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Round 2, Game 1

USA (2-1)

RHP Jake Peavy (0-0, 6.00)

vs

Puerto Rico (3-0)

RHP Javier Vazquez (1-0, 0.00)

Saturday, March 14, 2009

Dolphin Stadium, Miami

World Baseball Classic Pool 1 Schedule & Probable Pitchers

Today, Game 1, Venezuela vs Netherlands:	Carlos Silva vs Sidney Ponson	MLB Network, 1:00et
Tonight, Game 2, Puerto Rico vs USA:	Javier Vazquez vs Jake Peavy	MLB Network, 8:00et
Tomorrow, Game 1 loser vs Game 2 loser		ESPN2, 7:30et
Monday, Game 1 winner vs Game 2 winner		ESPN, 8:00et
Tuesday, Sunday's winner vs Monday's loser		MLB Network, 7:00et
Wednesday, Monday's winner vs Tuesday's winner		MLB Network, 7:00et

RED, WHITE & BLUE NEWS

Pocket Schedule

Tonight Stretch, 5:25pm
 BP, until 6:50pm
 USA is the visiting team

2009 World Baseball Classic Results

Round 1, Toronto

USA 6	Won	Canada 5
USA 15	Won	Venezuela 6
USA 3	Lost	Venezuela 5

2006 World Baseball Classic Results

Round 1, Phoenix

USA 2	Won	Mexico 0
USA 6	Lost	Canada 8
USA 17	Won (5)	S. Africa 0

Round 2, Anaheim

USA 4	Won	Japan 3
USA 3	Lost	Korea 7
USA 1	Lost	Mexico 2

Career At Dolphin Stadium*

	H-AB	Avg	HR	RBI	
Braun	2-13	.154	0	0	
DeRosa	22-87	.253	2	10	
Dunn	22-87	.253	4	14	
Iannetta	2-9	.222	0	2	
Jeter	13-38	.342	0	5	
Jones	110-357	.308	15	53	
McCann	25-94	.266	4	18	
Rollins	91-327	.278	8	42	
Victorino	26-101	.257	2	11	
Wright	52-149	.349	3	26	
Youkilis	2-8	.250	1	1	
Apps	W-L-S	ERA	IP	ER	
Bell	11	0-1-0	4.50	14.0	7
Broxton	4	0-1-0	2.25	4.0	1
Grabow	6	0-0-0	0.00	3.2	0
Hanrahan	5	0-0-0	4.26	6.1	3
Hawkins	3	1-0-0	0.00	3.0	0
Howell	2	1-0-0	7.71	7.0	6
Lilly	3	0-3-0	5.17	15.2	9
Lindstrom	71	3-2-2	2.62	65.1	19
Oswalt	6	2-3-0	3.46	39.0	15
Peavy	4	2-2-0	2.13	25.1	6
Putz	2	0-0-0	0.00	2.0	0
Thornton	1	0-0-0	---	0.0	0

* Not including 2009 WBC

WBC SUMMARY: The second round of the 2009 World Baseball Classic began earlier today in Miami, with 2 more openers tomorrow in San Diego...Team USA and Venezuela of the Toronto pool are joined here by Puerto Rico and Netherlands of the San Juan bracket...Korea and Japan of the Tokyo pool will play in San Diego with Mexico City survivors Cuba and Mexico...the semifinals are Sat, 3/21 & Sun, 3/22 and the final on 3/23, all at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles...more information can be found at www.WorldBaseballClassic.com.

INTERIM SKIPPER: Bench coach Barry Larkin is serving as manager of tonight's second-round game...his only previous managerial experience came in games played as part of Major League Baseball's European Academy program in Terrenia, Italy...manager Davey Johnson this evening is attending the wedding of his stepson, Jeremy Allen, in St. Petersburg...Johnson is expected to re-join the team tomorrow.

INJURED: Chipper Jones left Sun's game vs Venezuela with a mild strain of the right external oblique muscle...he did not play in Wed's 5-3 loss to Venezuela...he will be examined daily and his playing status updated...an injured player cannot be replaced on the World Baseball Classic roster in the middle of a round, unless the injured player is a catcher...any injured player, regardless of position, can be replaced if his team advances to the next round.

