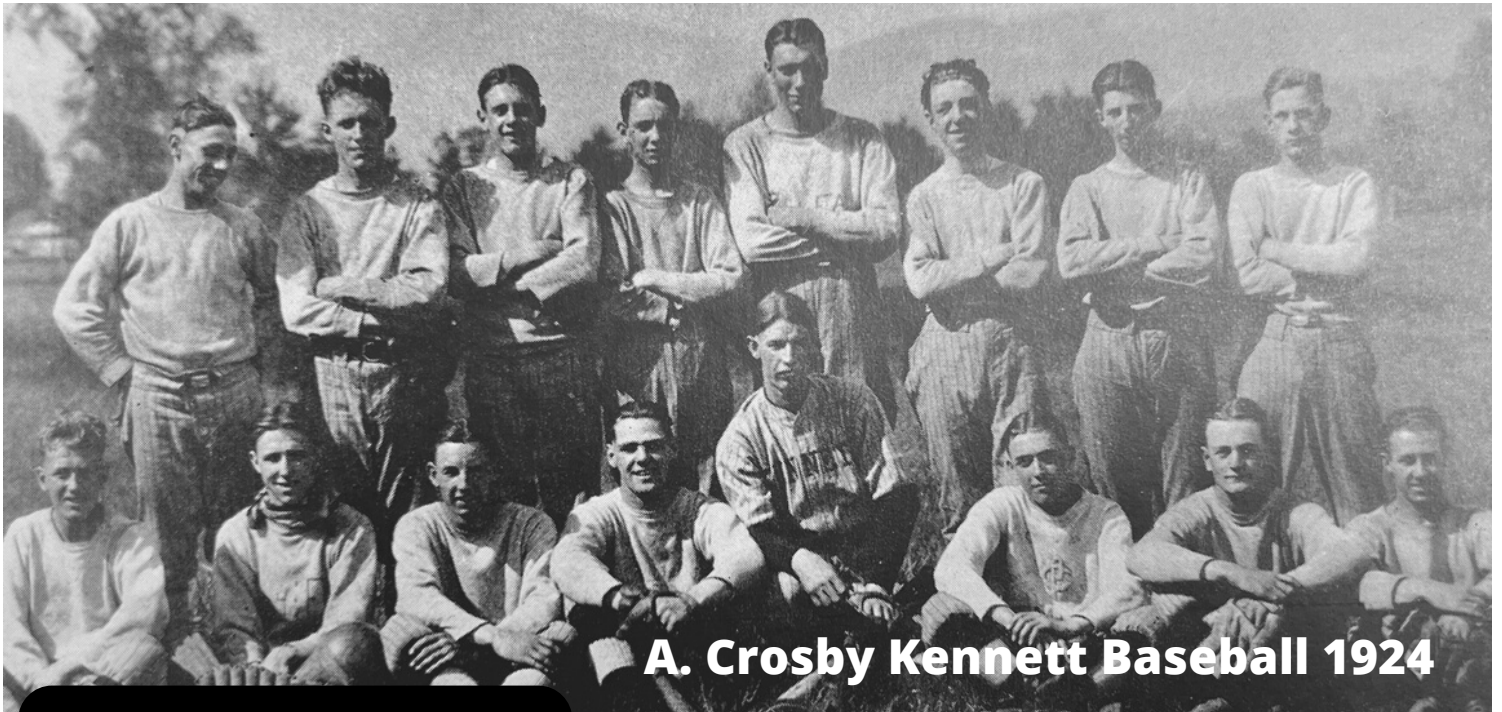


HISTORY OF KENNETT BASEBALL



A. Crosby Kennett Baseball 1924

Baseball Coaches

through the years

1924 -1927 - Ellis McKeen
 1928 - 1936 - Glenn Stearns
 1937-1939 - Sam Fuller
 1940-1942 - George T Davidson
 1943-1946 - WWI
 1947 - George T Davidson
 1948-1951 - Pete Tanguay
 1952 - Gordon Mann
 1953-1954 - Parker Small
 1955 - Vernon Pettigrew
 1956- 1957 - Mr. Hodge
 1958-1959 - George T Davidson
 1960-1961 - Gus Saunders
 1962-1963 - John McSahne
 1964 - Mr. Edgerly
 1965 - James Fickett
 1966 - Gordon Mann
 1967-1969 - James Fickett
 1970-2012 - Bob Burns
 2013 - Rick West
 2014 - Brian Day
 2015 - present - Josh McAllister

Kennett's first baseball team had a very successful season. They won five out of their seven games with winnings against Bridgton Academy, Fryeburg Academy, and Brunswick High, and lost to Bridgton High and Rochester High.

The team worked well together with it being the first year they had ever played together.

