

# REDS' GREATEST CLUTCH MOMENTS OF THE DECADE

## 90 TOP MOMENTS OF THE 1990'S

The Reds won 445 spring and summer games throughout the 1990's. That included 200 league wins and 63 postseason wins, including a total of 36 State Tournament wins.

Some of these victories were by significant margins (for example, the Reds 10-runned 174 of their opponents, including 48% of their spring opponents), and the Reds' average score in victories was 11-4 throughout the decade. But many of the games were close (84 of the victories were within 2 runs, 53 of which were decided by a single run), especially late in the season when it mattered most. These games required late-inning heroics, including three dozen games where the Reds had to come back from deficits in the last couple of innings to win. The Reds' season was at times down to its final strike, but the Reds came through to mount heroic victories.

The Reds of the 1990's even trailed numerous future Major League pitchers, once even by 7 runs, and yet still came back to be victorious against all odds.

Even a number of the games that ended in the Reds' favor by a comfortable margin were only decided after the Reds had "that one inning", where the Reds scored 5 to 13 runs to put away an otherwise tight ballgame. A number of comebacks and late-inning heroics in summer league games have been eliminated from below to showcase only the Reds' Top 90 clutch moments of the decade. Of the 90 games listed below, the Reds trailed 36 times (sometimes by as many as 6 to 7 runs), were tied late in the game another 37 times, and had to hold onto 1 or 2 runs leads in nearly all of the other games listed below.

Note: In spring games throughout the 1990's, the Reds played in a District Tournament and had to win 1-2 games (though not the championship game) in order to be one of 16 teams to qualify for State, and then played a single-elimination tournament from there. Summer tournaments were similar, though with an 8-team double-elimination District Tournament in which the Reds needed to finish within the top 3-4 teams in order to then advance to an 8-team double-elimination State Tournament. Below are the results from key games that were in doubt late or that had the Reds trailing by many runs at any point.

| Gm. | Date    | Opponent               | Game Type                | Situation  | Result   |
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| 1   | 4/2/90  | Windsor (Game 1 of DH) | Pivotal League Game      | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | Going into the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning on the road in a tied game, <b>Ken Ayers</b> struck out the side to strand a runner at 1 <sup>st</sup> base and send the game into extra innings. In the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Mike Carlson</b> led off with a walk, and then with one out, <b>Jeff Sutter</b> doubled, before <b>Todd Hernandez</b> singled to score both runs to take the lead. In the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Ayers</b> recorded two quick outs, and then after a run scored and the tying run reached base, <b>Ayers</b> induced a groundout to second baseman <b>Carlson</b> to end the game.  |
| 2   | 4/2/90  | Windsor (Game 2 of DH) | Pivotal League Game      | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | With one out, <b>Steve Booth</b> singled, then <b>Travis Hamilton</b> singled and the runners advanced on an error, including a throwing error back from the catcher that scored <b>Booth</b> to give the Reds the lead. <b>John Garza</b> then singled to score <b>Hamilton</b> , and <b>Ken Ayers</b> singled before <b>Collin Moody</b> drew a walk to load the bases. <b>Jeff Sutter</b> then singled to knock in two more runs before a sacrifice fly from <b>Todd Hernandez</b> scored <b>Moody</b> to give the Reds a 5-run lead. <b>John Garza</b> then retired the side in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning and induced an infield popout and two groundouts in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game. |
| 3   | 4/14/90 | Roosevelt              | Pivotal League Game      | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | With one out, <b>Ken Ayers</b> drew a full-count walk, then <b>Travis Hamilton</b> singled and <b>Mike Carlson</b> reached base on a sacrifice bunt in which the catcher threw the ball away to score both runners to give the Reds the lead and advance <b>Carlson</b> all the way to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base. <b>Jeff Sutter</b> then hit a two-out single to score <b>Carlson</b> for an insurance run. <b>Ayers</b> then finished a complete game win by inducing a groundout to <b>Sutter</b> to strand two runners on base and end the game.  |
| 4   | 6/6/90  | Loveland Cloverleaf    | Legion B Non-League Game | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1  | Carrying a one-run lead into the final inning against a much larger school, <b>Jeff Sutter</b> took the mound and recorded two strikeouts in retiring the side, stranding the would-be tying run on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base. <b>Josh Schneider</b> earned the win allowing just 3 hits and one earned run in 4 innings prior to Sutter earning the save in relief.  |
| 5   | 6/8/90  | Roosevelt              | Legion B League Game     | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | After <b>Mike Carlson</b> and <b>Steve Booth</b> reached base, <b>Jeff Sutter</b> stepped to the plate with two outs in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning and delivered a single to score them both and take the lead. <b>Sutter</b> then completed the win on the mound by retiring the side to give the Reds a key league win.   |

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| 6  | 7/22/90 | Fort Morgan     | Legion B League Game                              | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | In a must-win game for the Reds to advance to the Legion B District Tournament, <b>John Garza</b> singled, <b>Steve Booth</b> doubled, and <b>Jimmy Danley</b> walked to load the bases. <b>Mike Carlson</b> then hit a 2-RBI single to give the Reds the lead. With two outs, <b>Jeff Sutter</b> singled in 2 more runs to increase the lead to 4 runs. In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Josh Schneider</b> threw out a runner attempting to steal 2 <sup>nd</sup> base after a leadoff single, and then <b>Jake Comer</b> retired 2 of the next 3 batters to end the inning. In the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Schneider</b> led off with a double, then <b>Travis Hamilton</b> walked, and then <b>Booth</b> and <b>Danley</b> reached on errors as 2 more runs scored. With two outs, <b>Collin Moody</b> then hit a 3-run home run to increase the lead to 9 runs. After <b>Jeff Sutter</b> singled, <b>Todd Hernandez</b> crushed a ball that would have been an inside-the-park home run (as Eaton's field then didn't have a right field fence) had it not scored <b>Sutter</b> for the mercy-rule game-ending run.   |
| 7  | 4/15/91 | Burlington      | Pivotal League Game                               | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | Trailing by a run with only six outs remaining, the Reds would only use up one of those outs before they took a commanding lead. <b>Collin Moody</b> led off with a single and then stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base and advanced to third base on a single from <b>Jeff Sutter</b> . <b>Todd Hernandez</b> then hit a sacrifice fly to tie the game. <b>Josh Schneider</b> then singled and <b>Brad Schmeh</b> hit a home run to give the Reds a 3-run lead. <b>Travis Hamilton</b> then walked and stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, before <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> walked and <b>Cory Martin</b> tripled to score both runners. <b>Steve Booth</b> then took a hit-by-pitch, <b>Moody</b> doubled, and <b>Sutter</b> singled again and then scored after a two-out walk by <b>Schneider</b> and a single by <b>Schmeh</b> for his 7 <sup>th</sup> RBI of the game. <b>Sutter</b> then retired the side in order to end the game.   |
| 8  | 5/18/91 | Burlington      | District Tournament Semifinals (elimination game) | Extra Innings<br>Tied Game                        | With the season on the line in a must-win district tournament game, <b>Jeff Sutter</b> induced back-to-back groundouts in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to strand a runner at 3 <sup>rd</sup> base to send the game into extra innings. In the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Sutter</b> recorded two quick outs before a batter reached on a hit-by-pitch, but <b>Sutter</b> then induced an infield flyout to end the inning. In the top of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Steve Booth</b> took a hit-by-pitch, but then was forced out at 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a groundout by <b>Cory Martin</b> , who beat the throw to 1 <sup>st</sup> base on the double play attempt that would have ended the inning. <b>Martin</b> then stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, before <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> hit a two-out double to score <b>Martin</b> and give the Reds the lead. <b>Collin Moody</b> then singled to give the Reds a key insurance run to put the Reds ahead by 2 runs. <b>Sutter</b> then recorded an out and induced a sacrifice flyout that cut the Reds lead to just one run with runners on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, but with two outs. <b>Sutter</b> then induced a groundout to <b>Martin</b> to end the game and send the Reds to the State Tournament.  |
| 9  | 5/25/91 | Hotchkiss       | Regional Semifinals                               | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | <b>Collin Moody</b> led off the Reds' half of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning with a full-count walk and then stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base. With a base open, Hotchkiss decided to intentionally walk <b>Jeff Sutter</b> , for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> time in the game, to put the go-ahead run on base. <b>Todd Hernandez</b> made that decision hurt with a double to score them both and put the Reds ahead by a run. <b>Jake Comer</b> then retired the side in order in the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, before the Reds added 2 insurance runs in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Cory Martin</b> walked, <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> reached on an error, <b>Moody</b> reached on a fielder's choice and <b>Sutter</b> singled to drive in 2 runs. <b>Comer</b> then recorded a strikeout in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> followed by two groundouts to end the game.  |
| 10 | 5/30/91 | Manitou Springs | State Semifinals                                  | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | In a game in which the opposing pitcher was literally bailed out of jail by team parents just in time to get to the field 5 minutes before the game started, the Reds had taken a lead in the 1 <sup>st</sup> inning before falling behind by a run going into the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. With one out, <b>Collin Moody</b> then singled and stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base before advancing to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base on a groundout. <b>Todd Hernandez</b> then drew a walk to put runners on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> base with two outs and the Reds down by a run. The Reds then put on a double-steal in which <b>Hernandez</b> was intentionally picked off 1 <sup>st</sup> base and stayed in the rundown long enough for <b>Moody</b> to score. Both runners handled the play perfectly, and both advanced safely as they threw home late, tying the game and putting <b>Hernandez</b> on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base. <b>Josh Schneider</b> then tripled to give the Reds the lead, and scored on a strikeout that would have ended the inning, but the pitcher who fielded the ricocheted ball off the catcher's gear threw the ball away as <b>Brad Schmeh</b> reached 1 <sup>st</sup> base safely while <b>Schneider</b> scored. <b>Jeff Sutter</b> then took the mound and recorded two quick outs before a single and error put a runner on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base. When the next batter singled to leftfield, the runner from 2 <sup>nd</sup> base tried to score but <b>Schmeh</b> threw him out with the tag applied by catcher <b>Schneider</b> to end the game and send the Reds on to their 2 <sup>nd</sup> State Championship Game appearance. |
| 11 | 6/12/91 | Fort Morgan     | Legion B League Game                              | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | Tied in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Cory Martin</b> and <b>Jimmy Danley</b> both hit RBI singles to give the Reds a lead, and then <b>Martin</b> scored on an error to add another insurance run as the Reds took a 5-2 lead. With the bases loaded in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning and no outs, <b>Jake Comer</b> then struck out the next 3 batters in order to earn the complete-game win.   |

