Dear Kickballers,

LA Crescent started in the Spring 2008 with one Man and a Dream. That dream was to create a new league of WAKA so that his team of Thursday Night miscreants could earn an easy invite to the Founders Cup in Vegas. That man was Me and the team was “WAKAShame,” named appropriately for the morning walk home from your bad choice the night before still wearing your kickball jersey. Good times.

Sadly CSB won the regular season title and Kick in the Balls knocked the shame out in the 2nd round of the playoffs, thus ending that dream. Tear, weep. (Interesting side note, LA Crescent was originally called LA Storm. The WAKA Brass thought it would be in bad taste to name it that after Katrina. My response “How’s about you let us decide what’s best for us since we lived through it.” Obviously I didn’t win that fight.)

The first season started with 6 brave teams who dared play kickball on Monday Nights. A Tuesday hangover? Pure Balls. Those sinister six were Balls & Dolls, Red Balls & Rice, Jam-Ball-aya, WAKAShame, CSB, and Kick in the Balls. The bar was Station 8801 and at first the division was a refuge for teams that couldn’t break into Thursday nights. Very low key, but man did we have fun.

Still struggling to find it’s identity, Crescent redefined itself by adding some flair by bringing in the always flamboyant Memphis Mafia, the “SIN”ful Ballbusters, Thursday night power house Swampstains, our Queen of the Hill’s Kick Start, The Ballshavics, and the Donkey Ballers. Through in an End of season party featuring the Kings of Happy Hour and we started to look respectable.

Then it happened! In the Spring of 2009 the league outgrew our expectations and boomed up to 14 teams adding Balls Deep, Balls on Top, Ballsiest Move, 99 Problems, Red Blue Blur, Marigny Antoinettes, and the Ballhollics. Station 8801 changed hands and we met Dan, THE Bartender. Monday nights were never the same. If you were there past midnight, you were gonna have a BAD BAD BAD Tuesday. Walk Off Homers and Shots of Jameson, suddenly Mondays were as fun as Thursdays.
This season we saw Crescent take its current shape with our 16 teams, over $4,000 raised for various charities, and a waiting list to join our division. Safely nestled in Grits bar and with some of the craziest on and off field antics ever seen, Monday Night is no longer the red headed step-child of Thursday nights. LA Crescent is now the Flagship of the New Orleans Empire. I wish to take a moment to thank the members of the board and our Past Presidents Leah and Sean for their service in making LA Crescent one of the greatest leagues in WAKA. A special thank you also goes out to the tireless efforts to our GMOT editor, Dave Nolamite who has given you your Friday reading material for the past 4 seasons as well as your webchairs Travis (Season 1) and Dave Nolamite (everything else) who have kept the websites up to date with scores, GMOTs, and vital info. Big shout out to Kayla for her work with charity and Dean for the tireless efforts as Head Ump. And don’t forget about Krystal, James, and Jesus with Flip Cup. Finally, thank you to the entire season one board who looked at me like I was nuts when I said “Let’s do this twice a week!” Without the tireless efforts of these volunteers this league would not be possible.

It has been my pleasure to serve as the Regional Rep for the New Orleans Area these past 2 years. While trying at times, it’s been a great experience. I am sure I will still get recognized as “Hey you’re that Kickball guy” on a regular basis but I believe I am leaving the league in very capable hands. I wish your next rep and the new president of LA Crescent the best of luck. I know you will succeed. Just remember kids, it’s only Kickball.

Cheer’s

Decker

P.S. Someone go to Vegas for the Founders’ Cup. You won’t regret the trip.
CONGRATS

Props go to Ballbusters for finishing with the best record in the league. They inched out CSB by one run since they had the same record. The question is: can you back it up in the playoffs or will get some more of “Deez Ballz in ya Mouth”? Props also goes to B/B again for having the best flip cup record out there. They only lost 6 rounds all season. Look out!

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I’m mean, green, and looking to sweep the league clean! Kickball, Flip Cup, King of the Hill. You name it, I’m there bitches!

As always, thanks Slimer!

GRITS TIP OF THE WEEK

LADIES - The bartenders do not mind if you jump over the bar and “make out” with them as one “name withheld” kickballer did. Yes, several of us saw you “name withheld”!
WHO IS IT GOING TO BE?

KICKBALL PLAYOFFS – THIS SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH!

It is time for the big dance and every team is strategizing in one of two ways.

1. “How can we win the semifinal and championship game back to back?”
2. “Let’s be honest, we don’t stand a chance. Let’s get wasted!”

Personally, I think #2 sounds more fun and needs better planning!

PLAYOFF TIPS

DO

• Wear sunscreen
• Drink plenty liquids besides alcohol
• Flirt and drink
• Read up on the rules. The playoff rules are posted on the bracket link on our webpage.
• Park in the grass and not in the zoo parking lot to give them room.
• Bring a change of clothes.
• Ice luge!
• THANK the board, your captain, and anybody who has helped engineer another great season!

DON’TS

• Argue with the refs if you are not the captain
• Instigate or partake in fights – You will be kicked out for good
• Stay home or skip this event

STRONG RECOMMANDATIONS

• This is a tailgating type of event so plan accordingly
• Team tents are beyond awesome and keep everybody out of the sun.
• Team grilling is a must to keep everybody standing. If everybody on your team coordinates items and chips in, it is very easy to do this.
• Krystal (Stains) and Matt (Ballbusters) will have the Powerade truck with free drinks for all. Go see them to stay hydrated.
On Monday September 14th starting at 6:00 we will have one last visit to the kickball fields for the season. We will have two All Star Games? Yes, 2. One will be just the boys and the other will be just the lovely ladies! After that, we all go to the bar for the drinking championships! Without further ado, here are your 2009 LA Crescent Summer All Stars:

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Captains and the board voted on league MVP’s. The following players are the best of the best.

Sorry, Lebron and Kobe, you guys are just not that good in kickball!
League MVP’s

Best Male Kickballer: Andrew Crosby – Balls on Top
Best Female Kickballer: Jessica Pyle – DaBallaholics
Favorite Kickballer: Jessica Pyle – DaBallaholics
Best Flipper: Sean Gaubert – Swampstains
Best Ump: Tommy Fox - Ballbusters

Team Awards

Most Fun Team to Play: DaBallaholics
Team that you fear to play: Chocolate Salty Balls
Best Newsletter: Kick Start my Heart
Best Flip Cup Team: Ballbusters

Kyle the Bartender’s MVP’s

Best Team: Ballbusters
League MVP: Kelly Touchy - 99 Problems

The “El Presidente” Awards

Congrats to those who help define kickball!

