

BLUE HILL MUDSLIDES

4/1/15

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



COMPLETE 2015 ROSTER

Position Players:

NAME	TEAM	AGE	SA	SHIFT	SSN	SPD	SBA	ARM	GAMES/PA	PB	TH	#24'S	31'S	ACQUIRED
ALONSO, Yonder	SD	27	2	SA -4/-1	33	5	7	30	84/288			2	2	12 DRAFT
BECKHAM, Gordon	LAA	28	3	SA +7/-4	33	12	3	34	127/483			3	2	10 DRAFT
BLANCO, Gregor	SF	30	0	SA +1/-2	29	16	21	31	146/444			0	2	13 DRAFT
BUTERA, Drew	LAD	30	2	SA +5/-3	N	8	0	35	61/192	3	+2	0	1	15 DRAFT
CONGER, Hank	LAA	26	0	SA +1/-2	9	6	2	33	80/260	1	-1	1	1	12 DRAFT
DAVIS, Raji	DET	34	4	SA +9/-6	30	18	47	31	134/494			0	2	15 TRADE
DREW, Steven	NYN	31	5	SA -8/+1	20	12	2	34	85/300			0	2	11 TRADE
ESCOBAR, Eduardo	MIN	25	0	SA +5/-4	20	15	2	34	133/465			0	2	15 TRADE
HARPER, Bryce	WAS	22	1	SA -2/-1	20	18	4	36	100/395			0	1	13 DRAFT
HERRERA, Elian	MIL	29	0	SA -6/+1	31	14	5	32	69/140			0	2	15 DRAFT
HEADLEY, Chase	NYN	31	0	SA -1/-1	27	11	5	31	135/531			3	2	09 DRAFT
LaROCHE, Adam	WAS	35	5	PR -11/+2	33	4	3	31	140/586			1	1	15 TRADE
MOORE, Tyler	WAS	27	1	SA +1/-2	N	6	0	31	42/100			1	1	13 DRAFT
NAVA, Daniel	BOS	31	0	SA -15/+2	26	15	6	31	113/408			0	2	13 DRAFT
SANCHEZ, Carlos	CWS	22	0	SA +9/-8	20	15	2	32	28/104			0	1	15 DRAFT
SUZUKI, Kurt	MIN	30	2	SA +3/-3	14	7	1	32	131/503	0	-3	1	2	14 WAIVER
WERTH, Jayson	WAS	35	2	SA +3/-3	34	17	10	36	147/629			0	1	15 TRADE
YELICH, Christian	MIA	22	0	SA +2/-2	29	17	28	33	144/660			1	2	14 DRAFT

ACTIVE ROSTER

MINOR LEAGUES

Pitchers:

NAME	TEAM	AGE	GRADE	BB	HR	ARM	FAT	STARTS/RIP	WP	BK	HB	MF	ACQUIRED
AXFORD, John	PIT	31	*12	-62	-11	R	6	0/54.67	3	0		+0	11 DRAFT
BELISLE, Matt	COL	34	*2	15	21	R	18/6	1/64.67	3	0		+0	11 DRAFT
BOLSINGER, Mike	ARZ	26	1	12	-16	R	30	9/3.0	0		0	+3	15 DRAFT
BOXBERGER, Brad	TB	26	*22	-16	-24	R	6	0/65.0	3			+1	15 DRAFT
CARLYLE, Buddy	NYM	37	*18	33	23	R	6	0/31.0	0	0	0	+1	15 DRAFT
CHAMBERLAIN, Joba	DET	29	*10	-16	36	R	6	0/63.0	3	0		+0	15 TRADE
COLLMENTER, Josh	ARZ	29	10	24	-12	R	25/9	28/9	1	0		+1	12 DRAFT
COSART, Jarred	MIA	24	9	-33	36	R	26	30/0	3	0		+1	14 DRAFT
GEE, Dillon	NYM	28	9	-13	-22	R	28	22/0	1			+0	12 DRAFT
GRIFFIN, A.J.	OAK	27				R							13 DRAFT
JACKSON, Edwin	CC	31	1	-34	-15	R	30/6	27/1.0	3	0		+1	15 TRADE
MANESS, Seth	STL	26	*10	45	0	R	6	0/80.33	2			+3	14 DRAFT
McFARLAND, T.J.	BAL	25	*7	32	46	L	20/8	1/53.7	0	0		+0	14 DRAFT
MENDEZ, Roman	TEX	24	*21	-52	31	R	6	0/33.0	3	0		+0	15 DRAFT
PEREZ, Oliver	ARZ	33	*13	-24	14	L	6	0/58.67	3			+1	15 TRADE
VENTURA, Yordano	KC	23	12	-24	22	R	26	30/0.0	3			+3	15 DRAFT
WOOD, Alex	ATL	23	12	14	-11	L	26/8	24/15.33	2	0		+2	14 DRAFT

