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Power outage

Tigers 3B Inge is shut out in homer derby

They're just not good at it. In fact, they're downright terrible.

When it comes to hitting home runs in the annual Home Run Derby, the Tigers don't.

On the 20th anniversary of Mickey Tettleton hitting one pitch out of the park in the hyper-hyped contest that some

enjoy more than the All-Star Game itself, Brandon Inge hit none Monday night.

Wait, he did hit one into the seats. But it was foul down the left-field line on Inge's final swing in the competition at Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

His other nine produced

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Jeff Roberson/Associated Press

Brandon Inge flips his bat in mild disappointment after 0-for-the-first round in the Home Run Derby – but it won't spoil his week.

Final home run count

23 Prince Fielder, Brewers	21 Nelson Cruz, Rangers	15 Ryan Howard, Phillies	11 Albert Pujols, Cardinals	5 Joe Mauer, Twins	5 Carlos Pena, Rays	2 Adrian Gonzalez, Padres	0 Brandon Inge, Tigers
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Prince crowned king of Home Run Derby

BY MIKE FITZPATRICK
Associated Press

St. Louis — Prince Fielder beat the hometown boppers on their own turf.

With Albert Pujols and Ryan Howard eliminated early, Fielder won baseball's Home Run Derby on Monday night with a steady power display that included a jaw-dropping drive estimated at 503 feet.

The Milwaukee Brewers' first baseman outslugged Texas Rangers outfielder Nelson Cruz, 6-5, in the finals at Busch Stadium to take home a title that St. Louis fans surely hoped would go to one of their own.

"It's what I expected. This is Albert's stadium and Ryan is

Granderson: Tiger outfielder awaits meeting president. **2B**

Midway: Tony Paul hands out his awards for season's first half. **3B**

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from here," Fielder said. "I was just happy I was able to put on a show and I'm glad I won."

Pujols, the Cardinals' big first baseman, and Howard, who grew up in the Gateway City, were knocked out in the second round.

This year's All-Star festivities were supposed to belong to Pu-

jols in his home ballpark.

But Fielder snatched the spotlight in the annual All-Star Game warm-up.

With three outs remaining in the final round, Fielder smacked a drive onto the grassy hill in center field to clinch the crown. He posed for a moment with his bat held high, then embraced Brewers teammate Ryan Braun near home plate.

Pujols, who leads the majors with 32 homers, needed a late rally to avoid elimination in the first round. With one out to work with, he connected on consecutive swings to force a three-player swing-off for the final spot in round 2, sending the crowd of 45,981 into a high-fiving frenzy.



Elsa/Getty Images North America

Prince Fielder poses with his new hardware, the 2009 Home Run Derby trophy. He hit 23 homers.

Commissioner of LPGA quits

Carolyn Bivens resigned as LPGA Tour commissioner Monday, bowing to pressure from players who were upset about the organization's economic woes and her leadership.

Marsha Evans, a retired rear admiral in the Navy who also has led the American Red Cross and Girl Scouts of the USA, will take over as interim commissioner. She'll serve until the LPGA board finds a replacement, which it hopes to do by the end of the year.



Evans



Andrew D. Bernstein/Getty Images

Ex-Pistons coach **Doug Collins** is going into the Basketball Hall of Fame, but not as a coach or player.

Basketball Hall to honor Collins

Former Pistons coach **Doug Collins** is one of the recipients of this year's Curt Gowdy Media Awards from the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

Collins will be honored for his work as an NBA and Olympic analyst for NBC and Turner Sports during the Basketball Hall of Fame's enshrinement ceremonies Sept. 10-11 at Springfield, Mass.

Stafford eyes fences at Comerica Park

On his daily syndicated radio show Monday, host **Dan Patrick** asked guest **Matthew Stafford** if he could hit a home run at Comerica Park.

"I could maybe get one out. Maybe one or two," said Stafford, the Lions' No. 1 draft pick, who estimated he could throw about a 90-91 mph fastball right now.

"I was a pretty good hitter, played shortstop and had a little pop in the bat. I took batting practice at the Braves' stadium about two years ago and did pretty well."

John Niyo

Ravens WR Mason says he's retiring

Ravens wide receiver **Derrick Mason** says he's retiring from the NFL.

"After 12 years, I have seen it all and done it all," Mason, who went to Mumfords and starred at Michigan State, told JOCKLife.com, a sports Web site.

Mason, 35, has not informed the team of his decision. He played eight seasons with the Titans and four with the Ravens.

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AL LINEUP



Ichiro Suzuki
Mariners, OF
9th All-Star Game



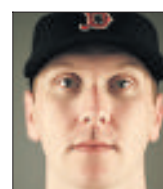
Derek Jeter
Yankees, SS
10th All-Star Game



Joe Mauer
Twins, C
3rd All-Star Game



Mark Teixeira
Yankees, 1B
2nd All-Star Game



Jason Bay
Red Sox, OF
3rd All-Star Game



Josh Hamilton
Rangers, OF
2nd All-Star Game



Evan Longoria
Rays, 3B
2nd All-Star Game



Aaron Hill
Blue Jays, 2B
1st All-Star Game



Roy Halladay
Blue Jays, P
6th All-Star Game

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Hanley Ramirez
Marlins, SS
2nd All-Star Game



Chase Utley
Phillies, 2B
4th All-Star Game



Albert Pujols
Cardinals, 1B
8th All-Star Game



Ryan Braun
Brewers, OF
2nd All-Star Game



Raul Ibanez
Phillies, OF
1st All-Star Game



David Wright
Mets, 3B
3rd All-Star Game



Shane Victorino
Phillies, OF
1st All-Star Game



Yadier Molina
Cardinals, C
1st All-Star Game



Tim Lincecum
Giants, P
2nd All-Star Game