DUTCH TREATS: Team USA's Davey Johnson managed the Netherlands' national team in the 2003 World Port Tournament (8-1 record, suffered a 3-2 loss to Cuba in the final), 2003 European Championships (8-0, advanced to the 2004 Olympic qualifier) and 2004 Athens Olympic Games (2-5, finished sixth)...Nicky Delmonico, the son of current Dutch manager Rod Delmonico, last summer played on USA Baseball's 16U National Team...Nicky started at first base in all 8g for Team USA and hit .368.

HOMECOMING: Ryan Braun played at the University of Miami from 2003-05...as a junior in 2005 he was a finalist for USA Baseball's Golden Spikes Award, given annually to the nation's top collegiate player, after hitting .388 with 18 HR and 76 RBI...that year he was selected by the Brewers with the fifth pick overall of the June draft.

ROSTER MATTERS: LHP Brian Fuentes, who was on the bereavement list for the first round, is injured and will not join the club...Team USA will play on with its current roster.

HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE: If he appears during this round of the World Baseball Classic, Marlins RHP Matt Lindstrom will pitch in front of his home crowd at Miami's Dolphin Stadium...if Team USA reaches the tournament's semifinals at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles, RHP Jonathan Broxton could take the hill in his home park.

KOMEBACK KIDS: In each of its 2 victories Team USA came back from a pair of deficits...trailed 1-0 and 2-1 in last Sat's 6-5 win vs Canada...trailed 1-0 and 3-2 in Sun's 15-6 victory over Venezuela.

USA BASEBALL PROFESSIONAL TEAM HISTORY: Since professional players were introduced to international competition in 1999, Team USA has the following records against its potential Round 2 opponents:

3-0 vs PUERTO RICO; Last appearance: 2006 Olympic Qualifier - Havana, Cuba: USA 5, Puerto Rico 2
 Mark Reynolds led the Americans with 2 homers and 4rbi...Reynolds broke a scoreless tie with a solo HR and broke a 2-2 tie with a 3-run HR.

4-0 vs NETHERLANDS; Last Appearance: 2008 Olympic Games - Beijing, China: USA 7, Netherlands 0
 Stephen Strasburg threw 7.0 scoreless innings (1h, 11k)...Matt LaPorta hit a 3-run HR and Matt Brown a solo shot.
2-3 vs VENEZUELA; Last appearance: 2009 World Baseball Classic - Toronto, Canada: Venezuela 5, USA 3
 Venezuela snapped the 1-1 tie with 1 run in the fifth inning, 2 in the sixth and another in the seventh, all off Jamie Guthrie (2ip, 7h, 4er, 2bb, 2k, 54 pitches)...Ted Lilly started (3ip, 3h, 1er, 0bb, 2k, Henry Blanco solo HR, 36 pitches)...in the eighth Chris Iannetta pulled the USA to within 5-3 on a 2-run, upper deck HR off Orber Moreno.

USA vs Puerto Rico (3-0)		
2005 Baseball World Cup	Haarlem, NED	W, 12-6
2005 Baseball World Cup	Amsterdam, NED	W, 11-3
2006 Olympic Qualifier	Havana, Cuba	W, 5-2
USA vs Netherlands (4-0)		
1999 Intercontinental Cup	Sydney, Australia	W, 4-1
2000 Olympic Games	Sydney, Australia	W, 6-2
2007 Baseball World Cup	Taipei City, Taiwan	W, 5-0
2008 Olympic Games	Beijing, China	W, 7-0
USA vs Venezuela (2-3)		
2000 Pan American Cup	Panama City, PN	W, 7-3
2002 Americas Cup	Salttillo, Mexico	L, 2-7
2006 Olympic Qualifier	Havana, Cuba	L, 9-12
2009 World Baseball Classic	Toronto, Canada	W, 15-6
2009 World Baseball Classic	Toronto, Canada	L, 3-5
<small>Results since professional players' debuts in international play in 1999</small>		

TEAM USA ON THE MOUND

Starters & Relievers

	w-l	era	g	cg	sv	ip	h	ab	r	er	bb	so	hr	opp avg
Starters	0-0	5.59	3	-	-	9.2	11	40	6	6	5	7	2	.275
Relievers	2-1	5.19	3	-	1-1	17.1	21	68	10	10	6	10	2	.309

Puerto Rico batters vs Peavy

Beltran	5-16	.313	0 HR
Cora	4-22	.182	0 HR
Delgado	2-12	.167	0 HR
Lopez	2-16	.125	0 HR

Puerto Rico batters vs Peavy

Molina	3-14	.214	0 HR
Rodriguez	0-3	.000	0 HR
Soto	1-2	.500	0 HR
Williams	1-3	.333	0 HR

Courtesy Elias Sports Bureau

Relievers: In the first round retired the first batter 14-19 times and stranded all 5 inherited baserunners...**J.J. Putz** converted the staff's only save opportunity, in Sat's 6-5 win vs Canada.

