

Caravan Crusaders Bleacher Report

In the absence of our roving reporter Mike "Cubby" Zelek, I am attempting to fill some very big cleats and provide an account of the very successful softball season opener for the defending champion Caravan Crusaders.

On a very crisp and clear evening, the Caravan Crusaders started the 2015 season with a very convincing 24-9 victory. Lead by a four homerun output by Danny "Bats" Chicago the offence picked up where it left off last season with three mercy rule innings. There was some stellar defensive play as well with some notable catches and throws. Rob "McNuggets" Meisel was a rock on the hot corner and Leah "Little Betty" Ross was an absolute hoover at first base, scooping up everything thrown her way. Pete "The Kat" Katsoulis played a steady game at second base highlighted with an unassisted double play. David "Mookie" Kosziwka played his usual team leader role with some great lead off batting and near perfect play at shortstop. Jeff "Steady Eddy" Boyle played right field and went a perfect five for five at the plate with four singles and a double while Zoriana "Charlie Hustle" Workun reached base multiple times with some seeing eye singles, it's pretty evident that Z spent some time playing winter league baseball. One of our newest members of the team, Jesse "The Duck Whisperer" White provided some great range in left field as well as great pitching. The surprise of the night and this reporter's pick for first star of the night has to go to Christine "Beet Soup" Borscz who continues to hit the cover off the ball and last night hit her first career home run, watch out league!

It looks like the Caravan Crusaders have picked up where they left off last season and according to the team's manager, Betty "the Bench Boss" Petri, all players need to keep up on their personal fitness routines and drills, eat well and take their vitamins if they want to contend for the pennant.

As always, the team would love to have your support and encourage all staff to come out and cheer on the team on Thursday nights.

~The Ghost Reporter~



Hello Calgary!

Caravan Completes Purchase of Assets of Monarch Messenger Services LTD. In Calgary, AB.

We are pleased to announce the successful acquisition of Calgary-based truckload division of carrier Monarch Messenger Services LTD including linehaul, city tractor and dedicated division. Caravan retained all employees directly associated with any of these 3 divisions. Caravan Transport Group will use the Monarch name for a transition period and will operate from terminal located in Calgary, AB.

"By purchasing assets of the TL division of Monarch Messenger Services Ltd. Caravan Transport Group Inc. is able to further expand and enhance our presence in Western Canada for the benefit of our customers by completing next step in our growth strategy."- Murry Carson, CFO of Monarch Messenger

"This is an exciting time for all of us including our new and existing customers. Additional services and capacity will be made available right across our network. It is Caravan's goal to continue the high retention and safety record success held by these professional drivers. A well run driver force is the key to success of any transportation company" - Derek Koza, General Manager of Caravan Transport Group Inc.



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Hello Calgary!

We've just branched out west to Alberta, welcoming all of the Alberta drivers to our fleet.

Here are some the faces of our fine folks at our terminal in Calgary....



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Spring Birthdays

April

JOHN MASKELL
MOHAMMAD ABBASI
FARHAT RAJA
JASWINDER TOOR
BOGDAN CHALUPA
BRADLEY SOPER
DEREK KINGSTON
MILFORD HANES
ILIA PRESS
HIKEL TALBI
IGOR KARPENKO
IMRAN BHATTI
SUKHRAJ CHANDARE
KARAMJIT SINGH
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JEAN PAUL LEMIRE
AURELIU BIVOL
MOUHMAD BUTT
SYED ABBAS
DWAINE RUTHVEN
GURINDERJIT TAKHAR
PARMINDER SINGH
KEVIN THOMPSON
IGOR KONVALOV
ROBERT KENNEDY
LOGAN CLARKE
NABIL AHMAD WALIZARIF

May

CASEY LARSON
PETER KATSOU LIS
TERRANCE SEAGER
DAVID HARRISON
DARLINGTON SIBANDA
JASPINDER DHALWAL
ALI RAJA
DMITRY KUZNETSOV
JASON HUBBS
VIKRANT VERMA
KHALID MAHMOOD
JOHN PAUL MITTS
VLADIMIR SILOV
GORDON PALFREY
GORDON PALFREY
TIMOTHY JOHNSON
HONGPENG CHEN
DIMITRIY LEVTEROV
MARCIN WEGRZYNIAK
GARY STANSCHKEIT
KEITH FELSKE
WALDEMAR DRELICH
PIOTR TRUCHAN
ALLEN KOZLOW
BRUCE BECK
IVE BERNIER
ROBERT BEAUPRE
JOANNE HACHEZ
OLEG SAKAEV
ALAN KNIBB
ASHER KHOKHAR
ABID HUSSAIN
CALVIN SPROULE
JAN MOGIELNICKI
ANATOLI BRONETZKI
GURPREET (GURPREET
ALEXEY OBEDINSKY
VASYL CHUMA

