Sammy's Cafe Wins Menifee Valley Upper Division Senior Softball Spring 2021 Season

MVUDSS <u>League</u> Champions - Sammy's Cafe

**Sammy's Cafe
MVUDSS 2021 Spring Season Champions**

**Back Row (L-R): Dan Gutierrez, Ray Robles, Jeff Iannone, Jim Mangiapane, Bill Kluck, Moi Hill, Ralph Hernandez
Front Row (L-R): Terry Shinn, Steve Kakuska, Dan "Milo" Milakovich, Juan Hernandez**

On March 1, the season began as a "bootleg" league playing under the radar with 6 local teams on one field at Fieldview Park in French Valley for the first 2 weeks of the season. On April 5, with COVID restrictions easing and adult softball reopening, we moved back to BLD, created a new schedule, and added the two out-of-area teams to the league.
Although we played under certain restrictions, things were back to normal and the season completed its run on June 14.

In the <u>league</u> championship race, it came down to the final game of the season between Sammy's Cafe (6-3) trailing Go All the Gray (6-2-1) by a 1/2 game in the standings. However, Sammy's Cafe emerged victorious defeating Go All the Gray by a score of 18-5.
At the end of the day, Sammy's Cafe (7-3) took the championship while Go All the Gray and Your Worst Whitemare tied for 2nd (6-3-1).

MVUDSS league games are played on Monday mornings at the Big League Dreams Sports Park in Perris. The league offers tournament-caliber senior softball players 55 and older an opportunity to participate in a highly competitive, well-balanced, tournament-style league. Players turning 55 in calendar year 2022 are eligible to play in the upcoming Fall 2021 Season.

The league consists of players and teams from the Temecula Valley, Riverside, Ontario, and North San Diego County areas.
Traveling teams have the option of playing once a week or playing bi-weekly doubleheaders.

League President Steve Baranick said, "Our league consists of six local teams and two out-of-area teams from North San Diego County and Ontario and continues to attract new players from around Southern California.".

The 2021 Fall Season will start on August 23, 2021 and run through December 20, 2021. Players and teams interested in participating should contact Steve Baranick, 951-870-0114, stephenbaranick@gmail.com or visit the league website http://www.mvudss.org/.