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2013 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: The Ohio State University

Mascot: The Buckeyes

Location: Columbus, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Justin Johnson, Tom Balla, Chris Keltner/Chad Lowe, Anthony Zamiliski, Beau Adkins

2012 Performance:

- Record: **25-8**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **Great Lakes-East Conference Champs**
- Notables: **Regional Runner-Up, OSU Club Record in Wins**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 22 including All Region winners Mike Leone (1st Team-Relief Pitcher) , Chris Keltner (2nd Team-First Base), Cam Trefny (2nd team-Starting Pitcher)

Players to Watch: Chris Keltner, Justin Johnson, Cameron Sloan and Mike Leone

New additions: Brad Taylor, Cameron Sloan, Max Schwartz, Bobby Bowles, Aaron Gase, Brandon Barker, Anthony Zamiliski



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Biggest Rival: Bowling Green State University

Best Player Nickname: Chris Keltner (Big Red)

2013 Season Outlook: After falling short last year of a Great Lakes Regional title the Buckeyes are looking to return the World Series for the first time since 2003. The Buckeyes return 22 players (13 Seniors) from last year including Senior Dane Poncsak & Junior Nick Gastaldo from injury and 3 All-Region award winners. Cameron Sloan and Brad Taylor look to bolster the offensive lineup with freshman Aaron Gase and Max Schwartz expected to provide pitching depth to an already strong rotation. Seniors Officers Justin Johnson, Thomas Balla, and Chris Keltner will play integral roles to the success of this team on and off the field.

The Buckeyes have once again established an aggressive schedule with 41 games including opponents, Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA, Indiana at home, Florida in Gainseville, FL and 2012 World Series participants Pitt and App State at the NCBA Spring Training Showcase.

Manager Quote: "The loss of three starting Seniors was difficult, but we are lucky to be able to fill those positions with a strong group of new players and returning upperclassmen ready to step-up. I expect this team to be more balanced offensively and deeper defensively including the pitching staff. We have high expectations every year, but after the success of last season, I know the returning players believe in what they can accomplish and will not stop until we reach our goal of a National Championship.

First in '13!

- Chad Lowe"



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Team Name: Ball State University

Mascot: Cardinals

Location: Muncie, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Brett Bennick/Matt McKinney- Head Coaches; Matt Goode- Assistant Coach

2012 Performance:

- Record: **7-16 (1-11)**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **5th in Great Lakes South Conference**
- Notables: **Beat Michigan State State 4-3 in Plant City, FL; Won 2 out of 3 against Michigan (8-7 and 7-6) at home**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 13

3-Time GLS Pitcher of the Week- (Jr./SS/P) Brett Bennick

GLS Player of the Week- (Jr./3B/C)- Derek Walker



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Players to Watch: (Sr./3B/P) Matt McKinney, (Jr./SS/P) Brett Bennick, (So./OF/P) Billy Gerstner, (Fr./OF) Adam Kutemeier

New additions: (So./INF) Nate Biggs, (Fr./2B) Joe Gannon, (So./OF/P) Billy Gerstner, (Sr./INF) Isaac Imel, (Fr./OF) Adam Kutemeier, (Fr./OF) Ricky McGowan, (Fr./OF) Taylor Rademacher, (Fr./P) Connor Robinson, (Fr./2B) Nick Staab, (Fr./INF/P) Dallas Stiller

Biggest Rival: Indiana University

Best Player Nickname: "Daddy D" Walker

2013 Season Outlook: With 13 returning players, including nearly the entire starting roster, we are poised to play some good ball this year and compete against the conference's top teams. Several new players will battle for a starting spot, making playing time very competitive, and pushing the entire team to perform at a top level. The addition of several new pitchers will bolster the staff and take some much needed stress off the few returning pitchers. With a mostly returning roster, team chemistry is high and many of the new players fit right in. The talent on this team is the best it has been in some time and we look to rebound from a season in which our record didn't accurately represent the quality of the team.