CUTS: Heath BELL, Jose CISNERO, Chad GAUDIN, Bryan HOLADAY, Elliott JOHNSON, Lucas LUETGE, Chia-Jen LO, Lou MARSON, Ross OHLENDOPH, J.B. SHUCK, Danny WORTH, Barry ZITO

WAIVER WIRE PICK-UPS:

WAIVER WIRE CUTS:

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

ANTICIPATED ROSTER MOVES

May: Wood down, Jackson up
June: Collmenter down, Wood up
July: Ventura down, Collmenter up
August: Ventura up, Cosart down
September: Cosart up, Jackson down
October: Wood down, Jackson up

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

Board Game Lineups:

Computer Game Lineups:

EMERGENCY LINEUPS:	vs. RHP #1	vs. RHP #2	vs LHP	vs RHP	vs LHP
1. Davis LF	1. Davis LF	1. Davis LF	1. Davis LF	1. Davis LF	1. Davis LF
2. Yelich RF	2. Yelich RF	2. Yelich RF	2. Yelich RF	2. Yelich RF	2. Yelich RF
3. Suzuki C	3. Suzuki C	3. Suzuki C	3. Suzuki C	3. Suzuki C	3. Suzuki C
4. Escobar SS	4. Escobar SS	4. Escobar SS	4. Escobar SS	4. Escobar SS	4. Escobar SS
5. LaRoche 1B	5. LaRoche 1B	5. Werth CF	5. LaRoche 1B	5. LaRoche 1B	5. Werth CF
6. Werth CF	6. Werth CF	6. Harper DH	6. Werth CF	6. Werth CF	6. Harper DH
7. Nava DH	7. Herrera 2B	7. La Roche 1B	7. Nava DH	7. Nava DH	7. La Roche 1B
8. Headley 3B	8. Nava DH	8. Headley 3B	8. Headley 3B	8. Headley 3B	8. Headley 3B
9. Beckham 2B	9. Headley 3B	9. Beckham 2B	9. Beckham 2B	9. Beckham 2B	9. Beckham 2B

2015 BLUE HILL MUDSLIDES PITCHING ROTATION:

PITCHER KEY: 1-Ventura (30), 2-Cosart (30), 3-Collmenter (28), 4-Wood (24), 5-Gee (22), 6-Jackson (27), 7-Bolsinger (1)

APR	1 - 4. at COL	1,2,3,5	MAY	1 - 5. at GC	6,1,2,3,5	JUN	1 - 4. WAR	4,5,6,1	JUL	1 - 5. DET	3,6,5,4,2
	6 - 8. at WAR	1,2,3		6 - 9. at BRO	6,1,2,3		6 - 8. WHT	2,4,6		6 - 9. at MAR	3,6,5,4
	10-13. at WHT	4,1,2,3		11-14. MLR	6,1,2,3		9 - 11. COL	1,5,2		11-14. at KNX	3,6,5,4
	14-17. GOH	5,4,1,2		15-18. TAY	5,6,1,2		12-16. at CAY	4,6,1,5,2		15-18. at NBO	2,3,6,5
	19-23. HOB	5,4,1,2,3		20-23. MUN	3,6,1,2		18-21. at NW	6,1,4,2		19-22. RYE	4,2,3,6
AUG	1 - 4. HUD	5,1,3,6	SEP	3 - 5. at COL	2,1,3	OCT	1 - 4* NW	6,2,1,3,5	NOV	2 - 6. at GOH	4,6,2,3,1
	5 - 8. MID	4,5,1,3		6 - 9. at WAR	4,5,2,1		6 - 9. ZIO	6,2,1,3		7 - 10. at HOB	4,7,2,3
	10-13. CAY	6,5,1,3		10-12. at WHT	3,4,5		10 -13. at BRK	5,6,2,1		11-13. WAR	1,4,6
	14-17. at KAN	4,6,5,1		14-17. GC	2,1,3,4		15-18. at DET	3,6,2,1		15-18. WHT	2,3,4,6
	18-21. at LV	3,4,6,5		18-22. BRO	5,2,1,3,4		19 -23. at RYE	4,3,6,2,1		19-22. COL	7,1,2,4

2015 PITCHING STAFF:

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Overview: The rotation will be very good for 82 starts as this staff is starting to come together. And besides Jackson the rest of them should provide quality starts and they are young. The bullpen is much better than it has been with top end has 129 IP of closer grade, then there is 113 innings of good middle relief. The rest of the pen will be made up by 3 guys who will take turns covering any early exits and a mop up guy. If things go badly early, go to the pen and keep us in the game.

