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## **THE CHICAGO DOGS NAME BUTCH HOBSON TEAM MANAGER FOR INAUGURAL SEASON**

Chicago Dogs Home Opener at Impact Field Scheduled for May 25, 2018

Chicago, Ill. – **The Chicago Dogs** announced today **Butch Hobson** as team manager for the team's 2018 inaugural season. Hobson joins the Chicago Dogs with more than 30 years of experience in both major and minor league baseball, including three seasons as manager of the Boston Red Sox. The Chicago Dogs' home opener is scheduled for May 25, 2018 at the state-of-the-art **Impact Field** currently under construction in Rosemont. The team will make their debut with the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball May 18, 2018.

"Butch Hobson is a great baseball man," said Chicago Dogs co-owner Shawn Hunter. "His successful career as both a player and a manager makes him the perfect leader for The Chicago Dogs and helps ensure that our team is competitive on the field and a leading force in the community."

Hobson served as third baseman for Major League Baseball's Boston Red Sox (1975-1980), California Angels (1981) and New York Yankees (1982). After retiring as a player, Hobson managed the Boston Red Sox (1992-1994), where he led the team to 207 victories. Hobson has also managed the Boston Red Sox minor league system, New York Mets minor league system, Philadelphia Phillies minor league system and the Independent Atlantic League's Lancaster Barnstormers, Mobile Bay Sharks and Nashua Pride. Hobson most recently served as manager of the Arizona Diamondbacks' Class A affiliate.

"I'm incredibly grateful to Shawn Hunter for the opportunity to continue my managerial career by becoming the first manager for the Chicago Dogs," said Butch Hobson. "Independent professional baseball has been a major part of my life for the past 16 years so this feels like the perfect next chapter. It offers opportunities for growth and development to players who may otherwise not receive those benefits, which is something I take a lot of pride in being a part of."

The Chicago Dogs' home games will be played at Impact Field—a \$60 million, 6,300-seat new stadium currently under construction in Rosemont at the intersection of Balmoral Avenue and



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Pearl Street, west of I-294. Ticket packages for the team's inaugural season at Impact Field are now available at [www.thechicagodogs.com](http://www.thechicagodogs.com) or by calling 847-260-2644. Follow the team on social media at @TheChicagoDogs on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and Snapchat. For more information, visit [www.TheChicagoDogs.com](http://www.TheChicagoDogs.com).

The Chicago Dogs inaugural 2018 season is as follows:

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>OPPONENT:</b>	<b>LOCATION:</b>
Friday, May 18	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)
Saturday, May 19	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)
Sunday, May 20	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)
Monday, May 21	St. Paul Saints	CHS Field (St. Paul, MN)
Tuesday, May 22	St. Paul Saints	CHS Field (St. Paul, MN)
Wednesday, May 23	St. Paul Saints	CHS Field (St. Paul, MN)
Friday, May 25	Kansas City T-Bones	Impact Field
Saturday, May 26	Kansas City T-Bones	Impact Field
Sunday, May 27	Kansas City T-Bones	Impact Field
Monday, May 28	Gary SouthShore RailCats	U.S. Steel Yard (Gary, IN)
Tuesday, May 29	Gary SouthShore RailCats	U.S. Steel Yard (Gary, IN)
Wednesday, May 30	Gary SouthShore RailCats	U.S. Steel Yard (Gary, IN)
Thursday, May 31	Gary SouthShore RailCats	U.S. Steel Yard (Gary, IN)
Friday, June 1	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Impact Field
Saturday, June 2	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Impact Field
Sunday, June 3	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Impact Field
Monday, June 4	Sioux Falls Canaries	Impact Field
Tuesday, June 5	Sioux Falls Canaries	Impact Field
Wednesday, June 6	Sioux Falls Canaries	Impact Field
Friday, June 8	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Shaw Park (Winnipeg, Canada)
Saturday, June 9	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Shaw Park (Winnipeg, Canada)
Sunday, June 10	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Shaw Park (Winnipeg, Canada)
Monday, June 11	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)

Tuesday, June 12	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)
Wednesday, June 13	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)
Thursday, June 14	Sioux Falls Canaries	Sioux Falls Stadium (Sioux Falls, SD)
Friday, June 15	St. Paul Saints	Impact Field
Saturday, June 16	St. Paul Saints	Impact Field
Sunday, June 17	St. Paul Saints	Impact Field
Tuesday, June 19	Texas AirHogs	Impact Field
Wednesday, June 20	Texas AirHogs	Impact Field
Thursday, June 21	Texas AirHogs	Impact Field
Friday, June 22	Lincoln Saltdogs	Haymarket Park (Lincoln, NE)
Saturday, June 23	Lincoln Saltdogs	Haymarket Park (Lincoln, NE)
Sunday, June 24	Lincoln Saltdogs	Haymarket Park (Lincoln, NE)
Monday, June 25	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Tuesday, June 26	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Friday, June 29	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Impact Field
Saturday, June 30	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Impact Field
Sunday, July 1	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Impact Field
Monday, July 2	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Tuesday, July 3	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Wednesday, July 4 (doubleheader)	Gary SouthShore RailCats	U.S. Steel Yard (Gary, IN)
Friday, July 6	Cleburne Railroaders	Impact Field
Saturday, July 7	Cleburne Railroaders	Impact Field
Sunday, July 8	Cleburne Railroaders	Impact Field
Monday, July 9	Sioux City Explorers	Impact Field
Tuesday, July 10	Sioux City Explorers	Impact Field
Wednesday, July 11	Sioux City Explorers	Impact Field
Friday, July 13	Cleburne Railroaders	The Depot at Cleburne Station (Cleburne, TX)

