

The Henry Ford Hosts 13th Annual World Tournament of Historic Base Ball at Greenfield Village, August 8-9

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All weekend guests can celebrate America's favorite pastime complete with live period music played by the Dodworth Saxhorn Band and authentic base ball artifacts on display, including the actual championship bat awarded to the Unknowns from Jackson, Michigan, winners of the 1867 World Tournament that took place in Detroit, Mich. Base ball enthusiasts can even take home a reproduction copy of Hanney's Base Ball Book of Reference to brush up on how the game was meant to be played.

Those looking to find out if they have what it takes to play the game can do so during the Base Ball Skills Test or learn to play another early stick-and-ball game —cricket — with expert Tom Melville on the Village Green throughout the weekend. During the Players Skill Competition, guests can find out who among the tournament clubs is the most accurate thrower, fastest runner and farthest thrower.

The World Tournament of Historic Base Ball is free with membership or admission to Greenfield Village. Tickets are \$25 adults, \$22.50 seniors (ages 62 and up), \$18.75 youth (ages 5-12) and free for children ages four and under. Discounted tickets can be purchased at Meijer. For more information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit thehenryford.org.

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