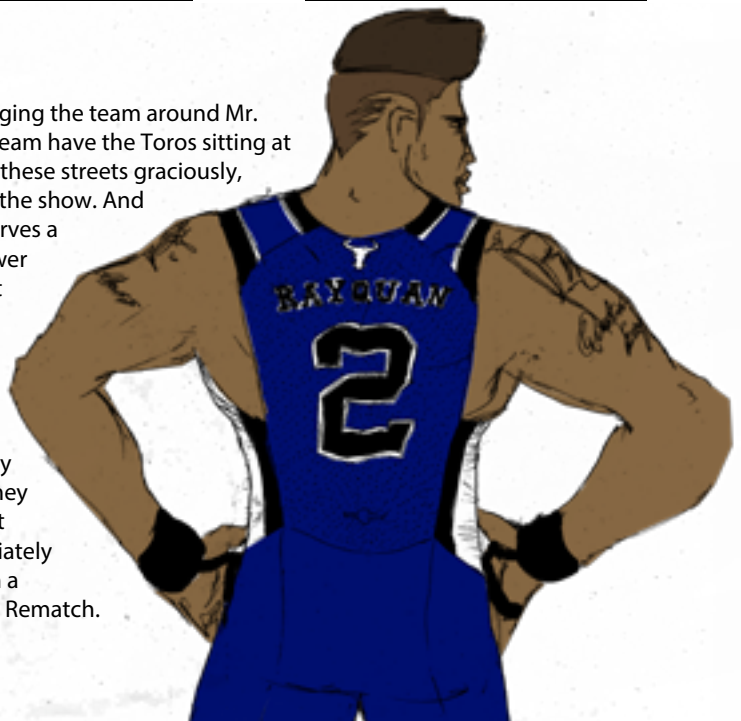
10 DRAGONFISH

11 Jox

GRADE: B-

## RECAP

Coming into his 2nd season, Coach Wagner is tasked with bringing the team around Mr. Texas, Rayquan. The discord between him and the rest of the team have the Toros sitting at #20 in team Chemistry. What can you do? Rayquan has served these streets graciously, at first as a 3rd fiddle in the 2010-2 season, rising to the star of the show. And after a triumphant return to relevancy last year, everyone deserves a change to see if they can function. This team is a throwing power house, with little to no defense, so those throws better be spot on. With the departure of Martin to retirement, the Toros drafted Campaign to be a vocal leader, similar to Rayquan, in an attempt at cohesion. Lawrence's contract was extended for 4 more years ensuring senior leadership incase Rayquan does not work out (which is blasphemy to say). Despite all this careful positioning, the Toros had an infamously terrible Tourney, especially after the loss in 2 sets to the Jox. They finished 1-3 and placed 19th, only better than the Phoenix... let that sink in. This team needed to shape up immmmmmmediately as they face the Interceptors, Cat's, Skylarks, in that order! With a midseason block buster against the Gold in a Conference Final Rematch.





## MIDWEST

The MidWest has proven that it has what it takes to hang with any of the other divisions in this league. Characterised by deep rosters, this division will be a surprise all season as each team begins to define itself uniquely. The Interceptors are the clear talent house, with Kyle set to take over the reins of the face of the franchise from Salem. Can they keep their Era dominance in a new Era? What about the Scarlet Ember? They seemed to take a big hit losing both Nozar and Sven to Free Agency, but they proved they can get things done in the Tourney. The Reapers are still treated as underdogs even though they went all the way to the runner-up in the Tourney. They are a team with a strange set of skills, they need Jason and Miller to be on fire to work. The Gremlins typify what this division can be, they are many mid-level talent guys in here. They have name recognition, but can they handle the onslaught from talents like Jack? Kyle? Travls? If not, the 'deep' typology will be reconsidered. How about the new guys? They tried their hardest to be a contender, thinking they had a soft division this year to go for broke. While they are clearly the best new team, there is still a gap from the established teams.

It'll be an arduous climb to the Division Title Game in Denver. Expect either the Scarlet Ember or Interceptors to front run, they are used to that. But the Reapers might be streaky in the right way this year.

