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Renton Baseball Club, 1902

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This photo features members of the Renton Baseball Club of 1902.

During the late 1800s and early 1900s the two most popular sports in Renton were soccer and baseball. Soccer was played by many of the first coal miners of Renton since they were first generation immigrants and brought the game with them from Wales, Ireland, Scotland, and England. Baseball later become more popular when second generation sons began to play the American game and adopt a more American culture.

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Featured in the photo:

Bottom (L-R): unknown, Floyd 'Kansas' Skillman

Center: Al Ticknor, Harry Richmond, Dan Hughes, Dave 'Sky' Williams

Bottom: unknown, Jim Flynn , unknown, unknown, Tom Oughton.

All of the men featured above were second generation immigrants in Renton. Dave ' Sky' Williams and Harry Richmond were Renton coal miners.