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2023 Status

We already have 109 players registered for the 2023 season. This puts us well ahead of player recruitment numbers in all of our previous seasons. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome and introduce 10 new registered players. Jack Cohen, Tom Cosgrove, June Crawford, Bob Fox, Lee Jaslow, Ron Long, Andrew Makowitz, John Miranda, Frank Slack and Steve Weiss.

Web Page Cleanup and Updates

At the end of the season it becomes necessary to go in and clean up the web page. I need to remove all the news articles from last year and make space for the coming season. I concatenate all the news files into one big old pdf file that I store under the Archive tab. Some of the classic moments from the 2022 season will be preserved there, the first ever All Star Game, the day the Devils scored 5 runs and only sent 5 batters to the plate, the time you hit two 3 run home runs in a tournament game (that might not have been you).

Thanks to Bill Russell we were able to update our League History file in the Archives to include

some team pictures from 2012 to 2016. If you check out the team pictures you might notice that Bill was on every one of those teams. Thanks Bill.

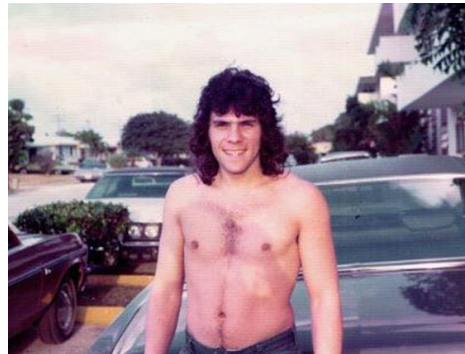
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Apr, 2023

Draft Completed, Ready to Begin

We had 62 people respond that they would attend the 2023 preseason draft luncheon and I'm proud to report that all 78 of them showed up. Good job guys!

Here are some of the most well received images from the presentation.





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May, 2023

After a week of rain the season is underway

The morning rain never happened. This is what did happen:

Comets 11 Blue Jays 7

The Comets hosted the Blue Jays and took home an 11 to 7 win. The Jays offense was steady scoring in 4 of the 7 innings, but they could not get the key hit necessary to break out into a big inning.

The Jays hit leaders going 3 for 3 were Bob Gaines (double, 2 RBI's), Del Kates (2 runs) and Jim O'Brien (2 doubles, 3 RBI's). Chipping in with 2 hits each were Monroe Weingarten (2 runs) and Lou DePalma.

Panther 7 Wildcats 3

The Panthers opened their season with a win over the Wildcats by a score of 7-3. The Panthers put up 4 runs in the first inning to take an early lead followed by 2 runs in the 3rd and 1 run in the 6th innings. They held the Wildcats to 3 scoreless innings until the bottom of the 4th when they allowed 3 runs. Panther defensive play was good throughout the game. Dave Ortlip and Joe Grines both played solid defense in the infield. Jack Donohue had a nice catch of a dropping liner in left center field. The defensive play of the game was had by John Breig to end the game by snagging a line drive over the middle of the infield. Hitting was evenly sprinkled throughout the lineup. Joe Grines, Dave Ortlip, Jack Donohue and Jack Zupan each had two hits in the game.

Only 9 hits from the Wildcats this morning as they could do very little against the bigger Panthers this morning. The Panthers cruised to a 7-3 win. Two hits each from Ed Schmidt and Ron Miller were all they could muster in their 7 to 3 loss this morning.

Devils 11 Classics 1

Opening day win for Devils defeating Classics 11-1

Game Highlights:

Derrick Foster was 3 for 3 w/walk and pitched complete game



Steve Belenko was 4 for 4 w/double

Tom Cosgrove was 3 for 4 w/3 run Homer in 6th inning breaking the game open and he made 2 outstanding defensive outfield plays

Gene Reeber went 4 for 4

Entire team effort with 23 hits.

First game of the season and the Classics did not play up to their potential. The team has great team chemistry and will work together to get on the winning track.

Eagles 8 Iron Pigs 7

A real back and forth affair between the Iron Pigs and the Eagles. The Iron Pigs scored two in the top of the first and the Eagles countered with 2 in the bottom of the second. The Iron Pigs plated three in the top of the third on a Jack McNulty 3 run home run. The Eagles responded with 2 in the bottom of the fourth and 3 more in the bottom of the fifth. The Iron pigs bounced back with 2 in the top of the 6th inning to tie the score at 7 to 7. The Eagles scored in the bottom of the seventh for an 8 to 7 win. Leadings hitters for the Iron Pigs were Jeff Blatt (3 for 3), Rich Dempsey (3 for 4) and Jack McNulty (home run, triple and Sac Fly). Dave Detwiler and Ron Decker chipped in with 2 hits each.