Prediction:

Interceptors v. Reapers : Interceptors Win



## SOUTH

Another year and the South is looking impenetrable as ever, maybe as tough as the West this season. The top teams don't have much confidence from the outside. The Skylarks can't be trusted with their stunted offense. The Toros can't be trusted with how discordant they appear. The Cat's just seem stale, unexcited. But the Dragonfish have all the enthusiasm and hype in this division. Maybe it is because people want this team to re-occupy its usual spot near the top, or because Kenneth seems like such an odd fit in the South. Look for this division to produce at least 2 of the All Dodgeball Team. Maurice is the best catcher in the league. Rayquan has the best arm. Ausonio is in the system that'll give him some of the most prolific stats. Can the Checkers even nibble at these guys? Middlestein and Sven have their work cut out. As long as they can get the Dash/Throw swing, the 5 against 4 scenario will put them close to even.

Time to put the petal to the metal and arrive in Charlotte. The Skylarks can't get lacksadaisical if they get a good start. The Cat's and Dragonfish have the potential to get into some good grooves. And always, the Toros can go berzerk.

Prediction:

Skylarks v. Dragonfish: Skylarks Win



## NORTH

By now, the North is tired of being called soft. Besides the automatic qualifying Margays, it really is a toss up between the Empire, Dizzy Devils and Jox.... yes, the Jox. There is something to be said about a solid cohesive unit. The Empire have communism levels of passion and the Dizzy Devils have been known to squander talent. The Seadogs are a season or 2 away from seriously contending yet. The interesting thing to watch about this division is how quickly the Margays will clinch the the Title Game. Can they be stopped? I am serious, how can anyone compete with a guaranteed 5 against 4? This season will be either the beginning of a beautiful 2nd act for James or the clear signal he is officially over the hill, the Jox are pumping everything his way. McFadden and the boys will need a Limberg or an Ali C. to really become a mainstay on the roster to keep up with most likely the Empire. Despite losing their MVP in Aleksandr, the Empire are still very talented, but, it all comes down to which one of the Chemistry Department becomes the new leader. That is what killed them in the Championship when the Gold started targeting Aleksandr, nobody stepped up.

Expect a surprise coming out of the gates in this division. Perhaps the Margays falter to 1-2 before catching the vibe, or perhaps the Seadogs collect a few cheap wins. This division may be less competitive, but it will not lack excitement.

Prediction:

Margays v. Empire : Margays Win



## WEST

Ahh, the vaunted West. Champions and Young Studs on every team. Who will be the future of the league? It will most likely be the West who decides this. This Division has really ratcheted up the stakes in the past few years. You can get lost in the names. Salazar, Sebastian, Charlie, Simeon, K. Hakim, H. Greely, did I forget Sanchito? Vito? How will he work out? Coach Aleksandr? Peletierre, Lenore, Kurtis, Lyons. Expect at least 2 to get on the All Dodgeball Team. As far as team construction, the Pharoahs have the clear advantage. A battle tested crew with no holes in the game, deep in every aspect, anyone can take the cake each game. The Silverbacks have explosive talent, but very limited offense. The Gold are just a big question, can Simeon, Vito, and Peletierre raise K. Hakim to make a killer repeat squad? Sebastian has felt the weight of his team on his shoulders for years, can this be the year he can handle it and go deep in the post season? It will be tragic to watch the Phoenix pretend to even exist as more than a couple bye weeks for these teams. But, crazier things have happened, especially if H. Greely can get rolling, this team could have some of these guys questioning their toughness.





This will be the marathon race to this Title Game. Each game starting with Week 1 will seriously matter for the 4 teams in this close race. Every loss will be near death as these guys blaze towards Phoenix. Whoever has an individual stellar season can lead his team to a Title, looking at you Charlie, Salazar, Sebastian, Vito.

Prediction:

Pharoahs v. Diamonds : Diamonds Win





# WEEK 1 MATCHUPS

#6 GOLDEN GATE ARENA, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

 <b>GOLD</b>	 <b>SIMEON #27</b>	0	INDEX	0	 <b>RICHARD #18</b>	 <b>EMPIRE</b>
		73	RATING	78		
		65	THROW	67		
		41	CATCH	47		
		40	DODGE	40		





Season XV kicks off in Golden Gate Arena with an awards ceremony to honor the 2014 Gold, only 2 remain, but this will be a crown ing achievement for this storied franchise. The Empire come in wanting to exact revenge. They stack up well, but will their discord undo them?

#2 SATURN STATION, ATLANTA, GA

 <b>SKYLARKS</b>	 <b>MAURICE #1</b>	0	INDEX	0	 <b>T. MIDDLESTEIN #31</b>	 <b>CHECKERS</b>
		76	RATING	60		
		62	THROW	56		
		49	CATCH	33		
		38	DODGE	32		





The Skylarks look to blast off against the new Checkers. There shouldn't be a 7th Set to this game. It will be a general spring game for the Skylarks before they need to get serious. For the Checkers, they are hoping Middlestein can have a sweet debut.