Manager Quote: "If we perform to the level we know we are capable of, we can compete with anyone."

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Team Name: Bowling Green State University

Mascot: Falcons

Location: Bowling Green, Ohio

Captain(s)/Coach(s): President: Tad Margoiles, Vice President: Omar Santiago, Treasurer: Scott Stevenson, Captain Kyle Melchert, Captain Mark Dubow

2012 Performance:

- Record: **14-11**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **8-5 / Finished second in the Great Lakes Region East**
- Notables: **Beat University of Pittsburgh 3-2 in Florida Showcase, Took 2 of 3 conference games against Miami, Cincinnati, and Dayton.**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 14 returning players, 1 returning second team all region: CF Scott Stevenson



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Players to Watch: By Position:

Infield/ Outfield

- Kyle Melchert has proven to be one of the best hitter in the lineup and propels the offense. He is a good RBI guy, and gap hitter that will always have a high slugging percentage. He will see time at third and possibly short but also will see time starting on the mound.**
- Omar Santiago is a 5th year senior, 4th year starter. The skills he brings to the game is being a solid defensive player game in and game out. At the plate he won't hit for power but will hit for average along with a high on base percentage. Last year Santiago was 3rd on the team for batting average.**
- Scott Stevenson received 2nd team all-conference last year for the centerfield position. He holds tremendous speed in centerfield with a canon of an arm that will make runners think twice. He is as much a threat on the base paths as he is in the box.**
- Luke Hawkins coming into his sophomore year really stood out as a freshman and will be leading-off the falcons lineup this year. He proved to be solid defensively in left field, but the threat doesn't stop there as he was second on the team in stolen bases.**
- Kevin Bosl is a 4th year player. Last year he was second on the team with batting average, but his most important attribute he brings to the dish is excellent plate discipline. To start the year he will see time between first and DH**
- Keep an eye out Nate Lavey, and Scott Brady. Nate Lavey is in his senior year, first year on club. Freshman year he was a D3 standout at Whittenberg University. Scott Brady enters the season as a senior, first year on club, and is a solid defensive catcher who provides some pop in the lineup. At Fostoria High School he was second team all-state in 2009.**

Pitching

- Aaron Christy is coming off a superb freshman season taking up a starting role and went 4-0 during conference play and with an overall 5-1 starting pitching record. He also finished games with recording one save on the year. He is looking to continue his solid play during his sophomore campaign.**
- Keep an eye out for freshman Brett Jordan coming off an incredible fall debut going six combined scoreless innings.**
- Look to see Michael Galletti and Zach Siegal for spot starts.**
- The bullpen looks to be an important ingredient to this year's roster. Obtaining numerous upgrades to enhance their positions against matchups. Sophomore Bobby Bandelow comes off of a great freshman year recording a 0.00 ERA in NCBA play while also recording 2 saves to lead the team. Returning members of the bullpen include A.J. Mighton and Billy Nowak. New additions to the bullpen this year include freshman Travis Mollohan, Stevie Carter, and Josh Fey, sophomore Michael Galletti, and senior transfer Nate Lavey.**

Overall:

- Returning we have Mark Dubow who was the most defensive stable player from last year. Andrew Fox is also returning to make an impact with his pop in the**



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middle of the lineup along with 5th year senior Bryce Mathis and junior outfielder Jeff Huffman. Returning starter Tad Margoiles, after battling injury, has become one of the most improved players coming into the 2013 season.

•Other new comers include Tyler Stevens, Dustin Peper, Dylan Atibagos, and Kaleb Kuzma. They all are fighting for the starting spot while providing key replacements late in close games.

New additions: Dustin Peper, Tyler Stevens, Nate lavey, Brett Jordan, Scott Brady, Josh Fey, Stevie Carter, Kevin Moulton, Dylan Atibagos, Zach Siegel, Michael Galletti, Travis Mollohan, and Kaleb Kuzma.