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May, 2023

Results of Thursday's 5/11 Games

Blue Jays 11 - Wildcats 6

The Blue Jays bounced back with a win after an opening day loss by defeating the Wildcats by a score of 11 to 6. The Jays started out strong scoring 4 runs in the first inning, 1 in the second and 4 more in the third to jump out to a 9 to 0 lead. The Wildcats responded with 2 in the third, 2 more in the fifth, and one in both the sixth and seventh innings.

Leading hitters for the Jay were Tom Redding (3 for 3 with 3 runs) and Bob Gaines (3 for 3, 2 RBI's). Connie Kilgarriff used his new bat to go 2 for 2 with a walk and a run scored. Ron Mangini, Del Kates, Jim O'Brien and Lou DePalma also kicked in with two hits. Craig Wright who was filling in for Warren Fuchs gave the Jays 2 good games and is now moving over to the Comets. He will be missed.

The Puss N' Boots Wildcats put up 13 hits, a big improvement over our starting game, but still not enough to produce a win over the Blue Jays today. They cats were able to score 6 runs today, so that was a big deal, but no cigar today. On defense we were just as bad as opening day but we were able to rally in more than one inning. 2 hits from Ed Schmidt, Tom Jakubowski, Bill Matlock and Franklin Smith was a good sign but again no cigar as we were defeated by the Blue Jays by an 11 -6 score.

Devils 6 - Eagles 5

The game was an old fashion pitching duel with Derek Foster going against Tom Delaney. The game went 5 1/2 innings of scoreless ball until the Eagles put up 4 runs in the bottom of 6. The Devils responded with 4 runs in top of 7th to tie the game. In the top of the 8th the Devils scored 2 and held Eagles to 1 run in bottom of 8th for a 6-5 win.

Steve Belenko went 2 for 4, Tom Cosgrove was 3 for 3, Roy Barlow was 3 for 4. The Eagles decided to walk Tom C in the top of 8th setting up Roy Barlow and Paul Martinelli for the game winning hits.

The Eagles and the Devils played a very tense game where both teams could not score until sixth inning. The Eagles scored first in the bottom of the sixth with four runs. Unfortunately that woke the Devils up and they scored four runs in the top of the seventh inning. The game went into extra innings with the Devils winning 6-5 over the Eagles.

The Eagles managed eight hits, led by Bill Schwartz with two hits, including one double and two RBI's. Ron Cohen had two hits and a walk and Bob Esterly had two hits. It just wasn't enough to top the Devils despite good pitching by Tom Delaney and good fielding by Ken Mealey, Tom Boyce, Dave Cutler and Tom Delaney.

Panthers 14 - Iron Pigs 13

The Panthers eked out a victory by a slim, one run margin against the Iron Pigs. The final score was 14-13 in favor of the Panthers. The Panthers gave up 5 runs in the first inning and were unable to put up any score until the 3rd inning. The Panthers were down 13-9 when they put up 5 runs in the bottom of the 6th inning to go ahead 14-13 which was the final result. Defense was spotty at times but just good enough to win.

Joe Grines was 3 for 4 while Dave Ortlip, Jack Donohue, Jack Zupan, Bob Silvester and Lee Jaslow each went 2 for 3. The Panthers put up a total of 17 hits in the game.

The Iron Pigs defense took the day off after posting leads of 8 to 4 and 12 to 9. After the Panthers scored 5 in the fourth and 6th innings, to take a 14 to 13 lead, the Iron Pigs failed to score in the last two innings.

Tom Boyle, Rich Dempsey, Dave Courtright, Howard Wible all had 3 hits each while Jeff Blatt, Dave Detwiler and Judy Agasar chipped in with 2 hits each.

Comets 9 - Classics 6

Comet's streak at 2 games. The Comets jumped out to a 7 to 0 after 3 innings. The Classics scored 3 in the 4th and 3 in the 5th to make the score 9 to 6. There was no more runs after that

and 9 to 6 final. hitting stars for the Comets were Larry Restivo 3 for 3 with 5 rbi's and Gene Rubin 3 for 3 with 1 rbi. Chipping in with 2 hits were Hal Katz, Daryl Puzan, and Wayne hot lips Heaton. Frank Glasser, Jerry Barsky, Steve Scheele, and Bob Ott each with 1 hit each. Clutch defense by our infield turning 2 double plays stopped the Classics rally. Great team effort today. Thanks to Ron Mangin1 for his help today.

