

## 2018 VISITING CLUBHOUSE REVIEW

Detroit Tigers


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During the 2017-18 offseason, Clubs expressed a desire to obtain an objective appraisal of the condition and operation of Visiting Clubhouses across the industry. To provide this information and ensure that Clubs have met the new minimum standards established in Attachment 47 to the Basic Agreement, the Office of the Commissioner conducted a comprehensive review of visiting clubhouses ("Visiting Clubhouse Review") during the 2018 season. The Visiting Clubhouse Review consisted of two components:

1) Club Surveys. From the beginning of May until the end of August, visiting Clubs submitted a brief survey at the conclusion of each road series that evaluated the clubhouse they occupied on five dimensions: locker room, dining area, quality/diversity of food (where applicable), service quality, and the Club's overall experience. In addition, each respondent denoted whether or not the clubhouse met existing industry standards.
2) On-Site Audit. A member of the Commissioner's Office visited each clubhouse and evaluated the facility using grading criteria established in conjunction with a committee of clubhouse and travel personnel.

Each evaluation method provided information on a different aspect of the clubhouse's operation. The Club Surveys offered detail regarding service quality and Club satisfaction, and the On-Site Audit focused on facility conditions and capabilities. Given these different evaluation criteria, it is possible for a Club to score highly on one metric but not the other; however collectively, we believe this report will help your Club identify where your visiting clubhouse ranks relative to the rest of the industry on a variety o: important metrics and highlight potential opportunities for improvement.

I have attached the Visiting Clubhouse Review results for your Club to this cover letter. The review is organized into three sections: The first section summarizes the results of both evaluations; the second section provides detailed results from the Club Surveys; and the final section includes the results of the BOC Audit.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact me (Reed.MacPhail@mlb.com) or Cameron Barwick (Cameron.Barwick@mlb.com).



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## SUMMARY

## CLUB SURVEY SCORES

| Category | Avg. | Rank | Expectations |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Locker Room | 2.40 | 27 | Does Not Meet |
| Dining Area | 2.25 | 27 | Does Not Meet |
| Quality/Diversity of Food | 2.85 | 27 | Does Not Meet |
| Service Quality | 2.80 | 29 | Does Not Meet |
| Overall Experience | 2.75 | 28 | Does Not Meet |
| Total (Average Score) | 2.60 | 28 | Does Not Meet |
|  | Expectations |  |  |
| Club Surveys, DET | Exceed | Meets | Does Not Meet |

Comments \& Analysis:
A handful of Clubs made note of the excellent work the Assistant Clubhouse Manager does, but overall, Clubs viewed Detroit as failing to meet expectations in every regard. Indeed, they were the only Club in the Major Leagues to receive an average score of less than 3.0 in all five graded categories.

## ON-SITE AUDIT REPORT

| Category | Score | Rank | Grade |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Planning \& Accountability | 1.0 | T-28 | Poor |
| Food Safety Management | 1.0 | T-26 | Poor |
| Kitchen and Dining Room | 2.0 | T-14 | Fair |
| Locker Room | 2.0 | T-24 | Fair |
| Bathroom | 3.0 | T-9 | Good |
| Recovery Room | 2.0 | T-6 | Fair |
| Weight Room \& Batting Cages | 2.0 | T-17 | Fair |
| Training Room | 2.0 | T-24 | Fair |
| Video Room | 3.0 | T-11 | Good |
| Coaches' Facilities | 1.0 | T-21 | Poor |

Expectations
Facilities \& Compliance, DET
Exceeds
Meets
Does Not Meet
Comments \& Analysis:
The clubhouse is constrained by an older facility that has spatial limitations. However, the clubhouse could be improved by appropriate staff members becoming certified to handle food -- something the clubhouse manager was receptive to -- and by upgrades to the locker room carpet and clubhouse lighting system.

