

1978 SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

89-73 3rd
MGR Joe Altobelli (#6)

DP: 311 to 331

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		BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Willie McCovey " <i>Big Mac</i> " #44		.228	1		121	122	142	224	232	SLO	1B97, PH	L	L
Bill Madlock " <i>Mad Dog</i> " #18		.309	16		121	122	143	263	256	AAR	2B114, 1B3	R	R
Johnnie LeMaster #10		.235	6		111	113	135	235	232	AAR	SS96, 2B2	R	R
Darrell Evans #41		.243	4	PW	122	123	136	233	235	AR	3B155	L	R
Jack Clark #22		.306	15		123	126	155	256	256	AAR	T-1 OF152(RF)	R	R
Larry Herndon #31		.259	13		-	114	125	242	242	AAR	T-1 OF149(CF)	R	R
Terry Whitfield #45		.289	5		114	115	132	246	253	AR	T-1 OF140(<u>LF</u> /CF)	L	R
Marc Hill " <i>Booter</i> " #2		.243	1		112	113	126	236	234	SLO	C116, 1B2	R	R
Mike Ivie #15		.308	3		121	123	141	262	256	AR	LD(OF) 1B76, PH , OF22(LF)	R	R
Roger Metzger #16	X	.260	8	MK	-	111	121	243	242	AAR	SS74	B	R
Hector Cruz " <i>Heity</i> " #9	X	.223	0		121	122	135	231	226	AR	OF53(<u>LF</u> /CF/RF), PH , 3B14	R	R
Jim Dwyer #36	X	.225	6		116	122	141	225	231	AR	OF36(<u>CF</u> /RF/LF), 1B29, PH	L	L
Rob Andrews #21		.220	5		111	115	123	231	225	AAR	2B62, PH , SS1	R	R
Mike Sadek #3		.239	1		114	-	124	236	233	AR	C37	R	R
Vic Harris #20		.150	0		112	-	125	164	162	AAR	LD SS22, PH , 2B10, OF6(LF/CF/RF), PR	B	R
John Tamargo #30	X	.239	1	PW	112	114	131	236	233	SLO	C31, PH	B	R
Tom Heintzelman #32 #34		.229	0		126	-	136	233	231	AR	PH , 2B5, 3B3, 1B2	R	R
" <i>Skip</i> " James #36 <u>Philip</u>		.095	1		-	-	124	141	143	AR	1B27, PH , PR	L	L
Vida Blue		.076	0	PW PK	113	-	116	132	135	SLO	P35	B	L
Bob Knepper		.063	0	PK	-	-	115	126	132	SLO	P36	L	L
John Montefusco		.057	1	PK	-	-	113	132	126	SLO	P36	R	R
Ed Halicki		.136	0	MW PK	-	-	-	161	155	SLO	P29	R	R
Pitcher R		.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	153	145	SLO			
Pitcher L		.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	145	146	SLO			

		ERA	IP	W	K	G	GS	SV		
Bob Knepper #39		2.63	260	133	615	36	35	0	.063	L L
Vida Blue #14		2.79	258	131	566	35	35	0	.076	B L
John Montefusco #26		3.81	239	131	563	36	36	0	.057	R R " <i>The Count of Montefusco</i> "
Ed Halicki #28		2.85	199	125	621	29	28	1	.136	R R
Jim Barr #33		3.53	163	124	645	32	25	1	.100	R R
Gary Lavelle #46		3.32	98	142	612	67	0	14	.067	B L
Randy Moffitt #17		3.31	82	136	612	70	0	12	.143	R R
John Curtis #40		3.71	63	142	614	46	0	1	.000	L L " <i>Jack</i> "
Charlie Williams #49		5.44	48	145	632	25	1	0	.000	R R
Greg Minton #38		8.04	16	142	636	11	0	0	.000	B R " <i>Moonie</i> " " <i>Moon-man</i> "
Lynn McGlothen #47	+	4.97	13	131	611	5	1	0	.000	L R
Phil Nastu #25		5.63	8	125	613	3	1	0	.000	L L
Ed Plank #37		4.05	7	131	655	5	0	0	.000	R R

The Giants spent 95 days tied or alone in first place of the NL West through August 15th. Their largest lead was three full games on July 20th; September 3rd found them a season-best 23 games over .500. They dropped to second following a 1-0 loss to the Expos in Montreal, August 16th, and then slipped to third place, September 17th, nine games behind. They were never able to scramble past the Dodgers by the end of the season. The pennant race and some good weather (?) at Candlestick Point got Giants fans revved up to brave the wind and the cold. Over 1.7 million pilgrims (fourth best attendance in the N. L.) joined the throngs to see the home "nine" play ball. At the All Star break, July 9th, the orange-and-black owned a two-game lead with a 52-34 record...As a team, the ball club hit .248 and stroked 117 homers. Twenty-two-year-old Jack Clark had everyone around baseball notice his prowess at the plate. He topped the Giants in home runs (25), RBI (98), base hits (181), runs scored (90), and doubles (46). Second was Darrell Evans who cracked 20 home runs and drove home 78. Bill Madlock, 27, one of the premier hitters in the game, popped 15 round-trippers...Vida Blue won 18 games and whiffed 171 batters. He finished third in N. L. Cy Young Award balloting. Bob Knepper was right behind with 17 victories and completed 16 games to lead the pitching staff. The popular and flaky John Montefusco was 11-9 in W/L while leading the staff in strikeouts (177). Lefty Gary Lavelle won 13 contests, all while working out of the bullpen. The staff ended the year third in the league in ERA (3.30) and first in shutouts (16). Knepper pitched six of those; Blue and Ed Halicki both posted four.