

1869'S STAR PLAYERS NAMED

GAME TO BE HOSTED BY DEFENDING CHAMPIONS ORANGE; NEL LINEUP DOMINATED BY THREE TEAMS

NEW YORK CITY (July 19, 1869) – Votes are back and tallied, and the rosters for the twelfth All-Star Game have been finalized and sent out. The game will have the same look as in years past:

- Places 1-6 in each team's roster will go to the best pitchers in each league.
- The remaining 24 roster spots will consist of three players for every other position.

The New York League hosts the festivities this year, and since Orange BBC are the defending champions they have been chosen to host. The Upper Manhattan Grounds seat roughly 7,500 people, so there will not be as many in attendance as last year's record-setting crowd in Pittsburgh. However, Orange are worthy hosts and the game should offer the usual excitement that occurs when the best players in the sport come together.

There are six newcomers in the game this year: four from the NEL and a pair from the NYL. Even including those players, there are a record-low eighteen first-time All-Stars this year: ten from the NYL and just eight from the NEL. That figure is down from a full 25 last year.

The NEL lineup is dominated by the teams that are running away from the competition in their regions: Alleghany, Shamrock, & St. John's. St. John's has three starters, while Alleghany & Shamrock have two each. Mass. Bay & Lake Erie are the other two teams represented in the NEL starters' group. In contrast, the NYL lineup is represented by eight teams.

Not surprisingly, Flour City, who already has more wins than last year with three weeks left to play, leads the NBBO along with Shamrock with five players selected – their headliner being the historically-brilliant James Goodman.

Rosters for the 1868 All-Star Game, starters highlighted in red, are as follows:

NEW YORK LEAGUE ROSTERS

P: Carl Bancroft (GOT/5th) – 21-11, 3.50 ERA, 31 K, 1.30 WHIP, 4.4 WAR
P: Clyde Branagan (NIA/1st) – 14-7, 2.38 ERA, 27 K, 1.23 WHIP, 2.8 WAR
P: Jim Creighton (EXC/8th) – 21-11, 2.62 ERA, 112 K, 1.18 WHIP, 8.1 WAR
P: Peadar Daly (KNI/5th) – 22-8, 3.62 ERA, 36 K, 1.30 WHIP, 4.9 WAR
P: James Goodman (F.C./4th) – 25-6, 2.00 ERA, 106 K, 1.07 WHIP, 8.8 WAR
P: William Tighe (MUT/3rd) – 15-12, 3.63 ERA, 28 K, 1.46 WHIP, 5.2 WAR

C: Lorenzo Bradford (F.C./2nd) – .395, 16 XBH, 52 RBI, 1.9 WAR
C: Joseph Hines (NIA/NC) – .335, 11 XBH, 1 HR, 61 RBI, 1.3 WAR
C: Everett Schreiber (ORA/2nd) – .374, 21 XBH, 2 HR, 56 RBI, 2.9 WAR

1B: Mario Fusilli (SYR/4th) – .413, 29 XBH, 1 HR, 51 RBI, 2.3 WAR
1B: Garfield Koonce (K.C./2nd) – .390, 37 XBH, 2 HR, 68 RBI, 2.7 WAR
1B: Babe Johnson (GOT/1st) – .333, 21 XBH, 46 RBI, 23 SB, 2.0 WAR
2B: Leslie Arnett (GOT/8th) – .336, 14 XBH, 47 RBI, +11.9 ZR, 2.1 WAR
2B: Hamish Barclay (MET/3rd) – .338, 24 XBH, 29 RBI, 1.7 WAR
2B: Ralph Knight (F.C./NC) – .352, 17 XBH, 2 HR, 59 RBI, 1.9 WAR
3B: Andrew Brannon (CON/1st) – .326, 20 XBH, 43 RBI, 27 SB, 2.5 WAR
3B: Galimberto Cappelletti (EXC/2nd) – .378, 21 XBH, 1 HR, 62 RBI, 2.1 WAR
3B: Isaac Kelly (MUT/1st) – .381, 24 XBH, 58 RBI, 2.2 WAR
SS: Marcel Bresciani (ATL/1st) – .299, 17 XBH, 33 RBI, +14.0 ZR, 1.7 WAR
SS: Edward Huntley (KNI/11th) – .365, 21 XBH, 66 RBI, 20 SB, +12.0 ZR, 3.8 WAR
SS: Henry Nabors (VIC/4th) – .343, 23 XBH, 49 RBI, 1.6 WAR

OF: William Gentilucci (N.C./1st) – .359, 24 XBH, 2 HR, 48 RBI, 2.2 WAR
OF: Carlton McShane (K.C./2nd) – .341, 34 XBH, 2 HR, 63 RBI, 2.2 WAR
OF: Reginald Roper (F.C./2nd) – .397, 32 XBH, 1 HR, 30 RB, 2.9 WAR
CF: Taliesin Buckley (NIA/6th) – .352, 24 XBH, 31 RBI, 50 SB, 2.4 WAR
CF: Manuel Romeiras (HAR/1st) – .325, 23 XBH, 21 RBI, 43 SB, 1.7 WAR
CF: Obelix Tsiaris (F.C./4th) – .344, 22 XBH, 53 RBI, 21 SB, 1.9 WAR
OF: Curtis Bowman (EMP/2nd) – .352, 30 XBH, 42 RBI, 2.0 WAR
OF: Martin Craven (ATL/1st) – .391, 25 XBH, 55 RBI, 2.5 WAR
OF: James Hoyt (K.C./4th) – .374, 22 XBH, 35 RBI, 1.9 WAR