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| 12 | 6/27/91 | Fort Morgan     | Legion B League Game                   | Extra Innings Tied Game                        | The Reds entered the 10 <sup>th</sup> inning in a game that had been scoreless since the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning. After having hit a two-run home run in the 1 <sup>st</sup> inning to give the Reds the lead hours ago, <b>Josh Schneider</b> then drove in <b>Tony Winter</b> with a single after <b>Winter</b> had doubled to lead off the inning. <b>Jake Comer</b> then retired the side in the bottom of the 10 <sup>th</sup> inning, earning the win with 10 strikeouts since taking the mound in relief in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning.   |
| 13 | 7/16/91 | University      | Legion B League Game                   | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning Reds Trail by 1 | In a ridiculous seesaw game, the Reds fell behind in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning 20-19, yes 20 to 19. The Reds though weren't going to lose this game, and rallied in the bottom of the inning as <b>Brad Schmech</b> , who already had two home runs in the game, hit what would have been a game-tying triple, but one umpire called for a balk on the pitch that nullified the hit. <b>Schmech</b> then went on to walk, and <b>Josh Schneider</b> stepped up and hit a double that both tied and won the game as <b>Schmech</b> scored to win it.   |
| 14 | 4/11/92 | Platte Valley   | Pivotal League Game                    | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning Reds Trail by 1 | Trailing by a run in a game the Reds needed in order to be able to later secure the League Championship, <b>Tony Winter</b> drew a full-count leadoff walk and advanced to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a wild pitch. <b>Cory Martin</b> then doubled to tie the game, and <b>Brad Schmech</b> singled to give the Reds the lead. <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> then singled before <b>Matt Rice</b> singled to knock in an insurance run for the Reds. In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> retired the side in order before the Reds scored one more insurance run in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> led off with a double, and pinch runner <b>Kirk Danley</b> scored after a wild pitch and a 1-0 groundout by <b>Martin</b> . <b>Martin</b> then struck out 2 batters and induced a flyout to end the game in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning.  |
| 15 | 4/25/92 | Yuma            | Pivotal League Game                    | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning Tied Game       | <b>Riley Haythorn</b> led off the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning with a walk, then <b>Tony Winter</b> hit a one-out double and <b>Cory Martin</b> and <b>Brad Schmech</b> followed with RBI singles before <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> took a hit-by-pitch and then <b>Josh Schneider</b> and <b>Matt Rice</b> singled to put the Reds ahead by 4 runs. In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Jake Comer</b> retired the side in order, and then struck out 2 of 3 batters in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning before inducing a flyout to end the game.   |
| 16 | 5/8/92  | Yuma            | District Semifinals (elimination game) | Extra Innings Tied Game                        | With the season on the line, <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> took a hit-by-pitch to lead off the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, and then <b>Josh Schneider</b> singled before <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> took a hit-by-pitch to load the bases. <b>Riley Haythorn</b> then knocked in the go-ahead run and reached base on an error, before <b>Joaquin Morado</b> took a bases-loaded hit-by-pitch to score another run. <b>Tony Winter</b> then singled, <b>Cory Martin</b> doubled, and <b>Brad Schmech</b> hit a sacrifice fly to complete the 7-run inning. <b>Comer</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters in the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game and guarantee the Reds a berth in the State Tournament.   |
| 17 | 6/9/92  | Valley          | Legion B League Game                   | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning Tied Game        | Tied in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> singled before pinch runner <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> took 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a wild pitch. Then with two outs, <b>Aaron Prior</b> singled and scored <b>Noffsinger</b> to take the lead. <b>Cory Martin</b> then fielded a sacrifice bunt and then struck out the next batter for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> out of the inning with the potential tying run on 3 <sup>rd</sup> base. Then on a wild pitch, catcher <b>Joaquin Morado</b> retrieved the ball quickly and threw to <b>Martin</b> covering home in time to apply the tag on the advancing runner to end the inning. Then in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> struck out the side to end the game.  |
| 18 | 6/13/92 | Roosevelt       | Legion B League Game                   | Top of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning Reds Lead by 1   | Holding onto a 1-run lead, the Reds' offense exploded in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning, as <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> drew a full-count walk, then <b>Tony Winter</b> walked, and <b>Kirk Danley</b> hit a 3-run home run. Then after a walk by <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> , <b>Cory Martin</b> hit a 2-run home run. Then with one out, <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> walked, <b>Aaron Prior</b> singled, <b>Paul Isakson</b> walked, and then with two outs, <b>Winter</b> , <b>Danley</b> , and <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> walked, then <b>Cory Martin</b> hit a grand slam for his 2 <sup>nd</sup> home run of the inning and 8 <sup>th</sup> RBI of the game. The Reds then allowed 3 runs in the bottom of the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning, but in the top of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Scott Schmunk</b> reached on an error, <b>Winter</b> singled, <b>Danley</b> walked, <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> took a hit-by-pitch, <b>Martin</b> was hit by a pitch, and then with two outs, <b>Houtchens</b> and <b>Prior</b> singled to put the Reds ahead 22-6. <b>Martin</b> then finished the game on the mound, ended via the mercy rule. |
| 19 | 7/5/92  | Greeley Central | Legion B Non-League Game               | Extra Innings Tied Game                        | With the game on the line in the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, with the potential game-winning run on 3 <sup>rd</sup> base and no outs, <b>Paul Isakson</b> retired the next two batters and then after an intentional walk, fielded a comeback groundball to end the inning. In the top of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Kirk Danley</b> drew a full-count walk with one out, then <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> singled and <b>Cory Martin</b> reached on an error to load the bases. <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> then singled to give the Reds a 2-run lead, and then <b>Riley Haythorn</b> hit a two-out single to give the Reds another insurance run. <b>Isakson</b> then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game.  |

