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“The Road to the Show”

“13 MVPs and 16 Cy Young Award Winners Come From Cal League”

Port Hueneme, CA – Since 1962 the Cal League has produced 13 MVPs and 16 Cy Young winners in the Major Leagues. 10 of these Major League stars played at Modesto, 6 at Bakersfield, 3 at San Jose, 2 at both Fresno and Reno, and 1 each at Stockton, San Bernardino, Lancaster, Lake Elsinore, Visalia, and Lodi.

New Cal League President, Charlie Blaney, stated: “Not only do Cal League fans get to see future Major Leaguers play, but also future MVPs and Cy Young Award winners. The Cal League has a rich tradition of supplying MVPs and Cy Young Award winners to the Big Leagues.”

In 2010 each team in the Cal League will play 140 games beginning Opening Day, April 8, and ending on Labor Day, September 6.

American League MVPs:

Honoree:

Reggie Jackson
Don Baylor
George Brett
Rollie Fingers
Jose Canseco
Rickey Henderson
Dennis Eckersley
Ken Griffey Jr.
Jason Giambi
Miguel Tejada

Year & Major League Team:

1973 Oakland A's
1979 California Angels
1980 Kansas City Royals
1981 Milwaukee Brewers
1988 Oakland A's
1990 Oakland A's
1992 Oakland A's
1997 Seattle Mariners
2000 Oakland A's
2002 Oakland A's

Year & Cal League Team:

1966 Modesto Reds
1968 Stockton Ports
1972 San Jose Bees
1966 Modesto Reds
1984 Modesto A's
1977 Modesto A's
1972/73 Reno Silver Sox
1988 San Bernardino Spirit
1993 Modesto A's
1996 Modesto A's

National League MVPs:

Honoree:

Joe Morgan
Joe Morgan
George Foster

Year & Major League Team:

1975 Cincinnati Reds
1976 Cincinnati Reds
1977 Cincinnati Reds

Year & Cal League Team:

1963 Modesto Colts
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1969 Fresno Giants

Major League Cy Young Award Winner (1967 marked the first year the Award was given to a pitcher in each League):

Honoree:

Don Drysdale

Year & Major League Team:

1962 Los Angeles Dodgers

Year & Cal League Team:

1954 Bakersfield Indians

American League Cy Young Award Winners:

Honoree:

Steve Stone
Rollie Fingers
Dennis Eckersley
Pedro Martinez
Pedro Martinez
Barry Zito

Year & Major League Team:

1980 Baltimore Orioles
1981 Milwaukee Brewers
1992 Oakland A's
1999 Boston Red Sox
2000 Boston Red Sox
2002 Oakland A's

Year & Cal League Team:

1969 Fresno Giants
1966 Modesto Reds
1972/73 Reno Silver Sox
1991 Bakersfield Dodgers
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1999 Visalia Oaks

National League Cy Young Award Winners:

Honoree:

Mike Marshall
Fernando Valenzuela
John Denny
Rick Sutcliffe
Pedro Martinez
Brandon Webb
Jake Peavy
Tim Lincecum
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Year & Major League Team:

1974 Los Angeles Dodgers
1981 Los Angeles Dodgers
1983 Philadelphia Phillies
1984 Chicago Cubs
1997 Montreal Expos
2006 Arizona Diamondbacks
2007 San Diego Padres
2008 San Francisco Giants
2009 San Francisco Giants

Year & Cal League Team:

1962 Bakersfield Dodgers
1979 Lodi Dodgers
1972 Modesto Reds
1975 Bakersfield Dodgers
1991 Bakersfield Dodgers
2001 Lancaster JetHawks
2001 Lake Elsinore Storm
2006 San Jose Giants
2006 San Jose Giants

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