

LINCOLN - WAY PROSPECTS WIN

Continental Amateur Baseball Association 2010 Nine And Under Age Division Championship



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9 and Under Age Division CABA World Series at Woodstock, Illinois July 24 - 31, 2010

Lincoln - Way Prospects - New Lenox, Illinois

Daniel Barrios #1, Martin Bender #17, Dominic Borrelli #22, Tyler Cech #23, Anthony Durling #7, Jackson Ferree #5, Ryan Getz #12, Jimmy Hatfield #9, Alex Helmin #28, Marty O'Brien #45, Justin Schackle #31, Evan Weygandt #24

Head Coach: Steve Korbel,

Coaches: Marty O'Brien, Tim Weygandt, Ed Getz and Paul Schackle

CABA Northern Illinois Founder, Hall of Fame Member and CABA 9U WS Director Jim Albright characterized the 9U Championship by stating, "The CABA WS Events are now known as the Gold Standard, yet this year's 9U Championship was Platinum!" Indeed, it was like a heavyweight championship fight with Coach Steve Korbel's Lincoln-Way Prospects (New Lenox, Illinois) organization reaching the championship for the second consecutive year battling an outstanding Tri-County Drillers team from Madison, Mississippi under the direction of Coach Trave Hopkins. (The perennial powerhouse Cincy Flames defending champions lost two tough games prior to the finals.) The end result was called the greatest 9U game ever with the Lincoln-Way Prospects scoring six runs in the bottom of the last inning to win the WS title!

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Team Name	From	Pool Play	Final Standings	Win	Lose	RAAvg	RSAvg
Illinois Titans	South Holland, Illinois	4	0	3.25	7.5		
Gold Bracket McHenry Cobras	McHenry, Illinois	4	0	5.5	10.25		
Lincoln-Way Prospects	New Lenox, IL	3	1	5	10		
Michigan Wildcats	Allen Park, Michigan	3	1	6.25	10.25		
Cincy Flames	Cincinnati, Ohio	2	2	5.75	10		
Silver Bracket Tri-County Drillers 9U	Madison, Mississippi	2	2	7.25	8.25		
McHenry County Hurricanes	Crystal Lake, IL	0	4	10.5	2.5		
McHenry All Stars	McHenry, IL, Illinois	0	4	10.5	2.25		
Adrian Lookouts	Adrian, MI	0	4	11.75	4.75		

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Final Scores

Game#	GOLD Bracket Team 1	Score	Team 2	Score	Date	Time	Field
1	McHenry Cobras	1	Cincy Flames	13	7/28/2010	11:30AM	Merryman 4
2	Lincoln-Way Prospects	2	Michigan Wildcats	1	7/28/2010	11:30AM	Merryman 5
3	Tri-County Drillers 9U	5	Illinois Titans	7	7/28/2010	2:00PM	Merryman 4
4	Cincy Flames	9	Lincoln-Way Prospects	11	7/28/2010	7:00PM	VFW
5	McHenry Cobras	7	Michigan Wildcats	6	7/28/2010	4:30PM	VFW
6	Lincoln-Way Prospects	9	Illinois Titans	1	7/29/2010	11:30AM	Merryman 4
7	Tri-County Drillers 9U	9	Cincy Flames	8	7/29/2010	11:30AM	Merryman 5
8	Lincoln-Way Prospects	17	McHenry Cobras	11	7/29/2010	4:30PM	Merryman 4
9	Tri-County Drillers 9U	7	Illinois Titans	3	7/29/2010	4:30PM	Merryman 5
10	Lincoln-Way Prospects	15	Tri-County Drillers 9U	14	7/30/2010	3:00PM	VFW

SILVER Bracket

Game#	Team 1	Score	Team 2	Score	Date	Time	Field
1	McHenry All Stars	5	Adrian Lookouts	11	7/28/2010	9:00AM	Merryman 5
2	Adrian Lookouts	9	McHenry County Hurricanes	8	7/28/2010	2:00PM	Merryman 5
3	McHenry All Stars	8	McHenry County Hurricanes	3	7/29/2010	2:00PM	Merryman 4
4	Adrian Lookouts	4	McHenry All Stars	2	7/29/2010	7:00PM	VFW