99 HEATH BELL, rhp

San Diego Padres

In 2008 led the Padres' staff with 74 apps and 23 holds...with 6 wins tied his career high...among all National League relievers over the last 2 seasons ranks first in holds (57), second in innings pitched (171.2), T2nd in wins (12) and fourth in strikeouts (173)...also over the last 2 seasons led Padres relievers in wins, apps (153), innings, strikeouts and ERA (2.73).

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	-	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	0	19

51 JONATHAN BROXTON, rhp

Los Angeles Dodgers

Last season became the Dodgers' closer after Takashi Saito was injured...beginning 6/18 posted a 2.73era (29.1ip, 12bb, 42k) and converted 14-17 save opps.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	-	1.0	1	-	-	-	1	-	18
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	2	-	13

34 JOHN GRABOW, lhp

Pittsburgh Pirates

Last name is pronounced GRAY-bo...threw just 1 pitch in each of his 2 WBC apps...retired Venezuela's Marco Scutaro on Sun (F9) and Carlos Guillen on Wed (F8)...in 2008, with a career-high 74 apps fell 4 shy of the Pirates' single-season record for a lefthander (78g, Scott Sauerbeck in 2002)...also last season set career highs in innings pitched (76.0), ERA (2.84) and victories (6)...posted the third-best ERA among all National League lefthanders (LAD's Hong-Chih Kuo, 1.69 & Col's Brian Fuentes, 2.73)...in his last 36 apps of the season beginning 7/1 posted a 1.96era.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

46 JEREMY GUTHRIE, rhp

Baltimore Orioles

In 2008 established career bests with 10 wins, a 3.63era, 190.2 innings pitched and 30 starts...was elected off waivers by the Orioles in January 2007...was drafted by the Indians out of Stanford University in the first round (22nd overall) of the 2002 first-year player draft.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	L	2.0	7	4	4	2	2	-	54

38 JOEL HANRAHAN, rhp

Washington Nationals

In 2008 made 69 relief apps for the Nationals...earned 9 saves as the staff's closer after Jon Rauch was traded to the Diamondbacks on 7/22...led Nats relievers with 84.1 innings, third-most among all National League relievers...his 93 strikeouts were second-most among NL relievers...in save situations posted a 1.84era...converted 9-13 save opps.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	-	1.0	1	1	1	1	-	-	15
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	-	0.2	1	-	-	-	-	-	14

42 LaTROY HAWKINS, rhp

Houston Astros

Is wearing uniform number 42 in honor of Jackie Robinson...Wed vs Venezuela retired on groundouts Miguel Cabrera and Magglio Ordonez...in 14 Major League seasons has made 688 apps, including 98 starts, for Min (1995-2003), ChiN (2004-05), SF (2005), Bal (2006), Col (2007), NYY (2008) and Houston (2008).

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	W	1.0	-	-	-	1	1	-	12
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	-	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

39 J.P. HOWELL, lhp

Tampa Bay Rays

In 2008 helped the Rays to the American League pennant by establishing career bests with a 2.22era, 92 strikeouts, 89.1 innings pitched and 6 victories...led all AL relievers in strikeouts...led the Major Leagues in relief innings pitched and percentage of inherited runners stranded (89%)...was drafted by the Royals in the first round (31st overall) of the 2004 first-year player draft.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	-	1.0	-	-	-	1	-	-	10

33 TED LILLY, lhp

Chicago Cubs

Started Wed's 5-3 loss vs Venezuela...allowed only a solo HR to Henry Blanco leading off the third inning...won 15g in 2007 and 17g last season to become the first Cubs lefty with consecutive 10-win seasons since 1983-84...has at least 10 wins in each of last 6 seasons (2003-08) and at least 15 wins in each of the last 3 years (2006-08).