NORTHEASTERN LEAGUE ROSTERS

P: John Brown (STJ/2nd) – 18-9, 3.65 ERA, 15 K, 1.36 WHIP, 4.2 WAR
P: Ross Gill (Q.S./NC) – 21-8, 3.53 ERA, 22 K, 1.31 WHIP, 5.7 WAR
P: John Henry (ALL/1st) – 23-8, 3.52 ERA, 33 K, 1.37 WHIP, 3.9 WAR
P: Washington Kihlstedt (SPO/NC) – 19-10, 3.69 ERA, 37 K, 1.29 WHIP, 4.6 WAR
P: Tom Ricks (SHA/4th) – 21-9, 2.57 ERA, 23 K, 1.16 WHIP, 4.2 WAR
P: Thomas Smith (SHA/2nd) – 17-5, 2.42 ERA, 18 K, 1.06 WHIP, 3.0 WAR

C: Albert Goddard (S.o.t.O./2nd) – .251, 9 XBH, 1 HR, 37 RBI, 1.2 WAR
C: James Simon (SHA/NC) – .315, 9 XBH, 42 RBI, 2.50 C-ERA, 1.4 WAR
C: Falco v.d. Vaart (M.B./2nd) – .368, 11 XBH, 1 HR, 63 RBI, 1.9 WAR

1B: Cormack Alexander (Q.S./5th) – .390, 22 XBH, 67 RBI, 2.2 WAR
1B: William Busby (AME/3rd) – .376, 24 XBH, 9 HR, 60 RBI, 2.8 WAR
1B: Collin Henderson (ALL/4th) – .407, 23 XBH, 1 HR, 52 RBI, 2.8 WAR
2B: Adam Allen (QUI/NC) – .335, 19 XBH, 39 RBI, 1.8 WAR
2B: Anderson MacGyver (STJ/7th) – .338, 23 XBH, 59 RBI, 24 SB, 1.8 WAR
2B: Mathius Wirtz (T.U./2nd) – .280, 17 XBH, 27 RBI, 40 SB, 1.7 WAR
3B: Will Dickerson (Q.S./1st) – .380, 17 XBH, 50 RBI, 20 SB, 2.2 WAR
3B: Samuel Kessler (ALL/11th) – .376, 28 XBH, 66 RBI, 3.2 WAR
3B: Werner Verstegen (AME/3rd) – .381, 27 XBH, 57 RBI, 28 SB, 2.7 WAR
SS: Anthony Mascherino (SHA/11th) – .342, 25 XBH, 68 RBI, 21 SB, 2.7 WAR
SS: Jonathan Richards (OCE/1st) – .322, 23 XBH, 56 RBI, +11.6 ZR, 2.4 WAR
SS: Bertram Zahn (M.M./1st) – .352, 15 XBH, 46 RBI, +10.8 ZR, 1.9 WAR

OF: Royal Altman (ALL/5th) – .377, 26 XBH, 56 RBI, 24 SB, 2.9 WAR
OF: James Burke (SHA/3rd) – .355, 30 XBH, 46 RB, 37 SB, 2.5 WAR
OF: Konrad Jensen (STJ/9th) – .405, 18 XBH, 66 RBI, 50 SB, 3.1 WAR
CF: Willie Davis (AME/9th) – .361, 27 XBH, 40 RBI, 35 SB, +11.3 ZR, 3.3 WAR
CF: William Johnson (STJ/5th) – .347, 25 XBH, 32 RBI, 37 SB, 2.8 WAR
CF: Franklin Petty (L.E./5th) – .410, 37 XBH, 2 HR, 67 RBI, 3.1 WAR
OF: Thomas Maloney (M.B./9th) – .342, 22 XBH, 56 RBI, 26 SB, 1.9 WAR
OF: Nelson Townsend (STJ/7th) – .356, 30 XBH, 52 RBI, 37 SB, 3.0 WAR
OF: Arthur Waltrip (SPO/6th) – .357, 20 XBH, 44 RBI, 2.5 WAR

The best team in each league – Flour City in the NYL & Shamrock in the NEL – will be sending five players to the game:

- FLOUR CITY: Bradford, Goodman, Knight, Roper, & Tsiaris
- SHAMROCK: Burke, Ricks, Mascherino, Simon, & Smith

The following players will be making their first All-Star Game appearances:

NEW YORK LEAGUE ALL-STAR DEBUTS

- P: Branagan
- C: Hines
- IF: Brannon, Bresciani, Johnson, Kelly, & Knight
- OF: Craven, Gentilucci, & Romeiras
- TOTAL: 10 All-Star Debuts

NORTHEASTERN LEAGUE ALL-STAR DEBUTS

- P: Gill, Henry, & Kihlstedt
- C: Simon
- IF: Allen, Dickerson, Richards, & Zahn
- OF: NONE
- TOTAL: 8 All-Star Debuts

There are six first-year players that have been nominated to play in the All-Star Game:

- NYL: Hines & Knight
- NEL: Allen, Gill, Kihlstedt, & Simon

Of the nine nominees, the only starter is Gotham outfielder Clive Strachan.

Three players have been named to play in all eleven All-Star Games:

- Edward Huntley (SS, Knickerbocker)
- Samuel Kessler (3B, Alleghany)
- Anthony Mascherino (SS, Shamrock)