Best Looking in Underwear: Stephanie - DaBallaholics
Best Party Waller: Dan – Ballbusters
Most Popular dog: Audio – Balls on Top
Biggest Clown: Rob - 99 Problems
Best piñata player: Deuce – Marigny Antoinettes
Favorite team chant: “Keep Deez Ballz Oucha Mouth – same
Best Corn hole Pounder: Randy Horner - CSB
Toughest looking SOB: Randy Mitchell – Kick In the Balls
Best Kickball phrase: “Everyone is a winner” James Winchester - CSB
The “El Presidente” Awards Cont.

Best beer Chugger: Aaron Denson – Wasted Talent

Best Limboer: Meredith Martin – Wasted Talent

Biggest Flirt: Mark Decker – Balls on Top

God of Kickball: Josh Lee – Marigny Antoinettes

Craziest Tandem: Deuce and Cheap Thrills – Marigny Antoinettes

Best fictional character: Ricky Raccoon – Grits

Best Team for Fun: DaBallaholics

Best Team for Victory: Ballbusters

MOST IMPORTANT!!!

Audubon Zoo does own the fields we play on. They have the right to kick us off of there, and they will if their parking lots get overcrowded. I ask that everybody park on the grass and avoid parking in their lot by all means. Please line up the vehicles like I do (see picture below) in my backyard. DO NOT PARK IN THE ZOO PARKING LOT!

After this week we will do a season finale newsletter.

See you on the fields!
This Week in Flip Cup
by James Winchester and Jessica Pyle

Boys & Girls.... it’s time to recap another eventful week around the league!

**Week 8 Kickball Recap**

A week after the Salty Balls lost their place at the top of the power rankings, Balls On Top played a doozie in their loss (4-1) to the Ballbusters. After all that shit talking, BOT certainly have a lot of egg on their faces. Despite having a poorer run scored average and a loss to a so so team, the Ballbusters are the overall regular season champions (the first not called the Chocolate Salty Balls in four seasons) and thus have qualified for the World Championships in Las Vegas. When teams have an identical record, the tiebreaker is placed on results with comparable teams in head to head match ups – CSB lost to BOT, and Ballbusters beat BOT..... fair enough. The Power Rankings will definitely look “interesting” this week, cause in all honesty, its a cluster fuck at the top..... a bunch of one loss teams, and then the rest of the league.

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Fun times for Balls on Top:

talking shit leads to egg on face and eating crow.
The other huge highlight from the field last Monday was the game between the Mafia and the Antoinettes.... big props to both sides who went all out in a fun fun fun game to watch. The Rolling Elvi were definitely out in full force, and the game was something that really kickball is all about – making it fun, having a good time, and win or lose, just having a blast. The Antoinettes won 8-4, but we think everyone was a winner in this game.

Everyone's a winner......

“Douchey McDouche Douche Prime Douche of the Season” Award

Sorry “Ed”, but we have to address a certain little incident that happened this past Monday night before the flip cup events. And although the word “douche” should be saved for a specific time and place, we think that this deserves it.... cause this douche definitely deserves the one and only “Douchey McDouche Douche Prime Douche of the Season” Award.
Okay kids...

We all know that we that the keg is JUST for flip cup... this means when you are practicing with your team you buy your own beer. One certain team seems to not understand this, you know who you are. This past week... a certain kickballer continued taking the beer after yours truly asked him not too... to which he replied “oh I know it’s for flip cup but I do it anyway.” After being rude and taking the beer anyway, this stand up guy decides to take a pitcher to fill up “because I can.” After exchanging some choice words with our Unofficial official keg watchers Jennifer Hale and Ashley Segari, Mr. Cheapness gave up, but not before they took his beer and poured it back in the pitcher.

Moral of the story.... Stay away from the keg.. its annoying and we all know its for flip cup. We have run out before and we don’t need it to happen again . Stop being cheap and buy a $2.00 highlife or Jen and Ashley will have to get mean again, and we will blast you in the newsletter.

**Week 8 Flip Cup Recap**

Winners: Ballbusters & Da Ballaholics (finishing the reg. Season 8-0 – big thumbs up for that!), 99 Problems, Keep Deez BAAAAAAALLLLLLSSSS Outcha Mouth, Swampstains, Balliest Move, Marigny Antoinettes

Losers: Four teams put up a “zero”. That's pathetic. Three put up a “one”. Terrible. One put up a good fight. Therefore Living the Dream you get mentioned as the first loser. Well done.

Usually at this point, we would write more about the individual games. Alas, not so much this week – we got to cover some important shit for the playoffs and shit, so look below for important news and diagrams.... and shit.

**King of the Hill**

Our last week to qualify for the Super Championships of King of the Hill led to these final results:

1<sup>st</sup> - Chris “finally the champ” Rehage - Ballbuster No.1

2<sup>nd</sup> - Michelle “the shark” Dee - Ballbuster No.2

3<sup>rd</sup> - Ashley “tight package” Geddis - Ballbuster No.3

4<sup>th</sup> - Jessica “dirty texter” Pyle - Da Ballllllllaholics

Big props going out to the Ballbusters. In KOTH each week, each team is allowed to enter three competitors – when you came 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>, thats pretty bad ass. FYI, we're not the Moose, and we don’t do the flip cup rankings – we just write about them...... but the battle between the Ballbusters and Da Ballaholics that “could” happen in the Flip Cup Finals Championship Game has fireworks written all over it.
King of the Hill Championship Finals Qualifiers

384 opportunities.... only 32 qualify. Here are our qualifiers (and named selections for multi qualifiers) for the KOTH Finals:

Jared Capozzi - Keep Deez Balls Outcha Mouth
| Krystal Hale - Swampstains
| Charlie Provenza -Balls on Top
| Sean Gaubert - Swampstains
| Stephanie McCormick -Da Ballaholics
Michelle Dee - Ballbusters (Season 3 Defending Champion)
| Jason Triyonis - Swampstains
| Mark Decker - Balls On Top
| Emily Heath - Kick Start My Heart
| Chris Rehage - Ballbusters
| Lenin Guerrero - 99 Problems
| Jessica Fridge - Donkey Ballers
Anthony Ray -Keep Deez Balls Outcha Mouth* - just to piss you off A.Ray ;)
| Lauren Soubel - Marigny Antoinettes
| Ashley Segari - Swampstains
| Jessica Pyle - Da Ballaholics
| Becky Neeb - 99 Problems
| Ross Davis - Swampstains
| Mike Morris - Kick Start My Heart
| Sam Provenza - Balls On Top
Fernando Rodriguez - Keep Deez Balls Outcha Mouth
| Ashley Geddis - Ballbusters
| Humphrey Barlow - Swampstains
| Randy Horner - Chocolate Salty Balls
| Adam Martinez - Kick Start My Heart
| Johnny Crosby - Balls On Top
| Jason Mezzic - Ballbusters
| Robert Lind - Swampstains
| TJ Parker - Ballbusters
| Matt Potter - Ballbusters
| Jamie Tirrell - Ballbusters
| Trevor Winter - Da Ballaholics

32 competitors...... only one winner.
Flip Cup Rules for the Playoff’s (& King of the Hill)

We're going to try and make this real simple for the simpletons.... because there will be some “differences” for the Playoffs for KOTH and Flip Cup.

