

# 2011 Pan American Games/World Cup Media Guide

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#### # 27 Andrew Albers LHP- (North Battleford, SK) Bats/Throws: R/L Age: 25 (06-Oct-1985) 6, 1" 195lbs 2011 Team: New Britain Rock Cats-AA Organization: Minnesota Twins Draft: 2004-Milwaukee, 12<sup>th</sup> (346) College: University of Kentucky

Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team

2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
NBR	4	1	2.91	13	5	0	0	0	43.1	44	15	14	0	7	34	1.39	.270



#### # 28 Cole Armstrong C- (Surrey, BC)

Bats/Throws: L/R Age: 28 (24-Aug-1983) 6,3" 225lbs 2011 Team: Dalt Lake Bees- AAA **Organization:** Anaheim Angles Draft: 2003-Atlanta, 16<sup>th</sup> (487) College: Chipola JC Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
SLC	284	68	190	23	54	14	0	9	30	95	27	47	2	3	.374	.500	.874



# 16 Chris Bisson 2B- (Orleans, ON) Bats/Throws: L/R Age: 22 (14-Aug-1989) 5,11" 185lbs 2011 Team: Fort Wayne TinCaps-A **Organization: San Diego Padres** Draft: 2010-San Diego, 4th (124th) College: University of Kentucky

Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Canadian National Team

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
FW	.261	123	418	61	109	11	5	2	43	136	53	106	21	10	.345	.325	.670

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#### # 22 Nick Bucci RHP- (Sarnia, ON)

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Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 21 (16-Jul-1990) 6,2" 180lbs 2011 Team: Brevard County Manatees-HighA **Organization: Milwaukee Brewers** Draft: 2008-Milwaukee, 18<sup>th</sup> (548) Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier 2011 Stats: ERA G GS CG SHO SV IP н R HR BB SO ER

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#### # 31 Michael Crouse OF- (Port Moody, BC)

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Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 20 (22-Nov-1990) 6,4" 215lbs 2011 Team: Lansing Lugnuts-A Organization: Toronto Blue Jays Draft: 2008-Toronto, 16<sup>th</sup> (489) Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team 2011 Stats:

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Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
LAN	.261	101	364	73	95	26	5	14	55	173	44	113	38	8	.352	.475	.827



#### # 17 Emerson Frostad 1B- (Calgary, AB)

Bats/Throws: L/R Age: 28 (13-Jan-1983) 6,1" 220lbs 2011 Team: Oklahoma City RedHawks-AAA/Corpus Christi Hooks-AA Organization: Houston Astros Draft: 2003-Texas, 13<sup>th</sup> (376) College: Lewis-Clark State Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
CC	.239	52	159	18	38	5	1	3	11	54	23	32	1	1	.333	.340	.673



# 38 Mark Hardy LHP- (Campbell River, BC)

Bats/Throws: L/R Age: 23 (03-May-1988) 6,4" 195lbs 2011 Team: Fort Wayne Tincaps-A Organization: San Diego Padres Draft: 2010-San Diego, 43<sup>rd</sup> (1294) College: UBC

Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team 2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
FW	11	10	2.78	27	19	1	0	0	129.1	117	47	40	9	32	96	1.49	.241



# 19 Jimmy Henderson RHP- (Calgary, AB)
Bats/Throws: L/R
Age: 28 (21-Oct-1982) 6,5" 190lbs
201 Team: Nashville Sounds-AAA
Organization: Milwaukee Brewers
Draft: 2003-Montréal, 26<sup>th</sup> (777)
College: Tennessee Weslyan College
Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Η	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
NAS	3	1	5.93	20	0	0	0	0	30.1	24	20	20	4	23	30	0.64	.220



#### # 40 Shawn Hill RHP- (Mississauga, ON)

Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 30 (28-Apr-1981) 6,2" 215lbs 2011 Team: Did not play Organization: N/A Draft: 2000-Montréal, 6<sup>th</sup> (165) Most Recent International Event: 2004 Athens Olympics 2011 Stats: N/A