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Team 1	Team 2	Pool Play Final Scores	Date	Time	Field	
McHenry Cobras	9	Tri-County Drillers 9U	6	07/24	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
Adrian Lookouts	5	Illinois Titans	7	07/24	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry County Hurricanes	1	Cincy Flames	13	07/24	02:00PM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry All Stars	7	Michigan Wildcats	12	07/24	02:00PM	cabaworldseries.info
Tri-County Drillers 9U	6	Cincy Flames	14	07/24	04:30PM	cabaworldseries.info
Illinois Titans	7	McHenry All Stars	2	07/24	04:30PM	cabaworldseries.info
Lincoln-Way Prospects	8	McHenry Cobras	9	07/24	07:00PM	cabaworldseries.info
Lincoln-Way Prospects	10	Cincy Flames	9	07/25	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
Adrian Lookouts	4	Michigan Wildcats	16	07/25	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry Cobras	8	McHenry County Hurricanes	4	07/25	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry All Stars	0	Tri-County Drillers 9U	12	07/25	02:00PM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry County Hurricanes	2	Illinois Titans	10	07/25	02:00PM	cabaworldseries.info
Lincoln-Way Prospects	11	Michigan Wildcats	2	07/26	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
Tri-County Drillers 9U	9	Adrian Lookouts	6	07/26	11:30AM	cabaworldseries.info
Cincy Flames	4	Illinois Titans	6	07/26	02:00PM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry Cobras	15	Adrian Lookouts	4	07/26	04:30PM	cabaworldseries.info
Lincoln-Way Prospects	11	McHenry All Stars	0	07/26	04:30PM	cabaworldseries.info
McHenry County Hurricanes	3	Michigan Wildcats	11	07/26	07:00PM	cabaworldseries.info

9U ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Evan Weygandt - Lincoln-Way Prospects
Ryan Getz - Lincoln-Way Prospects
Alex Helmin - Lincoln-Way Prospects
Austin Kelly - Tri-County Drillers
Matt Mills - Tri-County Drillers
Hunter Wiedyk - Adrian Lookouts
Jagan Wilkerson - Cincy Flames
Benjamin Brokemon - Illinois Titans
Brandon Laux - Illinois Titans
Jaronn Corell - Illinois Titans
Brian Pils - McHenry All Stars
Alex Powers - McHenry All Stars
Dominic Listi - McHenry Cobras
Sean Richards - McHenry Cobras
Trevor Keegan - McHenry County Hurricanes
Jeff Sinacore - McHenry County Hurricanes
Devin Basley - Michigan Wildcats
Jacob Koveleski - Michigan Wildcats

Most Valuable Player

Austin Kelly - Tri - County Drillers

Gold Glove

Dominic Listi - McHenry Cobras

Most Valuable Hitter

Austin Kelly - Tri - County Drillers

Most Valuable Pitcher

Benjamin Brokemon - Illinois Titans

George "Hats" Omachi Mr. Hustle" Award

McHenry County Hurricanes - Illinois

The 9U Prospects entered the championship round undefeated during seeded, bracket play after a 3-1 pool play before seeding at the Continental Amateur Baseball Association's (C.A.B.A.) 2010 9U World Series hosted in Woodstock, IL July 22 through July 30th, 2010.

Lincoln-Way drew a tough road through recognized, national perennial powerhouse teams, defeating both the ranked Michigan Wildcats (MI) and Cincinnati Flames (OH), not once, but twice! The Prospects defeated Michigan 11-2 in pool play and again in the quarter-finals 2-1, while defeating the Flames 9-8 in a pool play thriller and again in the semi-finals 11-9. These victories, including wins over the IL Titans and McHenry Cobras during semi-final play catapulted the Prospects into the championship game versus the Drillers of Madison, Mississippi!