Saturday, July 14	Cleburne Railroaders	The Depot at Cleburne Station (Cleburne, TX)
Sunday, July 15	Cleburne Railroaders	The Depot at Cleburne Station (Cleburne, TX)
Tuesday, July 17	Texas AirHogs	AirHogs Stadium (Grand Prairie, TX)
Wednesday, July 18	Texas AirHogs	AirHogs Stadium (Grand Prairie, TX)
Friday, July 20	Sioux Falls Canaries	Impact Field
Saturday, July 21	Sioux Falls Canaries	Impact Field
Sunday, July 22	Sioux Falls Canaries	Impact Field
Monday, July 23	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Impact Field
Tuesday, July 24	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Impact Field
Wednesday, July 25	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Impact Field
Friday, July 27	Kansas City T-Bones	CommunityAmerica Ballpark (Kansas City, KS)
Saturday, July 28	Kansas City T-Bones	CommunityAmerica Ballpark (Kansas City, KS)
Sunday, July 29	Kansas City T-Bones	CommunityAmerica Ballpark (Kansas City, KS)
Monday, July 30	Wichita Wingnuts	Impact Field
Tuesday, July 31	Wichita Wingnuts	Impact Field
Wednesday, August 1	Wichita Wingnuts	Impact Field
Tuesday, August 2	Wichita Wingnuts	Impact Field
Friday, August 3	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Shaw Park (Winnipeg, Canada)
Saturday, August 4	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Shaw Park (Winnipeg, Canada)
Sunday, August 5	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Shaw Park (Winnipeg, Canada)
Monday, August 6	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Newman Outdoor Field (Fargo, ND)
Tuesday, August 7	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Newman Outdoor Field (Fargo, ND)
Wednesday, August 8	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Newman Outdoor Field (Fargo, ND)
Friday, August 10	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Impact Field
Saturday, August 11	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Impact Field

Sunday, August 12	Winnipeg Goldeyes	Impact Field
Wednesday, August 15	Sioux City Explorers	Mercy Field at Lewis & Clark Park (Sioux City, IA)
Thursday, August 16	Sioux City Explorers	Mercy Field at Lewis & Clark Park (Sioux City, IA)
Friday, August 17	Wichita Wingnuts	Lawrence-Dumont Stadium (Wichita, KS)
Saturday, August 18	Wichita Wingnuts	Lawrence-Dumont Stadium (Wichita, KS)
Sunday, August 19	Wichita Wingnuts	Lawrence-Dumont Stadium (Wichita, KS)
Monday, August 20	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Tuesday, August 21	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Wednesday, August 22	Gary SouthShore RailCats	Impact Field
Thursday, August 23	St. Paul Saints	Impact Field
Friday, August 24	St. Paul Saints	Impact Field
Saturday, August 25	St. Paul Saints	Impact Field
Sunday, August 26	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Newman Outdoor Field (Fargo, ND)
Monday, August 27	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Newman Outdoor Field (Fargo, ND)
Tuesday, August 28	Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	Newman Outdoor Field (Fargo, ND)
Wednesday, August 29	St. Paul Saints	CHS Field (St. Paul, MN)
Thursday, August 30	St. Paul Saints	CHS Field (St. Paul, MN)
Friday, August 31	St. Paul Saints	CHS Field (St. Paul, MN)
Saturday, September 1	Lincoln Saltdogs	Impact Field
Sunday, September 2	Lincoln Saltdogs	Impact Field
Monday, September 3	Lincoln Saltdogs	Impact Field

**About Chicago Dogs Ownership:**

Chicago Dogs co-owners Shawn Hunter and Steven Gluckstern come to Rosemont with extensive backgrounds in professional sports. Hunter has more than 20 years of sports business experience, previously serving as President of Anschutz Entertainment Group Sports (AEG), where he oversaw eleven sports teams worldwide. Prior to his position with AEG, Hunter was President of the National Hockey League’s Phoenix Coyotes. Hunter also held the position of Executive Vice President of the NHL’s Colorado Avalanche and NBA’s Denver Nuggets.

Gluckstern is a previous owner of the National Hockey League's Phoenix Coyotes and New York Islanders. Gluckstern is currently founder, CEO and Chairman of Rio Grande Neurosciences Inc., a New Mexico-based medical technology firm that focuses on non-invasive therapeutics. One of the company's current focuses involves pioneering the development of technologies utilized to aid in the treatment of concussions. Prior to founding Rio Grande Neurosciences Inc., Gluckstern had a 25-year career as an entrepreneur and funds manager, holding a variety of positions including General Manager of reinsurance operations of the Berkshire Hathaway Insurance Group under the direction of investor Warren Buffett.

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