# 20 Jay Johnson LHP- (Sussex Corner, NB)
Bats/Throws: R/L
Age: 21 (21-Dec-1989) 6,2" 210lbs
2011 Team: Lakewood BlueClaws-A
Organization: Philadelphia Phillies
Draft: 2010-Toronto, 26th (786)
College: Texas Tech University
Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team

2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
LWD	1	5	2.94	40	0	0	0	5	49.0	41	22	16	0	35	49	1.94	.228



**# 25 Mike Johnson RHP- (Edmonton, AB)** Bats/Throws: L/R Age: 36 (03-Oct-1975) 6,2" 200lbs 2011 Team: Did not play Organization: N/A Draft: 1993-Toronto, 17<sup>th</sup> (490) Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats: N/A



# # 21 Chris Kissock RHP- (Trail, BC)

Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 26 (02-May-1985) 6,4" 195lbs 2011 Team: Reading Phillies-AA Organization: Philadelphia Phillies Draft: 2007-Philadelphia, 9th (293) College: Lewis-Clark State Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
REA	3	7	4.82	37	7	0	0	1	102.2	107	62	55	9	25	69	0.93	.272



#### # 18 Brock Kjeldgaard OF- (Edmonton, AB)

Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 25 (22-Jan-1986) 6,5" 215lbs 2011 Team: Brevard County Manatees-High A/Hunstville Stars-AA Organization: Milwaukee Brewers Draft: 2005-Milwaukee, 34<sup>th</sup> (1015) College: Indian Hills CC Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team

2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
HVL	.271	61	203	18	55	9	2	6	27	86	17	66	2	1	.341	.424	.764



# 23 Marcus Knecht OF- (Toronto, ON)

Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 21 (21-Jun-1990) 6,1" 200lbs 2011 Team: Lansing Lugnuts-A Organization: Toronto Blue Jays Draft: 2010-Toronto, 3<sup>rd</sup> (113) College: Connors State JC

Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team

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Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
LAN	.273	121	439	77	120	34	3	16	86	208	67	124	4	3	.377	.474	.851

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DAY	3	2	4.32	14	14	0	0	0	66.2	51	34	32	8	25	72	0.76	.213



#### # 15 Jonathan Malo SS- (Joliette, QC)

Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 28 (29-Sep-1983) 6,2" 185lbs 2011 Team: Binghamton Mets-AA/Buffalo Bisons-AAA Organization: New York Mets Draft: 2003-New York (N),48<sup>th</sup> (1413) College: Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
BIN	.240	67	200	30	48	6	3	3	14	69	17	45	1	1	.311	.345	.656



### **# 35 Dustin Molleken RHP- (Regina, SK)** Bats/Throws: L/R Age: 27 (21-Aug-1984) 6,4" 230lbs 2011 Team: Colorado Springs-AAA/Tulsa Drillers-AA Organization: Colorado Rockies Draft: 2003-Pittsburgh,15<sup>th</sup> (435) College: Lethbridge CC

Most Recent International Event: 2009 World Cup 2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
TUL	4	1	4.76	35	0	0	0	6	45.1	46	25	24	7	9	41	0.63	.264



# 48 Scott Richmond RHP- (Vancouver, BC)
Bats/Throws: R/R
Age: 32 (30-Aug-1979) 6,5" 220lbs
2011 Team: Las Vegas 51's-AAA
Organization: Toronto Blue Jays
Draft: Signed as Free Agent
College: Oklahoma State University
Most Recent International Event: 2009 World Baseball Classic

2011 Stats:

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	GO/AO	AVG
LAS	6	9	7.33	26	20	0	0	0	113.0	149	98	92	24	56	87	0.84	.321



**# 30 Chris Robinson C- (Dorchester, ON)** Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 27 (12-May-1984) 6,0" 215lbs 2011 Team: Iowa Cubs-AAA Organization: Chicago Cubs Draft: 2005-Chicago (N),3<sup>rd</sup> (90) College: University of Illinois Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier

2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
IOW	.316	66	225	26	71	15	0	1	29	89	6	33	1	1	.345	.396	.740



#### # 26 Jamie Romak OF- (London, ON)

Bats/Throws: R/R Age: 26 (30-Sep-1985) 6, 2" 230lbs 2011 Team: Northwest Arkansas Naturals-AA Organization: Kansas City Royals Draft: 2003-Atlanta, 4th (127) Most Recent International Event: 2010 Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier 2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
NWA	.251	123	439	66	110	21	0	23	71	202	55	88	6	1	.343	.460	.803