Biggest Rival: Ohio State

Best Player Nickname: Dylan "Zero" Atibagos

2013 Season Outlook: *Players To Watch

Manager Quote: 1 game. 1 game separated us from post season berth last year. We have acquired a few new players but the most important skill we have all gained is experience. We know what that bitter taste in our mouth is like, finding out we were one game back and that followed us this offseason. We want to make a statement and for a few players, these will be their last season ever playing baseball. The fire in their eyes has motivated the younger group and I believe players will step up to the task at hand. Winning conference is up to every soul on this team, and as a team they will rise up.

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Team Name: University of Cincinnati

Mascot: Bearcats

Location: Cincinnati, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Captains: Graham Russell, Brock Cousino, Nick Hansman, Timmy Jurowski Coach: Chris Majercak

2012 Performance:

- Record: **10-17**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **3rd**
- Notables: **Most wins in club history**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 22 returners (1 Great Lakes Player of the Week, 1 Great Lakes Pitcher of the week, 1 All-Region 1st team, 1 All-Region 3rd team)

Players to Watch: Positional: Timmy Jurowski, David Schwehm, Justin Sisko, Brock Cousino Pitchers: Graham Russell, David Gordon, Dan Comes, Nick Hansman, Jordan Kruse

New additions: 7

Biggest Rival: Ohio State



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Best Player Nickname: Timmy Jaws Jurowski

2013 Season Outlook: Conference Champions and WS berth

Manager Quote: Win or lose we still booze

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Team Name: Ferris State University

Mascot: Bulldogs

Location: Big Rapids, MI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Kyle Mead, Jake Kizer, & Brandon Krebs

2012 Performance:

- Record: **5-17**



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- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **6th in Great Lakes North**
 - Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 13. 3rd Team All Great Lakes Region- Kyle Mead (Outfield)

Players to Watch: Drew Bringard, Cliff Jones, Jake Kizer, Brandon Krebs, & Zak Nelson

New additions: Keaton Burnett, Andrew Cater, Nick Halm, David Krafft, Carter Langshield, Collin Proksch, Travis Roberts, Nik Stetler, & Ian Young

Biggest Rival: All Great Lakes North Conference Teams

Best Player Nickname: Big Hoss

2013 Season Outlook: After a rough 2012 season, that saw many freshman getting lots of playing time and playing a major role on our team. Now that they know what it takes to win and compete at this level we hope to bounce back and compete for a Great Lakes North Conference title.

Manager Quote: "You owe it to yourself to be the best you can possible be – in baseball and in life." –Pete Rose



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Team Name: Illinois State University (The Redbirds)

Mascot: Reggie The Redbird

Location: Normal, IL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach-Tyler Johansen ; Assistant Coach- Kevin Barnett

2012 Performance:

- Record: **13-5**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **3rd in Conference**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 14 returning players

Players to Watch: Tyler Langosch (OF), Kevin Barnett (3B/DH), Sean Wolf (3B), Tyler Johansen, Mike Oles (1B)

New additions: Nolan Sammer (SS), Kevin Pankau (P), Jake Kolakowski (P), Kyle Stemmons (P), Jacob Quaid (P), Kai Pflederer (P), Dylan Pinto (2B), Adam Delisi (1B), & Kevin Delisi (CF)

Biggest Rival: University of Illinois



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Best Player Nickname: Mike "Megatron" Oles

2013 Season Outlook: Looking to improve our conference record this year while hoping to win conference as well it will be a battle once again between Indiana, U of I, and ISU.