**Flip Cup & KOTH Applicable Rules**

- **a)** We tried to make the picture as big as possible. During the Championship playoffs, there will be a BEER MINIMUM to place in your cups. The cups will be MARKED with a BLACK LINE that will be the beer minimum level. Don't like it? Go cry to Momma, this ain't pussy Thursday night shit (although pre booking a taxi is recommended). Don't think it's fair for KOTH? Well don't play.... plenty of others will.

- **b)** Judges will make the calls.... and have the power to overturn, change calls etc.

- **c)** Opposite flipper must have equal beer – if you both go to full cup, then thats between you two. Just make sure you are over the black line.

- **d)** “Head” doesn't count for reaching the black line.

- **e)** Pouring beer on yourself, although not a foul and not illegal, is weak shit. Don't be a pussy and pour half your beer on yourself – drink it.
**Flip Cup Only Rules**

a) Pouring the River Nile on the table – It’s bullshit. We’ll have towels, and will wipe down the table to keep it as “dry” as possible. It need’s to be fair... it’s about drinking and flipping.... not the “suction” a pool of beer can create.

**KOTH Only Rules**

Reminder:

a) Step away from the table. It’s hard as shit for Tommy “sexy Jesus” and James “fake ass Brit” to see shit when you start pouring your next beer before the round has finished. Don’t worry – the game won’t start without you....

b) What the judges say will go.

c) The most important change – see above. For the playoffs, your cup must be higher than your elbow, and your elbow must be at least at a 90 degree angle from your body. We will kick you out for repeat offending. Don’t like it? Don’t play the game. We ain’t looking for cheaters – just the best damn flipper in the league!
The Playoff brackets for flip cup. It’s about as awesome as it gets.

**Favorite:** Ballbusters.

**Dark Horse:** Kick Start My Heart (and Emily Heath).

**Upset alert:** Chocolate Salty Balls vs. Ballbusters in Round 2.

**Collison Course:** Swampstains & Ballbusters, Da Ballaholics & Keep Deez Balls in the Semi Finals

**Overrated:** Keep Deez Balls******

**Underrated:** Swampstains

**Cinderella:** Wasted Talent

**16th Seed:** 0-8 Red Blue Blur. Sadly, I don’t think Jesus can help you with this one.

**Next week:** Flip Cup’s Preview of the Playoffs, Management’s Plans for the off-season, and more hints, tip and advice for making the Playoffs a success!

Two weeks. Start practicing. Flip Cup of course.... cause no one would actually practice kickball, would they?

Krystal “I’m Not Your Toy” Hale & James “I'll go crazy if I don't go crazy tonight” Winchester
Charitable Causes

LA Crescent Kickballers...

Wow Kids, way to really step it up in the last week of the Season. Week 8 total = $1240.00 for a season total of $2994.00 (That’s not even including the Kissing Diva’s money). Also don’t forget the Silent Auction (Monday the 14th @ Grits during the drinking finals) There is lots of good stuff up for bid. We have signed balls!, need I say more?

The Charity Girl...

Kayla Stitcher

Congratulations to 1st Place and Full Keg Winners: Donkey Ballers

Congratulations to 2nd Place and Pony Keg Winners: Marigny Antoinettes

Final Race for the Keg Standings

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Season Total: $2,994.00

CP3 autographed B-Ball

Drew Brees autographed Football
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To aid those living with Multiple Sclerosis

Brought to you By:
ROLLING ELVI VELO KINGS AND BIG EASY ROLLERGIRLS
7-11 PM, FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11th
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A portion of designated beer sales will be donated to the fundraising effort!
Food will be served for a small donation!

Come join our raffle of these following awesome items, tickets only $2:
-2 $40 certificates for Matt and Naddie's restaurant
-a resin and powdered marble wall hanging decorative NOLA housefront, value $75
-4 cocktail glasses, engraved to reflect KRE and BERG
-4 wine glasses, engraved to reflect KRE and BERG
-3 separate packages of KRE event schwag (cozies, belt buckle, etc.)
-1 package of BERG event schwag (key ring, stickers, etc.)
-a "favorites" package containing an item from each team member
-a liquor basket donated by Finn McCool's
-2 San Fermin Running of the Bulls posters featuring BERG and KRE participants, value $40 each
-tickets to the Audubon Insectarium
-an evening sail in Lake Pontchartrain to include viewing the sunset
-2 Saints tickets for Sunday September 13th
-*items subject to change and evolution and addition!!*

Make a donation to participate in games including the following:
-“What Would Elvis Do?” advice booth
-The BERG “Penalty Wheel”
-“The Dating Game” – get a date with a participating KRE or BERG team member!
-Tug of War where YOU pick the sides
-a dart tournament
-a Squares gamble sheet determined by contests between BERG and KRE
*more, more, more!!!!*

Can’t make the event? Consider a donation to either team or a member thereof.
KRE:http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/LAMBIkeEvents?pg=team&fr_id=11180&team_id=174135
BERG:http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR?pg=team&fr_id=11180&team_id=174030
UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS SWIMMING AND DIVING PRESENTS:

Kickin’ Balls
The Inaugural New Orleans Kickball Unification Cup

As most of you are aware UNO suffered devastating budget cuts this summer and athletics was almost completely dropped from the university. In order to operate and be competitive, it is imperative that we raise funds so that our athletes are given a fair chance to succeed in the sport that work so hard at. As most people know, there are 3 kickball leagues in the city, Monday and Thursday WAKA and a Sunday night independent league. Naturally everyone has their opinion as to which one is the best so please come out and support us and our kids at UNO while determining on the field who is the true kickball champion of New Orleans.

Myself, Randy Horner and James Winchester of Chocolate Salty Balls are the swim/dive coaches at UNO and we would love for you to come out and participate in this fun event while helping us and our athletes. The flyer has all my pertinent information.

Thanks,

Richard Marschner
University of New Orleans Swimming and Diving Presents:

Kickin’ Balls
The Inaugural New Orleans Kickball Unification Cup

- FREE BEER
- FREE T-shirts for each team member (20 max)
- Earn citywide kickball smack talking rights
- Last kickball hurrah before winter

- Saturday Sept. 26 10:00 a.m.@ Audubon Park
- $200 entry fee per team
- All proceeds go directly to the UNO Swimming and Diving teams
- 3 games guaranteed for each team
- Space is limited to 16 teams on a 1st come basis
- Contact Richard Marschner of the Chocolate Salty Balls WAKA Monday league to reserve spot

Richard Marschner
Phone: 504-343-3288
E-mail: rmarschn@uno.edu
Big Ballers and Flip Cup Callers...