June

BARRY GRANT GLAICAR
BOGDAN SPIAK
BARRY BERWICK
JEAN FLORESTAL
LOUISE CLEMENTS
DONALD WILKINSON
STEPHANE BLANCHARD
HARVINDER SIDHU
MONSIF AGHANIM
VLADIMIR TCHOUIKINE
DEREK KRAWCZYK
MARCO MORISSETTE
NORBERT TECZA
ALVIN GREGORY
IGOR CACIUROVSKI
EVELYN BRETT
SCOTT MATHIESON
HARPREET BAL
DON MACDONALD
ARSHDEEP SANDHU
NGANDU MUTOMBO
HENRYK J CHOCZYNSKI
SERHIY NISHTA
PAN GUO



2015 Truck Cleanliness

Your truck is your business card to the outside world. As a representative of Caravan, our reputation rides along with you on your trips, and working in a clean environment counts towards your professionalism as a driver.

The exterior as well as the interior of your vehicle should be clean and presentable. The exterior should be washed once monthly either at a Truck Wash or here in our Oakville terminal for the scheduled weekly Truck Wash Tuesday or Wednesdays. If you are here on another day and want to power wash your truck, you may do so at the power wash bay on the north-west side of the building in our Oakville Yard. The warehouse employees will direct you to the pressure washer, and provided the area is not obstructed with parked tractor-trailers, you are free to use the pressure washer.

The interior of your truck should be maintained so that it remains as tidy as when you received the unit when you were hired. During routine tractor-trailer inspections, if the shop mechanics notice that the interior of your vehicle is very dirty, you will receive a letter asking that you clean your truck. If the unit is still dirty when inspected again, the truck interior will be cleaned, and the driver will be billed the cost of cleaning.

If you want your truck interior detailed, our on-site truck detailing is being handled by Aron Riedel, and you may negotiate a rate with him and schedule your truck cleaning by emailing him at this address aron.riedel@hotmail.com

BROOMS

Trailer cleanliness is of utmost importance when you enter a client’s facility. The Shipper/Receiver can turn away a trailer that is un-swept or especially dirty, and delay the delivery of a load. Caravan’s policy has always been that **Trailers must be swept after delivery**, and we are enforcing said policy by issuing brooms to all Company Drivers, along with a sign off form for said item.

Similar to items such as your bolt cutters, pad locks and so forth, brooms are reusable and will be returned upon termination, or the cost of the lost/misplaced item will be charged back to the driver. Please take advantage of the tools we provide you to succeed with. A clean trailer can mean the difference between getting loaded first or last. Don’t be the last one loaded because you forgot to sweep the trailer out.

- Management

DRIVER ANNIVERSARIES



- 10 Years

Igor Caciurovski
Jaswant Phagura
Gurpreet Singh
Rabiea Al-Mayahi
Jarnail Chatha
Allen Kozlow
- 11 Years

Peter L. Clarke
Jan Martyniuk
Mario Todorov
Waldemar Drellich
Bogdan Frackiewicz
Ryszard Plewa
Bogdan Chalupa
Igor Jvicov
Hira S Bal
Kuldip Sidhu
Bradford Bennett
- 12 Years

Andrzej Setnik
Oleksandr Nohovitsyn
Derek Krawczyk
Brian Raby
Vitalie Lazaretnii
John Wilson
Timothy Johnson
Daniel Belliveau
- 13 Years

Yuriy Potyatnyk
Yurii Hudzovaty
- 14 Years

Serhiy Nishta
Leonid Chernichenko
Casey Larson
- 15 Years

Vasyl Kostenyuk
JD Johnston
Kevin Thompson

TOP FACEBOOK PHOTOS



Alexandre Demers “#Kraft in Montreal” April



Dmytro Sokolovskyy “I know a few safe parking places” May



Roman Romanko “Shot at Mainfreight” June