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| 20 | 7/7/92  | Valley    | Legion B League Game                            | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 6 | Trailing by 6 runs in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Riley Haythorn</b> drew a one-out walk, then <b>Scott Schmunk</b> doubled, <b>Joaquin Morado</b> doubled, <b>Tony Winter</b> singled, and then with two outs and still down by 3 runs, <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> walked, <b>Cory Martin</b> singled, <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> walked, and <b>Matt Rice</b> hit a game-tying single to send the game into extra innings. With the bases loaded and two outs in the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Matt Rice</b> struck out the opposing cleanup hitter on a full-count pitch to end the scoring threat. In the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Schmunk</b> singled, then <b>Morado</b> put down a bunt for a single, and then <b>Tony Winter</b> was hit by a pitch to load the bases, and <b>Kirk Danley</b> took a hit-by-pitch for the game-winning RBI.  |
| 21 | 7/10/92 | Roosevelt | Legion B League Game                            | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | Down by 2 runs in the final inning, <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> led off with a walk, then <b>Tony Winter</b> reached on a fielder's choice. With two outs and one runner on base, <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> hit a game-tying home run. <b>Todd Kindvall</b> then retired the side in order in the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning and the top of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning, striking out a substitute for their #3 hitter after their starter had been ejected in the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning. In the 10 <sup>th</sup> inning, after allowing a leadoff single and stolen base that put the go-ahead run in scoring position, <b>Kindvall</b> induced a flyout to <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> , then struck out the next batter, and then induced a groundout to <b>Kirk Danley</b> to end the scoring threat. In the bottom of the inning, <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> singled, <b>Matt Rice</b> walked, <b>Riley Haythorn</b> reached on a fielder's choice, <b>Joaquin Morado</b> was intentionally walked to load the bases with one out, before <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> walked for the game-winning RBI.  |
| 22 | 7/23/92 | Loveland  | Legion B District Tournament                    | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1  | With only a one-run lead in the District Tournament, <b>Matt Rice</b> led off the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning with a single, then <b>Riley Haythorn</b> singled and <b>Joaquin Morado</b> bunted the runners over. <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> then reached on a fielder's choice that left runners on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> base with still only a one-run lead. Then <b>Tony Winter</b> walked to load the bases and <b>Kirk Danley</b> walked to bring in an insurance run. <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> then reached on an error that brought in two more runs as the Reds took a 4-run lead. <b>Paul Isakson</b> then struck out the first two batters in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, before allowing a single. The next batter then singled up the middle but centerfielder <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> got the ball and threw it to shortstop <b>Cory Martin</b> covering 2 <sup>nd</sup> base in time for the force-out to end the game.  |
| 23 | 7/25/92 | Windsor   | Legion B District Tournament (elimination game) | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 3  | With the season on the line in the District Tournament, <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> hit a one-out single. Then with two outs and still down by 3 runs, <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> singled, <b>Matt Rice</b> singled, and <b>Riley Haythorn</b> singled to bring the Reds within a run. Then <b>Paul Isakson</b> took a hit-by-pitch to load the bases and <b>Joaquin Morado</b> drew a bases-loaded walk to tie the game. Then <b>Haythorn</b> scored on a wild pitch to give the Reds a one-run lead. Then after a single, a double and a walk in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, the bases were loaded with one out and the Reds ahead by a run. The next ball was a slow chopper to 2 <sup>nd</sup> baseman <b>Kirk Danley</b> , who realizing he wouldn't have time to turn a double play, allowed the runner going to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base to make contact with him as he went to field the ball. The contact took the glove off his hand as the ball rolled into the outfield and Windsor runners rounded the bases mistakenly thinking they had won the game. As the delayed interference call was enforced, all the runners were then brought back to their original bases and the runs were taken off the scoreboard, with the Reds still leading by a run with now two outs. The next batter then flew out to end the game and advance the Reds on in the District Tournament. |
| 24 | 4/3/93  | Poudre    | Non-League Game                                 | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | With the Reds attempting to win their 300 <sup>th</sup> spring game, <b>Kirk Danley</b> drew a one-out walk, then <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> singled and then <b>Josh Schneider</b> , <b>Cory Martin</b> , and <b>Riley Haythorn</b> all singled, before <b>Matt Rice</b> drew a bases-loaded walk, <b>Aaron Prior</b> singled, and <b>Tony Winter</b> singled to give the Reds a 7-run lead. After the lead was cut to 4 runs, <b>Cory Martin</b> took the mound in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to strike out 2 batters and end the game.   |
| 25 | 4/17/93 | Brush     | Pivotal League Game                             | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 2   | In a critical league game, the Reds had a 2-run lead in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning with 2 outs and the potential tying runs on base. <b>Paul Isakson</b> though recorded his 2 <sup>nd</sup> strikeout of the inning, and his 12 <sup>th</sup> strikeout of the game to earn the complete game win for the Reds.   |
| 26 | 4/26/93 | Yuma      | Pivotal League Game                             | Extra Innings<br>Tied Game                        | With the Reds seeking to lock up the league title, <b>Josh Schneider</b> hits a solo home run with one out in the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning to give the Reds the lead. <b>Paul Isakson</b> then induced a flyout followed by a game-ending double-play turned by shortstop <b>Cory Martin</b> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> baseman <b>Kirk Danley</b> .  |

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| 27 | 5/3/93  | Denver Christian | Key Non-League Game          | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | In a non-league game between two of the top-ranked teams in the state, <b>Kirk Danley</b> led off with a full-count walk, then <b>Bud Noffsinger</b> walked, and then after a wild pitch and a sacrifice fly from <b>Cory Martin</b> brought the Reds within a run, <b>Riley Haythorn</b> hit a two-out double to tie the game as <b>Noffsinger</b> scored. <b>Matt Rice</b> then singled and <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> doubled to give the Reds the lead. In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> stranded two runners on base by inducing a groundout. In the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> walked, <b>Danley</b> took an 0-2 hit-by-pitch, and then both runners advanced on a wild pitch and scored on a single by <b>Josh Schneider</b> to increase the lead to 4 runs. <b>Martin</b> then picked off the runner from 1 <sup>st</sup> base after a single, and then after a strikeout, induced a groundout for the win.  |
| 28 | 5/21/93 | Gunnison         | State Semifinals             | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | In one of the most dominant pitching performances in Eaton history, <b>Cory Martin</b> pitched an 11-inning gem that included a rainout for 3 hours in the middle of the game, making the game last a total of 7 hours. With the game tied in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning and the season on the line with the potential winning run on 3 <sup>rd</sup> base, <b>Martin</b> struck out the next batter, and then struck out the following batter as well to end the inning as catcher <b>Josh Schneider</b> applied the tag to the batter after the knuckle curve dropped into the dirt for the strikeout. Then in the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> retired the side in order with yet another strikeout. In the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning after a leadoff single, <b>Martin</b> struck out a batter before <b>Schneider</b> then picked off a runner from 1 <sup>st</sup> base, followed by another strikeout to end the inning. In the 10 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> struck out the side in order. In the top of the 11 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Riley Haythorn</b> led off with a double and advanced to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base on a wild pitch, before <b>Brandon Houtchens</b> singled to score <b>Haythorn</b> and give the Reds the lead. In the bottom of the 11 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> induced a flyout, then struck out the next 2 batters to record his 19 <sup>th</sup> strikeout of the game and send the Reds on to the State Championship Game.   |
| 29 | 7/10/93 | Windsor          | Legion B League Game         | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 4 | Trailing by 4 runs, <b>Tony Winter</b> led off with a walk, then <b>Matt Rice</b> singled, followed by singles from <b>Riley Haythorn</b> , <b>Cory Martin</b> , <b>Aaron Prior</b> and <b>Matt Anderson</b> that tied the game. <b>Jason Sullivan</b> then reached on a fielder's choice, before <b>Jeff Kundert</b> singled to give the Reds the lead, and then <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> walked, and <b>Rice</b> drew a two-out bases-loaded walk to put the Reds ahead by two runs. <b>Martin</b> then struck out the side in order on just 11 pitches to end the game in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning.   |
| 30 | 7/16/93 | Brush            | Legion B League Game         | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | After a fielding error, a walk, and a single loaded the bases in the top of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning, pitcher <b>Riley Haythorn</b> induced a groundout to end the scoring threat. In the bottom of the inning, <b>Adam Stodola</b> led off with a single, then <b>Jason Sullivan</b> put down a sacrifice bunt, and then <b>Jeff Kundert</b> walked and <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> walked to load the bases. Then <b>Tony Winter</b> drew a walk to score the game-winning RBI.   |
| 31 | 7/18/93 | Sterling         | Legion B League Game         | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 5 | <b>Aaron Prior</b> led off with a single and then <b>Jeff Kundert</b> and <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> walked to load the bases. <b>Tony Winter</b> and <b>Matt Rice</b> then both hit RBI singles before <b>Cory Martin</b> hit a two-out single to score them both and tie the game. <b>Martin</b> then took the mound in relief in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning with one out and a runner on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base and struck out the next two batters to end the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Martin</b> then retired the side in order in the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning. In the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Noffsinger</b> bunted for a base hit and then took 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a wild pitch, before <b>Winter</b> singled him in for the game-winning hit.   |
| 32 | 7/29/93 | Greeley Central  | Legion B District Tournament | Bot. of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 7 | While still early in the game, being down by 7 runs put the Reds in an unlikely spot to advance in the winner's bracket of the District Tournament. The fact that the Reds were facing a future Major League pitcher made the odds even that much worse. <b>Matt Anderson</b> though led off the bottom of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> inning with a hit-by-pitch, and then <b>Jeff Kundert</b> reached on a fielder's choice and both scored after a two-out single by <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> followed by a walk by <b>Tony Winter</b> and then <b>Matt Rice</b> reached on an error to cut the deficit to 5 runs. <b>Cory Martin</b> then retired the side in order in the top of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> inning, before <b>Martin</b> led off the Reds' half of the inning with a walk, then <b>Anderson</b> singled, <b>Aaron Prior</b> singled, <b>Jason Sullivan</b> walked, <b>Noffsinger</b> reached on a fielder's choice, and <b>Winter</b> hit a two-out home run to tie the game. <b>Martin</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning and retired the side in order in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning. The Reds then took their first lead of the game as <b>Noffsinger</b> singled and <b>Winter</b> took a hit-by-pitch to chase Central's ace pitcher and future Major Leaguer from the mound, and then with two outs, <b>Martin</b> doubled to knock in 2 runs, and <b>Martin</b> came around to score as well on an error and wild pitch. <b>Martin</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters in the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, and <b>Sullivan</b> added another insurance run by drawing a walk and scoring on an error. <b>Martin</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters to end the game and advance the Reds in Districts. |