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	GS	3.0	3	1	1	-	2	1	36

29 MATT LINDSTROM, rhp

Florida Marlins

Has a career ERA of just 3.11 in 137 apps...originally was selected by the Mets in the 10th round of the June 2002 first-year player draft...was traded to the Marlins in November 2006...before he went to junior college spent 2 years on a Mormon mission to Sweden, his grandfather's birthplace.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	W	1.1	-	-	-	-	1	-	21

44 ROY OSWALT, rhp

Houston Astros

Started Sun's 15-6 win vs Venezuela...since his debut in 2001 leads all Major League pitchers with 129 victories and ranks third with a 3.13era...produced at least 10 wins in each of the last 8 seasons...is a 3-time All-Star (2005-07) and MVP of the 2005 National League Championship Series vs StL (2gs, 2-0, 1.29)...in 2008, for the sixth time in his career threw at least 200 innings with at least 30 starts...participated in the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	GS	3.2	6	3	3	2	1	-	65

22 JAKE PEAVY, rhp

San Diego Padres

Started the tournament opener vs Canada...is participating in his second World Baseball Classic...in 3 career WBC starts is 0-0, 4.09 (11ip, 8h, 5er, 4bb, 10k, 2hr)...Team USA won both of his 2006 WBC starts, a 2-0 win vs Mexico in the first round (ND, 3ip, 1h, 0r, 0bb, 3k) and a 4-3 victory vs Japan in Round 2 (ND, 5ip, 5h, 3er, 1bb, 3k, Ichiro leadoff HR)...in 2007 became the eighth player since 1969 to win the pitching Triple Crown with 19 victories, 240 strikeouts and a 2.54era...that season became only the 10th pitcher ever to win the Cy Young Award by unanimous vote...is a 2-time All-Star, including the starter in 2007.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	GS	3.0	2	2	2	3	4	1	58

23 J.J. PUTZ, rhp

New York Mets

Last name is pronounced Puts, as in "he puts the ball where he wants it"...saved Sat's 6-5 win vs Canada...his 101 career saves rank second in Mariners history...in 2007 was an American League All-Star and became the first Mariners pitcher to win the Roloids Relief Man Award.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	SV	1.0	2	1	1	-	-	-	21

62 SCOT SHIELDS, rhp

Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim

Is participating in his second World Baseball Classic...in 5 career WBC apps is 0-0, 1.69 (5.1ip, 4h, 1er, 2bb, 4k, 1hr)...in the 2006 WBC didn't allow a run in 3 apps (3.2ip, 1h, 1bb, 2k)...since 2004 has thrown more innings in relief than any other pitcher in the Major Leagues (362.2)...in 2008 posted a career-best 2.70era and had 31 holds to lead the American League in that category for the third straight season...his 41 wins in relief are the most in Angels history.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	-	1.0	2	1	1	1	2	1	30
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	-	0.2	1	-	-	-	-	-	12

37 MATT THORNTON, lhp

Chicago White Sox

Has retired all 5 batters faced (1gidp)...Wed vs Venezuela entered the game with 2 runners on base and no outs but stranded both (Gerardo Parra GIDP, Max Ramirez P9).

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	W, 6-5	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	1	-	7
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

31 BRAD ZIEGLER, rhp

Oakland Athletics

Last season made his Major League debut by posting a 1.06era in 47 relief apps and 59.2 innings...led all big league relievers in ERA, the second-lowest ever by an Athletics pitcher (since 1913) with at least 50.0 innings pitched...from 5/31-8/12 didn't allow a run in his first 39.0 innings, a modern big league record for consecutive scoreless innings to start a career and the American League record for consecutive scoreless innings by a rookie.

Date	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	W, 15-6	-	1.0	3	2	2	-	-	1	21
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	L, 5-3	-	0.1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6

TEAM USA IN THE FIELD

USA batters vs Vazquez

DeRosa	8-25	.320	1 HR
Dunn	1-12	.083	0 HR
Granderson	6-28	.214	3 HR
Jeter	6-20	.300	1 HR
Jones	16-57	.281	2 HR
McCann	0-4	.000	0 HR

USA batters vs Vazquez

Pedroia	7-10	.700	0 HR
Rollins	8-43	.186	2 HR
Victorino	1-3	.333	0 HR
Wright	1-3	.333	0 HR
Youkilis	1-14	.071	0 HR

Courtesy Elias Sports Bureau

BATTERS: In the first round of the tournament Team USA batters hit .273 with RISP (9-33)...designated hitters are batting .385 (5-13).