Manager Quote: "Go Big or Go Home"

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Team Name: University of Illinois

Mascot: Fighting Illini

Location: Champaign, Illinois

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Mike Castillo



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2012 Performance:

- Record: **20-4**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **1st in Great Lakes South, Lost in World Series**
- Notables: **Eric Ashcraft (All American) Danny Morales (All Region)**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 12

2012 All Region Players: Mike Castillo, Eric Ashcraft, Nick Kujawa

2012 All American: Eric Ashcraft

2011 All American: Nick Kujawa

Players to Watch:

Eric Ashcraft - 2012 All American

Nick Kujawa - 2011 All American, 2012 All Region

Mike Castillo - 2012 All Region

Chas Evans - 2012 All Region

Nick DeVries - NCAA Division 1 transfer from University of Maine

Joe Melisi - NCAA Division III transfer from North Central College



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New additions:

Shaun Albert – OF – Stevenson HS

Keenan Connelly – MIF – Notre Dame HS

Nick DeVries – RHP – UMaine Varsity

Joe Kadela – RHP/MIF – Morton HS

Joe Melisi – C – North Central College

Greg Mixon – LHP – Jacobs HS

Daniel Oversen – OF – Highland Park HS

Richie Renner – MIF – Aurora West HS

Matt Robare – RHP/OF – Lyons Township HS

AJ Sus – 1B – Maine South HS

Biggest Rival: Indiana University

Best Player Nickname: Brandon Shaw - Baby Sus

2013 Season Outlook: After a 20-4 season that ended with a heartbreaking loss in the 2012 World Series, the Illinois Club Baseball team believes they can be even better this year. Illinois averaged over 8 runs per game last season and will again host a lineup that features 2 previous All-Americans in Eric Ashcraft and Nick Kujawa. From a defensive perspective, Illinois returns 2 of the 3 starters from last years starting rotation and expect news guys to compete for innings as well. Nick DeVries, an NCAA division I transfer from University of Maine brings experience to the pitching staff and freshman Matt Robare, Joe Kadela, and Greg Mixon all bring depth after impressive high school careers that included All-Area awards. The Illini will be coached by Mike



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Castillo, a fifth year senior who has been on the team since his freshman year. Castillo has the team disciplined and focused on reaching their goal of a World Series title.

Manager Quote: "The 2013 Illini squad returns with a lot of key players that fueled our 2012 World Series run. Their experience coupled with an absolutely stellar class of new recruits makes us believe we can finally put it all together in 2013. However, we are committed to only focusing on our short term goals. With our added depth, we feel the only thing that can stop us from achieving our goals is ourselves."

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Team Name: Indiana University

Mascot: Hoosier

Location: Bloomington, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Bob Morgan (Head Coach)/ Chris Drew (President)

2012 Performance:

- Record: **16-3**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **2nd in Conference**
- Notables: **1st Team All Region: Zach Collier, Lucas Mueller, Kevin Cornelius - 2nd Team All-Region: David Knight, Phil Silverman - 3rd Team All-Region: Zach Savka**
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Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 14 players

**Players to Watch: Ryan Gazdacka- R-Handed Pitcher and 3rd year starter.
Zach Savka- 5th year player and major R-Handed in starting rotation.
Mark Blakey- L-Handed thrower in rotation.
Robbie Powell, Chris Drew, Lucas Meuller, Nick Pryor- Key Relievers
Ethan Gaba, Lucas Mueller, Andrew Fisher, Chris Drew, Max Barron, and Zach Collier
will provide a lot of the offense.**

**New additions: Backed by a core of returning players, look for key new additions at 2nd base in
Casey Domek and Andrew Albers.**

Biggest Rival: Illinois

Best Player Nickname: Nick "Moose" Pryor

Chris "Caveman" Drew, Ryan "Wacky" Gazdacka

2013 Season Outlook: Conference and Regional Champs

Manager Quote: "The game doesn't change, 9 innings."



