

Lew Olson

Dundas Dukes

1982 MVP

Class B

In his own words: The first thing I remember, we had just gotten beat the year before in extra innings (Cold Spring 8, Dundas 5 in 12 innings). We weren't as good a team as those prior years, but we just got lucky with the draw. The top half was loaded and we were in the bottom half.

Of course, who can forget the St. Augusta game where we were down five in the top of the ninth, came back and won 7-5 in 10 innings. That was a highlight for me. I remember turning and not throwing to first and committing a balk and that's the only balk I ever had. I still don't know why I didn't throw it. And then hitting a home run in extra innings to win it.

I remember playing at two in the morning against Alexandria in the rain. Everybody is in coats and trying to stay halfway dry. We won a close game (Dundas 7, Alexandria 4). Kevin Sevcik pitched and threw a ton of pitches and walked a ton of guys, but he was sick and Terry Johnson finished it up.

We had to come back and play at eleven in the morning the next day against Jordan. What I remember about that game was walking me intentionally twice. I don't know why, but they decided to pitch to me the third time. They actually started to intentionally walk me a third time and changed their mind. The first pitch I swung at was at about my eyeballs, took a wild swing and then of course got the home run that proved to be the winning runs (Dundas 6, Jordan 4). I recall standing on the mound in the ninth and the first pitch I throw gets knocked off the right field fence. Steve Sviggum makes the big play to get the ball in and we throw a guy out at home plate for the second out and Charley Larka bounced out to second for the final out of the game. We gutted that tourney out.

Budda (Dave Howie) made one play in the whole tournament—he hadn't played third all year—he got one ball in the first game and didn't get another one the whole tournament. We came up with some big plays and guys had some important at-bats and played fairly smart most of the time. I pitched a couple of games and wasn't real sharp, but managed to get through it.



- Lew Olson, Dundas, 1982
- Outfielder/Pitcher
- Won two games
- Saved one game, pitching 17 innings
- Pitching three games, allowed only nine hits
- Allowed only six earned runs in those three games
- Went 8 for 16 for a .500 batting average
- Hit three home runs
- Drove in eight runs



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