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World Tournament of

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World Tournament **Daily Schedule**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 & SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 9:30 A.M.-5 P.M.

Tournament Games

9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. • Walnut Grove #1 and #2 & Hawthorn Glade

See historic base ball games throughout the day.

DON'T MISS! Base Ball Artifacts

9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. • Luther Burbank Birthplace

Come see the actual championship trophy bat awarded to the Unknowns from Jackson, Michigan — winners of the first-class division at the 1867 World's Base Ball Tournament in Detroit — and an original copy of *Haney's Base Ball Book of Reference* for 1867 by Henry Chadwick. These and other base ball artifacts from the collections of The Henry Ford are on display.

1867 Base Ball Skill Test

10 a.m.-5 p.m. • Village Green

Try your hand at pitching, and see how fast you can run the bases.

Laura's Little Town

11:15 a.m. • 12 p.m. • 1:15 p.m. • 2:45 p.m.

Near Scotch Settlement School

Meet young Laura Ingalls before she became a teacher in this 15-minute show celebrating *Little Town on the Prairie*.

Irving Berlin Medley

1 p.m. • 3:30 p.m. • Near Scotch Settlement School

A 15-minute music medley celebrating a music innovator.

Simply Gershwin

11:45 a.m. • 2 p.m. • 3:15 p.m. • Town Hall

Celebrate George Gershwin in this recently revamped, 30-minute music, comedy and dance revue.

Model T Medley

11:45 a.m. • 2:30 p.m. • Near Scotch Settlement School

A 10-minute music medley with a dash of Model T humor.

Cricket

11 a.m.-4 p.m. • Village Green

Learn and play another early stick-and-ball game — cricket — with expert Tom Melville.

Championship Game (Sunday only)