Well another season is in the books. But that’s just the regular season; we still have a full day of kickball playoffs and finals next Saturday the 12th. Which is always full of hijinks, shenanigans, and drunken good times. That’s followed up on Monday the 14th by the Male and Female All-star Game, Flipcup and King of the Hill Finals. And don’t forget the big Silent Auction that Kayla has been working so hard to put together. Lots of good stuff to be had, so bring your check books people.

It’s week 8 and we’re all getting weary and running out of material for this Newsletter. Plus the submission count this week has dropped off the cliff. They’ve been trying to slip ’em in (no pun intended) all season since I instituted the ban, so I’ve made an editorial decision to let the Douche out of the Bag this week (so to speak). Don’t get use to it out there writers; this was your one and only shot.

Finally for this season ending recap, I’ve changed up “Get to Know a Kickballer”. We have a very hard working, and diligent Board that helps keep this crazy dog and pony show we call the LA Crescent League on course and on time. It’s not easy to navigate a pirate ship full of these 16 teams/350+ kickballers, I’ve never witnessed such a large group of people so committed to fun and good times. So I’ve decided to switch it up to “Get to know your Board Members.” Thanks for all your hard work Kids!!!

Anyway, thanks for reading and we’ll see ya’ll next weekend!!!

Dave NOLAmite
Get to Know Your LA Crescent Board Members

Name: Decker
Board Position: LA Regional Rep
Kickball Team: B-A-L-L-S-O-N-T-O-P
Nickname(s): The Commish & Hey WAKA Guy

Position: Lead Off, First Base, Doggie Style
Occupation: Fire Fighter, Kickball Whore
Favorite NOLA Bar: Grits for convenience, Snake and Jake’s Xmas Lounge
Turn Ons: Female? Pulse? Breathing?
Turn Offs: I’m a guy, that pretty much makes me a walking G-Spot.
Best Kickball Experience: Giving CSB’s their first loss since Game 1 of the first LA Triumph Season, and we did it with class. (OK maybe smoking cigars after was a tad too far)
Worst Kickball Experience: Pulled a ligament in my right ankle base running in the Spring of 2008. Put me in a walking cast for 6 weeks. Little known fact: That cast is the reason I had to learn how to play Flip Cup sitting down.
Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction: Balls on Top Baby!
Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction: Cup Busters
Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction: Emily
Plans for the Long Offseason: Club Kitty Cat’s Triumphant Return to Grits
Wish List for Spring ’10 Season: For some Kickballers to forget I live across the street from Grits.

Name: Sean Gaubert
Board Position: President
Kickball Team: Swampstains
Nickname(s): “Master of Kickball” “Make out whore”

Position: Changes every game
Occupation: General Contractor – Gaubert Construction
Favorite NOLA Bar: One that is open and serving
Turn Ons: Girls who can catch the ball, Making out, balancing kickball with a serious career
Turn Offs: People who leave Grits early and Rob Turner of 99 Problems when he is wearing that dong thong.
Best Kickball Experience: Deuce making a piñata out of my head.
Worst Kickball Experience: When the summer season ends every year.
Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction: STAINSSSSSSS!
Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction: STAINSSSSSSS!
Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction: Emily...she is going to F’n beat me in the final flip.... I just know it dammit!
Plans for the Long Offseason: SAINTS
Wish List for Spring ’10 Season: Win the lottery and start a kickball league for every day of the week!
Get to Know Your LA Crescent Board Members

Name: Rory Collins

Board Position: Vice President

Kickball Team: Swampstains!

Nickname(s): The ‘Gazelle’ or ‘El Vice Presidente’!

Position: Left field, Semi-Professional bunter

Occupation: Administrator at movie theater company by day, Singer/Songwriter by night

Favorite NOLA Bar: The Turtle Lounge or wherever the ‘Random Bar Night’ is...

Turn Ons: Ladies in kickball uniforms, fanny packs

Turn Offs: those who don’t appreciate the fanny pack

Best Kickball Experience: getting to know all of the wonderful kickballers

Worst Kickball Experience: not yet being able to beat that chocolate team

Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction: Swampstains over Ballbusters!

Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction: Swampstains over Ballbusters!

Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction: Sean Gaubert or Krystal Hale

Plans for the Long Offseason: practice my bunting skills, work on my music and maybe get a girlfriend...

Wish List for Spring ’10 Season: A quirky and enthusiastic new ‘board’ of kickballers!

Name: Dean Charbonnet

Board Position: Head Umpire

Kickball Team: Kick Start My Heart

Nickname(s): Only said behind my back.

Position: Utility Player

Occupation: Software Project Manager

Favorite NOLA Bar: Delachaise and Bridge Lounge

Turn Ons: Dry Wit

Turn Offs: Low self-confidence

Best Kickball Experience: The creation of the Dean-off

Worst Kickball Experience: The fact that there must be a loser in a Dean-off

Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction: Kick Start My Heart

Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction: Kick Start My Heart

Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction: Emily Heath

Plans for the Long Offseason: What? There’s an off-season?

Wish List for Spring ’10 Season: 100% accurate calls by all umps in every game
Get to Know Your LA Crescent Board Members

Name: Krystal Hale
Board Position: flip cup/ beer bitch
Kickball Team: swampstains
Nickname(s): sadly I have none
Position: sideline drinker
Occupation: vitamin water / PowerAde promotions
Favorite NOLA Bar: Ms Maes...
Turn Ons: master p, Ricky raccoon, Seans humping
Turn Offs: Matthew Potter
Best Kickball Experience: 2 seasons ago when I was a Ballbuster, I made the most amazing catch then fell backwards in the mud. It was a pretty great catch.
Worst Kickball Experience: same as above... I had mud in places no one should
Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction: swampstains
Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction: stains of course!
Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction: me😊
Plans for the Long Offseason: I’m very excited for the return of Kitty cat club Mondays at grits...and possibly moving to Orlando to work at Disney World... until next kickball season of course...
Wish List for spring ’10 Season: more drinking

Name: James “The Patron Saint of Liars and Fakes” Winchester
Board Position: Krystal’s Bitch a.k.a. Flip Cup Assistant / Unofficial KOTH Referee
Kickball Team: Chocolate Salty Balls
Nickname(s): according to Sean (Gaubert), Master Beaver Hunter.
Position: Utility Man – I'll do whatever the captain wants me to do ;)
Occupation: Swim Coach.
Favorite NOLA Bar: It's not the bar, but the people you’re with!
Turn Offs: People stealing the flip cup beer. Taking kickball too seriously. Jealous beaver.
Best Kickball Experience: Meeting new people every week. Unofficial KOTH.
Worst Kickball Experience: Every Monday night at about 3am, when I have to leave Grits.
Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction: Chocolate Salty Balls. Dark Horse: Keep Deez Balls Outcha Mouth
Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction: Da Ballaholics (if Jersey and Stephanie aren't too drunk).
Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction: Sean “Master of Kickball” Gaubert. I’m backing the sausage.
Plans for the Long Offseason: Setting up a flip cup league. Cry myself to sleep until the next kickball season. Refine my beaver hunting skills.
Wish List for Spring ’10 Season: No Bunt Rule.
Get to Know Your LA Crescent Board Members

**Name:** Kayla Stitcher

**Board Position:** Charity Director

**Kickball Team:** Memphis Mafia

**Nickname(s):** “Special K”

**Position:** in a chair on the side lines cheering loudly for my team.

**Occupation:** Restaurant manager

**Favorite NOLA Bar:** Mayfair

**Turn Ons:** People who give money to charity

**Turn Offs:** teams who still have a big fat zero by their name in the charity race for the keg

**Best Kickball Experience:** I think everyone knows this. It is of course when my husband streaked the field last playoffs.