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Team Name: Marquette University

Mascot: Golden Eagle

Location: Milwaukee, WI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Dan Walker

2012 Performance:

- Record: **12-9 (10-4 in conference)**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **2nd in conference/ N/A**
- Notables: **Eliminated from post-season contention prematurely when the University of Wisconsin at Madison forfeited the final game of the season against University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire, sending Eau Claire them to the post season.**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 19 returning players including All Region 1st team outfielder Dave Riedel, All Region 2nd team pitcher Brian Collins, and All Region 3rd team DH Jordan Torres

Players to Watch: Brian Collins, Dave Riedel, Dan Walker

New additions: Joe Bartoletti, Mike Garrity, Matt Gaberino, Austin Higgins, Brad Morgen, Mark Salomon



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Biggest Rival: UW-Milwaukee

Best Player Nickname: N/A

2013 Season Outlook: We are looking forward to starting the season off strong against some tough competition during the Spring Training Showcase in Tampa, Florida in March. With the strengths of our returning players in combination of our new rookie members, we are confident that our season will be a success, and should have a solid shot at making the post season.

Manager Quote:

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Team Name: Miami University

Mascot: Redhawks

Location: Oxford, OH



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Captain(s)/Coach(s): Keith Rieman, Jake Heckman, and Joe O'Toole / Ryan Groene

2012 Performance:

- Record: **6-6**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **Finished 3rd in the Great Lakes East Conference**
- Notables: **Took second place in the Saluki Slugfest at Southern Illinois**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 19

Players to Watch: Jake Heckman, Tyler Gray, and Joe O'Toole

New additions: Alex Henry, Andrew Novotny, Andy Shafer, Dominic Mascia, Gage Hartman, Nick Lovelace, and Tommy Palmer

Biggest Rival: Ohio State

Best Player Nickname: Daniel Cook - "Cali"

2013 Season Outlook: We have great players coming back and we have a lot of talent in our rookie class. We have a great shot to make a run at the series this year.

Manager Quote: "We're going for it all."



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Team Name: University of Michigan

Mascot: Wolverines

Location: Ann Arbor

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jordan Milanowski (Coach), Stephen Zalucha, Max Kondrath, and Jack Hellwig

2012 Performance:

- Record: **17-6**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **1st in Conference**
- Notables: **4 All-Region Players**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 15

Players to Watch: Max Kondrath, Brian Schweitzer, Jordan Milanowski, Stephen Zalucha, Jack Hellwig, Skyler Skrzypczak



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New additions: Michael Abiragi, Spencer Allen, Gaber Derman, Mike Garbose, Matt Gutknecht, Nick Lagerstrom, Ian Patterson, Trevor Plizga, Damon Pogoncheff, James Urban, Dan Van Camp, Chris Zalucha, Evan Zimny

Biggest Rival: Central Michigan University

Best Player Nickname: Uncle Brian (Schweitzer), Chef (Pogoncheff), or DVC (Van Camp)

2013 Season Outlook: With 6 returning starters, the team is poised to defend back-to-back division titles. We have an extremely talented rookie class that is set to make an immediate impact and we have plenty of experienced players to put ourselves in a position to make the World Series. Even after losing 3 starting pitchers, look for a strong new rotation to dominate the Great Lakes North.

Manager Quote: Excuses are the nails that build the house of failure.

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Team Name: Northwood University

Mascot: Timberwolves



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Location: Midland, Michigan

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Coach Doug Hentschel

2012 Performance:

- Record: **9-9**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **3rd**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 9

Players to Watch:

New additions:

Biggest Rival: Central Michigan and University of Michigan

Best Player Nickname:

2013 Season Outlook: The players expect to compete for a conference title this season.



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Manager Quote: We expect to have a strong defensive team with good depth at pitching. We should hit the ball well, so we are very excited about our potential for this season.

