PIRATES SEASON STRIKES OUT

**Pirates stink up another season**

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CARNEGIE PA Pittsburgh Pirates finish below 500 for a twentieth straight season even with an MVP caliber season by All-star centerfielder Andrew McCutchen

The pirates had an ok season with a team batting average of 243, a team total of 170 homeruns, and 620 team Runs Batted In. The last time the pirates won a world series was 1979 and the last time they had a winning season was 1992.

The Pittsburgh have had many team stars over the years first was the Flying Dutchman Houns Wagner a Carnegie native. Then you get into the 1960s with Roberto Clemente he was born in Puerto Rico. Clemente won almost every award in baseball he died in a plane crash in 1973. The pirates retired his number 21. He was inducted in the National Baseball Hall of Fame a week after his death. Then you get to present day with Andrew McCutchen. He led the pirates in batting average, RBI’s, and stolen bases. McCutchen won a silver slugger award, a gold glove, and is a finalist for NL MVP.

The Pirates finished with 79 wins and 83 losses. The pirates have won the World Series five times.