## Leesburg's history with professional baseball

#### By Frank Jolley Guest Columnist

Baseball and Leesburg have a connection that has existed for a long time.

Fans probably began pondering professional baseball's legacy in the city after it left town following the 1968 Florida State League season and almost surely surfed a surge of momentum when the Leesburg Lightning debuted in 2007.

How did Leesburg's professionals perform?

Any championships?

Who played for those teams?

We have answers!

After perusing record books, reference books and the internet – retirement is the best job you'll ever have – I've compiled a statistical history of professional baseball in Leesburg.

Minor league history, to be exact.

It's rich, a treasure trove of Leesburg's 32-noncontinuous-year association with minor-league baseball, a marriage that began in 1937 and consisted of 21 seasons. Year-by-year won-loss records, rosters, statistical leaders, managerial records and even attendance figures.

For a stat geek – a claim to which I unabashedly admit to being a card-carrying member – it was a true labor of love, an excuse to pour over thousands of pages of baseball numbers. It was the statistical equivalent of an erector set ... starting with year-by-year won-loss records and finding something else to add ...

Like "this" ...

And "that" ...

Pretty soon, it became a proverbial super-structure.

For true baseball fans – those who know Hank Aaron and Tom Seaver played for Jacksonville in the minor leagues (albeit 13 seasons apart) before breaking in with the Milwaukee Braves and New York Mets, respectively – this isn't simply a bunch of numbers.

It's Christmas in spring and summer.

To be fair, this project began simply as something I was going to give to John Meier, the only statistician the Leesburg Lightning has ever had. John is one of the few people I've met who – like me – grows giddy when he reads a box score or a stat line.

John and I have spent countless hours over the years, often before games in the press box at Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field, talking about what happened in that ballpark since it was first built in the 1930s. We talked about Pete Rose playing on that diamond, and looked out to the spot beyond the left-field fence where Aaron is said to have once blasted a home run which may still be airborne.

I'm sure beads of "excitement sweat" formed on my forehead as I listened to those stories; heck, they're forming now, just thinking of those conversations.

And while I didn't find any documentation to back up the claims. Not doubting if they happened – Rose almost surely played in Leesburg during his one season (1961) with Tampa in the Florida State League – only that I couldn't find box scores or narrative from my perch in Arkansas.

Still those stories provided the spark to compile a relatively comprehensive statistical history of the city's connection with professional baseball.

That's what you're reading.

Everything included has been sourced and verified at least twice. The sources most commonly used were Baseball America's amazing book "Encyclopedia of Minor League Baseball," along with Baseball-Reference.com, StatCrew.com, and the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR).

With a project this size, it's possible that something might've slipped through the cracks.

If you see a mistake or have something you feel is worthy of inclusion – and can provide documentation to support your update – by all means, let us know.

Our motto is "let's tweak it, correct it or add to it."

John and I want this to be correct – and complete!

Now, get your geek on!

Enjoy!

#### Year-by-Year

Leesburg Gondoliers (1937-1938), Florida State League, Class D

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish
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**1937** 71 67 .514 14 Fourth place

**Playoffs ...** lost to Gainesville in semifinals, 3 games to 2

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Russ Lyon .302; Hits: Dace Davis 144; Runs Scored: Dace Davis 90; Home Runs: Chet Clemens 3; RBI: Woodrow Davis 65; Stolen Bases: Clemens, Merrill Arnold 28. Pitching: Jake

Bunch 23-10; ERA: Bunch 1.59; Innings Pitched: Bunch 300.1

#### **Player Roster**

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Bryant Bonner	Paul Bukovic	Ted Kasco
Merrill Arnold	Jake Bunch	Arthur Causier
Johnny Beazley	<b>Chet Clemens</b>	Frank Clementi
Woodrow Becker	James Cox	Dace Davis
Jim Bonagura	Woodrow Davis	John Gaddy
Jim Greenleaf	Arthur Hardee	Larry Haskins
Ray Headen	Bill Holdstock	Pete Hooten
Merritt Hubbell	Howard Kirby	Nelson Leach
Eddie Massie	Russ Lyon	Ned Matthews
Fred Maxwell	Jim McCown	Julian McGowan
Bob McLeod	Paul McNally	Paul Metzger
Joe Morina	Winfield Moseley	John Olsen
Argyle Pearson	Mike Petty	Pep Rambert
Robby Robinson	Joseph Rogers	Bill Romaine
Wilbur Smith	Don Staples	Ned Straker
Earl Tifton	Hal Toenes	Frank Veale

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish

**1938** 87 52 .626 --- First place

**Playoffs ...** beat Daytona Beach in semifinals, 3 games to 2; lost to Gainesville in championship series, 4 games to 2

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Stephen Risk .305; Hits: Risk 161; Runs Scored: Frank Drews, Clarence Groat 94; Home Runs: Groat 7; RBI: Groat 90; Stolen Bases: Chet Clemens 59. Pitching: Jake Bunch 23-16;

ERA: Bunch 1.53; Innings Pitched: Bunch 340.2

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Merrill Arnold	Bryant Bonner	Sam Brenner
Jake Bunch	Chet Clemens	Frank Drews
A.J. Gates	William Gobel	Clarence Groat
Arthur Hardee	Jack Howard	Marion Johnson
L.D. Lane	Nelson Leach	James Mahaffey
Joe Marina	Robert Maxwell	Julian McGowan
James Mobley	(No First Name) Morgado	<b>Manuel Onis</b>
Thomas Orcutt	Willie Paz	Stephen Risk
John Travis	Dan Vickers	Jack Westley

