

The Blueball Breakdown

KC Blueballs Kickball



Fall Season Playoff Recap

GAME OF THE WEEK RECAP – BOLOS CAN'T BEAT THE STREAK

The 4th meeting of this two teams this season and their 4th time meeting in a championship game. This was one of the classic kickball games that no one there could forget. There was drama, controversy, intensity, anger, joy, and disappointment. The Bolos trotted out their best team they've ever had combined with intensity, competitiveness, and their us against the world attitude. I'd Kick That brought talent, old-school class, and a championship pedigree. Bolos took an early 2-0 lead hitting gaps in the usually impenetrable I'd Kick That outfield. I'd Kick That stormed back in the bottom of the 2nd with 2 runs of their own. Bolos took a one run lead in the top of 3. Both defenses kicked in from that point on. I'd Kick that got out of several jams defensively over the next few innings. I'd Kick that was down 2 and victory seemed certain. Weber ended up on second base. Dave D came to the plate. There was 1 out. Dave punched a shot into right center and Weber scored the winning run to walk off The Bolos. I'd Kick That celebrated their 6th straight and 2nd consecutive season sweep. The Bolos were in clear despair having lost their 3rd straight championship game to I'd Kick That. With that the 2017 year was over with so many questions – Will I'd Kick That return for their 7th straight? Will The Bolos make another push? Will Tequila Improve to challenge?



Dodgeball sign-ups are now open!

Do you like playing kickball with big blue balls? Well, we are so close to getting KC Blueballs Dodgeball off and running! The first tournament is tentatively set for November 18th! We are looking at the KC Sports Lodge basketball courts right now.

We will be offering 4 tournaments – one tournament in November, December, January, and February so cleverly named: Turkey Tourney(november), Christmas Clash(December), New Year Rumble(january), Valentine Showdown(February).

Spring Registration NOW OPEN!

We already have the spring season dates picked out. Play starts on March 25th next year. I am 90% certain we will remain at Rosedale Park, but we are always exploring our options. We are working on getting additional sponsors to go along with Johnny Kaw's who was FANTASTIC to us this year. Early bird signups go from now until February 18th (\$50 per person). I've also added the option to get a **hoodie (\$22 for any color) and/or a koozie(\$2)**. I'll take orders until the season starts so I can have them to you by week 1 or week 2.

The Commish Speaks

Thank you to everyone who played kickball in the 2017 season. It was another great year. All three seasons saw steady growth in teams - +1 team in the fall, +2 teams in the summer, and +2 teams in the Fall. This is great. Not only that, we saw each season have growth in total players which led to fewer forfeits each season. Going forward we are going to continue our advertising campaign utilizing facebook and flyers. Our best form of advertisement is you! Y'all do a great job of communicating to others how much you enjoy playing with us. We can't do this league without you, and we wouldn't do it without you! I hope through the last 2 years you have seen my commitment to making the league better for everyone. We are constantly experimenting to make things better as we are reaching out to new bars, giving new awards, and trying to provide a better gameday experience for everyone. We are always looking for new ideas; if you have any please email blueballskickball@gmail.com

Also, huge congrats to our umpire, Andrew D. who won 15 consecutive games of Beer Pong at Johnny Kaw's. Quite an achievement.

Thank you again for an awesome 2017.

2017 KC Blueballs Final Power Rankings

1. I'd Kick That (13-2) 6 straight. They made big plays when they needed to seal the deal – walk off style.
2. The Bolos (11-4) 4 losses this season by 5 total points; they can't quite shake that 2nd place label.
3. Tequila Mockingbirds(7-7) The Birds made it to the semis; they're just a few players away from elite
4. Balls and Dolls (7-8) Going from the 7 seed to the semis isn't a bad day!
5. STEAM Team (9-4) Had a great season; they'll be relegated to the middle division next season!
6. The Ol' Dirty Bastards(8-5) Showed they aren't your typical lower division team; had a great 6th/7th inning
7. Amazeballs (4-10) Showed how good they are again losing a close quarterfinal game to the champs 4-1
8. Balls Droppin'(4-10) – Played to their potential in game 1; their minds were on MU-KU in game 2.
9. Slappin' Da Base(4-8-1) – They've improved a lot since week 1; it just doesn't show up in the win column
10. New Kicks on the Block(3-9-1) –New kicks went toe to toe with a semifinal team in a 4-1 loss!
11. Drinkers with a Kicking Problem(5-8) – Dropped 4 straight to end the season. Defense didn't show up.

Award Winners

Matt Hess Award (MVP)

Branden T. – I'd Kick That

Emily Thorpe Award(MVG)

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Mark Calandro Award(Sh*t Talker)

Jay C – STEAM Team

Big Sexy Award (Team Captain)

Jason D – Balls and Dolls

Team Spirit

Tequila Mockingbirds



2016 and 2017 Ball of Famers

2016 Class

Guillermo Lopez – Menace 2 Sobriety
Eric Thomas - Amazeballs
Shaun Bryant – Where My Pitches At
Nilo Fanska – I'd Kick That
Scott Strickler – Slap The Bag
Caitlin Ballard – Bolo Lobos/The Bolos

2017 Class

Sean Mascal – I'd Kick That
Katie Feierabrand – Jeb!
Justin Shoemaker – Slow Children at Play
Reid Jolly – Wii Not Fit
Keith Schutte – Wii Not Fit, etc...
Karl Schweigel – Wii Not Fit, Tequila Mockingbirds, etc....

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We've lost some of our records when we transitioned to our new website! Please help us fill in the gaps!

2013 Spring, Summer, Fall – Team spirit
2014 Spring, Summer – team spirit winners
2015 Spring, Summer, Fall – team spirit winners
2016 Fall – team spirit winners
2015 Summer playoff runner-ups
2014 Summer and Spring playoff runner ups
2013 spring runner ups

ALL Awards from 2009-2012!!!!

ALL team spirit, playoff champion, playoff runner up overall records(W-L)



Thank you!