**Worst Kickball Experience:** never had one. Its all good man.

**Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction:** The Mafia but against the keg.

**Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction:** the Mafia

**Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction:** Whitney

**Plans for the Long Offseason:** snuggle up to my hunny bunny and dream of next season’s shenanigans

**Wish List for Spring ’10 Season:** More money for charity.

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**Name:** Dave NOLAmite

**Board Position:** GMOT Editor/Web Page Manager

**Kickball Team:** Memphis Mafia

**Nickname(s):** “Stitch”, “Flash”, “Mr. YT”

**Position:** Pitcher

**Occupation:** Archaeologist/Cartographer/GIS Specialist by Day. Superhero Crime Fighter by Night.

**Favorite NOLA Bar:** Mayfair, Kingpin, 45Tchoup

**Turn Ons:** Bacon, Long Braided Ponytails, Highlife

**Turn Offs:** Lack of Hustle

**Best Kickball Experience:** It’s a tie between getting all three outs in an inning and streaking the Finals last season.

**Worst Kickball Experience:** after winning the first round last season, the CSBs pretty much crushed us in the first inning of the next round

**Summer 2009 KB Champ Prediction:** The Mafia (but in reality, BOT pulls off the upset)

**Summer 2009 FC Champ Prediction:** the Mafia ( but in reality, the Ballbusters will power through)

**Summer 2009 KOTH Champ Prediction:** Sean Gaubert (he came up big this season)

**Plans for the Long Offseason:** win an Oscar and a Peabody Award to go with my two Grammies

**Wish List for Spring ’10 Season:** A Newsletter with 100% team participation. And a buttload more Cowbell.
First Round

1-Chocolate Salty Balls vs. 8-Memphis Mafia - This is a repeat of last season's second round playoff game where Memphis got trounced 12-1. It's Now or Never for Memphis so don't play like a Teddy Bear or the Devil in Disguise will give way to Suspicious Minds. A Fool Such as I think CSB by 6.

4-Da Ballaholics vs. 5-Keep Deez Balls - This the first game ever between these two teams so no one knows what to expect... but I do. Both teams have the same winning percentage but KDBOM has more ties than wins yet KDBOM is the only team to beat Ballbusters. Da Ballaholics' best win was against 99 Problems. This may go extra innings but KDBOM lives to see another game. KDBOM by 1.

2-Balls on Top vs. 7-Donkey Ballers - This is another repeat of last season's playoff game where BOT won a narrow 2-0 victory. But my how things have changed in one season. DB has really dropped off this season and BOT looks much better. BOT will take care of business early giving DB a quick exit. BOT by 3.

3-Kick Start My Heart vs. 6-Red Blue Blur - The last time these two teams met was week 2 last season where KSMH won 7-1. Ever since KSMH tied BOT they have been in a funk but RBB on the other hand had a better season than last. KSMH wins but not without a good fight by RBB. KSMH by 1.

1-Ballbusters vs. 8-Wasted Talent - A well oiled kickball machine verses a rookie kickball team gives you a... major upset???. Just ask KDBOM. Ballbusters, you still have to show up. Wasted Talent, anything can happen. Ballbusters by 4.

4-Ballsiest Move vs. 5-Kick in the Balls - This is a rematch game from week 8 where KITB won 9-5. On paper, BM is the better team but underestimated KITB's kicking and base running. BM will not be caught off guard this time and will win if Ballsiest's defense shows up. BM by 2.

3-Living the Dream vs. 6-Antoinettes - The first match up between these two teams. I predict that this will be a much closer game than people think and an upset in the makings. The Antoinettes are playing RED HOT right now, winning their last three games. Living the Dream will have to play solid kickball if they want keep living the dream. Antoinettes by 1.
2-Swampstains vs. 7-99 Problems - The last time these two teams met up was last season where the Swampstains won 5-2. 99 Problems is a better team this season than last so this will not be as convincing of a win this time around. Remember kids we all are playing for that ticket to Vegas. Swampstains by 2.

Quarter Finals

1-Chocolate Salty Balls vs. 5-Keep Deez Balls - This will be the end of the road for KDBOM. This is CSB’s 4th trip to the playoffs and they haven’t lost yet. KDBOM will need a kickball miracle to get past Chef’s gang. CSB by 4.

2-Balls on Top vs. 3-Kick Start My Heart - Both teams should be looking forward to this game. The last time they meet in week 4 it ended in a tie so we will see who is the better team this time. This will be another good game but Balls on Top prevails. BOT wins by 1.

1-Ballbusters vs. 4-Ballsiest Move - Ballbusters are playing their best kickball this season and has legitimate run for the title this season. Ballsiest Move on the other hand still hasn’t gotten over the hump yet. Ballbusters wins by 5.

2-Swampstains vs. 6-Antoinettes - The Cinderella team will probably end its season against the Swampstains but anything can happen. The Swampstains experience in the playoffs will come in handy against the Antoinettes’ momentum going into the playoffs. Swampstains by 2

Semi Finals

1-Chocolate Salty Balls vs. 2-Balls on Top - This is a rivalry in the making between these two teams. Every time these two teams meet there are serious repercussions for the team that loses and this game is certainly no different. CSB finds a way to win this time but it won’t come easy. CSB wins by 1.

1-Ballbusters vs. 2-Swampstains - Swampstains had a heart breaking loss last season in the semi finals and may have another one this season. Ballbusters will have their hands full but edges out in the end. Ballbusters by 2.