2:30 p.m. • Walnut Grove #1

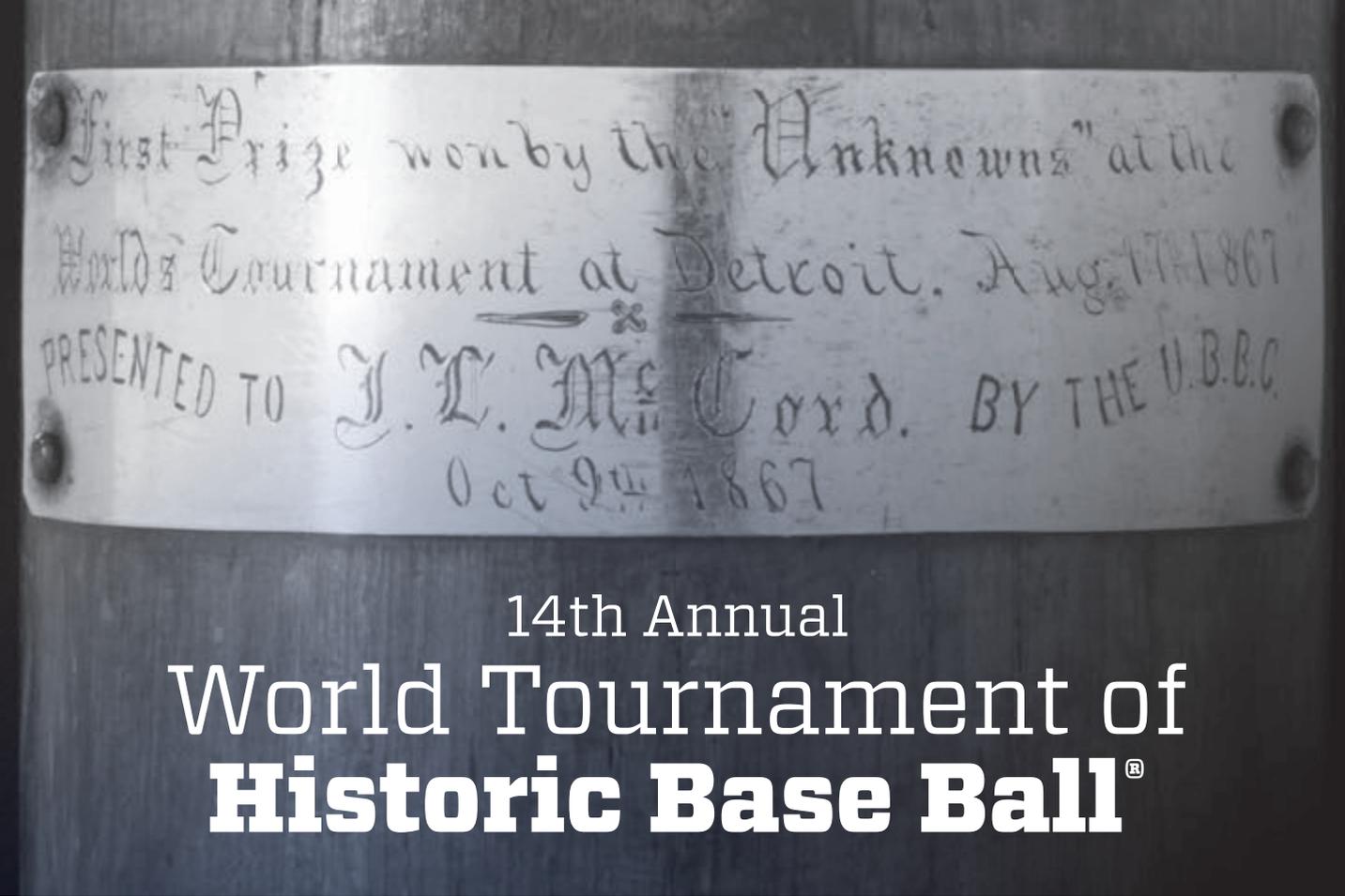
Awards Ceremony

Immediately following the championship game.

Walnut Grove #1

A \$300 cash prize will be awarded to the champion club, and a bag of peanuts will go to the club with the least number of victories, just as in the 1867 World Tournament!

Pottery prizes handcrafted by the artisans of Liberty Craftworks in Greenfield Village.



14th Annual World Tournament of Historic Base Ball®

THE TRADITION CONTINUES this weekend as the Lah-De-Dahs and the Nationals of Greenfield Village take on vintage clubs from Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, New York and Ohio during the 14th Annual World Tournament of Historic Base Ball.

In 1867, the Detroit area hosted the World's Base Ball Tournament, and 24 clubs from the United States and Canada took the field to compete in the game that was fast becoming the national pastime.

In 2016, watch teams face off on the field until only one club is left to be declared champion. Check out great hands-on base ball activities all weekend. Enjoy music by the Dodworth Saxhorn Band, and see the original rosewood trophy bat awarded to the Unknowns of Jackson, Michigan, for winning the first-class division in the 1867 World's Tournament in Detroit. View an original copy of *Haney's Base Ball Book of Reference* for 1867, the rule book written by Henry Chadwick and used for the World Tournament and for the Greenfield Village historic base ball program, and examine the rosewood bat at the Luther Burbank Birthplace in Greenfield Village on Saturday and Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For a fun souvenir, take home a reproduction copy of *Haney's Base Ball Book of Reference* — available for sale in the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village stores.

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AUTOGRAPHS

For more information and sources regarding historic base ball, please visit these sites:

Vintage Base Ball Association • vbba.org

19th-Century Base Ball • 19chaseball.com

Base Ball Supplies & Equipment • vbbf.com/home.html

Wooden Base Ball Bats • www.phoenixbats.com/index.html

Period Base Ball Equipment • www.bulldogbatsonline.com

Dodworth Saxhorn Band • www.dodworth.org/contact.html

World Tournament Champions

2003 - Clodbusters BBC
2004 - Mother Nature
2005 - Clodbusters BBC
2006 - Clodbusters BBC
2007 - Lah-De-Dahs BBC
2008 - Lah-De-Dahs BBC
2009 - Saginaw Old Golds
2010 - Columbus Capitals
2011 - Saginaw Old Golds
2012 - Saginaw Old Golds
2013 - Saginaw Old Golds
2014 - Saginaw Old Golds
2015 - Walker Tavern Wheels