#### Leesburg Anglers (1939-1941, 1946), Florida State League, Class D

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish

**1939** 72 65 .526 28 Third place

**Playoffs** ... lost to Daytona Beach in semifinals, 3 games to 0

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

**Batting Average:** Stephen Risk .326; **Hits:** Frank Drews 169; **Home Runs:** Drew, Herbert Kam, Manuel Onis 3. **Pitching:** Jake Bunch 20-8; **ERA:** Bunch 1.99; **Innings Pitched:** Bunch 222.0

#### **Player Roster**

Johnny Adz	Ray Anderson	Charlie Arnold
W.G. Barnhart	Herbert Bauer	Carl Brady
Shaw Buck	Jake Bunch	Walter Clark
Frank Drews	Roger Fremming	John Gaddy
Gerald Giegerich	James Glover	William Gobel
Ray Goolsby	Clarence Groat	Marion Johnson
Howard Kaiser	Herbert Kam	Kenneth Kenny
Nelson Leach	Lawrence Mancini	Joe Marina
Wallace McCormack	Chester McCullough	Jack Merlino
G. Miller	Manuel Onis	Pete Petropoulos
Earl Porter	Stephen Risk	James Ronsiek
John Travis	Dan Vickers	Leslie Voshell
James Walters	Harold Wells	Ervin Williams

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish 1940 62 77 .446 24 Sixth place **Team leaders** 

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available.

**Batting Average:** Edward Wallner .331; **Hits:** Leslie Voshell 172; **Home Runs:** Bruce White 5.

Pitching: Peter Kalosh 23-13; ERA: Kalosh 3.05; Innings Pitched: Kalosh 301.0

#### Player Roster

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Darwin Cobb Keith Bissonnette James Brown William Colone Jesse Doolev Sam Ficcarrotta **Ray Goolsby** Bill Good Clarence Groat Edward Hoffman Don Helms Earl Jackson Rufus Jackson Peter Kalosh Kenneth Kenny Faulene Kirkland Wallace McCormack Joe Pierce Jake Price Stephen Risk James Shewey Joseph Sigmon Harold Smith **Robert Thomas** Leslie Voshell **Edward Wallner Bruce White** 

Ralph Willingham

W L GB .Pct Reg. Season Finish

1941 66 .488 Fourth place 63 21.5

**Playoffs...** beat St. Augustine in semifinals, 3 games to 1; beat DeLand in championship series, 4 games to 1 ... LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Michael Conroy .362; Hits: Conroy 150; Home Runs: Bruce White 6. Pitching: Louie Hausey 17-13; ERA: George Nieters 2.97; Innings Pitched: Hausey 247.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues as a player or coach at some point in their careers

Daniel Blose Harold Brady William Colone Michael Conroy Edward Godo Bill Good Elwyn Greer Clarence Groat Louie Hausey Autry Hayes Earl Jackson Arthur Joiner Joe Marina Mack McWhorter Henry Miller George Nieters **Hubert Page Byron Parker** John Pavlich Lloyd Pennington Jake Price James Prince Leslie Voshell **Bruce White** 

Ralph Willingham

No team from 1942 through 1945

	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish
1946	63	71	.470	23	Fifth place
					Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Bill Good 328; Hits: Good 160; Home Runs: Desmond Solter 5; RBI: Good 85; Stolen Bases: Charley Ridgeway 37. Pitching: Garcia Maseda 21-6; ERA: Maseda 3.22; Innings

Pitched: Maseda 249.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Theodore Alexander	Delbert Barr	John Capone
Charles Cudd	William Driggers	Elmer Emanuelson
Don Ford	Ken Galbraith	Bill Good
Frank Harris	Russell Hoffman	Robert Lassiter
George Latsko	Garcia Maseda	George McClintock
Frank Mormino	Will Osthoff	Thomas Pearson
Charley Ridgeway	Don Rodriguez	Desmond Solter
Edward Stack	Jay Stebbins	Michael Sutyak
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Ralph Willingham

#### Leesburg Pirates (1947-1948), Florida State League, Class D

	$\mathbf{W}$	L	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish
1947	54	81	.400	30.5	Seventh place
					Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Douglas Johnson .349; Hits: Desmond Solter 146; Home Runs: Solter 5; RBI: William Zeleznock 67 (Note: Zeleznock credited with 67 RBI. However, he had only 215 at bats and a .191 batting average, so validity in question. Second highest on the team that season was Charlie Ridgeway, who had 502 at bats and a .275 batting average, with 59); Stolen Bases: Ridgeway 32. Pitching: Jack Bumgarner 15-10; ERA: Reid Lemly 1.97; Innings Pitched: Bumgarner 187.0

#### **Player Roster**

Sam Amoriello	Gus Bell	Irving Boim
Jack Bumgarner	Earl Campbell	Bill Good
Paul Gormish	Al Grunwald	Bill Hall
James Hechler	James Herrington	Douglas Johnson
Bob Kelly	Valentine Krysto	Reid Lemly
Garcia Maseda	Mickey Mihalik	William Munch
Charley Ridgeway	Charles Smart	Desmond Solter
Jay Stebbins	Herman Upright	John Washington
William Zeleznock		

	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish
1948	60	77	.438	28.5	Sixth place

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Ed Leip .295; Hits: Tony Smeraglia 120; Home Runs: Ralph Bartolozzi 17; RBI: Bartolozzi 76; Stolen Bases: Leip 15. Pitching: Sam Amoriello 15-9; ERA: Amoriello 2.61; Innings

Pitched: Howard Bailey 226.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Sam Amoriello	John Anthony	Howard Bailey
Ralph Bartolozzi	Donald Bittner	Ballard Branham
Chester Butler	Steven Craig	John D'Ambrosio
Thomas Dobkins	James Gleason	George Glick
Robert Green	William Green	Bill Hall
Donald Johnson	John Kasprack	Bob Kelly
Ed Leip	Dick McCallum	James McCord
William McLaren	Tony Mongiello	Anthony Passnnante
John Doggalz		