## AVERAGE SCORE, CLUB FEEDBACK

2018 Visiting Clubhouse Review: Club-Submitted Surveys Average Score, All Five Scored Categories


## CLUB FEEDBACK ${ }^{1}$


${ }^{1}$ The average score in the six categories Clubs provided feedback, rounded to the first decimal

## ON-SITE AUDIT

| FOOD SERVICE \& SAFETY | GRADE (Circle) | CRITERIA FOR GRADE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Planning and Accountability | Excellent | There is a designated, certified individual who oversees staffing, food safety credential verification, ongoing training, and oversight of all food service operations within the visiting clubhouse. A quality selection of culturally diverse food is available from external sources and, if desired, an individual facilitates delivery from those vendors. There are contingencies in place for game delays. |
|  | Good | There is a designated, certified individual who oversees food service operations within the visiting clubhouse, but the individual does not participate in ongoing training of employees that handle food. A quality selection of culturally diverse food is generally available and, if desired, an individual supports delivery from outside vendors. There are contingencies in place for game delays. |
|  | Fair | The individual tasked with oversight of food service operations is not certified to handle food, or he/she does not take an active daily role in overseeing food operations. A limited selection of culturally diverse food is available from external sources and staff generally support delivery from outside vendors. There are some contingencies in place for game delays. |
|  | Poor | The individual tasked with oversight of food service operations is not certified to handle food and has little role in overseeing food operations or verifying the certification of his/her staff. A limited selection of culturally diverse food is available from external sources and little support is provided to outside vendors. There are few contingencies in place for game delays. |
| Food Safety Management | Excellent | None of the nine Active Managerial Control of Hazards are violated, and there are many preventative controls in place to protect against food safety hazards, including proper monitoring of food heating and cooling. All staff that handle food are certified to do so and are receptive to ongoing food safety training. |
|  | Good | Two or less of the nine Active Managerial Control of Hazards are violated, but there are preventative controls in place to protect against hazards, including proper monitoring of food heating and cooling. Staff that handle food are certified to do so and willing to participate in ongoing food safety training. |
|  | Fair | A few of the nine Active Managerial Control of Hazards are violated, but there are some preventative controls in place. Food is occasionally monitored for proper holding temperature. Staff that handle food are not certified to do so or do not participate in ongoing food safety training. |
|  | Poor | Many of the nine Active Managerial Control of Hazards are violated, and there are few preventative controls in place, including little oversight of proper holding temperature or utensil sanitation. One or more staff that handle food are not certified and there is no formal system to ensure ongoing food safety training. |

## COMMENTS ON GRADE

John Nelson is the only clubhouse employee who takes an active role in food preparation, but he is not certified to handle food. Nelson is well-positioned to become the Person-InCharge of food operations, and he should obtain a Food Protection Manager certification to ensure that he has the proper training for oversight of purchases, storage, preparation, and consumption of food.

The staff member that handles food (Nelson) was not certified and several Active Managerial Control of Hazards were violated. For instance, opened guacamole and sour cream were not kept on ice, which could cause bacterial growth. Additionally, the clubhouse did not have the ability to keep cooked food hot over an extended period except for placement in a noncommercial food warmer or the oven, which could cause holding temperature issues.

| FOOD SERVICE \& SAFETY | GRADE (Circle) | CRITERIA FOR GRADE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kitchen and <br> Dining Room: <br> Facility <br> Capabilities | Excellent | The kitchen accommodates significant on-site meal preparation, and staff can fill special requests from players. All equipment in Attachment $A$ is present. The dining area is well maintained and comfortably seats $20+$ people. |
|  | Good | The kitchen accommodates some on-site meal preparation, and staff can fill special requests from players. Most equipment in Attachment $A$ is present. The dining area is well maintained and comfortably seats $15+$ people. |
|  | Fair | The kitchen accommodates little on-site meal preparation, but staff can fill minor requests from players. Most significant equipment in Attachment $A$ is present. The dining area is fairly well maintained and comfortably seats 10-15 people. |
|  | Poor | The kitchen accommodates very little on-site meal preparation, and staff can fill only the most basic requests from players. Significant equipment listed in Attachment $A$ is missing. The dining area shows signs of wear and does not comfortably seat 10-15 people. |