The Original World's Base Ball Tournament

“World’s Base Ball Tournament, Detroit, Mich., 1867.” So reads the advertisement for the matches that would offer a first-place prize of \$300 in greenbacks to the winner of the first class. The Detroit Base Ball Club sponsored the tournament, and it attracted teams from the United States and Canada. These teams were entered in one of three classes so that teams of similar skill might be pitted against each other.

The matches began on the grounds of the Detroit Base Ball Club on August 13, 1867, with the fans paying 25 cents each and 50 cents for each vehicle that entered the property. Seats in the grandstand cost an additional fee. A fence enclosed the ball field. The Detroit Free Press reported extensively on the matches. Crowds as large as 5,000 attended over the tournament’s three days.

The Free Press stories also provided insight into the quality of the matches and activities on the field. In a game on the first day, Witherspoon, the second baseman for the Commercial Club of Detroit, was said to have “made kindling of his bat.” During the games of the second day, the Free Press described a predecessor to “Shoeless Joe” Jackson: “Marker of the Unions determined not to be outdone but rather to outdo, and

after divesting himself of shoes and stockings ... succeeded in capturing two home runs by low balls.” The game accounts also offer an insight into at least some opinions about the introduction of mitts for players. The Free Press writer commented: “We have noticed in all the matches played thus far that the use of gloves by the players was to some degree a customary practice, which we think cannot be too highly condemned and are of the opinion that the Custers would have shown a better score if there had been less buckskin on their hands.” The players couldn’t be blamed for wanting to protect their hands for defensive purposes; scores such as 41-40 and 61-32 indicate that offense ruled the diamond.

WORLD'S BASE BALL TOURNAMENT, DETROIT, MICH., 1867. Commencing August 13th, and continuing from day to day until all the matches are completed.	
SCHEDULE OF PRIZES.	
FIRST CLASS.	
First Prize, \$300 in Greenbacks, and a Gold Mounted Rosewood Bat, valued at \$75.....	\$375 00
Second Prize, Silver Tea Set with Urn, offered by M. S. Smith & Co., and valued at.....	250 00
Third Prize, Gold Ball, regulation size, valued at.....	50 00
SECOND CLASS.	
First Prize, \$200 in Greenbacks, and a Gold Mounted Rosewood Bat, valued at \$75.....	275 00
Second Prize, J. H. Morrison's Prize, valued at.....	150 00
Third Prize, Silver Ball, regulation size, valued at.....	25 00
THIRD CLASS.	
First Prize, \$100 in Greenbacks, and a Gold Mounted Rosewood Bat, valued at \$75.....	175 00
Second Prize, J. S. Conklin's Prize, valued at.....	100 00
Third Prize, Silver Trumpet, valued at.....	75 00
SPECIAL PRIZES.	
Best Cap't'n, a Badge, base ball design, valued at.....	50 00
Best Catcher, a belt, mounted with Solid Silver, valued at.....	40 00
Best Pitcher, a Gold Mounted Opera Glass, valued at.....	40 00
Best Batter, a Gold Star or Badge, valued at.....	30 00
Best Runner of Bases, a Silver Mounted Opera Glass, valued at.....	25 00