SILVERBACK GYM, SEATTLE, WA

 <b>SILVERBACKS</b>	 <b>S. SALAZAR #11</b>	0	INDEX	0	 <b>CHARLIE #28</b>	 <b>PHAROAHS</b>
		73	RATING	78		
		61	THROW	83		
		37	CATCH	34		
		54	DODGE	45		





The first in an endless amount of Western showdowns this season, the Pharaohs hope to keep their win streak rolling into 5 set games. The Silverbacks have talent but they feel underrated. Look for Lenore or Kurtis to have a big game as Charlie will probably be neutralized.

#1 AMI ARENA, MINNEAPOLIS, MN

 <b>MARGAYS</b>	 <b>N. STREETS #32</b>	0	INDEX	0	 <b>TEMP #2</b>	 <b>SEADOGS</b>
		81	RATING	71		
		77	THROW	68		
		44	CATCH	37		
		41	DODGE	37		

Same with the Skylarks, the Margays hope to open up Ami Arena to a exhibition of raw power and untouchable play. Look for a quick start, but the Seadogs may go on a run to make things interesting.

THE PEAK, DENVER, CO

 <b>CAPTAINS</b>	 <b>TRAVIS #24</b>	0	INDEX	0	 <b>JACK #0</b>	 <b>SCARLET EMBER</b>
		64	RATING	70		
		58	THROW	61		
		34	CATCH	43		
		36	DODGE	34		

This game is perfect for the Captains. Nobody knows they aren't good yet, the sheer hype from their wild offseason can bleed into their psyche and make them play on a level like the Scarlet Ember. Look for a tight 8 or 9 set game. Jack is finally free to dominate the ball, he will probably set the mark for Points in a game.



# WEEK 1 MATCHUPS

OAKLAND BANK STADIUM, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK



**REAPERS**

O-O	O	INDEX	O
	71	RATING	74
JASON #3	57	THROW	75
	45	CATCH	37
	39	DODGE	35




**GREMLINS**

Two teams looking for a fast start meet on the first regular Flex of the season in OKC. The Reapers are fresh from a surprising run in the Tourney and the Gremlins are sure they will find their groove and become the Deep Force they promise to be. I think the Reapers might be too much for the Gremlins at this stage.

CHURCHILL DOWNS, LOUISVILLE, KY



**JOX**

O-O	O	INDEX	O
	59	RATING	76
JAMES #1	51	THROW	61
	33	CATCH	47
	34	DODGE	43

O-O #4




**DIZZY DEVILS**

James is determined to preserve his legacy with this latest stint on a new team. But the oppressive defense of the Dizzy Devils may have to delay those plans. Look for a long drawn out game as both teams aren't real offensive power houses. Dizzy Devils should roll though.

CLIFF PARK, PHOENIX, AZ



**PHOENIX**

O-O	O	INDEX	O
	57	RATING	78
H. GREELY #32	49	THROW	76
	32	CATCH	39
	35	DODGE	43

O-O #5




**DIAMONDS**

If the Diamonds don't hit #1 or #2 after this game, they should actually look into things. This is an inaugural trip to the desert that should be fun for Bas and the gang. Look for H. Greely to lead the charge, he is a solid guy and a calm emotive leader.

ST. CATHERINE'S GYM, METAIRE, LA



**ST. CAT'S**

O-O	O	INDEX	O
	72	RATING	71
AUSONIO #5	62	THROW	71
	38	CATCH	36
	47	DODGE	37

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**DRAGONFISH**

Looked-Over vs. Over-Hyped. The Cat's welcome in the Dragonfish who are cheerleading their way into relevancy after going 0-4 in the Tourney. As long as Ausonio and Jared keep their heads down, this should be a swift win for the Goddies.

ST. LOUIS MUNICIPAL PARK, ST. LOUIS, MO

#7



**INTERCEPTORS**

O-O	O	INDEX	O
	77	RATING	80
KYLE #87	74	THROW	85
	42	CATCH	40
	38	DODGE	34

O-O #3



**TOROS**

This might be the 2nd or 3rd most important game for the Toros this season. This is a real test against a caliber team. Can they actually function or are they just a roided up throwing factory? The Interceptors hope not to miss a step and keep the Era going into this very new Era. Nice way to wrap up the Week on the Flex.