John Paszek

#### Leesburg Dodgers (1949), Florida State League, Class D

	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish
1949	37	97	.276	48.5	Eighth (last) place

#### Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

**Batting Average:** Robert Rodriguez .257; **Hits:** Manuel Fernandez 123; **Home Runs:** Joseph Tomek 4; **RBI:** Fernandez 55; **Stolen Bases:** James Aragon, Roy Knepper 13. **Pitching:** Garcia Maseda 15-17;

ERA: Luke Hamlin 1.25; Innings Pitched: Garcia Maseda 278.0

#### **Player Roster**

Julio Acosta	Robert Anderson	Hector Arago
James Aragon	Camilo Bello	Jasper Capitano
Carlos Charles	Charles DeMinico	Manuel Fernandez
Manuel Garcia	(No First Name) Ginter	Paul Grant
Luke Hamlin	Frank Hidalgo	Roy Knepper
William Kopsky	Garcia Maseda	(No First Name) Meek
Martin Regan	Joaquin Rocillo	Robert Rodriguez
Richard Seaman	Jim Thompson	Joseph Tomek
Earl Tyler	Mario Varona	

#### Leesburg Packers (1950-1952), Florida State League, Class D

	W	L	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Fi
1950	54	84	.391	33	Seventh place

#### Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Robert Hendrix .314; Hits: Hendrix 154; Home Runs: Hendrix 17. Pitching:

Robert Gueth 10-10; ERA: Socrates Red 3.12; Innings Pitched: Gueth 197.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

John AlbiniPatrick BrickleyGeorge CaveFloyd CliftCalvin CollinsRoyden CossFrank EmersonManuel FernandezJim GrannemanPaul GrantRobert GuethJames HartleyRobert HayRobert HendrixRobert Johns

Paul Loridas Leonard Malczewski (No First Name) Meeks

Joe MillsFrank PietClaude RamseySocrates RedChuck RoseBill SteineckeJohn SykesJoseph TomekRichard Weaver

Walter Wilder Paul Zampell

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish

1951 71 69 .507 19 Fourth place

**Playoffs** ... lost to DeLand in semifinals, 4 games to 3

#### Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Floyd Clift .335; Hits: Clift 177; Home Runs: Jack Daniel 8; RBI: Clift 87; Stolen Bases: Fred Ballantine, Jose Burgos 15. Pitching: Fred Gaines 18-8; ERA: Sergio Martinez 2.95;

Innings Pitched: Gaines 233.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Francis Abraham

Charlie Brewster

Patrick Brickley

Escal Burnett

Ron Blanc

Dase Burgos

Floyd Clift

Calvin Collins

George Cox

Fred Gaines

Robert Hall

Jack Lasry

Service Mertinez

James Miller

Anthony Miles

Sergio Martinez James Miller Anthony Mirande John Pawlick William Peeler Arthur Pocanowski Socrates Red Robert Ritter Bix Shoemaker John Sykes Stephen Vargo Walter Wilder

Jack Wilkes

# W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish 1952 52 84 .382 43.5 Seventh place Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Issac Brady .303; Hits: Calvin Collins 152; Home Runs: John Pawlick 8; RBI: Collins 68; Stolen Bases: Collins 16. Pitching: Pat McCullough 11-18; ERA: McCullough 3.40;

**Innings Pitched:** McCullough 286.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Wilbur Blackwelder	Issac Brady	Arturo Caballero
Donald Callaway	Walt Chipple	Calvin Collins
Alberto Fragela	Raul Fundora	Donald Keith
Pat McCullough	Rolando Ortega	John Pawlick
Robert Ritter	John Sykes	Don Trump
Roland Twiss	Bruce White	Robert Costello
Don Anderson	Andy Caldwell	Jim Daskalakis
Amery Frezza	Tom Herman	Lewis Klein
Harold Long	Angel Lopez	Sergio Martinez
Fred Montsdeoca	Richard Pace	Nicholas Stefano
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Stanley Zedalis

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#### Leesburg Lakers (1953), Florida State League, Class D

$\mathbf{W}$	L	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish
56	77	.421	29	Sixth place
				Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

**Batting Average:** Raul Fundora, Jewel Walker .303; **Hits:** Calvin Collins 147; **Home Runs:** Lincoln Boyd 8; **RBI:** Claude Ramsey 74; **Stolen Bases:** Alfred Gandolfi 23. **Pitching:** Rolando Ortega 18-12;

ERA: Ortega 2.58; Innings Pitched: Ortega 262.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Lincoln Boyd	Andy Caldwell
Calvin Collins	Harvey Colvin
Tom Dunbar	Robert Ettman
Raul Fundora	Fred Gaines
Harry Green	James Griffith
James Kolker	Edward McGuire
Thomas Naponen	Jim O'Toole
Wilson Osborne	Wayne Parnell
Joseph Pruett	Claude Ramsey
James Simmons	Syd Thrift
George Vladinedes	Jewel Walker
Billy Wyatt	Ray Yochim
	Calvin Collins Tom Dunbar Raul Fundora Harry Green James Kolker Thomas Naponen Wilson Osborne Joseph Pruett James Simmons George Vladinedes

No team from 1954 through 1955

#### Leesburg Braves (1956-1957), Florida State League, Class D

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$\mathbf{W}$	L	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish

**1956** 58 82 .414 32 Seventh place

#### Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: William Capps .306; Hits: Dick Myers 105; Home Runs: Tommy Giordano, Jerry Williams 8; RBI: Williams 51; Stolen Bases: Capps 13. Pitching: Tony Komisar 12-11; ERA: Ross