## COMMENTS ON GRADE

While most equipment in Attachment $A$ is present, commercial items are missing, which can prevent refrigerated goods from being stored at the proper temperature and/or dishes from being properly cleaned and sanitized. The Club should consider a counter caddy for keeping salads, a deli bar, and fruit cold rather than warming to room temperature. A plug-in hot box should also be strongly considered to keep cooked protein at an appropriate temperature. Most relevant items in Attachment A are present, but there are limited serving and seating areas (~10 people).

| CLUBHOUSE FACILITIES | GRADE (Circle) | CRITERIA FOR GRADE | COMMENTS ON GRADE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Locker Room | Excellent | Clean area with $40+$ lockers, separate area for coaches' lockers, space in the middle of the locker room with seating, and carpets are cleaned bi-weekly. | The locker room was clean and there is a separate area for coaches' lockers, but the area could become cramped in September with expanded traveling parties (40 lockers exactly). |
|  | Good | Clean area with $\sim 40$ lockers, separate area for coaches' lockers, but the locker room(s) can become cramped in September. Carpets are cleaned bi-weekly. |  |
|  | Fair | Parts of the area are not clean or are cramped. There may not be sufficient space for individual lockers in September. Carpets are cleaned bi-weekly. |  |
|  | Poor | The area is not clean, there is insufficient space during September, and there is not a separate area for coaches' lockers. Carpets are not cleaned bi-weekly. |  |
| Bathroom | Excellent | The area is clean, facilities work properly, there is sufficient space, and all amenities are stocked. The area is cleaned daily; towels replaced annually. | The bathroom was clean and offered sufficient space, but the floor looked old, was cracked in places, and could be upgraded. |
|  | Good | The area is clean, all facilities work, and amenities are stocked, but could be cramped in September. The area is cleaned daily; towels replaced annually. |  |
|  | Fair | The bathroom is clean, and all facilities work properly, but there is a lack of available space. The area is cleaned daily; towels replaced annually. |  |
|  | Poor | The bathroom is not clean and one or more facilities (shower, sink, etc.) do not work. The area is not cleaned daily, or towels are not replaced annually. |  |
| Recovery Room | Excellent | There is a designated room away from media for players to lounge/nap. | The lounge is relatively large and offers a space away from the media, but it could become cramped, as the visiting Club's video operations are set up in the same space. |
|  | Good | There is a designated room away from media, but it can become cramped. |  |
|  | Fair | There is a designated room away from media, but it serves other purposes too. |  |
|  | Poor | There is no designated room away from the media. |  |


