



**1993**

**GRAND FINAL**

**LONDON WARRIORS**

**v**

**ENFIELD SPARTANS**



*The Newest Hairworkers in Town*

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On behalf of National League Baseball I would like take the opportunity to welcome you to our second attempt to find our Champion of 1993. Unfortunately, last Sundays proceedings were cut short by the weather, but not before the Spartans had booked their spot in the final by beating the Cambridge Knights into third place overall. Our congratulations go out to Cambridge for reaching the semi-final stage after a torrid run in to the regular season. Let's hope that the weather remains kind to us today and that we can all sit back and enjoy what promises to be a highly competitive and tight game.

TOM SIMS  
Administrator NLB

**BASEBALL QUOTES**

My wife accused me the other day of loving baseball more than I loved her. I told her she was right, but that I did love her more than football and basketball.  
-TOMMY LASORDA, Los Angeles Dodgers manager.

Now there's three things you can do in a baseball game: you can win or you can lose or it can rain.-CASEY STENGEL, Hall of Fame manager.



### NLB REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS - FINAL

	P1	W	L	GB	%	
London Warriors	21	19	2	-	.905	
Bury Saints	21	14	7	5	.666	
Enfield Spartans	20	12	8	6.5	.600	*
Birmingham Brewers	20	11	9	7.5	.550	*
Essex Eagles	21	10	11	9	.476	
Cambridge Knights	21	7	14	12	.333	
Waltham Forest Angels	20	5	15	13.5	.250	*
Croydon Blue Jays	20	4	16	14.5	.200	*

\* One game lost to bad weather - No decision taken

### PLAY-OFFS

Saturday 25 September

LONDON WARRIORS	24	WALTHAM FOREST ANGELS	2
ENFIELD SPARTANS	9	BIRMINGHAM BREWERS	0
CAMBRIDGE KNIGHTS	11	BURY SAINTS	4

### THIRD PLACE PLAY-OFF

Sunday 26 September

ENFIELD SPARTANS	9	CAMBRIDGE KNIGHTS	4
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### LONDON WARRIORS

Champions of last years Independent National League, the Warriors are a formidable team. Former GB internationals Alan Bloomfield and Julian Dodwell are blended with the imported talents of German Oliver Heidecker, Dutchman Stan Smulders, Spaniard Vincente Martinez and former University of Massachusetts pitcher Justin Brown and the volatile American pitcher Cody Cain.

### ENFIELD SPARTANS

For many years one of the strongest club sides in British baseball, the Spartans are now at the rebuilding stage.

Stalwarts of the side are GB internationals Julian Fountain, Rob and Ian Lanario and Gary Beddingfield.

On the mound look out for the pitching of former Triple A star Rob Nelson.

### BURY SAINTS

The Saints came over to NLB from the British Baseball Federations Premier League at the start of the year, and have carried on where they left off last year when finishing second to Hull. After a slow start the Saints have developed into a strong side behind the hard pitching of American John Nevelle.

### CAMBRIDGE KNIGHTS

One of the founder members of NLB, the Knights have fallen away badly after a bright start to the season and have suffered from constant injury problems.

On their day, behind the strong pitching of young British prospect Matthew Gilbert they can be a difficult team to beat.

## BASEBALL QUOTES

### CROYDON BLUE JAYS

The Jays are one of the longest established teams in the country, and their use of the name Blue Jays actually pre-dates Toronto.

The teams strength lies mainly in the pitching of Keith Wilesmith, for many years one of the williest pitchers in the British game. Canadian Jamie Heather and former Canadian Harvey Sakher add experience to a young squad.

### ESSEX EAGLES

A strong willed, hard hitting young side led by the ever young pitcher Vince Warner, this side can only get better.

With young British players Dave Read and Seamus Hassain coming through fast, this could be the club of the future.

### BIRMINGHAM BREWERS

Another up and coming young side with lots of latent talent and a good future.

Led by one of the new 'Young Lions', Martin Dutton, from the mound, Birmingham could be one of the surprises of next years campaign.

### WALTHAM FOREST ANGELS

The Angels were new to this level of baseball this year, and, after a slow start they have shown considerable fortitude to surprise a few teams recently. Behind the pitching of Tony Dyett and the big hitting of Noel Omechi ther is a crop of new young British players coming through. They can only get better.

I once scouted a pitcher who was so bad that when he came into a game the ground crew dragged the warning track.--ELLIS CLEARY, Chicago White Sox scout.

Anybody with the ability can play in the big leagues. But to be able to trick people year in and year out the way I did, I think that was a much greater feat.--BOB UECKER, former major league catcher, 1980.

The trouble with baseball is by the time you learn how to play it, you can't play it anymore.--FRANK HOWARD, former major league outfielder, 1976.

Yankee pitcher Tommy John, on his 1974 "bionic arm" surgery: "When they operated, I told them to put in a Koufax fastball. They did-but it was Mrs. Koufax's."

The secret of managing is to keep the guys who hate you away from the guys who are undecided.--CASEY STENGEL

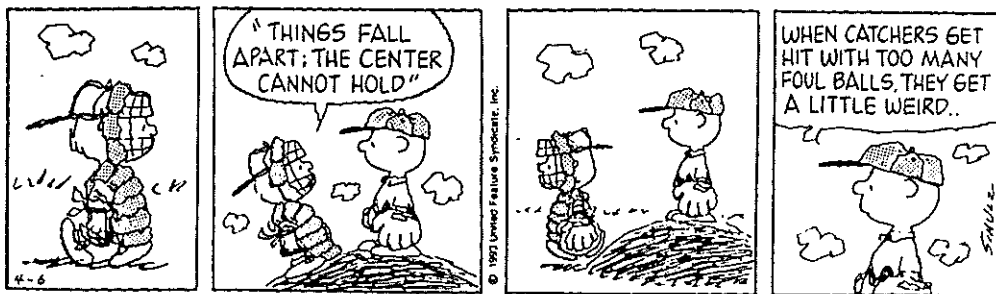
You can't sit on a lead and run a few plays into the line and just kill the clock. You've got to throw the ball over the goddamn plate and give the other man his chance. That's why baseball is the greatest game of them all.--EARL WEAVER, Baltimore Orioles manager.

I drink after wins. I drink after losses. I drink after rainouts.--BOB LEMON, New York Yankees manager, 1978.



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It may be that baseball is, under close analysis, pointless. What seems to be apparent to me is that close analysis is pointless. The game is there. It is the best game there is. That's all I need to know.--ART HILL, sportswriter.

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