18 RYAN BRAUN, of

Milwaukee Brewers

In Sun's 15-6 win vs Venezuela hit a solo HR off Orber Moreno...was 2007 National League Rookie of the Year and in 2008 finished third in the NL Most Valuable Player voting...last season was an All-Star for the first time...is only the second player in Major League history to hit at least 30hr in each of his first 2 seasons (Albert Pujols)...his 71 homers ties Pujols for fourth-most in history after 2 seasons (Joe DiMaggio 75, Ralph Kiner 74, Eddie Mathews 72).

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	LF - 7	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	PH, LF	2	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	LF - 7	4	-	3	1	-	-	1	-	-	-

7 MARK DeROSA, inf/of

Cleveland Indians

Plays second base, third base, shortstop, left field and right field...in 2008 established career highs with 103 runs, 87 RBI, 21 home runs, 69 walks, 243 total bases, a .376 on-base percentage and 6 stolen bases...for the second straight season appeared in a career-high 149 apps...has played for the Braves (1998-2004), Rangers (2005-06), Cubs (2007-08) and now the Indians.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	LF - 7, 3B	2	1	1	-	1	-	4	1	-	-

17 ADAM DUNN, 1b/of

Washington Nationals

Homered Sat off Canada's Chris Begg and Sun off Venezuela's Ivan Blanco...is the only player in the Major Leagues to produce at least 40 homers in each of the last 5 seasons and only the eighth player in history with 5 consecutive 40-homer seasons (Barry Bonds, Ken Griffey Jr., Ralph Kiner, Alex Rodriguez, Babe Ruth, Duke Snider, Sammy Sosa)...in each of the last 7 seasons led the Reds in home runs...among players younger than 30 years old, his 278 career homers rank second only to Albert Pujols (319).

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	RF - 6	1	2	1	-	-	1	2	2	-	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	RF - 6	3	3	2	-	-	1	1	2	1	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	RF - 6	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-

28 CURTIS GRANDERSON, of

Detroit Tigers

In each of the last 3 seasons produced at least 155 hits, 55 extra-base hits and 65rbi and in each of the last 2 years scored at least 110 runs...began last season on the disabled list with a broken right finger but still led the Major Leagues in triples (13) for the second straight year...in 2007 led the majors with 23 triples, the highest total since 1949 and more than 6 entire teams produced...that season became only the third player in history to record at least 20 doubles, 20 triples, 20 homers and 20 stolen bases (Frank Schulte 1911, Willie Mays 1957)...later in the 2007 season Jimmy Rollins became the fourth member of that exclusive club.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	CF	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	CF - 9	5	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	PR, CF	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-

26 CHRIS IANNETTA, c

Colorado Rockies

In Wed's game vs Venezuela hit a 2-run HR off Orber Moreno...in 2008 established Rockies records for RBI (65) and on-base percentage (.390) for a catcher...his 65rbi last season were the most in the Major Leagues by a player with fewer than 340 at bats and his .390 on-base percentage was the highest among all big league catchers with at least 250ab.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	C - 8	3	1	2	1	-	-	4	2	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	C	1	1	1	-	-	1	2	1	-	-

2 DEREK JETER, ss

New York Yankees

Was named to the 2006 World Baseball Classic all-tournament team (6g, .450, 1 triple, 1rbi)...in 9 career WBC games is hitting .448 (13-29, 7r, 1 2b, 1 3b, 1rbi)...is a 9-time All-Star...is the only player ever to win the All-Star Game and World Series MVP awards in the same season (2000)...was 1996 American League Rookie of the Year...has won 3 Silver Slugger Awards (2006-08) and 3 Rawlings Gold Glove Awards (2004-06).

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	SS - 2	3	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	SS	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	DH - 3	4	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

10 CHIPPER JONES, inf

Atlanta Braves

Left Sun's game vs Venezuela with a mild strain of his right external oblique muscle...is evaluated daily...is participating in his second World Baseball Classic...in 8 career WBC apps is hitting .250 (6-24, 6r, 1 2b, 2hr, 2rbi)...in the 2006 WBC hit .353 with a double and 2 solo HR...homered in his first WBC plate appearance (off Oscar Villareal)...is only the second player in Major League history to begin his career with 14 straight 20-homer seasons (Eddie Mathews)...was 1999 National League MVP...is a 6-time All-Star...with 408 homers ranks third all-time among switch hitters...is Atl's all-time leader in games played (2,023)...in 2008 led the majors in hitting (career-high .364) and on-base percentage (.470)...hit .399 at Turner Field, the highest single-season home BA in Braves history...was selected by the Braves as the first player overall in the 1990 draft.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	DH - 3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	3B - 3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-