Charlie Davidson was elected Team Captain with coaching staff by Mr. McKeen and Mr. Ryer.

The teammates of this winning team were:

Front Row: Raymond Twombly (catcher), Fred Kenison (first-base), Bill Mahoney (shortstop), Bob Garland (second base), Charles Davidson (pitcher), Frank Horne (center-field), Chet Goulding (third-base), Albert "Babe" Allard (right-field).

Second Row: Archie Frechette (Sub), Carroll Hamilton (pitcher), Bruce Wiggin (sub), Wilder Quint (sub), John Chandler (left-field), Weslet Singleton (sub), Clarence Davidson (sub) & Avon Littlefield (sub).

BASEBALL COACH TO REMEMBER

BOB BURNS 1970-2012

Coach Bob Burns, coached Kennett Baseball for 42 years. He left the diamond in 2012 as the current all-time leader in New Hampshire high school baseball victories. His teams went 511-312 since 1970. Aside from being perennially in the post-season, the Eagles won the only two state championships (1974 & 1995) in the Burns era and reached the Final Four eight times. Coach or Burnsy as he's affectionately was called by his players, enjoyed every inning he was an Eagle.

Burns's final game at the helm was June 6, 2012, a 5-4 home loss in nine innings to visiting Merrimack Valley in the opening round of the Division II playoffs.

In May of 2012, he was selected as the Division II Coach of the Year by the New Hampshire High School Baseball Coaches Association and

was honored with the dedication of the Robert Burns Sr. Varsity Baseball Field on the campus of Kennett High School.

Burns was a simple coach who would tell his pitchers to throw strikes, throw strikes, throw strikes and his hitters to swing the bat. He is considered one of the greatest coaches to ever wear black and white.



BASEBALL PLAYER TO REMEMBER



JEFF LOCKE #11 CLASS OF 2006

Jeff Locke also known to many as the Redstone Rocket is by far one of the most talented Baseball players Kennett has ever seen. During his freshman year, he was a New Hampshire State Second-Team All-Star. In his Sophomore year, he was a New Hampshire State First-Team All-Star. In his junior year, he was the New Hampshire player of the year and a New Hampshire State First-Team All-Star. In 2006, his senior season, he was the New Hampshire player of the year, a New Hampshire State First-Team All-Star, and co-captain of the baseball team, and he shared the Jack Burns Baseball Award. Locke is the only athlete to win the prestigious New Hampshire Player of the Year

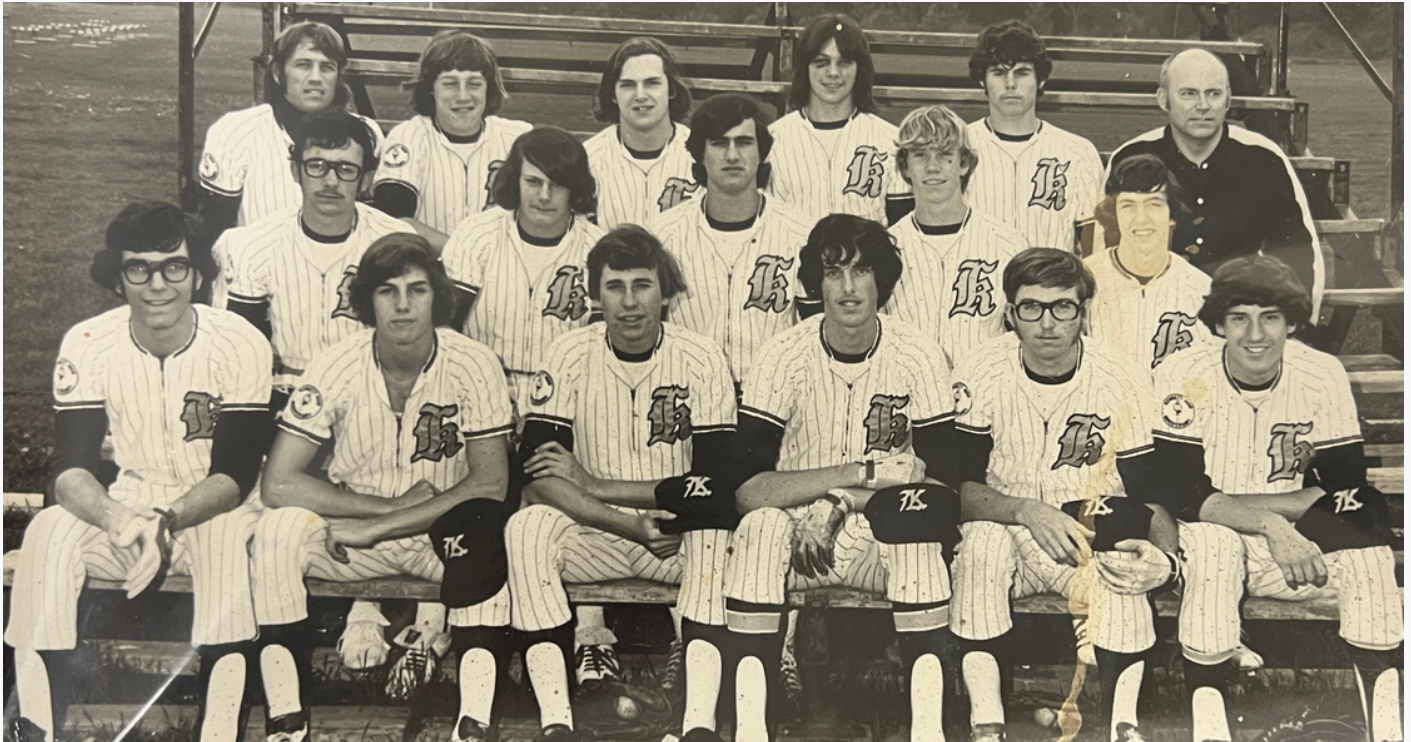
award twice. He went 37-2 in his high school career, including 9-0 for his senior season, with an earned run average of .40, eight complete games, 129 strikeouts, 22 hits, and 12 walks.