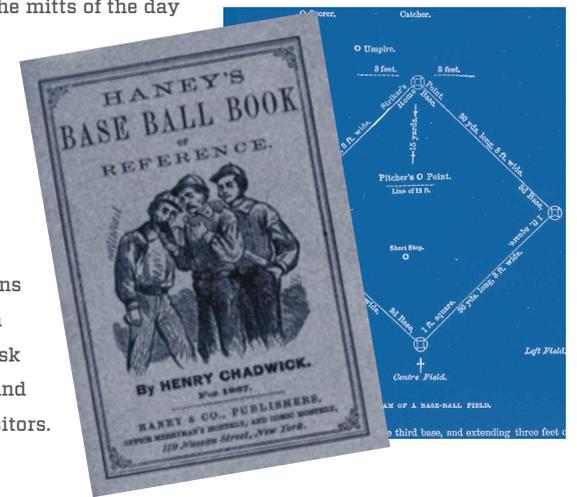


Base Ball as the National Pastime

As base ball (it was spelled as two words into the early 1900s) gained popularity in the 1850s and 1860s, its promoters remarked on the healthful and wholesome aspects of the game. Henry Chadwick, one of base ball’s chief advocates, wrote in 1867: “What cricket is to the Englishman, base ball has become to an American.” Chadwick, the inventor of the box score and a prolific writer on all things related to base ball, explained: “As a means of cultivating the physical powers, base ball is one of the most commendable exercises in vogue. As a remedy for many of the evils resulting from the immoral associations the boys and young men of our cities are apt to become connected with, the game merits the endorsement of every clergyman in the country. But one of the strongest aids to the popularity of base ball lies in the fact that it is a game — and about the only one, by the way — which can be countenanced by the fair sex. American ladies have been hitherto shut out from all pleasures incident to games ... by the low character of the surroundings of most of the sports and pastimes men indulge in.” Chadwick was right: Base ball became the national pastime, and part of the reason was its appeal to Americans of all ages. Base ball meant America. It served as a form of exercise, entertainment and even a way for immigrants to participate in American culture. Base ball built a sense of community and still contributes to our identity as Americans.

Rules for World’s Base Ball Tournament

Base ball in the 1867 Detroit tournament would look only vaguely familiar to us today. The game consisted of nine players and four bases, 90 feet apart, with chalk marking the foul lines. After that, the game began to stray. The pitcher was required to throw underhand, foul balls caught on the first bound put the hitter out, and a ball that first bounced fair and then rolled foul was a fair ball. Run scoring could be prolific, as players seldom wore gloves and the mitts of the day consisted of a fingerless pad that protected the palm and little else. Foul balls did not count as strikes, and the single umpire warned the hitter before he actually began calling strikes. He likewise warned the pitcher to deliver fair pitches before he called any balls. After such a warning, three balls allowed the runner to take his base, and any combination of three called or swinging strikes was an out. That rule remains today: Three strikes and you’re out, and three outs is a turn at the plate. As you watch the game, feel free to ask our players about any call that confuses you. It’s a grand old game, but one that can be confusing to modern visitors.



An 1860s diagram of the base ball diamond, found in *Haney's Base Ball Book of Reference* for 1867 by Henry Chadwick. From the collections of The Henry Ford.



LAH-DE-DAHS BBC
Dearborn, Michigan

The Greenfield Village Lah-De-Dahs, founded in 1992, borrowed their name from an amateur club that played ball in Waterford, Michigan, during the 1880s. As the sports ambassadors of Greenfield Village, they re-create base ball history every weekend of the summer for enthusiastic crowds of spectators. By challenging other vintage clubs to play by the authentic rules of 1867 in the true competitive spirit that is the legacy of our national pastime, they help to preserve the stories and traditions of America's past.



GREENFIELD VILLAGE NATIONALS BBC
Dearborn, Michigan

The Nationals, founded in 2003 as the second vintage base ball club of Greenfield Village, are based on the Nationals of Parma, Michigan, one of 23 clubs that competed in the original 1867 World's Base Ball Tournament in Detroit. Together with their brother club, the Lah-De-Dahs, they play ball weekly in the historic and gentlemanly fashion of their namesakes.



WALKER TAVERN WHEELS BBC
Brooklyn, Michigan

The Walker Tavern Wheels Base Ball Club was created in 2008. The Wheels are a modern representation of numerous base ball clubs founded in Washtenaw, Lenawee and Jackson counties. The Wheels' name pays homage to the Chicago Road (U.S. 12) and to the history interpreted at Walker Tavern. The green in the uniforms represents their home in the Irish Hills.