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| 33 | 8/7/93  | Boulder Fairview | Legion B State Tournament (elimination game) | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | In only the Reds' 3 <sup>rd</sup> Legion State Tournament appearance, the Reds faced elimination but broke a tie in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Riley Haythorn</b> reached on an error, <b>Matt Anderson</b> doubled, and then <b>Aaron Prior</b> reached on an error that brought in the go-ahead run. <b>Jason Sullivan</b> then singled and <b>Jeff Kundert</b> grounded out to knock in another run as the Reds took a 3-run lead. <b>Haythorn</b> then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning. After allowing one run in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, the Reds brought in <b>Todd Kindvall</b> and he struck out the next batter to end the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, maintaining a 2-run lead for the Reds. Then in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Anderson</b> walked, <b>Prior</b> bunted him over to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, then <b>Kindvall</b> doubled and scored on a two-out single by <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> to give the Reds a 4-run lead. <b>Kindvall</b> then retired 3 of 4 hitters to advance the Reds in the Legion State Tournament to the Final Four for the first time in Reds' summer baseball history.  |
| 34 | 3/18/94 | Greeley West     | Greeley Invitational Tournament              | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1  | The Reds entered the Greeley Invitational in 1994 with an all-time record of 0-9 against the larger Class 5A and 4A teams. With a one-run lead in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning and runners on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, <b>Todd Kindvall</b> struck out the next batter for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> out of the inning, and then after a hit-by-pitch loaded the bases, <b>Kindvall</b> induced a groundout that he fielded himself to end the game and give the Reds their first win in this tournament. The Reds had taken the lead in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning when <b>Aaron Prior</b> scored on a two-out single from <b>Kirk Danley</b> , and then added a needed insurance run in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning when <b>Matt Anderson</b> scored on a successful slash bunt from <b>Tony Winter</b> .   |
| 35 | 3/19/94 | Greeley Central  | Greeley Invitational Tournament              | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | In a game the Reds needed to win to be able to win the Greeley Invitational Tournament, <b>Riley Haythorn</b> led off the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning with a single and then scored on a triple from <b>Aaron Prior</b> to tie the game. <b>Cory Martin</b> then stranded a runner at 2 <sup>nd</sup> base with a groundout and then a strikeout to end the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning. In the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> hit a two-out single and then scored on a ball hit by <b>Haythorn</b> that wasn't fielded correctly in leftfield that gave the Reds the lead. <b>Martin</b> then retired the side in order, striking out two more batters to end the game.   |
| 36 | 3/19/94 | Valley           | Greeley Invitational Championship            | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> hit a one-out single and advanced to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a fielder's choice and then scored on a double by <b>Tony Winter</b> , <b>Matt Anderson</b> then walked and <b>Riley Haythorn</b> hit a 2-out single to put the Reds ahead by 3 runs. <b>Russ Shelton</b> then induced two groundouts and a strikeout to strand a runner in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Todd Kindvall</b> then took the mound in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning after the lead had been cut to two with a runner on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, and struck out the next batter and then induced a flyout to end the game. This win secured the Greeley Invitational Tournament for the Reds with a 3-0 record in the tournament.   |
| 37 | 4/16/94 | Brush            | Pivotal League Game                          | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | Trailing by a run in a key league game, <b>Todd Kindvall</b> led off the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning with a full-count walk, and then <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> doubled and <b>Tony Winter</b> singled to give the Reds the lead, and then with two outs, <b>Matt Anderson</b> walked, <b>Cory Martin</b> singled and <b>Kirk Danley</b> singled as the Reds took a 2-run lead. In the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> struck out the side in order. <b>Jeff Kundert</b> then hit a one-out single in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, and <b>Winter</b> hit a two-out double before <b>Riley Haythorn</b> singled to increase the Reds' lead to 4 runs. <b>Martin</b> then retired the side in order in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Martin</b> led off the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning with a double, <b>Aaron Prior</b> singled, and <b>Kundert</b> and <b>Noffsinger</b> hit two-out singles to give the Reds a commanding 6-run lead. <b>Martin</b> then struck out 3 batters in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning.   |
| 38 | 4/23/94 | Yuma             | Pivotal League Game                          | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1 | With the league title at stake, the Reds held a one-run lead going into the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning when <b>Russ Shelton</b> led off with a walk, then <b>Jeff Kundert</b> walked and <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> doubled to add an insurance run for the Reds. In the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Cory Martin</b> induced a groundout and then struck out the final two batters to lock up the league title for the Reds.  |
| 39 | 5/20/94 | Kent Denver      | State Semifinals                             | Top of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 2  | In a rematch of the 1993 State Championship Game, the Reds were not only trying to beat a top college prospect on the mound, but also to do it in a way that would allow the Reds to get their ace, <b>Cory Martin</b> , out of the game to save back innings for the State Championship Game the following day. In the bottom of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> inning with a 2-0 lead, <b>Matt Rice</b> reached on an error to lead off the inning, then <b>Matt Anderson</b> walked, and then with two outs, <b>Kirk Danley</b> hit a 3-run home run to increase the Reds' lead to 5 runs. This would be enough to win the game with <b>Martin</b> on the mound, but the Reds sought now to wrap up the game and get <b>Martin</b> some rest. After <b>Martin</b> induced an inning-ending double play in the 3 <sup>rd</sup> inning, he also got out of a bases-loaded jam in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning. The Reds then exploded offensively as <b>Rice</b> and <b>Anderson</b> singled to lead off the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, then <b>Riley Haythorn</b> reached on an error, <b>Danley</b> walked, <b>Aaron Prior</b> walked, <b>Jeff Kundert</b> singled, <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> drew a bases-loaded walk, and then with two outs, <b>Rice</b> doubled, <b>Anderson</b> walked, and <b>Martin</b> hit a 2-run single to give the Reds a 14-0 lead. <b>Martin</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning to send the Reds to the State Championship Game. The 2 innings saved on <b>Martin's</b> arm would be pivotal the following day. |

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| 40 | 5/21/94 | Olathe        | State Championship               | Bot. of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | With the Reds attempting to win their 1 <sup>st</sup> State Championship, but tied in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Cory Martin</b> hit a one-out single, then <b>Riley Haythorn</b> singled, and <b>Kirk Danley</b> singled to give the Reds the lead and advance <b>Haythorn</b> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base. <b>Haythorn</b> then helped induce the pitcher to balk, scoring the Reds' 3 <sup>rd</sup> run of the game to take a 2-run lead. <b>Martin</b> then got two quick outs, and after a single, struck out the next batter to end the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Martin</b> then recorded a strikeout and two groundouts to end the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. Then with the tying runs on base in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Martin</b> took things completely into his own hands and fielded a bunt and threw the batter out at first base for the first out. With the tying run now in scoring position, <b>Martin</b> struck out the next two batters on just 3 pitches apiece to end the game and send the Reds to their first State Championship Game pileup. <b>Todd Kindvall</b> had pitched 3 strong innings before <b>Martin</b> took the mound to wrap up the title and complete a remarkable career in which he was undefeated in postseason games throughout his career, earning Class 3A Player of the Year honors as a senior. |
| 41 | 6/24/94 | University    | Legion B Invitational Tournament | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1 | In the Greeley Stampede Shootout, the Reds held onto a 1-run lead in the top of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning when <b>Kirk Danley</b> took a hit-by-pitch, and then after <b>Russ Shelton</b> singled, both players scored on a single by <b>Aaron Prior</b> after he had fouled off two 2-strike pitches to give the Reds a 3-run lead. After allowing a run in the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning and then a leadoff run in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Shelton</b> then fielded a bunt for one out, and then induced a game-ending double play turned by <b>Jeff Kundert</b> and <b>Danley</b> to secure the win. The Reds went on to defeat Roosevelt and Valley to win the invitational tournament.   |
| 42 | 4/8/95  | Brush         | Pivotal League Game              | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 3 | Already trailing by 3 runs with no outs and two Brush runners on base, centerfielder <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> made a great catch and doubled off the runner at 2 <sup>nd</sup> base before pitcher <b>Adam Frank</b> induced a groundout to end the inning. After a leadoff out in the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, the Reds got going with <b>Ethan Cozzens</b> drawing a walk, followed by a single from <b>Noffsinger</b> . <b>Kirk Danley</b> then hit a 3-run home run to tie the game. <b>Tony Winter</b> then reached on an error, and after a double from <b>Matt Anderson</b> , <b>Winter</b> scored the go-ahead run on a wild pitch. <b>Jeff Kundert</b> then walked, <b>Chris Barber</b> hit a full-count RBI single, then <b>Todd Benson</b> doubled in two more runs, <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> then walked, and then with two outs, <b>Danley</b> hit his 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3-run home run of the inning to put the Reds ahead by 8 runs. <b>Winter</b> then drew a full-count walk before <b>Anderson</b> hit a walk-off 2-run home run to end the game via the 10-run mercy rule, thus completing one of the top innings of the decade as the Reds turned a late-inning 3-run deficit into a walk-off mercy rule win against a top league opponent.  |
| 43 | 4/13/95 | Fort Morgan   | Key Non-League Game              | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | With one out and no one on base in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Tony Winter</b> singled before <b>Matt Anderson</b> hit a game-tying home run. In the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Winter</b> allowed a leadoff single but then <b>Anderson</b> picked the runner off of first base after the first pitch to the next batter. <b>Winter</b> then retired the next two batters in order to send the game into extra innings. <b>Todd Benson</b> then led off the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning and reached after a strikeout pitch got away from the catcher, then <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> walked, <b>Kirk Danley</b> walked, and <b>Winter</b> drew a full-count walk to bring in the go-ahead run. <b>Anderson</b> then hit another home run, this time a grand slam, to put the game out of reach. <b>Winter</b> then retired 3 of the final 4 batters of the scoreless bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game.   |
| 44 | 4/22/95 | Highland      | League Game                      | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 7 | Trailing by 7 runs to a league opponent that hadn't beaten the Reds in nearly two decades, <b>Jeff Kundert</b> led off the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning with a single, followed by a single from <b>Aaron Prior</b> and a walk by <b>Chris Barber</b> before <b>Russ Shelton</b> singled to bring the Reds within 5 runs. Then with one out, <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> doubled home a run and <b>Kirk Danley</b> doubled to score two more runs. Trailing now by 2 runs, <b>Tony Winter</b> singled and then <b>Matt Anderson</b> singled to tie the game as the relay throw to the plate resulted in an error that advanced both runners. <b>Kundert</b> then reached base for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> time of the inning, and then with two outs, <b>Barber</b> tripled and scored on the relay throw to give the Reds a 3-run lead. <b>Jon Gesick</b> then pitched a scoreless bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, before <b>Danley</b> hit a two out double and then scored on a strikeout pitch that got away from the catcher to give the Reds a 4-run lead. <b>Gesick</b> then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, striking out 2 of the batters, to thus end one of the largest Reds' comebacks of the decade in a meaningful league game.   |
| 45 | 5/5/95  | Platte Valley | District Championship            | Extra Innings<br>Tied Game                       | After having to score in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to send the District Championship Game into extra innings, <b>Russ Shelton</b> led off with a full-count walk, then <b>Todd Benson</b> reached on an error. <b>Brig Noffsinger</b> then singled to load the bases with no outs. <b>Kirk Danley</b> then hit a 2-2 pitch out of Butch Butler Field for a grand slam to give the Reds a commanding lead. <b>Shelton</b> then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to earn his 2 <sup>nd</sup> win of the day, after having beaten Valley in a must-win district semifinal game 6-0 earlier in the day.  |

