



Frontier League Baseball Overview

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The Frontier League is one of the longest-running independent professional baseball leagues in North America. Since its early years, it has provided opportunities for players, managers, and coaches outside of Major League Baseball's farm system while also serving as pathway back into affiliated baseball. It is now a recognized MLB Partner League under Major League Baseball.

The league was founded in 1993 by Bill Lee with a mission to bring professional baseball to smaller cities that had lost teams or never had them. Its first season included the Zanesville Greys, Newark Eagles, Ohio Valley Redcoats, Richmond Roosters, Brantford Red Sox, and Erie Sailors.

From the beginning, the league stood out for its independence, affordable entertainment, and community-based baseball experience. Players often lived with host families and traveled by bus, creating a traditional, grassroots atmosphere.

Over time, players such as Chris Coste (who later won a World Series with the Philadelphia Phillies), J.D. Drew, Morgan Burkhardt, and Timo Perez passed through the league.

The Frontier League expanded across the Midwest and Canada with teams including the Schaumburg Boomers, Florence Y'all, Québec Capitales, Tri-City ValleyCats, and New Jersey Jackals. In 2021, it merged with the Can-Am League, becoming the largest independent baseball league in North America.

The commissioner is Steve Tahsler, oversees league operations, scheduling, expansion, and MLB relations.

In an exclusive interview on Boulders opening day Tahsler explained about the league.

<https://youtube.com/shorts/0srhql68cNk?feature=share>

In another exclusive interview this time with Tim McCaffrey, head of umpiring in the league we spoke about his role with the umpires and how they train them.

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The New York Boulders

The New York Boulders are based in Pomona, New York, in Rockland County. The franchise began in 2011 as the Rockland Boulders and played in the Can-Am League before joining the Frontier League.

The team was created as part of an effort to bring professional baseball and year-round entertainment to Rockland County.

Clover Stadium

Home games are played at Clover Stadium, which opened in 2011. The stadium was built on a former landfill site and has since become a major sports and entertainment venue in the region.

Ahead of the 2026 season, Clover Stadium installed a new artificial turf field by The LandTek Group. The upgrade includes improved infield conditions, drainage systems, and portable pitching mounds. The goal is to reduce rainouts, improve safety, and expand community use.

Theme Nights and Fan Experience

A major part of the Boulders' identity is their theme night schedule, which turns games into community events. These include fireworks

nights, heritage celebrations, youth baseball nights, charity fundraisers, and family promotions.

Mascot appearances by BoulderBird and "Run the Bases" nights for children are also part of the experience, along with regular player-fan interaction after games.

Streaming and Access

The Boulders also stream games through their official digital platforms and broadcast partners, allowing fans to follow games live even when they cannot attend in person.

ALL GAME STREAM VIDEO ON <http://frontierleaguetelevision.com/>

Audio simulcasts of all games scheduled

<https://nyboulders.mixlr.com/>

Team History and Success

The Boulders won the 2014 Can-Am League championship and have remained a competitive independent franchise with strong attendance and community support.

Rival teams include the New Jersey Jackals, Québec Capitales, and Sussex County Miners.

Community Role

The Boulders host charity events, school programs, festivals, concerts, and holiday celebrations throughout the year. Clover Stadium also hosts college baseball, soccer matches, and community events.

Fans continue to refer to the team as "Rockland's hometown team."

Opening Night 2026

On May 7, 2026, the Boulders opened their 15th anniversary season against the Brockton Rox at Clover Stadium.

The game also marked the debut of the new turf field.

Final score: Brockton Rox 6 New York Boulders 5

On May 8, 2026, the Boulders took game two of the three game series: Brockton Rox 3 New York Boulders 7

Fan Reaction and Social Media Voice

Fans reacted strongly to the new turf installation and Opening Night atmosphere. Many comments highlighted the improved field conditions and upgraded stadium experience.

Common fan sentiment included excitement about the "new look" at Clover Stadium, appreciation for fewer weather delays, and pride in the team's continued presence in Rockland County.

Opening Night and theme events continue to drive engagement, with fans frequently referring to the Boulders as a true community team and praising the accessibility of streaming games for those unable to attend.

Closing

The Frontier League and the New York Boulders continue to reflect independent baseball at its core—community-focused, accessible, and rooted in tradition while continuing to evolve with modern upgrades and fan engagement.

The Boulders are an important part of the Rockland County community. The stadium and the team give local people jobs, help with the tax base for homeowners and most of all, it gives the people a place to go to see quality professional baseball without having to cross one or two bridges and pay the exorbitant prices at Citi Field and Yankee stadium.

It also offers a fun time for the kids with the playground, games and other activities between innings like go cart racing. At times they throw shirts, frisbees and other items into the stands for the fans to have.

The stadium has also been used for concerts, wrestling events.