The Classics team came together and played an improved game to keep the game close. Two hits for the game were Charlie Whittaker, Eric Gottlieb, Franco Folda, Gene Corrado, Jeff Blank and Howard Borocharner.

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May, 2023

Results of Thursday 5/16 games

A Prayer for John Tvarok

Heavenly Father, we pray for the repose of the departed John Tvarok of blessed memory. A member of the Senior Softball League whose passing has impacted our friendship as well as the love of playing the game with him.

Comfort our souls as we mourn the loss of our former team player and have compassion on us as we honor him in prayer today.

Having endured the pain and suffering of his health, we ask you Our Heavenly Father to receive John in a serene, luxuriant and peaceful place where all pain and sorrow and lamentations are absent, for you are a gracious God who loves mankind.

Your truth is truth in eternity and your word is truth. In blessed repose, grant eternal rest, o lord to John Tvorak, and make his memory eternal. Amen

Devils 7 Panthers 5

Jerry Barlow led the team attack of 19 hits going 3 for 3 while Bill Howland pitched a great game against Kevin Culp. Derek Foster (big triple in 6th inning), Steve Belenko, Tom Cosgrove, Gene Reeber & Dave Bushar all went 2 for 3..

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	3	0	
Panthers	2	1	
Comets	2	1	
Eagles	1	2	
Blue Jays	1	2	
Wildcats	1	2	
Iron Pigs	1	2	
Classics	1	2	

The Panthers took any early lead and held it through 5 innings. However the Devils put up a 5 run 6th inning to win the game 7-5. It was a good tight game most of the way but the Panthers just could not get their bats working. Kevin Culp and John Breig both went 3 for 3. Joe Grines and Bob Silvester both had 2 hits apiece while Rich Pich went 1 for 3 with a double.

Iron Pigs 8 Blue Jays 6

The Iron Pigs played much better defense with some good plays at second base by Mike Segal and a couple of good catches in the outfield. Jack McNulty chipped in with some stellar play at shortstop. Hitting stars were Jeff Blatt and Jack McNulty both going 3 for 3 while Rich Dempsey had 2 hits and a walk.

In a well played game the Iron Pigs shut down the Blue Jays offense for the first 3 innings behind strong defensive play by Mike Segal and Jack McNulty. In the fourth inning the Jay's offense broke through for 5 runs on singles by Monroe Weingarten, Tom Redding, Del Kates, Bob Gaines, Ron Mangini, Jim O'Brien and John Rozalos to take a 5 to 4 lead. The Iron Pigs responded with two runs in the fourth and added two more in the sixth and held on for an 8 to 6 victory. Lou DePalma pitched two inning and had 3 strikeouts bringing his season total to 5 in only 6 innings pitched. Del Kates had a strong game at shortstop. Monroe Weingarten, Del kates, and Bob Gaines all provided 2 Jay hits. Jim O'Brien was 1 for 1 with a walk and Ron Mangini was 1 for 2 with a sac fly. Rich Dickson and Connie Kilgarriff chipped in with one hit.

Wildcats 14 Comets 8

A scoring frenzy of 9 runs lead the Puss N Boots Wildcats to a 14 to 8 Victory over the Comets today, with Frank Slack and Ron Miller getting 4 hits each, Ken Reiss and Franklin Smith with 3 hits each and Vince Burke adding 2 hits to give the Wildcats a comeback

victory today. The Wildcats improved defensive play held the Comets to 1 run in the final 3 innings to ensure a Wildcat Win for the 1st time this Year!

The Comets jumped out in front with 4 runs in the first inning and maintained a 7 to 5 lead until the fifth when the wildcats scored four to take the lead and held on to defeat the Comets 14 to 8. The Comets committed 9 errors and some shaky base running to give this one away. Offensively the Comets were led by Daryl Puzan getting 3 hits and 1 run scored. Chipping in with 2 hits were Hal Katz, Larry Restivo, Frank Glauser, Steve Scheele, and Craig Wright. Gene Rubin, Wayne Heaton, Frank Deon and Jerry Barsky chipped in with one hit.

Classics 4 Eagles 2

The Eagles got off to a slow start and never got going in a 4-2 loss to the Classics. The Eagles gave up three runs in the first inning and one in the second inning as they sleep walked to a 4-2 loss. The Eagles could only manage seven hits and were never a threat which led to the Classics first victory. Tom Delaney pitched an excellent game as well as fielding well. He deserved a better result. The defense was led by Ken Mealy, Ron Cohen and Dave Borden. They made nice catches in the outfield but it was all to no avail.