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| 46 | 5/19/95 | Salida        | State Championship                              | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | After the State Championship Game was tied up in the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, the Reds led off the bottom of the inning with <b>Jeff Kundert</b> drawing a full-count walk. <b>Aaron Prior</b> then put down a perfect sacrifice bunt to move <b>Kundert</b> into scoring position with one out. Then after a wild pitch advanced <b>Kundert</b> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base, <b>Chris Barber</b> hit a sacrifice fly to right-centerfield that scored <b>Kundert</b> to give the Reds a 2-1 lead. <b>Russ Shelton</b> then induced a groundout to third baseman <b>Tony Winter</b> , and then after a single, induced another groundout to <b>Winter</b> , before striking out the next batter to end the game and earn the Reds their 2 <sup>nd</sup> consecutive State Championship. This was <b>Shelton's</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> win of the day, as he had defeated Kent Denver in a complete-game 12-4 win in the Semifinals, before entering in relief of two strong innings from <b>Jon Gesick</b> to wrap up the State Championship. This was <b>Shelton's</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> win of the season and 5 <sup>th</sup> win of the postseason, both of which set Eaton single-season records, as <b>Shelton</b> was named Tournament MVP. With Shelton pitching 12 innings on the day, and thus not striking out as many batters as he usually did, the Reds had to play flawless defense, and did, listed in one newspaper headline as "Championship caliber defense saves Eaton", committing zero errors and turning double plays between shortstop <b>Kundert</b> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> baseman <b>Kirk Danley</b> , and 1 <sup>st</sup> baseman <b>Prior</b> in each of the first two innings to save a run from scoring, and then turning another run-saving double play to end the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning. |
| 47 | 6/5/95  | Fort Morgan   | Legion B League Game                            | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 4 | After being shut out through 4 innings, the Reds led off the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning with <b>Kurt Adams</b> drawing a walk, then <b>Jeff Meyers</b> and <b>Chris Barber</b> singled, <b>Ethan Cozzens</b> and <b>Kelly Oster</b> reached on errors, then <b>Mike Carrasco</b> walked, and <b>Josh Drovdal</b> singled to drive in two more runs and give the Reds a 1-run lead. Then after a double play, <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> walked, <b>Adams</b> singled, <b>Meyers</b> singled, <b>Barber</b> walked, <b>Cozzens</b> singled, and <b>Oster</b> and <b>Carrasco</b> walked to give the Reds a commanding lead. After two runs were allowed in the bottom of the inning, <b>Jeff Hager</b> entered in relief and struck out a batter for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> out while catcher <b>Drovdal</b> threw out the runner attempting to steal 2 <sup>nd</sup> base to end the inning. <b>Hager</b> then retired the side in the 6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> innings for the win.   |
| 48 | 6/16/95 | Windsor       | Legion B League Game                            | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | <b>Mike Carrasco</b> led off the inning by reaching on an error, then <b>Chris Barber</b> doubled to give the Reds the lead, before <b>Kelly Oster</b> singled in <b>Barber</b> , then <b>Christian Mock</b> singled and <b>Jeff Meyers</b> and <b>Matt Hagen</b> singled with two outs to give the Reds a 4-run lead. <b>Jeff Hager</b> then struck out the side in order in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, and after allowing two runs in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, with the tying run on 1 <sup>st</sup> base and the potential winning run at the plate, <b>Hager</b> induced a groundout to shortstop <b>Meyers</b> to end the game.  |
| 49 | 7/28/95 | Greeley West  | Legion B District Tournament (elimination game) | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 2 | With the season on the line in the District Tournament, the Reds' lead had just been trimmed to 4-2 before <b>Ethan Cozzens</b> stepped to the plate in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning and hit a 3-run home run to put the game out of reach. <b>Adam Frank</b> then retired the side in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game and advance the Reds in the tournament.  |
| 50 | 3/30/96 | Platte Valley | Pivotal League Game                             | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | After having dropped the first game of the league doubleheader, the Reds had to win this game to have a chance to win the League Championship. <b>Kelly Oster</b> led off the inning with a double, then pinch runner <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> advanced to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base on a sacrifice bunt from <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> . <b>Jeff Meyers</b> then walked and stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base before <b>Brent Thompson</b> singled to give the Reds a 2-run lead. <b>Jeff Kundert</b> then singled to knock in <b>Thompson</b> to increase the lead to 3 runs. <b>Adam Frank</b> then induced a groundout and two popouts in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning for the win.   |
| 51 | 5/11/96 | Salida        | Regional Semifinals                             | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | Trailing 2-0 in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning in a must-win game, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> drew a one-out walk, then <b>Kurt Adams</b> walked, and <b>Josh Drovdal</b> singled to cut the deficit to one run. <b>Jeff Meyers</b> then singled to tie the game. <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> then walked to load the bases before <b>Jeff Kundert</b> hit a bases-clearing double to give the Reds a 4-run lead. <b>Brent Thompson</b> then walked, and <b>Chris Barber</b> knocked in <b>Kundert</b> on a sacrifice fly. <b>Adam Frank</b> then stranded two runners on base with an inning-ending strikeout in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. The Reds added to the lead in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Carrasco</b> walked, <b>Adam</b> singled, <b>Drovdal</b> doubled, <b>Kinoshita</b> walked, and then <b>Kundert</b> knocked in another run and reached on an error, <b>Thompson</b> then walked and <b>Barber</b> singled to give the Reds a commanding 9-run lead. <b>Frank</b> then retired the side allowing just one run to end the game.  |