16 BRIAN McCANN, c

Atlanta Braves

Sun vs Canada homered off Mike Johnson...is the only Braves player ever selected to the All-Star team in each of his first 3 seasons (2006-08)...won National League Silver Slugger Awards in 2006 and 2008...since 2006 leads all Major League catchers in home runs (65)...last season led all big league catchers with 42 doubles and 23 homers and ranked second with 87rbi and a .301ba.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	C - 8	2	1	1	-	-	1	3	1	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	C - 8	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

15 DUSTIN PEDROIA, 2b

Boston Red Sox

In 2008 became the first second baseman to win the American League MVP Award since Nellie Fox in 1959...is only the third player in history to win the Rookie of the Year and MVP awards in consecutive seasons (Cal Ripken, Ryan Howard)...also last season participated in his first All-Star Game and won Rawlings Gold Glove and Silver Slugger awards...in 2008 tied for the Major League lead in hits (213) and led the AL in doubles (54) and runs scored (118)...became the first player to lead the AL in those 3 categories since Cal Ripken in 1983.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	2B - 1	5	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	2B - 2	6	1	1	1	-	-	2	-	1	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	2B - 2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1 JIMMY ROLLINS, ss

Philadelphia Phillies

In each of the last 2 seasons won Rawlings Gold Glove Awards...was the 2007 National League MVP...in 2008 established a career high with 47 stolen bases and led all NL shortstops in fielding percentage (.988)...in 2007 became the first player in history to collect at least 200 hits (212), 15 triples (20), 25 homers (30) and 25 stolen bases (41) in a season...holds Phillies' records for career leadoff HR (28) and longest hitting streak (38g, August 2005-April 2006).

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	PR, SS	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	SS - 1	3	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	SS - 1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1

50 SHANE VICTORINO, of

Philadelphia Phillies

The native of Hawaii is wearing uniform number 50 in honor of the 50th state...in 2008 established career highs in starts (101), at bats (456), runs (78), hits (128), doubles (23), home runs (12), walks (37) and stolen bases (37)...among National League leaders ranked sixth in steals, fourth in stolen base percentage (90.2) and T6th in outfield assists.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	CF - 9, RF	4	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	PR, RF	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	CF - 9	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

4 DAVID WRIGHT, 3b

New York Mets

Is 1 of only 2 players in history to record at least 40 doubles and 25 homers in each of his first 4 seasons (Albert Pujols, 2001-04)...is the only player in Mets history to produce at least 100rbi in 4 seasons...is a 3-time All-Star...in each of the last 2 seasons won Rawlings Gold Glove and Silver Slugger awards.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	3B - 4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	DH - 5	5	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	3B - 5	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-

21 KEVIN YOUKILIS, 1b

Boston Red Sox

Homered Sat off Canada's Mike Johnson and Sun off Venezuela's Yoel Hernandez...his homer off Hernandez came on the 11th pitch of the plate appearance...last season won the Hank Aaron Award as the best hitter in the American League...started the 2008 All-Star Game at Yankee Stadium...in 2008 finished third in the MVP voting after establishing career highs with 168 hits, 29hr, 115rbi, 43 doubles and a .312ba.

Date	Opp	Game	Position	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB
Sat	vs Can	Rd1, G1	1B - 5	2	3	1	-	-	1	1	2	1	-
Sun	at Ven	Rd1, G2	1B - 4	6	4	2	-	-	1	2	-	1	-
Wed	vs Ven	Rd1, G3	1B - 4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-

ABOUT THE ROSTER

By Name	By Number
99 Bell	1 Rollins
18 Braun	2 Jeter
51 Broxton	3 Ripken
7 DeRosa	4 Wright
17 Dunn	5 Johnson
34 Grabow	7 DeRosa
28 Granderson	8 Smith
46 Guthrie	10 Jones
38 Hanrahan	11 Larkin
42 Hawkins	15 Pedroia
39 Howell	16 McCann
26 Iannetta	17 Dunn
2 Jeter	18 Braun
5 Johnson	20 Schmidt
10 Jones	21 Youkilis
27 Lachemann	22 Peavy
11 Larkin	23 Putz
33 Lilly	26 Iannetta
29 Lindstrom	27 Lachemann
16 McCann	28 Granderson
44 Oswalt	29 Lindstrom
22 Peavy	30 Stottlemeyer
15 Pedroia	31 Ziegler
23 Putz	33 Lilly
3 Ripken	34 Grabow
1 Rollins	37 Thornton
20 Schmidt	38 Hanrahan
62 Shields	39 Howell
8 Smith	42 Hawkins
30 Stottlemeyer	44 Oswalt
37 Thornton	46 Guthrie
50 Victorino	50 Victorino
4 Wright	51 Broxton
21 Youkilis	62 Shields
31 Ziegler	99 Bell