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May, 2023

Results of Thursday 5/18 games

Classics 8 Wildcats 4

Classics won the game 8-4 with great pitching from Ed Betancourt who also had two hits. Other players with two hits are Franco Folda, Gene Corrado and Jack Galloway. Our leading hitter was Jeff Blank with three hits.

The whole Classics team is fielding great.

15 hits and good early inning defense set the stage for a good beginning but late inning errors and many misplays led to the defeat of the Puss & Boots Wildcats today by an 8 to 4 score. Dave Claghorn rejoined the Wildcats and with great defense and timely hitting kept us in the early game. Later inning errors and base running

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	3	1	
Panthers	2	2	
Comets	2	2	
Eagles	2	2	
Blue Jays	2	2	
Iron Pigs	2	2	
Classics	2	2	
Wildcats	1	3	

snafus gave the Classics a lead that contributed the eventual loss to a balanced attack. Kenny Reiss had a 3 hit day with Dave Claghorn, Ed Schmidt, Vince Burkett and Tracy Zimmerman each producing 2 hits today. Not too good pitching also helped the Classics put the game in their win column.

Blue Jays 17 Devils 9

The Blue Jays offense played like angry birds and applied constant pressure on the Devils defense. The Devils were hot (which makes sense) scoring 9 runs in the first two innings. The birds struck right back making it 9 all after 2 innings. The Jays defense settled down and held the Devils scoreless for 5 innings. Meanwhile the birds kept scoring enroute to a 17 to 9 victory over the previously unbeaten Devils.

Lee Bullman (4 RBI's), John Rozalis (triple, 5 RBI's) and Rich Dickson all powered the offense with 4 hits each. Ron Mangini (4 runs scored) and Bill Russell (3 RBI's) provided 3 hits. Bob Gaines, Del Kates and Lou DePalma chipped in with 2 hits.

The Devils took their undefeated record against the Blue Jays and steaked to a 9-4 lead until the bottom of the 2nd when the Bluejays tied the score thanks to really shoddy play by the Devils. Jim O'Brien relieved Lou DePalma and shut down the mighty Devils the rest of the way with the Devils hitting into 3 doubleplays. Derek Foster had 3 hits and Steve Belenko, Roy & Jerry Barlow each had 2 hits.

Iron Pigs 16 Comets 2

The Iron Pigs had their hitting shoes on today scoring 16 runs with Jack McNulty, Jeff Blatt and Howard Wible posting 2 hits. Tom Boyle, Dave Courtright, Jim Stabene, Judy Agasar, Mike Segal and Jack Cohen all notched 2 hits. Every Iron Pig had at least one hit for a team total of 15 hits. Additionally everyone played good defense in holding the Comets to 2 runs.

The Iron pigs jumped out to a 2 run lead in the first and never looked back. The Comets committed another 10 errors leading to alot of unearned runs. Wayne Heaton pitched great, no walks today. Offensively Wayne had 2 hits and one of our 2 RBI's. Steve Scheele also had 2 hits and our other RBI. Chipping in with 1 hit were Craig Wright, Larry Restivo, Frank Glauser, Bob Ott and Jerry Barsky. Missing key players made this an easy win for the Iron Pogs. At least we kept Iron Pigs star player's streak in tact. He still has not hit the ball out of the infield. He just put a call in to Florida to Speak with Jim Mahoney for batting instructions.

Eagles 10 Panthers 9

The Eagles finally woke up and accumulated twenty hits to outlast the Panthers 10-8. The win was spearheaded by Fred Werner who made a nice running catch in left center. Fred also went three for three including one double along with Dave Borden who also went three for three including one double.

Ken Mealy, Tom Delaney, Carl Weigand, Tom Boyce and Garry Bennett each collected two hits a piece. Tom Delaney pitched and fielded very well as usual and the Eagles needed all of the above to win over a formidable Panthers team.

The Panthers dropped their second game in a row by a very narrow margin, losing to the Eagles by a score of 10-9. The Panthers took an early lead but gave up 5 runs in the top of the 3rd inning to go behind 8-3. They quickly also put up a 5 run inning to tie the game 8-8. The Eagles scored 2 runs in the top of the 6th and that was enough to win as the Panthers could only manage 1 run in the bottom of the inning. Panther defense was good with the exception of the third inning and they had 15 hits for the day. Joe Grines led the team going 3 for 3. Kevin Culp, Dave Ortlip, Jack Donohue and Augie Rosenblatt each went 2 for 3.