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| 52 | 5/11/96 | Kent Denver      | Regional Championship           | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | With the Reds trailing in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> time of the day, and facing a top pitching prospect that the Reds had beaten the two previous years in the playoffs, <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> reached on an error before <b>Jeff Kundert</b> also reached on an error. Then with one out, <b>Chris Barber</b> singled to tie the game at 1-1. <b>Jon Gesick</b> then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. With the game still tied in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Gesick</b> retired the side in order again to send the game into extra innings. In the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Kinoshita</b> and <b>Kundert</b> again reached on errors, and then with two outs, <b>Barber</b> doubled to give the Reds a 2-run lead. <b>Matt Anderson</b> then walked before <b>Mike Carrasco</b> doubled to increase the lead to 4 runs. <b>Gesick</b> then retired his 10 <sup>th</sup> straight batter to get the 1 <sup>st</sup> out in the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, and then after a walk, struck out a batter and then induced a groundout to <b>Carrasco</b> to end the game and send the Reds on to the Final Four for the fourth straight year.  |
| 53 | 5/17/96 | La Junta         | State Semifinals                | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1  | Clinging to a 3-2 lead in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Jeff Kundert</b> led off with a single before <b>Kelly Oster</b> reached on an error. <b>Chris Barber</b> then hit into a fielder's choice that put runners at 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> base with one out. <b>Matt Anderson</b> then reached on an error, before <b>Mike Carrasco</b> doubled and <b>Josh Drowdal</b> hit a two-out single to give the Reds a 5-run lead. After La Junta scored two runs in the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Jon Gesick</b> entered in relief to end the inning on a comeback grounder. In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> drew a full-count walk, then <b>Kundert</b> walked, and <b>Chris Barber</b> then hit a 2-out double to put the Reds ahead again by 5 runs. After a run was allowed in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Gesick</b> struck out the next 2 batters to end the inning. The Reds added one more insurance run in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, as <b>Kurt Adams</b> reached on an error, then stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, and then scored on a single from <b>Drowdal</b> to again give the Reds a 5-run lead. After La Junta pulled to within 3 runs and had two runners on base with the tying run at the plate with two outs, <b>Gesick</b> then struck out the next batter to end the game and send the Reds on to the State Championship Game for their 4 <sup>th</sup> consecutive year. |
| 54 | 6/7/96  | Fort Morgan      | Legion B League Game            | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | After being shut out 5-0 through 4 innings, the Reds led off the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning with <b>Jeff Meyers</b> , <b>Mike Carrasco</b> and <b>Josh Drowdal</b> walking to load the bases before <b>Christian Mock</b> singled, <b>Alex Ochoa</b> walked, <b>Matt Hagen</b> singled, and <b>Jeff Hager</b> doubled to tie the game. Then after <b>Brent Thompson</b> took a hit-by-pitch, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> hit a two-out single to give the Reds a 6-5 lead. <b>Scott Bangert</b> then allowed just one runner in the 5 <sup>th</sup> and the 6 <sup>th</sup> innings, before retiring the side in order in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to preserve the win.   |
| 55 | 6/19/96 | Windsor          | Legion B League Game            | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | With the game on the line in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning and two outs with the potential winning run on 3 <sup>rd</sup> base, shortstop <b>Jeff Meyers</b> made a diving play up the middle and threw out the batter at 1 <sup>st</sup> base for a game-saving play to send the game into extra innings. <b>Matt Hagen</b> led off the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning with a full-count walk, then <b>Scott Bangert</b> walked, and with two outs, <b>Jeff Hager</b> walked, then <b>Ty Bailey</b> singled to give the Reds the lead before <b>Brent Thompson</b> singled to knock in two insurance runs for the Reds. <b>Bangert</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters in the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game.  |
| 56 | 3/18/97 | Denver Christian | Key Non-League Game             | Bot. of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | Against one of the Reds' perennial top opponents, the Reds rallied in the bottom of the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Kurt Adams</b> led off with a walk, <b>Christian Mock</b> then tripled and scored on a single by <b>Josh Drowdal</b> to give the Reds a 2-run lead. After two quick strikeouts in the top of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, Denver Christian loaded the bases before <b>Alex Ochoa</b> struck out his 3 <sup>rd</sup> batter of the inning to end the scoring threat. In the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Cullen Kinoshita</b> walked, then <b>Kurt Adams</b> walked and <b>Mike Carrasco</b> reached on a 2-out error that scored <b>Kinoshita</b> . In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning with two runners on base, <b>Carrasco</b> took the mound and induced an infield popout to end the scoring threat. In the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, the Reds added to their lead as <b>Zack Hughes</b> singled, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> doubled, <b>Matt Hagen</b> hit a sacrifice fly, <b>Jason Smith</b> singled and stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base and then scored on a single by <b>Jason Booth</b> . <b>Carrasco</b> then after allowing the first two batters to reach in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, struck out the next 3 batters to end the game.   |
| 57 | 3/22/97 | Thompson Valley  | Greeley Invitational Tournament | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | With the game tied and one out in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Alex Ochoa</b> stranded the potential go-ahead run at 2 <sup>nd</sup> base with two consecutive strikeouts. Then in the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Ochoa</b> struck out two more batters and induced a groundout to end the inning. In the top of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Ochoa</b> retired the side in order with yet another strikeout. In the bottom of the 9 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Matt Hagen</b> reached on an error and advanced to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base. <b>Jeff Meyers</b> was then intentionally walked, but then after two straight outs, <b>Jason Smith</b> took a hit-by-pitch to load the bases. <b>Kurt Adams</b> then singled to knock in <b>Hagen</b> for the walk-off game-winning hit.   |

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| 58 | 3/22/97 | Greeley West    | Greeley Invitational Tournament  | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | In a rare doubleheader in which the Reds played Thompson Valley at home in the morning and then travelled to Butch Butler Field to play Greeley West in the afternoon, the Reds found themselves tied in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> time on the day. <b>Christian Mock</b> led off the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning with a single, then <b>Mike Carrasco</b> walked, before <b>Matt Hagen</b> singled to score <b>Mock</b> to put the Reds ahead. <b>Jeff Meyers</b> then singled to score <b>Carrasco</b> , and then <b>Brent Thompson</b> took a hit-by-pitch to load the bases before <b>Jason Smith</b> reached on an error that put the Reds ahead 5-2. Then after the first two batters reached in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Alex Ochoa</b> got the next batter to ground out and then struck out the next two batters to end the game.  |
| 59 | 4/17/97 | Platte Valley   | Pivotal League Game              | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1   | After the Reds' lead had been cut from 3 runs to just 1 run in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> led off the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning with a double, then <b>Josh Drovdal</b> walked and <b>Carrasco</b> stole 3 <sup>rd</sup> base and scored on the overthrow. <b>Zack Hughes</b> then walked and with two outs, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> singled and both runners scored after the centerfielder made an error to increase the Reds' lead to 7-3. After a leadoff single in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> got the next two batters to hit infield popouts and then struck out the next batter to end the game.  |
| 60 | 4/23/97 | Fort Morgan     | Key Non-League Game              | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | In one of the highest-scoring games of the decade, the Reds trailed 14-13 going into the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, before <b>Brent Thompson</b> singled to lead off, then <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> drew a walk and <b>Jason Smith</b> doubled to tie the game. Then after a walk by <b>Kurt Adams</b> that loaded the bases, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> walked to knock in the game-winning run.  |
| 61 | 5/10/97 | Lamar           | Regional Semifinals              | Top of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | With the game tied in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> took the first pitch for a ball and then hit the next pitch out of the park at Englewood H.S. to give the Reds a 5-4 lead. <b>Alex Ochoa</b> then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning. After a leadoff double in the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Ochoa</b> fielded a sacrifice bunt for an out and then struck out the next two batters to strand the potential tying run at 3 <sup>rd</sup> base. In the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Ochoa</b> stranded runners on 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> base with a groundout to 2 <sup>nd</sup> baseman <b>Kurt Adams</b> to end the inning. Then in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Ochoa</b> induced a groundout, then struck out the next batter before allowing a single. After a foul ball sailed over the fence, but in foul territory, <b>Ochoa</b> got the batter to ground out to <b>Meyers</b> to end the game and send the Reds to the Final Four. |
| 62 | 6/4/97  | Fort Morgan     | Legion B League Game             | Top of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | <b>Zack Hughes</b> led off the inning with a single, then <b>Matt Hagen</b> singled, and <b>Brent Thompson</b> walked to load the bases, after <b>Paul Loftis</b> reached on a fielder's choice, <b>Josh Yarber</b> hit a 2-out single to give the Reds a two-run lead, then <b>Jason Smith</b> took a hit-by-pitch, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> walked, and <b>Mike Carrasco</b> cleared the bases with a 3-RBI double to put the Reds ahead by 6 runs. <b>Carrasco</b> then finished the complete game win by retiring the final 3 batters, two of them by strikeout.   |
| 63 | 6/15/97 | Rocky Mountain  | Legion B Non-League Game         | Top of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 5  | With the sun rapidly setting in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> game of this doubleheader, the Reds were not only trailing by 5 runs, but this 4 <sup>th</sup> inning might be the final inning due to the opponent's field not having lights. <b>Brent Thompson</b> led off with a walk, then the Reds put up consecutive singles from <b>Jason Smith</b> , <b>Jeff Meyers</b> , <b>Mike Carrasco</b> , <b>Zack Hughes</b> , and <b>Paul Loftis</b> . Then <b>Matt Hagen</b> tied the game with a one-out single, before <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> reached on an error, <b>Thompson</b> singled, and then <b>Smith</b> , <b>Meyers</b> , and <b>Carrasco</b> all hit their 2 <sup>nd</sup> singles of the inning, then <b>Hughes</b> walked to knock in the 11 <sup>th</sup> run of the inning. <b>Josh Isakson</b> then retired the final 3 batters of the bottom of the inning as the non-league game was called official at that point due to the setting sun.   |
| 64 | 6/22/97 | Fort Collins    | Legion B Invitational Tournament | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | <b>Josh Yarber</b> led off with a double, then <b>Matt Hagen</b> reached on an error, <b>Scott Souther</b> reached on an error, and then with one out, <b>Jason Smith</b> also reached on an error before <b>Jeff Meyers</b> hit a sacrifice fly to pull the Reds within a run. <b>Mike Carrasco</b> then singled to give the Reds a one-run lead. After Fort Collins tied the game in the top of the 7th inning, <b>Josh Yarber</b> reached on a fielder's choice, and then after a single by <b>Matt Hagen</b> and a fielder's choice by <b>Scott Souther</b> , <b>Yarber</b> stole home for the game-winning run on a double steal to give the Reds the win.  |
| 65 | 6/22/97 | Park City, Utah | Legion B Invitational Tournament | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | Playing under a time-limit in this invitational tournament, the Reds entered the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning down by a run knowing this would be the final inning. After two quick outs, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> singled and stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base and then scored on a double by <b>Mike Carrasco</b> to tie the game. <b>Zack Hughes</b> then hit a 2-run walk-off home run.  |
| 66 | 6/30/97 | Valley          | Legion B League Game             | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 4  | <b>Josh Yarber</b> led off the inning with a single, then <b>Matt Hagen</b> singled and <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> and <b>Brent Thompson</b> hit RBI singles and then <b>Jeff Meyers</b> hit a one-out, 3-run home run to put the Reds ahead by a run. Then in the bottom of the 6th inning, after a leadoff single, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> turned a double play and <b>Josh Isakson</b> got the next batter to fly out. In the 7th inning with still just a one-run lead, <b>Isakson</b> struck out the first two batters and then induced a flyout to end the game.   |