EARLY RISERS
Detroit, Michigan

The Early Risers get their name from a ball club that existed from 1859 to the beginning of the Civil War, at which point several players joined the Union army. The original Early Risers had day jobs and were unable to join the Detroit Base Ball Club, which held its practices on weekday afternoons. So they formed their own club and practiced at the crack of dawn on Campus Martius, where they also became known for breaking windows. The club name is also a reference to Benjamin Franklin. The Early Risers played in the "first match game ever played in Michigan," which was against the Detroit Base Ball Club on August 8, 1859.



ATLANTIC BBC
Brooklyn, New York

The present Atlantic Base Ball Club was established in 1997. The original team was organized on August 14, 1855, and played its home games on the Capitoline Grounds in Brooklyn. It soon became one of the premier teams of the era and was recognized as national champion in 1864 and 1865, going undefeated through both seasons. The present Atlantic team plays its home games on Long Island, on the grounds of the Smithtown Historical Society, and prides itself on presenting to the public a historically accurate interpretation of the 19th-century game of base ball.



COLUMBUS CAPITALS
Columbus, Ohio

The Capital Base Ball Club is a team based on the original Capital Club, one of three base ball clubs formed in the spring of 1866 in downtown Columbus, Ohio. The Capitals' uniform — dark blue trousers and hat, blue-and-white checked shirt with white shield — is based on newspaper accounts of the uniforms worn by the original Capital Club. The Capitals take special pride in playing matches at Schiller Park in the German Village area of Columbus because the original Capital Club played on those very grounds in the 1860s.



ROCHESTER GRANGERS
Rochester Hills, Michigan

The Rochester Grangers Vintage Base Ball Club was formed in 1999, re-creating a club that played in our community as early as 1875 as part of a merchants league. Home matches are played at the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, a nationally registered historic site. The club plays matches throughout the Midwest and has enjoyed the new friends they make every summer. For contact information, visit www.rochestergrangers.org.



MONITOR BBC
Chelsea, Michigan

The Monitor Base Ball Club of Chelsea, Michigan, is playing its fifth modern season, having resurrected the Monitor name from a Chelsea club active in 1867. At least three different Chelsea clubs formed in that time period, beginning with the Union club in 1861. The Monitors are an inclusive, community-minded club whose roster members' ages span over 50 years. They play their home matches at Timber Town park in downtown Chelsea and follow the rules of 1860. They are thrilled to take part in the Greenfield Village World Tournament this year and hope to muster a stout effort. But every match for these gents is a truly enjoyable affair, win or lose!



OREGON GANYMEDES BBC

Oregon, Illinois

The Ganymedes hail from the city of Oregon, located on the shores of the scenic Rock River 100 miles west of Chicago. The club's name comes from Ganymede Spring, a local mineral water spring named by the famous Margaret Fuller when she visited Oregon in 1843. According to Greek mythology, Ganymede was the cupbearer to the gods on Mt. Olympus. The team's gray-and-red uniforms were designed from an 1871 hometown newspaper description of the Oregon base ball club. The Ganymedes have been playing vintage rules base ball as an educational outreach program for Oregon's Chana School Museum since 2005.



INDIANAPOLIS BLUES

Indianapolis, Indiana

The Indianapolis Blues joined the Vintage Base Ball Association in the 2002 season. The Blues play by the rules of base ball as accepted at the December 9, 1863, meeting of the National Association of Base Ball Players. Home matches are played on open fields in Woodmen Park and Craig Park in Greenwood (southern suburb of Indianapolis). Recent highlights include playing the Clodbusters in front of a crowd of approximately 2,400 in Richmond, Indiana, and playing on the grounds of the world-famous, historic West Baden Springs Hotel in West Baden, Indiana.