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May, 2023

Results of Tuesday 5/23 games

Iron Pigs 6 Wildcats 2

Good game by both teams. The Wildcats scored 1 in the top of the first and the Iron Pigs tied things up with 1 in the bottom of the second. The Iron Pigs took the lead for good with 3 in the third and then added 2 more in the fourth. The Wildcats plated 1 in the fifth and the game ended 6 to 2. Two hits each by Tom Boyle, Jeff Blatt, Jack McNulty, Rich Dempsey, Dave Detwiler, Jim Stabene and Mike Segal to pace the offense.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	4	1	
Panthers	3	2	
Eagles	3	2	
Iron Pigs	3	2	
Comets	2	3	
Blue Jays	2	3	
Classics	2	3	
Wildcats	1	4	

13 hits but only 2 runs by the wildcats led to a 6-2 loss to the Iron Pigs today. Three hits from Franklin Smith, 2 each from Ed Schmidt, Kenny Riess, and Frank Slack. Lots of runners but few scores and some drops led to defeat today. Excellent infield play by the left side just not enough Runs

Eagles 8 Blue Jays 6

The Eagles started slowly against the undermanned Blue Jays. Trailing 2-1 going into the third inning, the Eagles scored five runs. They managed to score two more runs in the fifth inning to take an 8-2 lead. The Blue Jays would not quit and scored four runs in the fifth. Neither team could score again and the Eagles hung on to an 8-6 victory.

The Eagles were led by Ken Mealy, Bob Dolan, Ron Cohen and Gary Bennett each had two hits. The defense was led by Tom Boyce who snagged four line drives and Tom Delaney who fielded a couple of hand grounders to the pitcher. The Blue Jays were undermanned playing with only ten players but you would not know it as they played well until the very last out.

The Banged up Blue Jays played a man short and still gave the Eagles a run for their money. The Jays lead 2 to 1 after 2 innings but the Eagles put up 5 runs in the top of the third and then added 2 more in the fifth to take a commanding 8 to 2 lead. The Jays responded with 4 runs in the bottom of the fifth to make it close at 8 to 6. Although the Jays had the potential winning run at the plate in the seventh they were unable to score. The big guns for the Jays offense were Larry Landis and Connie Kilgarriff with 3 hits. Del Kates had 2 hits. John Rozalis had 2 hits and a walk, Ron Mancini had two hits with a long double to left, Rich Dickson and Lou DePalma also chipped in with 2 hits. Lou DePalma pitched a great game and Connie Kilgarriff made the defensive play of the day snagging a sinking fly ball. Tom Boyce excelled on defense for the Eagles and Bob Esterly made a nice running catch to grab a fly ball with 2 outs and the bases loaded.

Panthers 10 Classics 2

The Panthers played good defense and offense to defeat the Classics in a 10-2 game. The Panthers scored 2 runs in the first inning and never lost the lead throughout the game. Defense was very tight allowing only two runs over 7 innings. Jack Donahue, Dave Ortlip and Joe Grines all produced sparkling and smart defensive plays while John Breig made the final out with a nice catch of a hot line drive down the middle. The bats were working for the Panthers today as they put up 16 hits. Joe Grines and Kevin Culp both went 3 for 4. Rich Pich, Jack Zupan and Augie Rosenblatt all went 2-3.

The Classics were outplayed by the Panthers with good fielding and hitting which lead them to a 10-2 win over the Classics.

The Classics had some bright spots. Gene Corrado had three hits, Jack Galloway had two hits which included a long drive for a double, Charlie Whittaker and Aaron Oseroff also had two hits.

Devils 8 Comets 4

Devils got back on the winning side beating The Comets 8-4. The Devils scored 5 runs in the bottom of 1st and never looked back.

Steve Weiss was the star of the game going 3 for 3 and playing stellar defense at 3rd base. Tom Cosgrove also went 3 for 3 and led a 17 hit attack. Bill Howland pitched and played superb defense for the win.

