

## Negro American Association (1939 and 1948-1949)

It was common practice for the teams in the league to all play a different number of games during the season.

Standings are presented based on winning percentage for the entire season.

| 1939                    | Games | Record | Pct. |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|------|
| Richmond Hilldales      | 10    | 7-3    | .700 |
| Baltimore Black Sox     | 12    | 6-6    | .500 |
| Philadelphia Meteors    | 8     | 4-4    | .500 |
| Greensboro Redwings     | 6     | 3-3    | .500 |
| Winston-Salem Giants    | 6     | 2-4    | .333 |
| High Point (NC) Red Sox | 3     | 0-3    | .000 |

(Standings as of 6-17-39 as reported in Afro American)

John H. Griner was the President of the NAA and was also the owner of the Baltimore Black Sox. Laymon Yokely was the manager of the Baltimore Black Sox and Otto Briggs managed the Philadelphia Meteors.

| 1948                      | Games | Record | Pct. |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|------|
| Raleigh Tigers            | 37    | 25-12  | .676 |
| Asheville Blues           | 28    | 18-10  | .643 |
| Norfolk-Newport News      | 21    | 13-8   | .619 |
| Richmond Giants           | 18    | 11-7   | .611 |
| Greensboro Red Wings      | 22    | 13-9   | .591 |
| Atlanta Black Crackers    | 22    | 11-11  | .500 |
| Jacksonville Eagles       | 11    | 3-8    | .273 |
| Winston-Salem Pond Giants | 22    | 6-16   | .273 |
| Orangeburg                | 12    | 3-9    | .250 |
| Durham Eagles             | 21    | 4-17   | .190 |

Baltimore and Danville also had teams that started the season but dropped out before the end of the season.

In September, the Raleigh Tigers met the Asheville Blues in a Play-Off for the 1948 Negro American Association title. Raleigh defeated Asheville four games to two to take the league championship. The series scores were as follows:

|           |    |           |   |
|-----------|----|-----------|---|
| Raleigh   | 17 | Asheville | 0 |
| Raleigh   | 6  | Asheville | 2 |
| Raleigh   | 16 | Asheville | 8 |
| Asheville | 8  | Raleigh   | 6 |
| Asheville | 7  | Raleigh   | 2 |
| Raleigh   | 7  | Asheville | 1 |

| <b>1949</b>               | <b>Games</b> | <b>Record</b> | <b>Pct.</b> |                               |
|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Homestead Grays           | 26           | 24-2          | .923        | (First half of season record) |
| Atlanta Black Crackers    |              |               |             |                               |
| Charlotte Blues           |              |               |             |                               |
| Greensboro Red Wings      |              |               |             |                               |
| Raleigh Tigers            |              |               |             |                               |
| Richmond Giants           |              |               |             |                               |
| Winston Salem Pond Giants |              |               |             |                               |

The Homestead Grays thoroughly dominated the league. They won the first half of the season with a 24-2 (.923) record. Standings for the second half of the season were not published.