After graduating Kennett Locke went on to play for the Atlanta Braves, the Pittsburgh Pirates, and the Miami Marlins. However, In 2017 Jeff Injured his shoulder and was sent down to a Class AA affiliate but never ended up pitching for the team. In 2018 Locke received offers from multiple Major league teams, but he chose not to sign with another team until he felt fully healthy again.

Locke has moved back to the valley to raise a family but is often seen helping out our youth baseball leagues sharing his love of the sport.

CHAMPION TEAMS TO REMEMBER

1974 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM



Kennett's 1974 baseball team was a team that fought their way to the finals. They ranked 5th going into the playoffs. In the first round of playoffs, they played Pembroke and won 1-0. This win pushed the Eagles into the semi-finals where they went up against Exeter Academy. It is said that this was one of the most memorable games in high school baseball at the time. Pitcher Danny Quint pitched 15 innings, giving Kennett a 5-4 victory.

This win led them into the finals with a familiar team they had lost to twice already. The Littleton Crusaders had defeated Kennett in both meetings during the regular season, but this game was different. The Eagles had things their way from the outset, cruising to a comfortable 8-2 victory and the state title. Danny Quint made the start for the Eagles and got the job done for his third victory in a week, tossing 29 innings for the Eagles. Kennett scored twice in the first inning to set the tone for the remainder of the game. Hutchins & D'Amico scored on an error. The Eagles added another run in the fourth when Barry Buswell led off with a triple and came home on an Infield out by Pail Luciano.

Kennett exploded for five runs in the fifth Inning with Luciano knocking in two with a base hot to key the attacks along RBIs by D'Amico and Quint.

The 1974 Team was Kevin D'Amico (captain), Paul Luciano, Stoney Morrill, Danny Quint, Jim Hutchins, Mike Ulitz, Billy Zack, Matt Gile, Brad Thorstensen, Dennis Day, Ron Remick, Barry Buswell, Billy Arnold, Michael Devos, Bob Rizzo, & Head Coach Bob Burns, assisted by Crosby Milliman.

CHAMPION TEAMS TO REMEMBER

1995 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM



Kennett's 1995 baseball team had all the ingredients necessary to make a championship squad. They had great pitching with Abe Wrobleski as the main workhorse in the post-season, with Ryan Gentile, Zack Jones, Dave Corcoran, and Ben Fresco all adding their arms to the rotation.

Chris Wheeler led by example and fit the perfect mold as their catcher. When Wheeler needed a break Brad Streeter stepped up to the plate to be the perfect number two. The infield has to keep everything in front and with Dave Brown on third, Nate Noyes at short and Mark Feuerborn at second they got the job done.

If anything got through the infield they had a group of talented athletes waiting in the wings. Skye Stokes took charge at center, he was flanked by Mike Smith to the left and Matt Robertson to his right.

This team took on Kingswood with some fantastic hitting. Mike Smith did the job at the plate and set the tone for the defeat while Matt Robertson had some great line drives, one right after another.

Above all this team had a great coach, Bob Burns took the 15 enthusiastic players and worked their abilities to build a united team and championship team.

The 1995 Team was Abe Wrobleski (captain) Ryan Gentile, Zack Jones, Dave Corcoran, Ben Fresco, Chris Wheeler, Brad Street, Dave Brown, Nate Noyes, Mark Feuerborn, Skye Stokes, Mike Smith & Matt Robertson.