Championship

Ballbusters vs. Chocolate Salty Balls - Can Ballbusters knock off the returning champions? They certainly have the confidence now to do it but it will ultimately come down to the defenses. The team that has the better defense that day will win. Ballbusters will continue to ride on the momentum of the BOT win and add kickball champion to go along with the flip cup title.
# LA CRESCENT FLIP CUP POWER RATINGS

by Anon E. Mouse

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| 1    | **Ballbusters**    | WOW...Just when the Mouse thought there was nothing more for the Cupbusters to achieve, you go and place 1,2,3 at QOTH this week. That is truly the most amazing feat the Mouse has ever seen in Waka Flip Cup history!  
(Current Win Streak = 19)  
(Previous Rank = 1)  (Record = 8-0) |
| 2    | **Da Ballaholics** | If the Mouse does not get to see you take on the Cupbusters in the finals then he will be disappointed. But make sure to do your part first and get to the finals. Recommendations: Don’t be surprised or take it for granted when you are headed to the final table and see the Stains walking your way.  
(Current Win Streak = 8)  
(Previous Rank = 2)  (Record = 8-0) |
| 3    | **Keep Deez Balls Outcha Mount** | OK KDBOM...it’s time to separate the Men from the Boys...and the Cheaters from the Honest. So make a playoff, but make sure not to cheat...(*cough* cough* A Ray* cough) because you will not get away with it in the playoffs.  
(Previous Rank = 3)  (Record = 7-1) |
| 4    | Swamptains         | STTTAAAAAAAAAAANNSSSSSS!! You are coming around just in time. There are only 2 teams in this league with the ability to take down Cupbusters and you are one of them. I look forward to your Semifinal match!  
(Current Win Streak = 3)  
(Previous Rank = 4)  (Record = 5-3) |
| 5    | Marigny Antoineettes | The Mouse called you his dark horse at the beginning of the year and you have not disappointed...well done. But now is the time to do some serious damage and make a playoff run. Field your 5 best!  
***This is the Mouse's Match of the Week***  
***Loss snapped 4 match winning streak***  
(Previous Rank = 6)  (Record = 5-3) |
| 6    | Balliest Move      | After 8 weeks the Mouse is still confused with how good you truly are. You quietly achieved a respectful 4-4 record this season and have a playoff bracket that could see you in the semi’s! Good Luck!  
(Previous Rank = 7)  (Record = 4-4) |
| 7    | Donkey Ballers     | Congrats and Thank you for winning the “Race for the Keg”. The kids truly appreciate it and it also shows the league that Donkey’s do have hearts. Seriously...THANKS!  
(Previous Rank = 5)  (Record = 4-4) |
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| 8    | Kick Start My Heart | Hmmmm....this season has been a disappointment up to this point. But the beauty of the playoffs is everyone has the same record. Make a playoff run and shake this bracket up...please!  
(Previous Rank = 9)  
(Record = 4-4) |
| 9    | Chocolate Salty Balls | Yet again...depending on which 5 you bring to the tables, you can be a serious X Factor in the playoffs this season. Field your 5 best and make a run.  
(Previous Rank = 8)  
(Record = 4-4) |
| 10   | Memphis Mafia | Nothing means a damn thing up to this point Mafia...you started off the season hot and then fell hard. Your bracket looks tough but the Mouse wants to see the Mafia make a run. Recommendations: You must field your 5 best if you want any chance of making a run.  
(Previous Rank = 10)  
(Record = 3-5) |
| 11   | Balls On Top | You were robbed of a .500 season this week thanks to poor officiating in Week 4. And if memory serves the Mouse correctly it was against the Antoinettes. Well welcome to a rematch in round one of the playoffs. Recommendations: Make sure the refs are paying attention this time!  
(Previous Rank = 11)  
(Record = 3-5) |
| 12   | 99 Problems But a Pitch Ain't One | Ole'...Ole'...Ole'...Olee'. The Mouse would love to see you vs. the Da Ballaholics in the 2nd round of the playoffs. They will definitely be there... will you?  
(Previous Rank = 14)  
(Record = 3-5) |
| 13   | Wasted Talent | KDBOM beat you pretty good this week but you will get a chance at revenge in the first round of the playoffs. And since the Mouse is sending an extra ref to the tables...KDBOM may be rattled or disqualified early so hang in there!  
(Previous Rank = 12)  
(Record = 3-5) |
| 14   | Kick In The Balls | Round one of the playoffs brings Ballsiest your way. They are beatable. You can be one surprise team to make a little run in the playoffs...but only if you bring your 5 best!  
(Previous Rank = 13)  
(Record = 3-5) |
| 15   | Living the Dream | Taking Da Ballaholics to 5 Rounds was your most impressive feat of the season...unfortunately you have to play them again in the first round of the playoffs so welcome to an early exit!  
(Previous Rank = 15)  
(Record = 1-7) |
| 16   | Red Blue Blur | Much work will be needed in the off season to break this losing streak next season. You have the Cupbusters in the first round of the playoffs so...hmmm....just try and have a good time!  
(Current Losing Streak = 17)  
(Previous Rank = 16)  
(Record = 0-8) |
Donkey Ballers 1

The regular season is now in the books, and it’s time for a nice week off until the playoffs. It’s amazing to think that this season is already just about over and there won’t be any more kickball for months. This was a season a roller coaster ride for the residents of Donkeyville, taking a step back on the kickball field while taking a leap forward at the flip cup table. Although, toward the end of the season, that trend looked like it was reversing itself.

In the final game of the season, The Donkeys clashed against Kick Start My Heart. After facing these guys last year, we were worried it was going to be an all out bunting assault. But to their credit, KSMH played a really good game. Despite some bunts early, they kicked for just about all of the 5 innings of play, and you guys get credit for that. Kick Start took the lead early, but the Donkey defense clamped down, and the offense managed to score a run later on and the game ended in a 1-1 tie. It wasn’t necessarily the win we were looking for, but it wasn’t a loss either. That puts our final record at 1-4-3. It’s not the 4-3-1 record from last season, but our play down the stretch has been better. By the way, that was some good ribbing in last week’s newsletter. Well played, my friends.

Moving over to the last flip cup match of the week, KSMH proved to be a really tough opponent. After evening it up at 1-1 after the first 2 rounds, Kick Start dominated the next 2 rounds to send the Donkeys crashing down once again at the table. After a hot start, our flipping cooled off and we ended up at .500 for the season. The real drawback for this last loss was it put is in a tough spot in the playoff bracket, which I’ll get to later.

PLAYOFF PREVIEW

This year’s playoffs look like they will probably end like last year’s playoffs. Up first is Balls on Top, who knocked us out of the playoffs last year in a close 2-0 tussle. The optimist in me says we can somehow manage to eek out a win. The realist in me says we probably won’t win due to the bunting on the other side. We know you guys are just reacting to the peer pressure of staying on top, but you gotta admit it’s pretty weak. This past week, Balls on Top played Ballbusters, and Choco Salty Bunters played the Shitstains in what will probably end up being the final four when it’s said and done. Watching these 4 teams, and seeing bunt after bunt after bunt made me throw up in my mouth several times. It just reinforced the fact that some of these teams take this game way to seriously. You know, I could just see all 4 teams waiting in line at Best Buy on midnight Friday before the playoffs so they can all get their hands on the new game that’s sweeping the nation.