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Team Name: Ohio University

Mascot: Bobcats

Location: Athens, Ohio

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Mike Toward

2012 Performance:

- Record: **10-10**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **Great Lakes - East (5-4)**
- Notables: **(17-4) Win against Kent State in Tampa & Swept University of Dayton**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 16

Players to Watch: Thomas Zigo & Brad Collier



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New additions: 9 players

Biggest Rival: Ohio State

Best Player Nickname: Pumbaa (Corey Maddocks)

2013 Season Outlook: Strong conference play and make it to regionals

Manager Quote: Time up lets do this...

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Team Name: Purdue Boilermakers

Mascot: Boiler Express

Location: West Lafayette, Indiana



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Captain(s)/Coach(s): Luke Versprille

2012 Performance:

- Record: **8-8**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **3rd/NA**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 9

Players to Watch: Gary Downey and Grant Evans

New additions: Grant Evans

Biggest Rival: Indiana Hoosiers

Best Player Nickname: Dougie-Fresh

2013 Season Outlook: Promising, a lot of new players/talent. Looking to finish top-2 in the division and above .500.

Manager Quote: "The way a team plays as a whole determines it's success. You may have a bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don't play together the club won't be worth a dime!" -Babe Ruth



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Team Name: UW-Eau Claire

Mascot: Blugolds

Location: Eau Claire, WI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Dan Wickman - President

2012 Performance:

- Record: **11-9 (10-4 Conference)**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **1st Place Great Lakes West**
- Notables: **Great Lakes West Champs**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 13

Players to Watch: Dakota Perock, Brandon Johns, Matt Kruger

New additions: A lot of new players that showed plenty of promise during our fall season, very excited to get them involved with our program.



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Biggest Rival: UW - Madison

Best Player Nickname: "Big Hoss" (Brandon Johns), Matt "The Cougar" Kruger, "Schmidt-stain" (Jon Schmidt), "F-9" (Ben Marvin)

2013 Season Outlook: After having a strong 2012 squad, we will have a bit of a new look team heading into 2013. We have very high expectations for our offensive numbers, and we believe we have a strong crop of arms to build quite a deep rotation around. Expectations have never been higher for the UW-Eau Claire club baseball team, and we look forward to defending our crown in the Great Lakes West Conference.

Manager Quote: With a good majority of our players returning from last years postseason squad, our leadership and experience has never been as high as this coming season, and we are looking forward to having even more success in 2013.

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Team Name: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Mascot: Panthers



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Location: Milwaukee, WI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Joe Stefanich/ Mike Hommen

2012 Performance:

- Record: **9-8**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 10 returning including 2nd Team All-Region BJ Ritzman and 3rd Team All-Region Zach Addamo

Players to Watch: Zach Addamo and BJ Ritzman are expected to continue their presence as the 1-2 punch early in the Panthers line-up, as they create RBI opportunities for a barrage of young hitters that stack the middle of the lineup. The pitching trio of Brennan Johnson, Calvin Faulk, and Joe Bianchi looks to continue its success from last season as they each enter their 2nd season with the team. Nick Nicholson and Andrew Wiesen look to create a strong rotation at the catcher position.

New additions: The addition of 6 newcomers to an already young team produces consistency at the catcher's position and a depth in both the infield and outfield. Each of the athletes has shown confidence and capability both at the plate and in the field, and we expect little drop off from starter to reserves.

Biggest Rival: UW-Madison/Marquette

Best Player Nickname: "Beyonce"



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2013 Season Outlook: Although hindered by multiple rain-outs, the Panthers came on strong at the end of the 2012 season, and look to continue that into 2013. Building off of the experience and leadership of a few upperclassmen, UW-Milwaukee will look towards a strong cast of 1st and 2nd year players to carry their weight early and often as the squad looks to improve off of it's 2012 performance.

Manager Quote: It's not complicated. It's baseball. Play like it's natural.