Players By MLB Organization

- 2 Braves, Red Sox, Mets, Phillies, Nationals, Astros, Padres
- 1 Brewers, Dodgers, Tigers, Yankees, Cubs, Marlins, White Sox, Athletics, Rays, Rockies, Orioles, Indians, Pirates, Angels

Best of the Best

All-Stars (14/37) Rookies of the Year

Braun (1)	Braun (2007)
Dunn (1)	Jeter (1996)
Jeter (9)	Pedroia (2007)
Jones (6)	
Lilly (1)	Most Valuable Players
McCann (3)	Jones (1999)
Oswalt (3)	Pedroia (2008)
Peavy (2)	Rollins (2007)
Pedroia (1)	
Putz (1)	Cy Young Award
Rollins (3)	Peavy (2007)
Ryan (2)	
Wright (3)	NLCS MVP
Youkilis (1)	Oswalt (2005)

2006 WBC Participants

Jeter.....6g, .450, 1 3b, 1rbi
Jones.....6g, .353, 1 2b, 2hr, 2rbi
Peavy.....2gs, 0-0, 3.38 (8ip, 6h, 1bb, 6k)
Shields...3g, 0-0, 0.00 (3.2ip, 1h, 1bb, 2k)
Davey Johnson..... bench coach
Reggie Smith..... batting coach
Marcel Lachemann.....pitching coach

TEAM USA WENT 2-1 IN THE FIRST ROUND

Game 1 vs Canada - USA 6, Canada 5 - Kevin Youkilis (solo), Brian McCann (2-run) and Adam Dunn (2-run) homered...McCann totaled 3rbi...Jake Peavy started and received no decision (3ip, 2h, 2er, 3bb, 4k, Joey Votto solo HR, 58 pitches)...LaTroy Hawkins threw a scoreless fourth inning to earn the win (1ip, 1bb, 1k, 12 pitches)...J.J. Putz earned the save (1ip, 2h, 1er, 0bb, 0k, 13 pitches)...Team USA overcame 1-0 and 2-1 deficits.

Game 2 vs Venezuela - USA 15, Venezuela 6 - Team USA advanced to the second round by producing 8 runs in the sixth inning, highlighted by Chris Iannetta's 3-run double and a 2-run HR by Kevin Youkilis...Adam Dunn (solo) and Ryan Braun (solo) also homered for the Americans...Iannetta and Mark DeRosa each finished with 4rbi...Roy Oswalt started and received no decision (3.2ip, 6h, 3er, 2bb, 1k, 65 pitches)...Matt Lindstrom threw 1.1 hitless innings to earn the victory (1k, 21 pitches).

Game 3 vs Venezuela - Venezuela 5, USA 3 - Venezuela snapped the 1-1 tie with 1 run in the fifth inning, 2 in the sixth and another in the seventh, all off Jamie Guthrie (2ip, 7h, 4er, 2bb, 2k, 54 pitches)...Ted Lilly started for the Americans (3ip, 3h, 1er, 0bb, 2k, Henry Blanco solo HR, 36 pitches)...in the eighth inning Chris Iannetta pulled Team USA to within 5-3 on a 2-run, upper deck homer off Orber Moreno.

TEAM USA WENT 2-1 IN EXHIBITION GAMES

3/3 vs NYY in Tampa - USA 6, Yankees 5 - Derek Jeter had 2 hits and 2rbi...Kevin Youkilis added 2rbi and Adam Dunn 1rbi...Roy Oswalt started and earned the win (3.1ip, 4h, 1er, 1bb, 2k, 52 pitches).

3/4 vs Tor in Dunedin - Blue Jays 6, USA 5 - Jimmy Rollins had a double and 2rbi...Adam Dunn, Ryan Braun and Curtis Granderson each added 1rbi...Ted Lilly started (ND, 4ip, 2h, 1er, 0bb, 2k, 40 pitches)...J.J. Putz (0.2ip, 3h, 3er, 2bb, 1k, 27 pitches) suffered a blown save and the loss after the Jays scored 3 runs in the bottom of the ninth inning, highlighted by Brian Dopirak's 2-out, 2-run, walkoff single.