Carter 2.49; Innings Pitched: Komisar 196.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Roger Belanger	Mervin Bergeron	William Bergstraesser
John Brennan	William Capps	Jerry Carswell
Don Carter	Ross Carter	Gene Cochran
Henry Cole	Al Dahl	George DesMeules
Daniel Dolan	James Dunevant	Ted Forsyth
Gerald Fryfogle	William Garcia	Tommy Giordano
Lester Hiscoe	James Hoffman	Bill Holmes
John Hughes	Andrew Kasper	Bobby Knoop
Tony Komisar	Paul Lochridge	Charles "Buddy" Lowe
Thomas Malik	Michael Marinko	Melvin McGavock
Warren McLea	Dick Myers	Gerald Patrick
Dan Peters	Kelvin Roberts	Ronald Schneider
Demont Seagrave	Robert Stanton	John Stapp
Douglas Stowell		

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$\mathbf{W}$	L	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish

**1957** 64 75 .460 20.5 Fifth place

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Tommy Giordano .300; Hits: Bruno Terilli 134; Home Runs: Terilli 7; RBI: Terilli 66; Stolen Bases: Giordano 20. Pitching: Robert York 17-14; ERA: William Augustoni 2.15; Innings

Pitched: York 235.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

William Augustoni	Rolando Basilio	Roger Belanger
William Bergstraesse	MacDuffee Biggs	John Brady
David Centi	Daniel Coppola	John Czarnecki
James Davis	Bruce Ferguson	<b>Tommy Giordano</b>
Jerry Hinman	James Hoffman	Fred Hust
Ed Kuczynski	Bobby Kuykendall	Paul Lajoie
Ed Lampe	Emilio Naranjo	Thomas Reagles
Thomas Reilly	Bob Shank	Jimmy Shinn

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Vaughn Stedman Irvin Stein Rafael Suarez
Bruno Terilli Price Westbrook Charles White

Robert York

#### Leesburg Orioles (1960-1961), Florida State League, Class D

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish

1960 53 80 .398 30.5 Seventh place ... St. Petersburg finished 31 games out of first with a 55-83 record. However, the Saints had a .399 winning percentage. Based on losses, the St. Petersburg finished last in the FSL standings, while Leesburg had the lower winning percentage.

#### Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

**Batting Average:** Roger Pearson .298; **Hits:** James Satalich, John Griffin 119; **Home Runs:** James Livesey 4; **RBI:** Griffin 59; **Stolen Bases:** Griffin, Satalich 22. **Pitching:** Jim Dunlap 16-12; **ERA:** Dunlap 2.66; **Innings Pitched:** Dunlap 223.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Dennis Benton	Russell Black	Sam Bowens
Bob Brown	Richard DeMarco	Richard DeSarbo
Jim Dunlap	Donald Gilkey	John Griffin
Miguel Guzman	Leon Hawker	Del Hill
Ben Hines	David Jones	Ronald Likes
James Livesey	Joseph Materile	Gary Muxworthy
Jimmy Norwood	Ronald O'Shields	Roger Pearson
Bob Riedel	James Satalich	John Schoenberger
Ken Temple	Richard Tetrault	James Vadas
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Henry Wickham Robert Young

	$\mathbf{W}$	L	.Pct	GB	Reg. Season Finish
1961	56	80	.412	35	Seventh (last) place

#### Team leaders

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Jim Rouse .350; Hits: James Livesey 156; Home Runs: Jack McGowan 7; RBI: Livesey 64; Stolen Bases: Livesey 10. Pitching: Bob Olson 11-12; ERA: Joseph Materile 3.49; Innings Pitched: Sigfield Tyler 161.0

#### **Player Roster**

Jerry Alford	Ramon Alston
Bill Hartshorn	Del Hill
Richard Hunt	Robert Lewandowski
James Livesey	Joseph Materile
Jack McGowan	Rich McKray
Jimmy Norwood	Bob Olson
Ronald Reese	Cal Ripken Sr.
Jim Rouse	Joe Rowden
Clyde Slough	Paul Solice
Sigfield Tyler	Ronald Walp
	Bill Hartshorn Richard Hunt James Livesey Jack McGowan Jimmy Norwood Ronald Reese Jim Rouse Clyde Slough

#### Leesburg Athletics (1965-1968), Florida State League, Class A

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish

**1965** 53 80 .398 31.5 Ninth place

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

**Batting Average:** Allan Lewis .280; **Hits:** Lewis 121; **Home Runs:** Bill McNulty 8; **RBI;** McNulty 62; **Stolen Bases:** Lewis 76. **Pitching:** Larry Abbott 9-7; **ERA:** Greg Conger 1.41; **Innings Pitched:** Rollie Fingers 175.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Wayne Bergeron Gene Barisano Larry Abbott James Blakeney Bill Bradley Juan Campos John Chandler James Cobrae Chuck Cole Greg Conger Rayford Evans Alberto Fernandez **Rollie Fingers** Joe Groner Robert Guzek Jerry Hall **Bud Haney** Rick Johnson Ronald Kluch George Lauzerique **Allan Lewis** Pete Lovrich Mickey Little Jackie May James McDaniel **Bill McNulty** William Meyer Leo Montgomery Evangelista Nunez Bruce Miller Gary Sanossian **Edward Shafer** Luis Rivas James Strickland George Strode Richard Suggs Russel Watson Jimmy Watts **Dale Willis** 

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish

**1966** 87 44 .664 1.5 Second place

Playoffs ... beat St. Petersburg in championship series, 3-2 ... LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

#### **Team leaders**

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

**Batting Average:** Gonzalo Marquez .297; **Hits:** Lewis 156; **Home Runs:** Charlie Robinson 13; **RBI:** Robinson 78; **Stolen Bases:** Lewis 116. **Pitching:** Louis Hemauer 15-2; **ERA:** Robert Guzek 0.79;

**Innings Pitched:** George Lauzerique 157.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

**Dwain Anderson** Jim Buker Juan Campos Jaime Cepeda Steve Dabbs John Dunn Jackie Earls Richard Fernandez Oscar Flores Robert Guzek Louis Hemauer Jim Holt James Johnson Ray Johnson Rich Johnson George Lauzerique **Allan Lewis** Doh Lohse

Charlie MacDonald Donald Manning Gonzalo Marquez
Evangelista Nunez Jim Pamlanye Charlie Robinson
Charles Ruedy James Strickland Gene Tenace

Freddie Velazquez

W L .Pct GB Reg. Season Finish 1967 64 71 .474 30 Third place, West Division **Team leaders** 

Based on one at bat per team-game played for Batting Average leader. One-half inning pitched per team-game for ERA leader. Not all statistical categories available for each season.