BAY CITY INDEPENDENTS BBC

Bay City, Michigan

The Bay City Independents Base Ball Club is a vintage club that was formed to play 19th-century base ball in the grandest of Bay City traditions. Bay City, Michigan, can date its base ball clubs to 1865, and it is the rules of that era that the Bay City Independents Base Ball Club chooses to re-create. The modern-day Independents patterned their scarlet-and-white uniforms after those of the 1883 club. Check out the club's website: www.baycitybaseball.com.



WAHOO BBC

Royal Oak, Michigan

The Wahoo Base Ball Club of Royal Oak has been playing 1860-style base ball in Michigan and around the country since 2004. In 2003, Tim "Flash" Gorman and John "Preacher" Miller had the idea of starting an 1860 base ball team in Royal Oak. They searched the archives at Greenfield Village and found that Dexter, Michigan, had a team in 1860 called the Wahoos. They borrowed the name, and the Wahoos were reborn in Royal Oak. The Wahoos try to re-create the game and the spirit in which it was played during and directly after the Civil War. Not for fame or fortune but for love of the game, gentlemanly competition and camaraderie do they play.

DAY ONE: ROUND ROBIN

Time Limit: 1 hour, 30 minutes

GAME	LOCATION	TIME	TEAMS
1	Walnut Grove #1	9:30 a.m.	Bay City Independents v. Monitors
2	Walnut Grove #2	9:30 a.m.	Wahoos v. Greenfield Village Nationals
3	Hawthorn Glade	9:30 a.m.	Early Risers v. Atlantics
4	Walnut Grove #1	11:15 a.m.	Bay City Independents v. Columbus Capitals
5	Walnut Grove #2	11:15 a.m.	Lah-De-Dahs v. Indianapolis Blues
6	Hawthorn Glade	11:15 a.m.	Rochester Grangers v. Greenfield Village Nationals
7	Walnut Grove #1	1:00 p.m.	Lah-De-Dahs v. Walker Tavern Wheels
8	Walnut Grove #2	1:00 p.m.	Early Risers v. Oregon Ganymedes
9	Hawthorn Glade	1:00 p.m.	Columbus Capitals v. Monitors
10	Walnut Grove #1	2:45 p.m.	Atlantics v. Oregon Ganymedes
11	Walnut Grove #2	2:45 p.m.	Indianapolis Blues v. Walker Tavern Wheels
12	Hawthorn Glade	2:45 p.m.	Rochester Grangers v. Wahoos

DAY TWO: BRACKETS

Time Limit: 1 hour, 30 minutes. No time limit for final.

3RD-CLASS CHAMPION



2ND-CLASS CHAMPION



1ST-CLASS CHAMPION



Must-see events



Old Car Festival Greenfield Village

September 10-11

Rev it up with hundreds of authentic vehicles from the 1890s through 1932 at America's longest-running antique car show. Open 'til 9 p.m. on Saturday!



Fall Flavor Weekends in Greenfield Village

September 24-25 and October 1-2

If you love to eat, you'll love Greenfield Village's Fall Flavor Weekends. Come celebrate the glories of traditional American food from farm to table, see cooking demonstrations at our historic homes and browse the delights at our Saturday Local Roots Farmers Market.



Hallowe'en in Greenfield Village*

October 14-16, 20-23 and 27-30

Stroll down streets and alleys haunted by over 1,000 carved jack-o'-lanterns and lavishly costumed characters during America's most spooktacular Halloween event.



Holiday Nights in Greenfield Village*

December 2-4, 9-11, 16-18, 20-23 and 26-30

Take a lantern-lit journey into a living snow globe filled with live music, skating, fireworks and tons of winter wonder during America's premier celebration of the season.

*Additional fee required. All programs and prices are subject to change.

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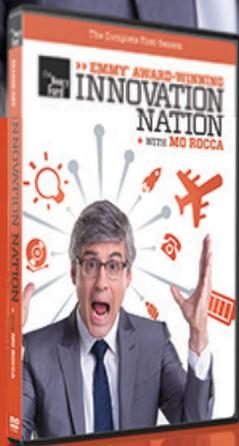
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