The Prospects held a double elimination advantage and would have to be beat by Mississippi twice to be eliminated, and the Prospects only needed one game, and got it, to eliminate the Drillers and claim the organizations first major, sanctioned World Series title.

EnRico Heirman, Executive Director for the World Series and National V.P. Marketing for C.A.B.A. stated, "This phenomenal game was a classic!" The game saw several lead changes as these teams fought the fatigue of advancing through every round, but the Prospects pitching strategy, offensive attack and mental readiness paid off. In their last at-bat, trailing 14-8, the Prospects delivered eight legitimate hits, including a 195-ft homerun, a couple doubles and base hits. They won the game 15-14 in one of the greatest comebacks the series had seen!

"We did this with our regular season roster of twelve young men, and I am very proud of them. What a great representation for our Village of New Lenox, and our surrounding District #210 communities," added Head Coach Steve Korb. "The program had a banner year, and several consecutive ranked seasons, which makes the volunteering and teaching all worthwhile."

The Prospects organization also finished as runner-up to Mac-N-Seitz (St. Louis, MO) in the 10U World Series held the week prior in Westfield, IN, the same team that finished as runner-up in 2009 to the Cincinnati Flames (OH).

The organization had a record-breaking area claim of 17 championships for the 2010 9U and 10U combined programs, and is favored for placement in the national top 25 teams as both levels to be released later in 2010. "We don't take the rankings of young programs too serious, but it is fun to get there. We credit our competitive area for keeping us on our toes, playing us tough every game, and preparing us for our successes," concluded the Coach.

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Year	Location	Champion	Runnerup
1989	Charles City, Iowa	Miami, Florida Glades League Allstars Star Discount	Hilliard, Ohio John A. Edwards League Allstars
1990	Charles City, Iowa	Nashville, Tennessee Advanced Financial Planning Corp.	Honolulu, Hawaii Rainbows
1991	Charles City, Iowa	Dublin, Ohio Youth Athletics Kent Mercker All Stars	Kansas City, Missouri Red Royals
1992	Charles City, Iowa	Dallas, Texas A's	Hilliard, Ohio Wildcats
1993	Charles City, Iowa	Honolulu, Hawaii Rainbows	South Gate, California Cardinals
1994	Charles City, Iowa	Monterey Park, California Dodgers	Kansas City, Missouri Antonio Marlins
1995	Charles City, Iowa	Valancia, California Sox	Germantown, Tennessee Giants
1996	Charles City, Iowa	Honolulu, Hawaii	Marysville, Ohio Mitts
1997	Charles City, Iowa	Mareitta Georgia "Blue Devils"	Huston, Texas "Bayou City Bombers"
1998	Charles City, Iowa	San Juan, Puerto Rico Indians	Wichita, Kansas Rebels
1999	Charles City, Iowa	Cincinnati, Ohio Flames	Honolulu, Hawaii
2000	Charles City Iowa	Toa Alta, Puerto Rico Maceteros	Blue Springs, MO
2001	Charles City Iowa	Caguas, Puerto Rico Hurricanes	Cincinnati, Ohio Flames
2002	Charles City Iowa	Omaha, Nebraska Pacesetter	Cedar Rapids, Iowa Cougars
2003	Charles City Iowa	Kansas City, Missouri Wildcats	Omaha, Nebraska Pacesetters
2004	Charles City Iowa	Omaha, Nebraska = Pacesetters	Arcadia, California Lil' Yankees
2005	Charles City Iowa	Hawaii, Hawaii	Cincinnati, Ohio Flames
2006	Crystal Lake, Illinois	Plainfield Warriors	Region Redbirds
2007	Crystal Lake, Illinois	Cincinnati, Ohio Flames	Plainfield Diamond Kings
2008	Woodstock, Illinois	New Lenox Rebels	Cincy flames
2009	Woodstock, Illinois	Cincy Flames, Cincinnati, Ohio	Lincoln - Way Prospects, New Lenox, Illinois
2010	Woodstock, Illinois	Lincoln - Way Prospects, New Lenox, Illinois	Tri-County Drillers 9U, Madison, Mississippi