Batting Average: Ed Green .312; Hits: Joe Keough 149; Home Runs: Keough 18; RBI: Keough 80; Stolen Bases: Keough 22. Pitching: Steve Dabbs 8-5; ERA: Stan Jones 1.25; Innings Pitched: John Major 133.0

#### **Player Roster**

Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

Rusty Adkins	Richard Allen	Darrell Baker
Dick Bicek	Ossie Blanco	Warren Bogle
Geo Bosworth	LaDon Boyd	Clyde Brooks
Alan Brown	Jim Buker	Jim Clark
Gary Clemens	Steve Dabbs	Parke Davidson
Nick DeFlorio	Richard DeVarney	Gary Ebel
<b>Darrell Evans</b>	John Fleischauer	Orlando Gomez
Ed Green	Henry Gunther	Louis Hemauer
Rick Johnson	Stan Jones	Joe Keough
John Knowles	Donald Lando	Charles Lynch
Victor Majewski	John Major	Ed Marino
Thomas Matakanski	Denny McKernan	Francis Mulligan
Jim Nevin	Jim Pamlanye	Jim Panther
Mark Pena	Orlando Reyes	Gustavo Sposito
Joe Tassone	<b>Gene Tenace</b>	Larry Vlasin
Jimmy Watts	Tommy Williams	

Tommy Williams Jimmy Watts

> W L .Pct GB **Reg. Season Finish**

1968 51 92 .357 31.5 Fifth (last) place, West Division ... FSL worst record

#### **Team leaders**

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Batting Average: Parke Davidson .256; Hits: Davidson 124; Home Runs: Larry Bingham 4; RBI: Clarence Stoner 34; Stolen Bases: Davidson 10. Pitching: Art Davis 8-13; ERA: Robert Gibble 1.52; **Innings Pitched:** John Major 130.0

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Players in **boldface** reached the Major Leagues at some point in their careers

**Bruce Bates** Ronald Berta Larry Bingham Jim Buker James Burns Josue Candelaria Kerry Compton Parke Davidson Steve Dabbs Angel Davila Art Davis John Dunn Gene Dusan Ray Elder Robert Gibble Robert Gibble Orlando Gomez Orlando Gomez Joe Grace Ron Gordon Ed Green **Dave Hamilton** Frank Houk Simeon Humes Carl Ives John Knowles Donald Lando **David Margolius** Stephen Mastin John Major Lazaro Mata Jackie May Bruce Ocken Reyes Ortiz Terry Parks Mark Pena

Russell Plummer	Orlando Reyes
Juilius Rizzotti	Joe Robinson
Donald Ruris	Greg Schubert
Clyde Steele	Clarence Stoner
Bob Taylor	Chico Vaughn

David Rhodenbaugh Charles Ruedy Charles Sprinkle James Strickland

## **Record by Decade**

1930s (three seasons) Postseason Overall	W 230 7 237	L 184 12 196
1940s (six seasons) Postseason Overall	339 7 346	469 2 471
1950s (six seasons) Postseason Overall	355 3 358	471 4 475
1960s (six seasons) Postseason Overall	364 3 367	447 2 449
All-time Regular season Postseason Overall	-	L 1,571 20 1,591

## Regular-season standings breakdown

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First place	1 (1938)
Second place	1 (1966)
Third place	2 (1939, 1967 West)
Fourth place	3 (1937, 1941, 1951)
Fifth place	2 (1946, 1957)
Sixth place	3 (1940, 1948, 1953)
Seventh place	6 (1947, 1950, 1952, 1956, 1960, 1961)
Eighth place	1 (1949)
Ninth place	1 (1965)
Last place/worst record	4 (1949, 1961, 1968)

## **Postseason appearances**

Reached playoffs	6 (1937, 1938, 1939, 1941, 1951, 1966)
Advanced to championship series	3 (1938, 1941, 1966)
FSL Championships	2 (1941, 1966)

## Leesburg Alumni Named to Florida State League All-Star teams

1938	OF – Chet Clemons
	C – Manny Onis
	P – Jake Bunch
1940	OF – Leslie Voshell
1941	2B – Mike Conroy
	OF – Clarence Groat
1946	SS – Bill Good
1947	SS – Bill Good
	OF – Desmond Solter
	OF – Douglass Johnson
1948	P – Ralph Woolford
1951	Utility – Ora Burnett
1956	P – Michael Marinko
1960	P – Jim Dunlap
1961	3B – Jim Livesey
1965	OF – Allen Lewis
1966	C – Fred Velazquez
1967	OF – Joe Keough

## Leesburg Alumni who led the Florida State League in major statistical categories

1938	Jake Bunch, 1.53 ERA
1941	Mike Conroy, .362 batting average
	Clarence Groat, 126 runs scored
1946	Jay Stebbins, 118 runs scored
1948	Ralph Bartolozzi, 17 home runs
1961	Jim Livesey, .339 batting average
1965	Bill McNulty, 62 RBI
1966	Allen Lewis, 92 runs scored; 156 hits; 116 stolen bases
	Charles Robinson, 13 home runs; 78 RBI
1967	Joe Keough, 149 hits; 18 home runs; 80 RBI

### Affiliation with Major League Baseball franchises

If one source indicates an affiliation while others do not, the affiliation and source are noted.

