

# 1964 CLEVELAND INDIANS

79-83 6th

MGRs George Strickland #3 (interim)  
George "Birdie" Tebbetts #1

## DP: 311 to 334

## Error: 351 to 354

	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Bob Chance #21	.279	3	PK	122	123	136	244	251	SLO		1B81, OF31(RF), <b>PH</b>	L R
Larry Brown #16	.230	1		122	123	135	234	231	AR		2B103, <b>PH</b> , SS4	R R
Dick Howser #18	.256	20	MK	111	112	124	242	241	AAR		SS162	R R
Max Alvis #10	.252	5		124	126	142	242	236	AR		3B105	R R
"Tito" Francona #24 <u>John</u>	.248	1		116	122	136	234	236	AR		OF69(RF), <b>PH</b> , 1B17	L L
Vic Davalillo #25	.270	21		112	113	131	242	245	AAR	SD/T-1	OF143(CF), <b>PH</b>	L L
Leon Wagner "Daddy Wags" #27	.253	14		124	125	135	235	241	AAR		OF163(LF)	L R
Johnny Romano "Honey" #7	.241	2	PK	126	131	146	234	234	SLO	SD-C/ LD(OF)	C96, <b>PH</b> , 1B1, OF1(LF)	R R
"Woodie" Held #12 <u>Woodson</u>	.236	1	PK	125	-	141	233	233	AR		2B52, OF41( <u>CF</u> / <u>RF</u> /LF), 3B30	R R
Fred Whitfield #15	.270	0	MW	121	122	136	242	245	SLO		1B79, <b>PH</b>	L L
"Chico" Salmon #17 #26	.307	10		113	115	136	261	256	AAR		OF53(RF), 2B32, 1B13, <b>PH</b> , <b>PR</b>	R R
Joe Azcue #6	.273	0		113	114	125	245	245	SLO	SD	C76, <b>PH</b>	R R
Billy Moran #11 X	.205	0		111	-	124	223	222	AR		3B42, 2B15, 1B2	R R
Al Smith "Fuzzy" #28 +	.162	0		116	122	124	165	165	AR	LD(3B)	OF48(RF), <b>PH</b> , 3B1	R R
Jerry Kindall "Slim" #14 +	.360	0	PK	135	-	152	322	315	AR		1B23	R R
George Banks #9 X	.294	0	PW PK	151	-	212	255	253	AR	LD	<b>PH</b> , OF3( <u>LF</u> /RF), 2B1, 3B1	R R
Al Luplow #22	.111	0	PK	-	-	-	146	146	AR		<b>PH</b> , OF5( <u>RF</u> /CF)	L R
Tony Martinez #14	.214	0	MW	-	-	133	225	224	AR		<b>PR</b> , 2B4, <b>PH</b> , SS1	R R
Tommie Agee #28	.167	0	MW PK	-	-	-	166	166	AAR	T-1	OF12( <u>RF</u> /CF)	R R
Jack Kralick	.156	0	MW PK	-	-	113	163	164	SLO		P30	L L
Sam McDowell	.143	0	PK	-	-	114	156	161	SLO	LD	P31	L L
Dick Donovan	.146	0	PW PK	115	-	-	156	162	SLO		P30	L R
"Sonny" Siebert	.265	0	MW	123	131	144	244	243	SLO		P41	R R
Luis Tiant	.111	0	MW PK	115	-	-	146	146	SLO		P19	R R
Pedro Ramos +	.179	0	PK	125	-	-	215	212	SLO		P36	B R
Tommy John	.208	0	MW PK	-	-	-	223	223	SLO		P25	R L
"Mudcat" Grant +	.273	1	MW	142	-	156	245	245	SLO		P13	R R
Gary Bell	.375	0	PK	-	-	-	323	323	SLO		P56	R R
Don McMahon	.143	0	MW PK	-	-	-	164	156	SLO		P70	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				
Jack Kralick #31	3.21	191	126	614	30	29	0	.156	L L	(last name pronounced KRAY-lick)	
Sam McDowell #48 <b>LD</b>	2.70	173	151	534	31	24	1	.143	L L	"Sudden Sam"	
Dick Donovan #30	4.55	158	122	624	30	23	1	.146	L R		
Pedro Ramos #35 +	5.14	133	123	564	36	19	0	.179	B R		
Luis Tiant #33	2.83	127	136	551	19	16	1	.111	R R		
Tommy John #37	3.91	94	134	566	25	14	0	.208	R L		
Lee Stange #43 X	4.12	92	133	554	23	14	0	.080	R R	(last name pronounced STANG) "Stinger"	
"Mudcat" Grant #33 +	5.95	62	135	612	13	9	0	.273	R R	<u>James Timothy</u>	
"Sonny" Siebert #42	3.23	156	135	544	41	14	3	.265	R R	<u>Wilfred Charles</u>	
Gary Bell #39	4.33	106	144	554	56	2	4	.375	R R	"Ding Dong"	
Don McMahon #44	2.41	101	146	541	70	0	16	.143	R R		
Ted Abernathy #36 <b>SD</b>	4.33	73	153	556	53	0	11	.000	R R		
Jerry Walker #34 #48	4.66	10	136	623	6	0	0	.000	B R		
Tom Kelley #45	5.59	10	166	564	6	0	0	.000	R R		

The Tribe actually held a claim on first place as late as May 16<sup>th</sup>. A loss to Detroit the next day at Tiger Stadium ended their time as a contender for the A. L. pennant. The Indians dropped to third and from there spiraled out of the race by the end of June (33-37, 6<sup>th</sup> place, 12 games out). All of this came under the direction of interim manager George Strickland, subbing for "Birdie" Tebbetts who had suffered a heart attack in the off-season. Tebbetts returned to the bench, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. A record of 20-10 in August (their best month) still left the ballclub 7<sup>th</sup> and 14 ½ games arrears...Cleveland hit a lot of homers (164, 4<sup>th</sup> in the league) and hit .247 (6<sup>th</sup>). The big bopper was Leon Wagner (31 HRs, 100 RBI). John Romano swatted 19 home runs while utility man "Woodie" Held and Max Alvis each had 18 jacks...Jack Kralick spun 12 victories to lead the pitching staff. Twenty-one-year old Sam McDowell posted 11 wins and topped the staff with 177 strikeouts but his wildness resulted in 100 walks. Luis Tiant, 23, soon joining McDowell as the stalwarts of the staff, debuted July 19<sup>th</sup>, shutting out the Yankees, 3-0. He gave up four hits and struck out eleven. Tiant won 10 games overall, striking out 105...Centerfielder Vic Davalillo was awarded a Gold Glove..."Chico" Salmon's birth name is Rutherford.