

# THE SPORTIER

## Mets Big Pick Up

Michael Cuddyer, former Colorado Rockies outfielder and 2013 NL batting champ, has been picked up out of free agency by the Mets for 21 Million dollars. "It really wasn't about the money," Cuddyer said Tuesday. "As hard as it is for some to believe, it's not always about the money. And this was one of those cases. I think just the excitement of being able to come to the East, come play for the Mets, that was the biggest attraction. You get to the point that I'm at in my career, that's the thing that's important: One, to win. And wanting to be closer to home. Both of those issues were nailed in this signing, for me at least." What the Mets need now is a solid shortstop and you might see them in the top in 2015.

Source: [ESPN.com](http://ESPN.com)

## CY Young Winners

The 2014 NL CY Young award winner, with no question, was Clayton Kershaw, Dodgers ace pitcher. But the AL league was different. It was a battle between King Felix (Mariners) and Corey Kluber (Indians). Surprisingly, Kluber took the award. Kluber said that he was surprised, which, if I were him, that would also be stunned. King Felix said that he was disappointed and must work harder and harder next season. He also added that he thought that he had a much better performance than 2008, the year he won his first CY Young award.

## In The Rulebook

What is an obstruction play in baseball? Well, if you can remember, the St. Louis Cardinals won the third game of the 2013 World Series on this call. What it basically is is when a defensive player makes an interference and blocks the runner. What happened in the 2013 World Series was Will Middlebrooks tripped on Allen Craig while Craig was going home. That wasn't the problem. The problem was that Middlebrooks couldn't get out of the base path in time when Craig was going home and that is how the Cardinals won that game, 4-5, on an obstruction call.

## MLB Awards

## The COMIC

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## THE AWARD WINNERS



### MVP's Of 2014

The AL MVP came with no surprise. Mike Trout had a magnificent year with the Angles and deserved the grand MVP award this year, so that's what everyone decided, Mike Trout 2014 AL MVP.

The NL was different. Andrew McCutchen could have won, Buster Posey was in the race, Yasiel Puig could have won, but none of them won. The winner was Clayton Kershaw, the player that now has two awards this year, the NL CY Young Award and the NL MVP. Clayton is the first pitcher since 1968 Bob Gibson to win the MVP as a pitcher.

Source: [Baseball-Reference.com](http://Baseball-Reference.com)

### Rookies of the Year

The AL Rookie of the year not a big race. The only people who could have won were Yankees Pitcher Dellin Betances and Astros Pitcher Collin McHugh. But the actual winner was Jose Abreu, White Sox Outfielder.

The NL Rookie of the Year wasn't big, either. The only people that could have won were Phillies Pitcher Ken Giles and Diamondbacks Outfielder Ender Inciarte. But the only New York player that took home an award was Mets Pitcher Jacob DeGrom.

### What 2 Look 4

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### Games of Last Week

10-20



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