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1937-1941	No affiliation
1946	No affiliation
1947 1948	Pittsburgh Pirates Pittsburgh Pirates
1949	Brooklyn Dodgers (StatsCrew.com)
1950-1953	No affiliation
1956 1957	Milwaukee Braves Milwaukee Braves
1960 1961	Baltimore Orioles Baltimore Orioles

1965	Kansas City Athletics
1966	Kansas City Athletics
1967	Kansas City Athletics
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1968	Oakland Athletics
	Manager roll call
When sou	rces indicate different managerial assignments, both sources and managers are listed
1937	Lee "Spec"Meadows (71-67)
1938	Nelson Leach (87-52)
1939	Nelson Leach (Baseball America, Baseball Reference (72-65); Leach, Manuel Onis
	(Stats Crew)
1940	Emil Yde (Baseball America); Yde (41-52), Bill Good (Baseball Reference (21-25),
	Stats Crew)
1941	Bill Good (63-66)
1946	Bill Good (63-71)
1947	Bill Good (54-81)
1948	Ed Leip (60-77)
1949	Lou Haneles (3-8), (Jack Harrison 1-5), Julio Acosta (10-32), Luke Hamlin (21-51)
	2-1 record not credited to any manager
1950	Frank Piet (8-26), Bill Steinecke (44-56), Floyd Clift (2-2)
1951	Mickey Burnett (63-61), Floyd Clift (6-8)
	2-0 record not credited to either manager
1952	Walt Chipple (17-31), Don Anderson (15-19), John Pawlick (7-14),
	Bob Latshaw (13-20)
1953	Ralph Dulaney (44-48), Frank Barrett (12-29)
1956	Tommy Giordano (58-82)
1957	Tommy Giordano (64-75)
1960	Bob Hooper (53-80)
1961	Cal Ripken Sr. (38-36), Ray Scarborough (3-3), Billy DeMars (15-41)
1965	Tony Frulio (53-80)
1966	Jimmy Williams (87-44)
1967	Jimmy Williams (64-71)
1968	Al Ronning (51-92)

# Managerial won-loss records regular season wins only

Bill Good	201-243	.453
Nelson Leach	159-117	.576
Jimmy Williams	151-115	.568
Tommy Giordano	122-157	.437
Lee "Spec" Meadows	71-67	.515
Mickey Burnett	63-61	.508
Ed Leip	60-77	.438
Bob Hooper	53-80	.399
Tony Frulio	53-80	.399

Al Ronning	51-92	.357
Ralph Dulaney	44-48	.478
Bill Steinecke	44-56	.440
Emil Yde	41-52	.441
Cal Ripken Sr.	38-36	.514
Luke Hamlin	21-51	.292
Walt Chipple	17-31	.354
Don Anderson	15-19	.441
Billy DeMars	15-41	.268
Bob Latshaw	13-20	.394
Frank Barrett	12-29	.431
Julio Acosta	10-32	.227
Floyd Clift	8-10	.444
Frank Piet	8-26	.235
John Pawlick	7-14	.333
Anonymous	4-1	.800
Ray Scarborough	3-3	.500
Lou Haneles	3-8	.273
Jack Harrison	1-5	.167

## Year-by-Year Attendance Figures not available for seasons prior to 1946

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1946	42,271
1947	42,610
1948	38,335
1949	49,958 record high
1950	30,302
1951	37,843
1952	17,653
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1956	22,971
1957	22,254
1960	16,541
1961	10,605
1965	12,746
1966	30,567
1967	24,161
1968	8,214 record low

#### No hitters

## Number of innings played, if fewer or more than 9, is indicated in parenthesis. Thrown against Leesburg

- **1940** Eddie Harper (DeLand) beat Leesburg 3-1, July 10
- 1950 Jack Gilbert (St. Augustine) beat Leesburg 1-0 (7 innings), May 12
- 1952 Bill Herman (Jacksonville Beach) beat Leesburg 4-0, May 22
- 1961 \* Mike McCarthy (Daytona Beach) beat Leesburg 2-0 (7 innings), June 28
- 1968 \* Larry Bohannon (Orlando) beat Leesburg 3-0, May 13
- \* Perfect Game

#### Thrown by Leesburg pitchers

- 1960 Jim Dunlap beat Lakeland 9-0, Aug. 10
- 1961 Robert Olson lost to Orlando 1-0 (7 innings), May 24
- 1966 Don Lohse beat Winter Haven 2-0 (7 innings), Aug. 23

#### **Notable moments in Leesburg professional history**

March 12-April 10, 1941 – The St. Paul Saints, an American Association (Class AA) affiliate of the Chicago White Sox, set up camp for spring training in Leesburg. The Saints were housed at the Magnolia Hotel.

May 27, 1956 – Tony Komisar, a 19-year-old southpaw for the Leesburg Braves, entered a game with the bases loaded and none out. Komisar made one pitch and induced a game-ending triple play to secure the win for the Braves. For the season, Komisar went 12-11 with a 2.94 in 34 appearances, including 27 starts and 12 complete games. At the plate – there was no such thing as a designated hitter in those days – Komisar was no automatic out ... he batted .239 in 71 at bats with 6 RBI and 8 runs scored.

**1961 Season** – In the midst of a second straight 80-loss season, the Leesburg Orioles used three managers to try and change its fortunes. The second of the trio was 25-year old Cal Ripken Sr. who also saw time as a catcher and pitcher Leesburg.

Of the Orioles' three managers, only Ripken fashioned a winning record (38-36).

He also contributed a .236 batting average with 1 homer and 13 RBI in 127 at bats. His numbers, while workmanlike on the surface, are almost remarkable considering he played with an undiagnosed dislocated shoulder that went undiagnosed for three months.