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| 67 | 7/13/97 | Boulder Fairview | Legion B League Game                         | Bot. of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> led off the inning with a single, and then <b>Jason Smith</b> hit a 2-run home run to put the Reds ahead. <b>Alex Ochoa</b> then retired 3 of the 4 batters in a scoreless 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, and then struck out the side in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Jeff Meyers</b> walked and then scored on a double by <b>Mike Carrasco</b> to add an insurance run in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Ochoa</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters to end the game.  |
| 68 | 7/18/97 | Greeley West     | Legion B District Tournament                 | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1   | In the District Tournament with a 1-run lead, <b>Josh Yarber</b> singled, <b>Brent Thompson</b> singled and <b>Matt Hagen</b> knocked in an RBI single before <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> reached on a fielder's choice and <b>Jason Smith</b> walked, and <b>Jeff Meyers</b> hit a grand slam to give the Reds a commanding lead. <b>Alex Ochoa</b> then caught a line drive and doubled off the runner from 2nd base and struck out the next batter to end the bottom of the 6th inning. After the lead was cut to 3 runs in the 7th inning, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> entered in relief and induced a groundout to shortstop <b>Meyers</b> to end the game.  |
| 69 | 8/1/97  | Arapahoe         | Legion B State Tournament                    | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | After coming back from a 6-0 deficit to tie the game, the Reds then took the lead in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Matt Hagen</b> singled, <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> reached on an error, then <b>Jason Smith</b> singled, and <b>Jeff Meyers</b> homered to give the Reds a commanding lead. <b>Mike Carrasco</b> then singled, followed by singles from <b>Zack Hughes</b> , <b>Paul Loftis</b> , <b>Josh Yarber</b> , and <b>Brent Thompson</b> to run the Reds' lead to 13-6. <b>Carrasco</b> then stranded the bases loaded in relief with back-to-back groundouts to end the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, and in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, after the lead was cut to 13-11, <b>Carrasco</b> retired 2 of the final 3 batters to end the game and advance the Reds in the winner's bracket of the Legion State Tournament.  |
| 70 | 8/3/97  | Arapahoe         | Legion B State Tournament (elimination game) | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | With the season on the line in the loser's bracket of the State Tournament, <b>Brent Thompson</b> took a hit-by-pitch to lead off the 6th inning. Then <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> hit a one-out, two-run home run to put the Reds ahead by a run. In the top of the 7th inning, <b>Nolan Mininger</b> retired the side in order on groundouts to third baseman <b>Mike Carrasco</b> and shortstop <b>Jeff Meyers</b> to end the game and match the Reds up against Greeley Central for the State Championship. The Reds would have to beat undefeated Greeley Central twice to take home the title.   |
| 71 | 8/4/97  | Greeley Central  | Legion B State Championship "If" Game        | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 2  | With a 3-1 lead in the State Championship "If" Game, after the Reds had already defeated Greeley Central by a large margin the day before, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> hit a one-out double and then <b>Mike Carrasco</b> singled to score <b>Meyers</b> and put the Reds ahead by 3 runs. Then after an unearned run scored in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> induced an infield popout to end the inning. Still with only a two-run lead in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> retired the side in order to win the Reds' first Legion B State Championship of the era. Though it is hard to appreciate now, this was a monumental upset victory at the time. Not only had the Reds only won a total of 3 State Tournament games over the past 30 years in only 3 trips to the Legion State Tournament, but Greeley Central was one of a number of Class 5A teams in the Tournament, including many top teams from Denver, Boulder, and Fort Collins, competing in Legion B at that time. The newspapers referred to this as a David vs. Goliath type victory, and back then, the Reds were actually David. |
| 72 | 3/13/98 | Thompson Valley  | Greeley Invitational Tournament              | Bot. of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | Though only in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning, the Reds trailed by a run in the first game of a season that would go on to be the Reds' first undefeated season. <b>Zack Hughes</b> led off with a walk, then <b>Paul Loftis</b> walked before <b>Brent Thompson</b> singled to tie the game. <b>Josh Yarber</b> then doubled to score both runs, and then scored on a single by <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> . <b>Jason Smith</b> then singled, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> walked and then with two outs <b>Loftis</b> singled to give the Reds an 8-1 lead. <b>Jeff Hager</b> then allowed just one run after loading the bases, inducing a groundout to shortstop <b>Meyers</b> to end the top of the inning. Then in the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Yarber</b> singled, and then <b>Wiederspan</b> , <b>Smith</b> , <b>Meyers</b> , <b>Carrasco</b> and <b>Hughes</b> all walked, before <b>Paul Loftis</b> doubled to hit the walk-off game-winner as the Reds won 12-2 via the mercy rule.  |
| 73 | 4/4/98  | Platte Valley    | Pivotal League Game                          | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1  | In one of the few tightly-contested games of the season, the Reds were only ahead by a run going into the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, facing a pitcher that would go on to be drafted in the early rounds of the MLB Draft. <b>Todd Stanclift</b> led off the inning with a walk, then pinch runner <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> base before <b>Jason Smith</b> hit a two-out double to score him, then <b>Jeff Meyers</b> walked, and <b>Mike Carrasco</b> hit a 2-run home run to increase the Reds lead to 5 runs. After one run was allowed in the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> struck out two batters and then induced an infield popout to end the inning. The Reds got that one run back in the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning as <b>Stanclift</b> hit a solo home run. In the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> retired the side in order to end the game.  |