#### **# 14 Tim Smith OF- (Toronto, ON)** Bats/Throws: L/L Age: 25 (14-Jun-1986) 6,3" 225lbs 2011 Team: Northwest Arkansas Naturals-AA Organization: Kansas City Royals Draft: 2007-Texas,7<sup>th</sup> (230) College: Arizona State University Most Recent International Event: 2009 World Cup

2011 Stats:

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
NWA	.311	69	238	38	74	13	2	10	49	121	19	37	8	2	.365	.508	.873



#### # 7 Skyler Stromsmoe SS- (Bow Island, AB)

Bats/Throws: S/R Age: 27 (30-Mar-1984) 5,10" 175lbs 2011 Team: Richmond Flying Squirrels-AA Organization: San Francisco Giants Draft: Signed as Free Agent (2007) College: Southern Arkansas University Most Recent International Event: First appearance with Senior National Team

2011 Stats:

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Team	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	OPS
RIC	.277	83	195	30	54	6	1	2	20	68	28	39	3	6	.365	.349	.714

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CC	.306	104	346	41	106	22	2	11	48	165	43	52	3	3	.382	.477	.859

## **Coaches and Staff**



#### #12 Ernie Whitt- Manager (Clinton Township, MI)

Ernie Whitt joins Baseball Canada's national teams program for the tenth time as he returns to the post he last held in 2010 for the Pan Am/World Cup Qualifier where he led Canada to a fifth place finish and thus qualified for both events. He began his managerial tenure with Baseball Canada when he managed Team Canada at the 1999 Pan-American Games in Winnipeg, guiding the club to a bronze medal with a 6-1 win over Mexico.

Whitt managed Canada's National Team to a fourth-place finish at the Athens Olympic Games in 2004, finishing just one spot out of the medals after losing a heart-breaker to Cuba in the semi-finals. He has also managed Canada's entries in both World Baseball Classics (2006 & 2009) and led Canada to a Bronze Medal performance at the 2009 IBAF World Cup in Italy.

A former player who spent 15 seasons in the major leagues, Whitt hit 134 HR and knocked in 534 runs in 1,328 games with Boston, Toronto, Atlanta and Baltimore. Whitt is most fondly remembered as a Blue Jay, having been selected from Boston in the 1976 expansion draft and playing 12 seasons for Toronto before being dealt to Atlanta Dec. 17, 1989.



#### #33 Larry Walker- Hitting Coach/First Base Coach (Maple Ridge, BC)

Larry Walker returns to his post as First Base Coach and Hitting Coach for the fifth time with Baseball Canada's national teams program. Walker performed both duties at the 2006 and 2009 World Baseball Classic's, the 2009 World Cup and the 2010 Pan Am/World Cup qualifier.

Walker, arguably the most celebrated Canadian baseball player of all-time, enjoyed a storied 17-year career in the big leagues. Walker's career began in 1989 with the Montréal Expos where he played until 1994. The following year, Walker began a 10-year run as a member of

the Colorado Rockies where he enjoyed his finest seasons which included a National League MVP award in 1997. Walker spent the final two years of his career with the St. Louis Cardinals which saw the Cardinals win a National League title in 2004 and play in the World Series. At the conclusion of the 2005 season, Walker announced his retirement as a player from baseball.

In addition to the 1997 MVP award Walker's accomplishments include 5 All-Star game selections, 7 Gold Glove awards and 3 Silver Slugger awards. Walker was also given the 1998 Lou Marsh award, which is annually awarded to Canada's top athlete.



#### #11 Stubby Clapp- Hitting Coach/Third Base Coach (Windsor, ON)

Stubby Clapp joins the coaching staff for the first time after a splendid international and professional playing career that spanned 18-years. Clapp was a member of the 1991 Junior National Team that won gold on home soil in Brandon, Manitoba. He has also participated in two Olympic Games (2004, 2008), two World Baseball Classics (2006, 2009) and the Pan Am Games (1999). After attending Texas Tech University, Clapp was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals in 1996 and spent part of the 2000 season with the big-league club.