The Starters:

Yordana Ventura: The new ace of the staff is a Grade 12 for 30 starts. Give him every chance to pitch out of trouble and try to get 7 innings out of him but remove him if he gets reduced or fatigued. If he gets to the 7th remove after first base runner.

Alex Wood: Another Grade 12 with a little better control. I would also like to see him given every chance to pitch out of trouble and get through 7 innings. But also remove him if he gets reduced or fatigued, and if he gets to the 7th remove after the first baserunner.

Josh Collmenter: A Grade 10 with good control pitch him until he is fatigued or reduced.

Jarred Cosart: A Grade 9 who can get a little wild. Pitch him through 5 unless he is pounded out, then remove him after the first baserunner if the game is within 2 runs either way.

Dillon Gee: Another Grade 9 who is also a little wild, but has a little higher fatigue. I would like to see him pitch through 6 unless he is pounded out, then also remove after the first baserunner if the game is within 2 runs either way.

Edwin Jackson: Right now he is scheduled for 28 starts and I'm sure they'll be interesting. He needs to go 3 IP, after that look to get him out as soon as possible. I am assigning Maness as a "valet" for his starts.

The Bullpen:

Roman Mendez: He will share the closing duties with Carlyle. He will pitch anytime it is a closing situation in the 9th or later.

Buddy Carlyle: He will share the closing duties with Mendez. He also will pitch anytime it is a closing situation in the 9th or later.

Brad Boxberger: He will assume the setup role this season with his Relief Grade of *22 and his 65 innings should get him a lot of action in the 7th and 8th innings. I am going to count on him to get the ball to the closer in close games that BH leads.

Oliver Perez: A lefty he will be used in tandem with Axford to stop a rally and get through the middle innings to get the ball to the setup man Boxberger. His primary time to pitch should be in the 5th and or 6th.. Don't let him pitch more than 2.2 innings.

John Axford: See Perez, he will be the righty used in tandem get through the 5th and or 6th and get the ball to Boxberger.

Seth Maness: He should be the first RHP out of the pen most days. He can go 2.2 IP per outing so use him early and often. I am also going to use him as a "valet" for Jackson. So in a series Jackson is pitching please keep that in mind as he needs to be ready to bail Jackson out ASAP.

Joba Chamberlain: When active, his primary role will be to come into the game and relieve a starter who is in a jam or fatigued. He can also go 2.2 RIP so use him as much as needed.

T.J McFarland: He is a LHP who can relieve a RHP starter to pick up some shift advantages if it is the 5th inning or earlier. He can go 1.2 RIP per outing so use him early and often but don't leave him in if he gets in a jam.

Matt Belisle: He is likely to see limited action this year but when active his role would be long relief mop up duty. Burn up his RIP in a blowout if he is on the active roster.

Note: Any starter pitching a shutout should be left in with a chance to advance his grade. There is plenty of bullpen so if in doubt, go to the pen and don't let a game get out of hand, particularly in the 5th inning. I will be using the "valet" system in games Jackson starts. Maness will be his normal valet but look for monthly instructions to specify for the series. Remove any relief pitcher after a grade reduction unless the lead is greater than 6 runs either way.

Pitching Strategy:

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

Pitch from Stretch: *Computer Game* - Always with a SB threat on 3B and less than 2 outs.

Boards - Only from 7th inning on, tying or winning run on 3rd with adjusted SSN of 15 or better.

Hold Runner: *Computer Game* - Always with +/-5 score with adjusted SSN of 20+ any time during game.

Board Game - Hold SB threat with adjusted SSN of 25+ any time after the 5th inning when game is +/-3 runs.

Monthly instructions will give you specific usage for each series. Please try to limit relievers to 2 2/3 innings per outing but in extra innings or long relief stints with lower grades, you may exceed that limit.

Offensive Guidelines:

The top of the order should get on base and then look to run! Either SBA or H&R whenever the instructions say to. The hope is to get them into scoring position for the much improved middle of the lineup. There are no real usage issues so mix and match as it makes sense.

Bench:

Alonso - He can be used off the bench to PH against RHP. He can also PR when a Stolen base is needed. He is also a 1B4 so can back up LaRoche.

Blanco - He will come in a lot as a PR and then stay in for defense with his OF3. He can also PH especially when leading off an inning and we're looking for a baserunner.

Butera - He will be the primary backup Catcher, his best use is as a late innings defensive replacement. He should always enter the game in a save situation after we hit in the 8th.

Conger - another backup catcher only when Butera is not available. I'm not as eager to see him in a game, he should only come in if Suzuki is out due to PH, PR, or injury.

Drew - he should only be in the game if the starting SS or 2B has come out for some reason.