| Weight Room \& Batting Cages | Excellent | The weight room and batting cages are clean and have all necessary materials included in Attachment B. The weight room offers space for $15+$ players. | There are two batting . . . ., but there was at least one obvious leak in the weight room. The batting cages did not look clean and were not particularly well-lit. |
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|  | Good | The weight room and batting cages are clean and have all necessary materials included in Attachment B. The weight room offers space for $10+$ players. |  |
|  | Fair | The weight room and batting cages are clean and have most materials included in Attachment B. The weight room offers space for $5+$ players. |  |
|  | Poor | The weight room and batting cages are unclean, missing materials included in Attachment B, or the weight room does not have space for $5+$ players. |  |
| Training Room | Excellent | All equipment and materials set forth in Attachment C are provided in a clean room with sufficient space for multiple players receiving treatment. | The training room was small and only two training tables and stools were present due to the small size of the room. |
|  | Good | All equipment and materials set forth in Attachment $C$ are provided in a clean room, but space can become cramped at times. |  |
|  | Fair | Most equipment and materials set forth in Attachment C are provided in a clean room, but space is often cramped. |  |
|  | Poor | Significant equipment or materials set forth in Attachment C are not present, the space is not clean, or there is not sufficient space for multiple players. |  |
| Video Room | Excellent | Dedicated room with 6+ work stations, space for foot traffic, proper ventilation, reliable $\mathrm{Wi}-\mathrm{Fi}$, and sufficient power outlets. | The video room was in tine lounge, which was a large space and offered sufficient room for employees to work. However, with players in the lounge and coaches meeting, it is possible for the space to become cramped. |
|  | Good | There is a dedicated room and the Wi-Fi is reliable, but there is a lack of space for work traffic and/or insufficient ventilation. |  |
|  | Fair | Dedicated room, but the area is small, the Wi-Fi can be unreliable, or the work station has insufficient ventilation. |  |
|  | Poor | There is no dedicated room for video and replay - or the area for video and replay is in an open space within the clubhouse. |  |
| Coaches' <br> Facilities | Excellent | Coach dressing area is clean and well maintained. There is a conference area for coaches to meet and the area includes separate shower and bathroom facilities. | There is no distinct room for coach or player meetings. |
|  | Good | Coach dressing area is clean and well maintained. There is some desk space available and separate shower and bathroom facilities. |  |
|  | Fair | Coach dressing area is clean, but somewhat cramped. The dressing area includes separate shower and bathrooms, but little desk space is available. |  |
|  | Poor | Coach dressing area is unclean or poorly maintained. The area is cramped, and does not include separate shower, bathroom, or desk space. |  |


|  | Date Evaluated | Clubhouse Manager | BOC Auditor(s) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | May 14, 2018 | John ("Nelly") Nelson | Cameron Barwick, Dave Ellis, Tim Maxey |
| Overall Summary, Impressions | Nelson was a generous host and was receptive to many of the observations that were made during the audit. He should become a certified Food Protection Manager given his active management of food operations. |  |  |
| Recommendations | The clubhouse could also greatly benefit from a larger dining area, which would allow for fewer players to eat at their lockers and more space for serving food. The Club should also consider upgrading its equipment from household-grade to commercial-grade. |  |  |

## ATTACHMENT A

Generally Provided Visiting Clubhouse Amenities
BEVERAGES
Coffee \& Tea

- Sugar
- Splenda
- Hot Cocoa
- Honey
- Stirs
Soda
- Diet
- Regular
Bottled Water
Sports Drinks
Protein Shakes
Red Bull
Juices
- Apple
- Cranberry
-Orange
Milk
-Skim
-2\%
- Almond
- Soy
- Chocolate
FRUIT
Pineapple
Berries
Apples
Oranges
Bananas
Pears
Watermelon
Cantaloupe
Honeydew
Frozen Fruit

| SNACKS | CONDIMENTS | KITCHEN ITEMS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cereal | Ketchup | Cutting Boards |
| Oatmeal | Mustard | Knife Set |
| Chips | Mayonnaise | Griddles (x2) |
| Granola | Soy Sauce | Waffle Makers (x2) |
| Nuts | Teriyaki Sauce | Butane Burners |
| Yogurt | Hot Sauce | Butane Refills |
| Apple Sauce | $B B Q$ Sauce | Three Gallon Pot |
| Granola Bars | Worcestershire | One Gallon Pot |
| Candy | Horseradish | $12^{\prime \prime}$ Sauté Pan |
| Ice Cream | Relish | $10^{\prime \prime}$ Sauté Pans (x4) |
|  | Steak Sauce | Strainers (x2) |
| DELI BAR | Marinara | Mixing Bowl Set |
| Chicken | Salad Dressing | Measuring Cup Set |
| Turkey | Olive Oil | Measuring Spoon Set |
| Ham | Cooking Spray | Serving Spoons (x10) |
| Roast Beef | Butter | Serving Spatulas (x3) |
| Pastrami | Cream Cheese | Tongs (x10) |
| Tuna Salad | Jelly | Whisks (x2) |
| Chicken Salad | Peanut Butter | Wooden Spoons (x2) |
| Cheese | Parmesan Cheese | Regular Forks (x60) |
| Lettuce | Tartar Sauce | Regular Spoons (x60) |
| Onion |  | Regular Knives (x60) |
| Pickles | SPICES | Bowls (x60) |
| Peppers | Salt/Pepper | Plates (x60) |
| Olives | Cumin | Glasses/Cups (x60) |
|  | Basil |  |
| BREAD | Cinnamon | EQUIPMENT |
| White | Paprika | Vitamix |
| Wheat | Thyme | Commercial Refrigerator |
| Whole Grain | Rosemary | Commercial Freezer |
| English Muffins | Garlic Powder | Commercial Deli Case |
| Bagels | Oregano | Commercial Prep Table |
|  | Onion Powder | 4 Burner Stove/Oven |
|  | Red Pepper Flakes | Food Warmers (x8) |
|  | Cayenne Pepper | Sneeze Guards for Buffet |
|  | Parsley | Commercial Dishwasher |
|  | Flax/Chia Seed | Plug-In Hot Box |
|  |  | Refrigerated/Iced Buffet |