That’s right, the #1 video game of WAKA members nationwide for the past decade. So for all the Crescent members who are going to stay and watch how the playoffs unfold, this is what you all have in store. We’ll be grilling and drinking while the rest of you bunt like sissies.

In the flip cup bracket, the odds are stacked against us. In round 1, we face the Chocolate Salty Bunters. Hmm, what’s gonna happen now that you can’t bunt at the flip cup table? Despite stumbling at the finish line, the Donkeys are a slight favorite in this matchup. Will Choco accept the one round full cup challenge, or will they weasel out of it? I guess we’ll see what happens. Not even chef can save you at the flip cup table.

After beating Choco, our next opponent would be #1 seed Ballbusters. They gave us a pretty sound loss in week 1 this year, and we’re gunning for revenge. It’s gonna take a miracle, but we can shock the world and make these flip cup playoffs wide open.
Maybe they’ll somehow get a case of the Donkey flu Sunday.

Now, if we don’t happen to win kickball or flip cup, our pick will be our friends over at Team USA, who have fun at all cost just like the Donkeys. The machine at the top has to be taken down somehow, we need some parity in this league.

Ya’ll were actually pretty well behaved. Besides the one jackass talking trash while we were shaking hands, we really didn’t hear any bitching about bunting.

The regular season didn’t exactly go as planned, but a 3-2-3 record and 3rd place in the division is respectable.

**FLIP CUP**

Flip Cup was a whole other story. Kick Start My Heart has reached its mid-season form! Unfortunately, it took about 7 weeks to get there. With Steve finding out that anything you contract in Vegas doesn’t actually stay in Vegas, we needed a 5th flipper, so we pulled out our little secret weapon… Liz. Don’t let the 4’10” frame fool you. This girl has flipping capabilities second only to Emily. If it weren’t for a few missed flips by her teammates in the second round, Kick Start would have had a shut out, but the 3-1 victory will do. The 4-4 record is by no means up to Kick Start standards, but there’s always playoffs and KOTH.

**THE GAME**

Another week. Another freaking tie. It’s like we’ve become this season’s Balls On Top. We’ve had that “kiss your sister” feeling so much that people are telling us to join the WAKA division in Arkansas. The defense played great, but the offense couldn’t get it done. We left runners stranded almost every inning and the game ended 1-1. Credit to Donkey Ballers.
**DISTURBING TREND**
Ladies, please skip to the next section.

Guys, we’ve noticed a disturbing trend at the bar the past few weeks. The following chart explains it all...

![Chart](chart.png)

As for the actual games... here’s how we see things panning out: We destroy Red Blue Blur in the first round. Second round, we beat Balls on Top 761-0. In the semifinals, we win a nail-biter against Memphis Mafia after they upset Chocolate and Team USA (who’ll be forced to forfeit for running the bases with a wheelchair). In the finals, we beat down Jesus and the Ballbusters after they get wasted practicing flip cup all day.

Oh, and Red Blue Blur is gonna tear through the flipcup playoffs. 4 rounds. All 3-0. All one and done.

Ok, not really. We really don’t have a clue what’s gonna happen, but who really gives a shit anyway? It’s just kickball. And we’ll all be toasted by the time the first game starts anyway.

And The Notebook sucked.

**PLAYOFFS**
Next to Christmas, Mardi Gras, 4th of July, Thanksgiving, NFL Opening Week, Summer Solstice, and Ramadan, WAKA Playoffs are the most wonderful time of the year. The best part... no ties!! Kick Start will be set up once again with tents, barbeques, and of course, the ice luge. Come by, get liquored up, and enjoy the never ending sounds of Motley Crüe and other assorted 80’s hair bands blasting from the Kick Start tents.

![One Needle! One Team!](one_needle.png)
The ballers from 99 Problems ended the regular season with a shutout victory over Big Blue Blur. We’ll admit, it was a rocky start, and UNUSUALLY quiet. There was no excessive flair or costumes present...even Rob kept it clean by actually wearing the proper uniform. But we got the job done, thanks to Robert and Rosie scoring in the 5th.

Thanks to the free beans and the A/C that Grits so graciously provides, 99 perked up a bit and even WON in flip cup. Yes, victory is sweet indeed, and we enjoy it....and want more....

*I’ll keep this next part short and sweet:*
Everyone knows it. It all comes down to playoffs. The last team standing. Of course, the regular season record factors into the bracket match offs, but it ultimately comes down to the performance on Saturday, September 12th. We’re ready. Bring it. We’re underrated and that only gives us more ammunition to kick ass, take names, and Olé louder than we did the whole season.
We gather our inspiration from one of the classic and defining movies of our time, *Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story.* Patches O’Houlihan has been carefully training us at Average Joe’s Gym and imparting his own words of wisdom, “If you can kick a wrench, you can kick a ball.”

Oh yes, we’re ready. Nobody makes us bleed our own blood! Swampstains, we’ll start with you first. Consider this to be your warning. See you on the field.

*Hit me!*
We had a great first season. We have lost some battles, but it is time to win the war... See you douche bags in the playoffs...

Wasted Talent, Out.

Keep Deez Submission kept outya newsletter
Re-enacted conversation from the Swampstains following their close loss to CSB:

SS #1- Did they really do a suicide squeeze in kickball?
SS #2- They did.
SS #1- That made us look like Stephanie "hands up, pants down" McCormick out there in the field.
SS #2- True, I feel like my hole has been pounded, but ever so gently.
SS #1- I didn’t know that CSB picked up Neo as a free agent.
SS #2- After seeing that dive and dodge I think the Matrix is for real, since when did gravity cease to exist?
SS #3- Hey guys, what are you talking about?
SS #1- Oh nothing... just about how we're going to bench you and your less than spectacular friend for the playoffs, I hope you like drinking and cheering more than you like playing kickball.
SS #2- Can you fake a limp or something so that it's not obvious that we're benching you?
SS #3- How about I just get completely drunk and so I can't walk?
SS #2- Isn’t that how you play anyways?
SS #3- That’s true, I’ll limp.

Let the battle for the "Chocolate Pot" begin!!!

The Stains faced a familiar opponent this week in Chocolate Salty Balls with an all too familiar result.

The Stains started the game at the plate and put up two runs in the first inning to CSB’s one. From then on it was a defensive struggle with Salty adding one more run to their total. In the fourth inning, with the bases loaded, CSB executed a squeeze play that broke the tie and put them up by one run. The Stains were unable to push a runner across home plate in the top of the fifth and the game ended with CSB winning 3-2.

Going into the playoffs the Stains are seeded fourth in both flip cup and kickball. We’ve played well this season but lost close matches to the other top tier teams. This leaves us with something to prove and nothing to lose so watch out WAKA this is the season of the STAINS!
Ballbusters day, they got 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Amazing, but I think Jesus sold his soul to the devil for that one.