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| 74 | 4/9/98  | Fort Morgan      | Key Non-League Game                          | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | In one of the very few times that the Reds trailed late all year in 1998, the undefeated season was on the line at Fort Morgan before <b>Zack Hughes</b> hit the first pitch of the inning over the fence to tie the game. <b>Paul Loftis</b> then reached on an error, as did <b>Matt Hagen</b> , and then <b>Todd Stanclift</b> hit a 3-run home run. Two pitches later, <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> hit a home run as well. Then after <b>Jason Smith</b> took a hit-by-pitch, <b>Jeff Meyers</b> hit a home run to make it a 7-run inning and conclude one of the most explosive innings in Eaton history. <b>Jeff Hager</b> then retired 3 straight batters after the first two batters scored. In the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Stanclift</b> led off with another home run, then <b>Wiederspan</b> walked, <b>Brent Thompson</b> singled, then <b>Jason Smith</b> doubled and <b>Jeff Meyers</b> hit another home run. <b>Mike Carrasco</b> then singled, <b>Hughes</b> singled and <b>Matt Hagen</b> hit a two-out single to give the Reds a 10-run lead. After Fort Morgan scored two runs in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning to extend the game to the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Scott Bangert</b> entered in relief and retired the final two batters of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning and then retired the side in order in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, striking out the final two batters of the game. As remarkable as this home run power was in the game, the 1998 Reds hit 37 team home runs in the year, which is still the all-time Eaton record. |
| 75 | 5/16/98 | Lamar            | State Championship Game                      | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | With a State Championship and undefeated season on the line, and facing a future high-round MLB Draft choice, <b>Brent Thompson</b> drew a one-out walk to reach base in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning. <b>Jason Smith</b> then singled and <b>Jeff Meyers</b> singled to load the bases. <b>Mike Carrasco</b> then fouled off a 2-strike pitch before hitting a single to not only tie the game, but also put the Reds ahead by a run. <b>Zack Hughes</b> then fouled off an 0-2 pitch before singling to score <b>Meyers</b> to put the Reds ahead 3-1. Then with one out and a runner on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base in the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> entered in relief after <b>Alex Ochoa</b> had thrown 4+ strong innings, and <b>Carrasco</b> struck out the next two batters to end the inning. <b>Carrasco</b> then stranded a runner at 1 <sup>st</sup> base in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning by striking out the final batter of that inning. Still ahead just 3-1 in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> induced two flyouts and then got the next batter to ground out to <b>Matt Hagen</b> , who pitched the ball to <b>Carrasco</b> covering 1 <sup>st</sup> base for the final out to end the game and send one of the greatest teams in Eaton history to an undefeated State Championship.  |
| 76 | 5/28/98 | Greeley West     | Legion B Non-League Game                     | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | <b>Tyler Tateyama</b> doubled on the first pitch of the bottom of the 8 <sup>th</sup> inning. Then after falling behind 0-2, <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> singled to score <b>Tateyama</b> for the game-winner.   |
| 77 | 6/18/98 | Boulder Fairview | Legion B League Game                         | Extra Innings<br>Tied Game                       | <b>Todd Stanclift</b> led off the top of the 8 <sup>th</sup> innings with a double, then after a walk by <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> , <b>Josh Yarber</b> hit a 3-run home run to give the Reds a commanding lead. <b>Tanner Tateyama</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters for the win.  |
| 78 | 6/30/98 | Boulder Fairview | Legion B League Game                         | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | After having hit an 8 <sup>th</sup> -inning game-winning home run against the same opponent less than two weeks earlier, <b>Josh Yarber</b> stepped to the plate with one-out and no one on base in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning in a tied game. After taking the first pitch for a ball, <b>Yarber</b> crushed the next ball for a game-winning walk-off home run.   |
| 79 | 7/14/98 | Loveland         | Legion B League Game                         | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | With the game tied in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Zack Hughes</b> walked, then <b>Paul Loftis</b> singled, then <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> singled to score a run before <b>Todd Stanclift</b> singled for an insurance run. <b>Loftis</b> then struck out the first two batter of the inning, and then with runners on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, induced a flyout to end the game.   |
| 80 | 7/15/98 | Centaurus        | Legion B League Game                         | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | With the opportunity to clinch the league championship, <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> hit a two-out single in the bottom of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, and then stole 2 <sup>nd</sup> base before reaching 3 <sup>rd</sup> base on a wild pitch. <b>Tyler Tateyama</b> then hit a ball hard to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> baseman that was fielded cleanly and <b>Tateyama</b> beat the throw to first base for the game-winning RBI   |
| 81 | 8/1/98  | Poudre           | Legion B State Tournament (elimination game) | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | Trailing by a run in a must-win State Tournament Game, <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> reached on an error and then raced to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a groundout fielder's choice hit by <b>Tyler Tateyama</b> . <b>Josh Yarber</b> then singled to tie the game, before <b>Zack Hughes</b> was intentionally walked and <b>Todd Stanclift</b> reached on a fielder's choice. Then with two outs, <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> singled to give the Reds the lead. <b>Stanclift</b> then struck out two batters and induced a groundout to 2 <sup>nd</sup> baseman <b>Tanner Tateyama</b> to end the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning. In the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Tateyama</b> doubled, then <b>Hungenberg</b> reached on an error, <b>Tyler Tateyama</b> walked, <b>Yarber</b> hit a sacrifice fly and <b>Hughes</b> singled to increase the lead to 3 runs. <b>Stanclift</b> then recorded two quick outs, before back to back doubles brought the potential game-winning run to the plate, but <b>Stanclift</b> struck him out to end the game and advance the Reds in the Legion State Tournament.  |
| 82 | 3/19/99 | Thompson Valley  | Greeley Invitational Tournament              | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game      | In the middle of a consecutive game win streak that the Reds would extend to a state-record 45 straight wins, the Reds were tied as late as the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning for the only time in that streak. With one out, <b>Scott Souther</b> singled, then <b>Todd Stanclift</b> and <b>Josh Yarber</b> singled, and then <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> singled to score and put the Reds ahead by 2 runs, and then <b>Jason Smith</b> hit a 3-run home run to give the Reds a 5-run lead. <b>Mike Carrasco</b> then retired the side in order in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game.   |

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| 83 | 3/20/99 | Greeley West | Greeley Invitational Tournament | Top of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game        | After the Reds' 3-run lead vanished in the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Jason Smith</b> hit a two-out triple and then <b>Jeff Meyers</b> homered to put the Reds ahead by 2 runs. <b>Mike Carrasco</b> then walked, <b>Zack Hughes</b> walked, and <b>Paul Loftis</b> doubled to give the Reds a 4-run lead. <b>Todd Stanclift</b> then retired 3 of 4 batters in a scoreless bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, before retiring 3 of 4 batters in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning as well. In the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, the Reds added insurance runs as <b>Paul Loftis</b> homered, <b>Scott Souther</b> and <b>Stanclift</b> singled, <b>Josh Yarber</b> walked, <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> reached on a fielder's choice, and then <b>Smith</b> walked and <b>Meyers</b> reached on an error to put the Reds ahead 11-3. <b>Carrasco</b> then took the mound and retired 3 of 4 batters to end the game and win yet another Greeley Invitational Tournament. |
| 84 | 4/12/99 | Brush        | Pivotal League Game             | Top of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 1   | With only a one-run lead in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> entered in relief and induced a bases-loaded flyout to centerfielder <b>Jason Smith</b> to end the scoring threat. Then in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> retired the side in order to end the game.  |
| 85 | 5/15/99 | Paonia       | Regional Championship           | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 1 | With one out in the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Jason Smith</b> walked and then <b>Mike Carrasco</b> hit a 2-out home run to put the Reds ahead by a run. <b>Carrasco</b> then stranded a runner at third base with a strikeout and a groundout to <b>Paul Loftis</b> to end the inning. In the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Carrasco</b> retired the side in order with an infield popout and two groundouts to end the game and send the Reds on to the Final Four.  |
| 86 | 5/21/99 | Olathe       | State Semifinals                | Bot. of 7 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 2  | After <b>Todd Stanclift</b> and <b>Paul Loftis</b> had pitched well through 6 innings, once Olathe put the first batter of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning on base, <b>Mike Carrasco</b> entered in relief and after allowing a single, catcher <b>Zack Hughes</b> picked up a sacrifice bunt and threw out the batter at 1 <sup>st</sup> base for the first out of the inning. With the tying run then on 2 <sup>nd</sup> base, <b>Carrasco</b> struck out the next two batters in order to end the game and send the Reds to the State Championship Game for the 7 <sup>th</sup> time of the decade.   |
| 87 | 6/20/99 | Brush        | Legion B League Game            | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | <b>Tyler Tateyama</b> singled to lead off the bottom of the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning, then <b>Josh Yarber</b> singled and <b>Todd Stanclift</b> doubled to bring the Reds within a run. <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> then grounded into a fielder's choice that tied the game, before <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> singled with two outs to give the Reds the lead. <b>Scott Souther</b> then struck out the side in the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, and then with runners on 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> base and one out in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning, <b>Souther</b> induced an infield popout that he caught himself, before inducing a groundout to shortstop <b>Yarber</b> to end the game.  |
| 88 | 7/1/99  | Windsor      | Legion B League Game            | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Lead by 2  | After scoring 6 runs in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> inning, the Reds' lead had dropped to only two runs by the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning in a pivotal league game. After allowing a double and a walk to put the tying runs on base, <b>Todd Stanclift</b> struck out the next batter and then induced back-to-back groundouts to end the inning. <b>Stanclift</b> then retired the side in order in the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning to end the game.   |
| 89 | 7/13/99 | Centaurus    | Legion B League Game            | Bot. of 6 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Tied Game       | <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> led off the bottom of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning with a single, then after <b>Eric Hungenberg</b> bunted him to 2 <sup>nd</sup> base and a wild pitch advanced <b>Wiederspan</b> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base, <b>Aaron Kelly</b> hit a sacrifice fly to score <b>Wiederspan</b> to give the Reds the lead. Then after a leadoff triple in the top of the 7 <sup>th</sup> inning threatened to tie the game, <b>Todd Stanclift</b> induced an infield popout, then a groundout that prevented the runner from scoring, and finally another groundout to end the game.  |
| 90 | 7/15/99 | Poudre       | Legion B League Game            | Bot. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Inning<br>Reds Trail by 2 | <b>Tyler Tateyama</b> drew a one-out walk, then <b>Josh Yarber</b> singled, <b>Scott Souther</b> and <b>Todd Stanclift</b> reached on errors, then <b>Casey Wiederspan</b> walked, and with two outs, <b>Aaron Kelly</b> doubled and <b>Derek Lehr</b> singled to put the Reds ahead by 3 runs. <b>Stanclift</b> then retired 3 straight batters after a hit-by-pitch in the top of the 6 <sup>th</sup> inning, and then the Reds added another insurance run in the bottom half of the inning as <b>Yarber</b> reached on an error and scored on a two-out single by <b>Stanclift</b> . <b>Stanclift</b> then struck out two batters and induced an infield popout to end the game.  |

