## **BALLPARK OVERVIEW**

Historic Hi Corbett Field is the Cactus League's oldest ballpark, dating to 1937. It lured the Cleveland Indians to Tucson in 1947 and with the Giants moving to Phoenix that same year the Cactus League was unofficially born. The original grandstand behind home plate remains intact but as the stadium has expanded over seven decades of use the seating sections have become disjointed, varying in height and size. With more metal bleachers than actual seats and tall, angular outfield walls making for odd (and lengthy) playing field dimensions, Hi Corbett Field is definitely a nod to ballpark construction of another era. Fittingly, a classic-style clock tower was built into its attractive beige stucco exterior during renovations in 1999. Movie buffs will recognize the facade from the 1989 film *Major League*, which used Hi Corbett for all of its spring training scenes. The stadium was also host to the Tucson Toros of the Triple-A Pacific Coast League from 1969 through 1997. After a dozen years of dormancy the Toros were resurrected as members of the independent Golden Baseball League and returned to Hi Corbett Field in 2009. Originally called Randolph Park, the stadium was renamed in 1951 in honor of Hiram Steven Corbett, a Tucson baseball booster and five term Arizona state senator who was instrumental in bringing the Indians, and spring training, to town.

## **Outside the Park**

An everyday use two-lane road, Randolph Way, actually bisects the parking lot.

Fans enter the ballpark at street level through the two gates nearest home plate (4 and 5). The other gates that surround the stadium are only occasionally open.

The ticket windows are directly behind home plate.

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