Top Shelf Balls go to some guy on our team, I just don’t know who. There had to be a good play in there somewhere.

Top Shelf ovaries go to Torrie for her fantastic attitude week in week out. Not to mention her under-rated skills on the kickball field. The girl has game and truly is what kickball is all about.

Sounds of the game: Ball On Top bench after the game: “(crickets)”

Playoff opponents: Donkey Ballers, Kick Start My Heart, Chocolate Salty Balls, and Ballbusters. (Read between the lines and you might find a few of our predictions in there.) Ding, ding. This is what we’ve all been waiting for all season. Or at least this is what Balls On Top has been waiting for all season. Hardware. We come for hardware. Donkey Ballers are up first, and yes, we are going to bunt and beat the shit out of you. Deal with it. Kick Start, we are going to roll you like we should have done in the regular season. No ties here, but smack o-plenty. Chocolate, may the best team win, but we’ve found the chink in your armor. You’re going down...again. Ballbusters, revenge is dish best served cold. Get ready for your fucking medicine. Marigny, don’t think we forgot about our first round match in the flip cup playoffs. We owe you for the win you stole from us in the regular season, just don’t let Cheap Thrills be me too badly please.

To everyone else, we look forward to tons of fun on what will undoubtedly be a great day of drinking and kickball. We can’t wait. Also, you might want to bring a few dollars for charity. We have a most glorious surprise in store.

What are you going to do after the playoffs are over on Saturday? Do you want to find out what Balls On Top means? If so, join Kings of Happy Hour at Outer Banks Bar at 10:00pm on Saturday, September 12th. It will be drunken fun debauchery.

B-A-L-L-S-O-N-T-O-P man do you know what that means?

Ballbusters 4

#1 Seed

After seven fun-filled weeks of kickball, rivalry night was finally upon us. It was our last chance to shine and claim our rightful place at number one, a spot
that had long evaded us but was well within our reach. We hadn’t faced Balls on Top since game two of last season where the game ended in a tie. But not this time….the Ballbusters came with a vengeance and clinched the division title. We also took the title in Flip Cup and placed first, second, and third in King of the Hill. What can I say, it was an amazing night to be a Ballbuster!

The first inning saw Balls on Top score their one and only run. They were quickly answered with two runs scored by Blaine and Matt in the bottom of the first. Still a close enough game, the Ballbusters kicked it up a notch and shut down Balls on Top’s offense while putting a few more runs on the board. Ryan scored a run in the second inning, followed by Seth’s run in the fourth inning. Amazing catches by Katie and Mike and Chris’ all-star pitching helped hold Balls on Top to only one run. And maybe pitching to Tommy wasn’t the best idea or any of us for that matter, since most of our players were able to get a piece of Andrew’s balls. Great defense and smart offense solidified the Ballbusters place at number one.

At the flip cup table the usual Ballbusters lined up except for one new addition. Facing off against Andrew, filling his cup with water was your favorite flip cup/king of the hill judge, Tommy “Jesus” Fox. After an undefeated season, we were confident enough to put a virgin flipper at the table and it didn’t seem to affect our flip cup talent, taking Balls on Top 3-0.

The celebration didn’t end there though. With four spots in the King of the Hill championship already, the Ballbusters hungry for more put up their best three flippers. Michelle, Chris and Ashley fought round after round and it certainly was a fight to the finish with lime green taking the last three spots. Congrats to Ashley for placing 3rd, despite her own boyfriend taking her out in a flip-off! Props to Michelle for placing 2nd in a one flip round that fell seconds short! And finally after placing in the top four three times already, Chris ends the season with a king of the hill title. Well done Birdman! The Ballbusters claimed 7 spots for the season just like last year, tying Sean and his Stains for the most spots. Will Michelle be a two time Queen of the Hill?

B-A-L-L-B-U-S-T-E-R-S man do you know what that means?
Kick in the Balls 9
No Submission from Kick in the Balls

Ballsiest Move 5
No Submission from Ballsiest Move
So we lost at kickball and maybe, just maybe, Troy = straight on the field. We can admit when we are wrong.

But at flip cup, you know what Da Ballaholics = **UNDEFEATED**

See you at the playoffs...
Well the final game of the season for the Mafia and the Antoinettes was as awesome as last season’s match-up, only the Mafia came up short completing our perfect 0-8 season. No, it’s not how we would have liked the season to have gone. But The King has always viewed the regular season as an 8 game warm-up to a 4 game season... Nice Work Antoinettes, can’t wait for the rubber match next season...

With both teams wanting the win, the Mafia in Polyester Jumpsuits (and Chris “yes that Chris” Rose’s interpretation of what the King would have looked like if the King had lived into the 80’s) they battled hard. Despite a few ingame heroics and a bottom of the 5th rally, it was not to be...

We have the CSBs in the First Round of the Playoffs... Hold on tight LA Crescent... the World is about to shake...

*Taking Care of Business so you don’t have too*

The Antoinettes closed the season with another game against the always entertaining Memphis Mafia. Mafia won last season but this time the Antoinettes proved that urethane wheels are superior to rubber wheels...at least for now. The stage is set for an ultimate tie-breaker when these two costumed cut-ups face off again next season!

Both teams had an impressive assortment of fans and supporters! The Antoinettes kickball team is an homage to the Big Easy Rollergirls’ former roller derby team of the same name. The kickballers were honored to have several members of the original Antoinettes in attendance...in their cute uniforms, of course. The derby Antoinettes were undefeated and it may have been their presence that inspired the kickball MA's to their 8-4 victory. Whatever the reason, the Antoinettes played with heart, humor, but most of all, as a team.

In order to unify themselves as a team and represent rollergirls everywhere, the Antoinettes donned the traditional fishnets, kneepads, and skates. Jas Lounge defied the odds and played another MA/Mafia game in skates...she must have been practicing because her ability to “skate” on grass has greatly improved! McGuyver wins the drag award for his Big Easy Rollergirls logo garters, not to mention his fetching wig and flirty behavior. Not only did her wear the skirt and fishnets; he lived it. The Chic Sheik was unable to attend and announce, so Skip
Play eagerly too his place. His bullhorn and witty banter kept everyone smiling and informed, even across the field.

The Mafia won the coin toss and took to the field first. The MAs made a strong start and scored a few runs right away. They managed to hold on to the lead and increased it by increments as the game progressed. When the fifth inning came around the Antoinettes had several sideline supporters, bellies full of beer & Jameson, and an 8-0 lead. The Mafia rallied and scored four runs during the last inning, preventing a shutout and proving that they know how to TCB. The game continued long after sunset, followed by a keg party in the dark. Both teams barely made it to Grits in time for flip-cup! They skated through the door and went straight to the table, where the MAs got to celebrate the second victory of the night.