Harper - he is our primary PH. He can also PR and come into the outfield but only after he has enter the game first via PH or PR.

Herrera - He is going to get some spot starts at 2B vs. RHP. He will also be available to pinch hit but I'd prefer he PH only if Harper is not available.

Moore - He will pretty much only be used as a PH when better options are not available on the bench.

Sanchez - he will primarily be used as a pinch runner when I need his speed, but not to steal. He can also come in for defense if necessary.

Misc:

Herera & Sanchez are limited by PA's so please try to limit them to 1 PA per game unless they started game.

Stealing:

Blanco, Davis and **Yelich** will straight steal more than others who have limited SBA's that will only steal on H&R attempts. But I am counting on the top of my order to drive the offense this season.

Attempt steal of second when the adjusted SSN is 28 or greater, otherwise look to H&R or to just hit away.

Anytime: Davis - straight steal freely when above criteria is met. Steal 3B when tying/winning run.

After 5th inning: Blanco & Yelich - Limit Yelich to 2 SBA per series.

7th inning or later: Werth - I prefer to use his SBA's in H&R situations but in the 9th trailing by 1 run with at least 1 out you may send him.

Hit-and-Run:

Taking the conditions above into consideration, if the straight steal is not in order, H&R with the following:

Baserunners: Blanco, Davis, Werth, Yelich

Batters: Beckham, Davis, Headley, Suzuki, Yelich

Pinch-Hitting:

The best batters will generally be in the game but if playing the **Boards** shift issues may require you to consider Pinch Hitting for Davis, Drew, Herrera, LaRoche, Sanchez & Nava. On the **Computer** since shifts are less of an issue I would ask you to try and put the best hitter in a key situation late in the game.

Pinch-Running:

Please consider using a pinch runner any time after the 6th inning when the game is +2/-2 and slow runner on base. Please run:

1.) When a stolen base is critical to getting the tying run or winning run advanced. Potential runners would be: Blanco, Alonso, Nava, Herrera.

2.) When we need a baserunner with faster speed. Potential runners would be: Harper, Blanco, Nava, Sanchez, Herrera.

Sacrifice Bunts:

After the 6th inning with 0 out and runners on 1st or 1st & 2nd with the score +1/-1 please consider bunting when the H&R is not in order and no SBA can be made. Sacrifice with: Blanco, Beckham, Headley, Alonso, Herrera, Sanchez.

Base running:

Be more conservative moving from 2nd to 3rd particularly in the computer game (don't do this vs. any OF arm of 34+). On attempts to score, please send runner with 28+ chances and never with less than 18 chances on the board game. For the computer game do not try to stretch a double to a triple, and always send a runner who is "well around".

Defensive Guidelines:

Outfield Throws: Boards - Throw for lead runner w/ advance of 34 or less unless winning run 9th+ (then throw regardless). Otherwise throw behind the lead. Computer Game - Always throw for lead runner who is "S", non-S runners do not throw for lead when runner is "well-around." You may use the Adams Table or your own judgment if it differs greatly from my instructions.

Infield: Play deep for the first 7 innings. After 7 play close with 0 or 1 out, first base open, IBB is not an option tied or trailing by 4 runs or fewer.

Defensively this team is much improved. The corners are both fielding ones as is 2/3's of the outfield. We are solid up the middle and in the late inning's I have the ability to deploy a 34/43 not including the pitcher.

CATCHER: **Suzuki** had a nice offensive year and will be the starter for most of the games. Because his arm is below average I will look to replace him with **Butera** C9 +2 arm into every game we lead after we hit in the 8th. Old backup **Conger** is still available too if we feel we need to use him.

1B: **La Roche** is a 1B5 every day. When we run for him, **Alonso** (1B4) is the backup & **Moore** (1B2) is last.

2B: **Beckham** will start most of the games there but I do plan on spot starting **Herrera** when I feel I need more offense in the game. **Sanchez** and **Drew** will be available occasionally to play some second.

3B: **Headley's** offense didn't improve much offensively but his 3B5 will be nice to man the hot corner 135 games this year. I will probably start **Herrera** or **Alonso** for the balance of those games.

SS: **Escobar** was acquired over the winter to help both the offense and the defense. I plan to start him at SS 133 times but he is able to slide over to his right or left if needed, and even can help out in the outfield. When not available the man he replaced, **Drew**, will have to fill in but not so much at the plate.

Outfield: **Davis** will be the everyday LF and because of his offense should rarely leave the game. CF will be handled the same way by **Werth** as he is OF3 with 36 arm. **Yelich** is the regular RF and I don't anticipate any reason for him to leave either. **Blanco** will most likely fill in the starts for all three of them. **Harper & Nava** will spend most of their time as the DH but when not in the starting lineup will be on the bench if needed.

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