In 2011, Clapp was handed his first managerial job and spent the past season managing the Tri-City ValleyCats, the Short Season affiliate of the Houston Astros, in the New York-Penn League as part of the Houston Astros organization.



#### #36 Denis Boucher- Pitching Coach (Lachine, QC)

Denis Boucher will be returning to his familiar role as Pitching Coach this year. Boucher was also a member of the 2010 coaching staff and 2009 World Cup staff where Canada won the Bronze Medal. This will be Boucher's tenth appearance as Pitching Coach for the National Team with the first coming in 2003 at the America's Olympic Qualifier in Panama. Boucher spent parts of four seasons with the Toronto Blue Jays, Cleveland Indians and his hometown Montréal Expos. Boucher's Expos debut drew over 40,000 fans to the Olympic Stadium in Montréal and saw 192 members of the media attend. Boucher is one of three

Canadians to play for both the Blue Jays and Expos. Boucher is currently a scout for the New York Yankees.



#### #34 Tim Leiper- Third Base Coach (Altoona, PA)

Tim Leiper also makes his return to the staff as Third Base Coach from the 2010 Pan Am/World Cup team. No stranger to Baseball Canada, Leiper made his first appearance with Canada's National Team at the 2003 America's Olympic Qualifier in Panama.

A former infielder and outfielder, Leiper played 12 seasons and reached as high as the AAA level. Signed as a free agent by Detroit in 1984, he made his professional debut in 1985 and

went on to play for such teams as AAA-Toledo, AAA-Tidewater (now Norfolk) and AAA-Buffalo of the International League. He also played in the Mexican Winter League in 1993 and in the Dominican Republic Winter League in 1995.

In 1996, Leiper made his coaching debut with AA-Binghamton of the Mets organization before getting his first taste of managing with the Vermont Expos in 2000. Leiper's managing career also included two stops at AAA-Ottawa where he managed the club in 2002 and 2004. Leiper spent the 2010 season managing the Jacksonville Suns of the Southern League who are the AA-affiliate of the Florida Marlins.



#### #8 Greg Hamilton- Coach & Director National Teams (Ottawa, ON)

Greg Hamilton's involvement with Baseball Canada spans nearly two decades. From 1992-1995, Hamilton was the Pitching Coach with the Senior National team before taking over the Junior National Team program in 1996. After a brief hiatus, Hamilton returned to oversee the Junior National program in 1999, a position that he still holds today.

Holding a Bachelor of Arts degree from Princeton University, Hamilton played varsity hockey his freshman year and followed a four-year playing career as a pitcher for the Tigers with a

two-year stint as assistant coach at his alma-matter. He also served as the pitching coach of the French National team in 1994 while living in France where he managed the Montpellier Baseball Club, a Senior Division team from 1993-1997.

After moving on to be an assistant coach at the University of Maine (Orono) in 1998, Hamilton was later hired by Baseball Canada to coach the Junior National Team and become the Director of National Teams.

Hamilton has won numerous awards during coaching career including an Ivy League championship in 1991; the French Division 1 championship in 1993 and 1995; bronze medals at the 1993 World University Games, the 1995 Americas Cup Challenge and the World Junior Championship in 1997 and 2006. Hamilton was also a member of the coaching staffs of the Canadian entries at the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing and 2006 and 2009 World Baseball Classics.

# **Support Staff**

Michael Derkach-Athletic Therapist (Winnipeg, MB) \*World Cup Only Dave Blatz- Athletic Therapist (Winnipeg, MB) \*Pan Am Games Only Bernie Soulliere- Business Manager (Windsor, ON) Keith Sanford- Equipment Manager (Windsor, ON)

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# **Canadian National Team Pronunciations**

Leiper	LEE-purr
Soulliere	SOOL-yair
Bisson	BEES-own
Knecht	KEN-ekt
Kjeldgaard	KILL-guard
Stromsmoe	STROM-smoh
Boucher	BOO-shay
Romak	ROW-mac
Van Ostrand	VAN-os-TRAND
Malo	ma-LOW