3/5 vs Phi in Clearwater - USA 9, Phillies 6 - Team USA hit 4 home runs, including Chipper Jones (3-run), Adam Dunn (3-run), Brian McCann (solo) and Ryan Braun (solo)...Jeremy Guthrie started and earned the win (2.1ip, 2h, 1er, 2bb, 1k, 50 pitches)...Jonathan Broxton pitched a perfect ninth inning for the save (1k, 12 pitches).

ABOUT USA BASEBALL

USA Baseball is the national governing body for baseball in the United States...baseball executives include Executive Director/CEO Paul Seiler; Director, National Teams Eric Campbell; and General Manager, Professional Baseball Operations Bob Watson...USA Baseball's home offices are located in Durham, NC...the USA Baseball National Training Complex is in Cary, NC...more information can be found at www.usabaseball.com.

USA BASEBALL ALUMNI

Nine players on the Team USA roster previously competed for the United States internationally, including 1 Olympian (Oswalt) and 4 veterans of the World Baseball Classic (Jeter, Jones, Peavy, Shields)...5 of the 7 members of the coaching staff previously served with USA Baseball as a coach or player (Johnson, Lachemann, Larkin, Schmidt, Smith)...the players and coaches collected 2 gold medals, 7 silver medals and 3 bronze medals.

NAME	YEAR	TEAM	FINISH
John Grabow, LHP	2003	Olympic Qualifying Team	5th place
J.P. Howell, LHP	2000	18U National Team	Silver, Junior ("AAA"/18U) Worlds
	2001	18U National Team	Silver, Junior Pan American Games
Derek Jeter, SS	2006	World Baseball Classic Team	8th place, eliminated in the second round
Davey Johnson, manager/ coach (only 2006 WBC)	2005	World Cup Team	7th place
	2005	Pre-Olympic Qualifying Team	1st place, advanced to Olympic Qualifier
	2006	World Baseball Classic Team	8th place, eliminated in the second round
	2006	Olympic Qualifying Team	1st place, advanced to Beijing Games
	2007	World Cup Team	1st place, first BWC title since 1974
	2008	U.S. Olympic Baseball Team	Bronze, first Olympic medal since 2000
Chipper Jones, INF	2006	World Baseball Classic Team	8th place, eliminated in the second round
Marcel Lachemann, pitching coach	1999	Pan Am Team	Silver, first use of MLB professionals
	2005	Pre-Olympic Qualifying Team	1st place, advanced to Olympic Qualifier
	2006	World Baseball Classic Team	8th place, eliminated in the second round
	2007	World Cup Team	1st place, first BWC title since 1974
	2008	U.S. Olympic Baseball Team	Bronze, first Olympic medal since 2000
Barry Larkin, SS	1984	U.S. Olympic Baseball Team	Silver, baseball demonstration event
Roy Oswalt, RHP	2000	U.S. Olympic Baseball Team	Gold, first official Olympic gold medal
Jake Peavy, RHP	2006	World Baseball Classic Team	8th place, eliminated in the second round
Dustin Pedroia, INF	2002	National Team (Collegiate)	Silver, FISU World Championships
	2003	National Team (Collegiate)	Silver, Pan American Games
Mike Schmidt, consultant	1992	U.S. Olympic Baseball Team	4th place, debut as Olympic medal sport
Scot Shields, RHP	2006	World Baseball Classic Team	8th place, eliminated in the second round
Reggie Smith, hitting coach	1999	Pan Am Team	Silver, first use of MLB professionals
	2000	U.S. Olympic Baseball Team	Gold, first official Olympic gold medal
	2005	Pre-Olympic Qualifying Team	1st place, advanced to Olympic Qualifier
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Shane Victorino, OF	2005	Pre-Olympic Qualifying Team	1st place, advanced to Olympic Qualifier

Old Glory

The U.S. Department of Defense explains the appearance of the American flag facing "backward" on the right uniform sleeve of the Team USA uniform...according to Army Regulation 670-1, under *Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia*, when authorized for application the American flag patch is to be worn, right or left shoulder, so that the star field faces forward...when worn in this manner, the flag appears to be flying in the breeze as the wearer moves forward...the appropriate replica for the right shoulder sleeve is identified as the "reverse side flag."