Ripken never reached the major leagues as a player; however, he enjoyed a lengthy career as a coach, primarily for legendary Orioles manager Earl Weaver. He also had an opportunity to manage in the big leagues when he led the Orioles for all of the 1987 season and for portions of the 1985 and 1988 seasons, compiling a 68-101 record.

**April 28, 1968** – There's joy in Mudville! Well, joy in Leesburg. After opening the season with 16 straight losses, the Leesburg Athletics recorded its first win of the season, a 6-2 victory against Cocoa. Leesburg sank into last pace with its first loss and never left the cellar. Perhaps fittingly, the Athletics left Leesburg after the season, ending the city's long association with professional baseball.

## Florida State League Standings

## for seasons in which Leesburg fielded a team

1937	W	${f L}$	Pct.	GB
Gainesville G-Men	85	53	.616	
Sanford Lookouts	70	60	.568	$6\frac{1}{2}$
DeLand Reds	74	65	.532	11 ½
Leesburg Gondoliers	<b>71</b>	67	.514	14
Palatka Azaleas	71	69	.507	15
St. Augustine Saints	69	70	.496	16 ½
Daytona Beach Islanders	67	72	.482	18 ½
Orlando Gulls	40	100	.286	46
1938	W	L	Pct.	GB
Leesburg Gondoliers	87	52	.626	
Gainesville G-Men	86	54	.615	1 ½
Orlando Senators	73	66	.525	14
Daytona Beach Islanders	72	67	.518	15
St. Augustine Saints	70	70	.500	17 ½
Palatka Azaleas	63	76	.454	24
DeLand Reds	54	86	.385	33 ½
Sanford Lookouts	53	87	.378	34 ½
1939	W	L	Pct.	GB
1939 Sanford Lookouts	<b>W</b> 98	L 35	<b>Pct.</b> .737	GB 
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Sanford Lookouts Daytona Beach Islanders	98	35	.737	
Sanford Lookouts	98 87	35 48	.737 .644	12
Sanford Lookouts Daytona Beach Islanders Leesburg Anglers	98 87 <b>72</b>	35 48 <b>65</b>	.737 .644 <b>.526</b>	12 <b>28</b>
Sanford Lookouts Daytona Beach Islanders Leesburg Anglers DeLand Red Hats	98 87 <b>72</b> 69	35 48 <b>65</b> 69	.737 .644 <b>.526</b> .500	12 28 31 ½
Sanford Lookouts Daytona Beach Islanders Leesburg Anglers DeLand Red Hats St. Augustine Saints	98 87 <b>72</b> 69 68	35 48 <b>65</b> 69 70	.737 .644 <b>.526</b> .500 .493	12 28 31 ½ 32 ½
Sanford Lookouts Daytona Beach Islanders Leesburg Anglers DeLand Red Hats St. Augustine Saints Gainesville G-Men	98 87 <b>72</b> 69 68 61	35 48 <b>65</b> 69 70 77	.737 .644 <b>.526</b> .500 .493 .442	12 28 31 ½ 32 ½ 39 ½
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1941	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB
St. Augustine Saints	83	43	.659	
DeLand Red Hats	78	47	.624	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Orlando Senators	72	53	.576	$10 \frac{1}{2}$
Leesburg Anglers	63	66	.488	21 ½
Daytona Beach Islanders	57	70	.449	26 ½
Gainesville G-Men	55	75	.423	30
Ocala Yearlings	49	78	.386	34 ½
@Sanford Seminoles	20	45	.308	
@ team disbanded during	g seasoi	n		
1946	W	L	Pct.	GB
Orlando Senators	94	44	.681	
Sanford Celeryfeds	81	57	.587	7
St. Augustine Saints	75	62	.547	12 ½
DeLand Red Hats	68	68	.500	19
Leesburg Anglers	63	71	.470	23
Palatka Azaleas	62	75	.453	26 ½
Daytona Beach Islanders	58	73	.443	29
Gainesville G-Men	42	93	.311	47
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1947	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	Pct.	GB
St. Augustine Saints	85	51	.625	
Gainesville G-Men	80	57	.584	5 ½
DeLand Red Hats	80	58	.580	6
Orlando Senators	71	67	.514	15
Sanford Seminoles	69	66	.511	15 ½
Palatka Azaleas	64	75	.460	22 ½
<b>Leesburg Pirates</b>	54	81	.400	30 1/2
Daytona Beach Islanders	42	90	.318	41
1948	W	L	Pct.	GB
Orlando Senators	90	50	.643	
Daytona Beach Islanders	85	53	.616	4
Gainesville G-Men	77	63	.550	13
Sanford Giants	74	64	.536	15
St. Augustine Saints	71	69	.507	19
Leesburg Pirates	60	77	.438	28 ½
DeLand Red Hats	50	90	.357	40
Palatka Azaleas	48	89	.350	40 ½
1949	$\mathbf{W}$	$\mathbf{L}$	Pct.	GB
Gainesville G-Men	87	50	.635	
Daytona Beach Islanders	79	56	.585	7
St. Augustine Saints	75	60	.556	11
Palatka Azaleas	76	62	.551	11 ½
Sanford Giants	74	63	.540	13
DeLand Red Hats	64	70	.478	21 ½
Orlando Senators	51	85	.375	35 ½