TOILETRIES
Toilet Paper
Hand Wipes
Wet Wipes
Shampoo
Conditioner
Hand Lotion
Towels
Washcloths
Hand Soap
Body Wash
Shaving Items
Hair Product
Tweezers
Nail clippers
Nail files
Floss
Q-Tips
Cotton Balls
Deodorant

## DISPOSABLES

Plastic Bags
To-Go Containers
Napkins
Forks
Knives
Spoons
Bowls
Plates
Foil
Plastic Wrap
Ziploc Bags
Dish, Soap
Sponges
Scrubbing Bubbles
Paper Towels

## ATTACHMENT B

 Minimum Equipment in Visiting Weight RoomA. 1 half squat rack with appropriate band attachments, pull-up bar, and 45-pound Olympic bar and collars
B. 1 two-tier dumbbell rack with twenty pairs of urethane coated dumbbells in 5 -pound increments (up to 100 pounds) that fit appropriately and safely on the dumbbell racks
C. 1 vertical rack for lighter dumbbell weights ( 1 to 10 pounds)
D. Adequate urethane-coated Olympic plates (45, 35, 25, 10, 5, and 2.5-pound increments) and appropriate plate storage racks
E. 1 adjustable pulley system
F. 1 selectorized high pulley (lat pulldown)
G. 1 set of kettle bells consisting of at least $18,26,35$ and 45 pounds
H. 2 adjustable dumbbell benches
I. 1 adjustable step up box or 1 stackable set of 12 -inch, 18 -inch and 24 -inch step up boxes
J. Appropriate auxiliary equipment consisting of: 1 air-ex pad, 1 Bosu ball, resistance bands/rubes, 1 set of foam rollers (12inch and 36 -inch length), stability and medicine balls with appropriate storage, and stretch/yoga mats
K. 1 Woodway treadmill
L. 1 elliptical cross trainer
M. 1 stationary upright bike

| A. | 1 Ice Machine |
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| B. | 1 Ice Scoop |
| C. | 1 Hydroculator |
| D. | 5 Hydroculator Covers |
| E. | 1 Sink |
| F. | 1 Hand Soap Machine |
| G. | 1 Paper Towel Roll |
| H. | 1 Sharps Container |
| I. | 1 Biohazardous Waste Disposal Container |
| J. | 1 Posted Emergency Action Plan |
| K. | 1 Stool for Table/Counter |
| L. | 1 Trash Can |
| M. | 1 Laundry Bin |
| N. | 1 Landline to Contact Home Club Personnel |
| O. | 2 Whirlpools |
| P. | 3 Lockers for Athletic Trainers |
| Q. | 3 Training Tables |
| R. | 3 Mobile Stools |
| S. | Multiple accessible electric outlets |
| T. | Wi-Fi |