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Team Name: Western Michigan University

Mascot: Broncos

Location: Kalamazoo, MI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Mike Mato, Evin Casey, Dan Murphy

2012 Performance:

- Record: **14-13 overall, 6-6 conference**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **4th in Great Lakes North**
- Notables: **Win over Pittsburgh on NCBA Spring Training Showcase and taking a series over arch rival Central Michigan for the first time ever.**



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Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 13

Players to Watch: 3B/P Zach Root, C Trent Zwiers, OF Ruben Flowers, P Ryan Feist, IF Bryce Jones

New additions: C Andrew Page, OF Matt Reno, OF Collin Lorenz, IF/P Jordan Holbrook, IF Dariel Anon, P Logan Schuemann, IF Nick Hughes, OF Max Hocking, P Mike Berry, IF Joe Hankins, P Andy Wheeler

Biggest Rival: Central Michigan and Michigan

Best Player Nickname: Dan "Murph Diver" Murphy, Evin "Case Dogg" Casey, and Zach "Ruthless" Root

2013 Season Outlook: The Broncos are looking to rebound in 2013 after a disappointing 2012 season in which they finished in 4th place in the league and 14-13 overall.

With the right mix of veterans and newcomers, the Broncos are poised to win the always tough Great Lakes-North.

Returning players such as 3B Zach Root, C Trent Zwiers and 2B Bryce Jones will be catalysts and leaders on this year's squad in a strong infield. Newcomers SS Joe Hankins and 1B Nick Hughes have been big additions to this squad to round out the infield.

Newcoming pitchers Logan Schuemann and Andy Wheeler will be a potential 1-2 that will be one if not the best in the league. Not only are the top two pitchers solid, the staff as a whole will be solid. With returning pitchers Ryan Feist, Steve Roessel and Chad Carpenter as solid pitchers along with newcomers Mike Berry and Jordan Holbrook, the Broncos pitching staff will keep us in most games this season.



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The outfield is the only big question mark this season as they lost some solid starters as Ruben Flowers and Phil Serzo are the only two outfielders to return from last season. This means that newcomers such as Matt Reno, Collin Lorenz and Max Hocking will have to shoulder a bunch of the load this coming season.

Manager Quote: "This is my fifth year in college baseball (3rd at Western) and I have learned a great deal about the game. But I have learned one thing from playing the past several years. No matter what league you play in, if it is the Great Lakes-North or any league in this country, you have to take series from the good teams and sweep the bad teams in order to be a successful team and be in contention to win the league. And with the Great Lakes-North being one of the toughest conferences in the NCBA, we will have to win at all costs in order to achieve our goal." -- Evin Casey

2013 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: UW-Madison

Mascot: Badgers

Location: Madison, WI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach: Jeff Block Assistant Coach: Jeff Booth

2012 Performance:

- Record: **I don't have it handy.. just check stats from last year and fill in please**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **same**
- Notables:



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Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): Returning all but one pitcher and all starting positions players but 2

Players to Watch: Cullen Buchanan, Jake McHenry, Phil Kilgas, Jake Ristow

New additions: A few new high quality first year guys that will have a chance to make the D1 team

Biggest Rival: I guess the last few years I would have to say Eau Claire

Best Player Nickname: McNugget

2013 Season Outlook: We should have strong pitching with a lot of depth. We should also be very fast and play good defense. We have good hitters but not a ton of power. It really depends on finding our stride and playing with confidence. Last year we had an extremely late spring break so we went down and played D3, D2, and Juco colleges with fantastic pitching. It was easily better pitching than we saw during the year. While down there we were hitting like crazy and scoring like crazy. That all stopped the moment conference play started. We really just couldn't buy a break last year. It was the first year in all my years coaching where I experienced something like that. With just some small improvements we could go a long way this year.

Manager Quote: If we repeat our pitching performances last year and add a little timely hitting... we will win 80% of our games this year and have a chance to make a strong run into the postseason. This is still our conference to lose, but it won't be any more if we don't take it back this year. I am hoping our guys come out



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with a little urgency and fight in them that we have been lacking at the D1 level lately. They can learn a lot from they way our D2 has played the past few years.