Leesburg Dodgers	37	97	.276	48 ½	
1950	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB	
Orlando Senators	88	52	.629		
Daytona Beach Islanders	87	52	.626	1/2	
DeLand Red Hats	82	57	.590	5 ½	
Gainesville G-Men	77	63	.550	11	
Sanford Giants	71	68	.511	$16 \frac{1}{2}$	
St. Augustine Saints	57	83	.407	31	
Leesburg Packers	54	84	.391	33	
Palatka Azaleas	41	98	.295	46 ½	
1951	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB	
DeLand Red Hats	90	50	.643		
Orlando Senators	81	59	.579	9	
Palatka Azaleas	80	59	.576	$9\frac{1}{2}$	
Leesburg Packers	<b>71</b>	69	.507	19	
Sanford Giants	67	70	.489	21 ½	
Daytona Beach Islanders	62	78	.443	28	
Gainesville G-Men	57	81	.413	32	
Cocoa Indians	49	91	.350	41	
1952	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB	
DeLand Red Hats	95	40	.704		
Jacksonville Beach Sea Birds	80	56	.588	$15 \frac{1}{2}$	
Palatka Azaleas	78	59	.569	18	
Daytona Beach Islanders	77	59	.566	$18 \frac{1}{2}$	
Orlando Senators	68	67	.504	27	
Sanford Seminole Blues	64	70	.478	30 ½	
Leesburg Packers	<b>52</b>	84	.382	43 ½	
Cocoa Indians	40	93	.301	<u>54</u>	
@Gainesville G-Men	24	23	.511		
@St. Augustine Saints	10	37	.213		
@ teams disbanded during season					
1953	W	L	Pct.	GB	
Daytona Beach Islanders	86	49	.637		
DeLand Red Hats	78	56	.528	7 ½	
Cocoa Indians	78	59	.569	9	
Sanford Cardinals	66	63	.512	17	
Jacksonville Beach Sea Birds		65	.511	17	
Leesburg Lakers	56	77	.421	29	
Orlando Senators	54	75	.419	29	
*Palatka Azaleas	47	89	.346	39 ½	
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1956	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cocoa Indians	90	50	.643	
Gainesville G-Men	81	56	.591	$7 \frac{1}{2}$
West Palm Beach Sun Chiefs	81	58	.583	8 ½
Daytona Beach Islanders	72	65	.526	16 ½
Palatka Tigers	59	80	.424	$30 \frac{1}{2}$
St. Petersburg Saints	59	81	.421	31
<b>Leesburg Braves</b>	58	82	.414	32
Orlando Seratomas	55	83	.399	34
1957	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB
Tampa Tarpons	84	54	.609	
Daytona Beach Islanders	84	56	.600	1
Palatka Redlegs	78	62	.557	7
St. Petersburg Saints	72	67	.518	12 ½
Leesburg Braves	64	<b>75</b>	.460	20 ½
Cocoa Indians	62	76	.449	22
Gainesville G-Men	60	78	.435	24
Orlando Flyers	51	87	.433	33
Offando Fryers	31	07	.270	33
1960	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB
Lakeland Indians	82	48	.631	
Palatka Redlegs	81	56	.591	4 ½
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Sanford Greyhounds	77	60	.562	8 ½
Tampa Tarpons	68	67	.504	16 ½
Daytona Beach Islanders	66	69	.489	18 ½
Orlando Dodgers	58	77	.430	26 ½
St. Petersburg Saints	55	83	.399	31
<b>Leesburg Orioles</b>	53	80	.398	30 ½
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1961	<b>W</b>	L	Pct.	GB
Tampa Tarpons	90	44	.672	12.1/
Sarasota Sun Sox	79	60	.568	13 ½
St. Petersburg Saints	67	75 74	.472	27
Orlando Dodgers	66	74	.471	27
Daytona Beach Islanders	63	71	.470	27
Palatka Redlegs	61	78	.439	31 ½
Leesburg Orioles	<b>56</b>	80	.412	35
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1965	W	L	Pct.	GB
Fort Lauderdale Yankees	87	51	.630	
Sarasota Sun Sox	85	53	.616	2
Orlando Twins	77	57	.575	8
St. Petersburg Saints	68	69	.496	$18 \frac{1}{2}$
Tampa Tarpons	67	69	.493	19
Daytona Beach Islanders	67	74	.475	21 ½
Miami Marlins	67	75	.472	22
West Palm Beach Braves	59	73	.447	25
<b>Leesburg Athletics</b>	53	80	.398	31 ½
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Cocoa Astros	52	81	.391	32 ½
1966	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Petersburg Cardinals	91	45	.669	
Leesburg Athletics	<b>87</b>	44	.664	1 ½
Cocoa Astros	81	55	.596	10
Miami Marlins	75	63	.543	17
Orlando Twins	71	68	.511	21 ½
Daytona Beach Islanders	71	70	.504	22 ½
Fort Lauderdale Yankees	63	75	.457	29
#Deerfield Beach Sun Sox	55	83	.399	37
West Palm Beach Braves	45	89	.336	45
Tampa Tarpons	47	94	.333	46 ½
#moved to Winter Haven o	luring	season		
1967	W	L	Pct.	GB
East Division				
Orlando Twins	88	50	.638	
Fort Lauderdale Yankees	69	69	.500	19
Miami Marlins	65	76	.461	24 ½
West Palm Beach Braves	51	81	.386	34
Cocoa Astros	49	84	.368	36 ½
West Division				
St. Petersburg Cardinals	96	43	.691	
Winter Haven Mets	94	46	.671	$2\frac{1}{2}$
<b>Leesburg Athletics</b>	64	71	.474	30
Tampa Tarpons	55	71	.437	34 ½
Lakeland Tigers	50	90	.357	46 ½
1968	$\mathbf{W}$	L	Pct.	GB
East Division				
Miami Marlins	87	55	.613	
Cocoa Astros	74	65	.532	$11 \frac{1}{2}$
Daytona Beach Dodgers	73	70	.510	$14 \frac{1}{2}$
Fort Lauderdale Yankees	62	75	.453	22 ½
West Palm Beach Braves	59	77	.434	25
West Division				
Orlando Twins	81	59	.613	
St. Petersburg Cardinals	80	63	.559	2 ½
Tampa Tarpons	74	62	.544	5
Lakeland Tigers	58	81	.417	22 ½
Leesburg Athletics	51	92	.357	31 ½