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May, 2023

Results of Thursday 5/25 games

Devils 12 Wildcats 7

The Devils outlasted the Wildcats 12-7 with the shorthanded Wildcats showing great resilience scoring in the last 4 innings, just not enough to overcome the Devils early lead. Bill Howland, Tom Congrove, Paul Martinelli, Steve Weiss, and Butch Bodenheimer each had 3 hits to lead a 23 hit attack.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	5	1	
Panthers	4	2	
Iron Pigs	4	2	
Eagles	3	3	
Comets	3	3	
Blue Jays	2	4	
Classics	2	4	
Wildcats	1	5	

Kenny Riess had a 4/4 day with a mighty triple and Tracy Zimmerman had a 2 hit

day in a 12-7 defeat at the hands of the Jersey Devils. Playing with only 10 players led to a good win for the Jersey Boys today. Many hits up the middle extended many innings into scoring bursts that easily won the day. Better defense by the Devils killed our many uprisings. 3 two run innings from the Wildcats were put down and sent the Wildcats to their 4th loss in a row

Iron Pigs 6 Classics 3

The Iron Pigs prevailed in another close one over the Classics 6 to 3. Jeff Blatt went 3 for 3 with a triple, double and single. Howard Wible also went 3 for 3. Rich Dempsey, Dave Courtright and Dave Frayne all had 2 hits.

The Classics had a very rocky first inning letting the Iron pigs score four runs in the first inning and then holding them to two runs the rest of the game. But the Classics went down to defeat by a score of 6-3. Leading hitters were Charlie Whittaker and Gene Corrado with three hits and Eric Gottlieb and Jack Galloway with two hits.

Comets 11 Eagles 9

Comets defeated Eagles 11 to 9. Eagles jumped out to a 2 run lead in the top of the second. Comets answered with 4 in the second and four in the third to take a commanding lead 8 to four after 4. Eagles answered with 3 in the 5th with the Comets also getting 3 in the fifth. Comets held on for a 11 to 9 victory. Defensively Frank Glauser at shortstop and Steve Scheele at 2nd base turned several defensive gems to halt several rallies by the Eagles. Offensively the Comets were led by Gary Jones 3 for 3 with 4 big rbi's. Chipping in with 2 hits were Larry Restivo, Frank Glauser, Gene Rubin, and Rich Waloff. Daryl Puzan, Craig Wright, Wayne Heaton, Bob Ott, and Steve Scheele each contributing 1 hit.

Thanks to Jim O'Brien and Ray Giberson for great umpiring.

PS. The cursing at our players by the Eagles pitcher was the inspiration that the Comets needed for victory.

The Eagles could not keep up with the Comets after they scored four runs in the second and third innings which gave them a commanding 8-3 lead. The Eagles never caught up to them losing the game 11-9. The Eagles were led by Bill Schwartz's four hits. Ron Cohen, Dave Borden and Carl Weigand each had three hits. Bob Dolan contributed two hits for our team.

Panthers 16 Blue Jays 12

The Panthers defeated a shorthanded Blue Jay team by a score of 16-12. The Panthers were down 12-10 going into the 7th inning when the Panther bats went through the line up and put up 6 runs to go ahead and win. Defense was sloppy on both side with the Panthers allowing 4 and 5 run innings back to back. Panther hitting was good going 17 for 39. Jack Donohue had an outstanding day going 3-4 with a double and a home run as two of his hits. Dave Ortlip also went 3 for 4. Rich Pich went 2 for 4 with a double while Keving Culp, Jack Zupan and Bim Bradford each had two hits.

In a back and forth game that featured less than stellar fielding the Panthers were able to put up 6 runs in the top of the seventh inning to steal a win. The Blue Jays offense put up ten runs, scoring in each of the first 4 innings, but only managed 2 hits in the last 3 innings. Tom Redding led the Jays with 4 hits. John Rozalis and Ron Mangini both had 3 hits while Del Kates, Jim O'Brien and Larry Hembrecht chipped in with 2 hits each. Thanks to Tom Cosgrove for filling in to replace our injured umpire.

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Manager Write-UPs for Thursday's Games 5/30/2023

Comets 13 Panthers 5

Score 13 to 5 as Comets win today. Comets fell behind 1 to 0 after one. Then exploded for 3 in the 2nd, 3 in the 3th, and 3 in the 5th to take a commanding 10 to 3 lead. They tacked on 3 in the 7th for a final of 13 to 5. Defense played very well today. Offensively Comets were led by new lead off hitter Craig Wright going 4 for 4. Hal Katz playing on one leg went 3 for 3 with 3 RBI's, Wayne Heaton also went 3 for

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	5	2	
Iron Pigs	5	2	
Panthers	4	3	
Comets	4	3	
Eagles	3	4	
Classics	3	4	
Blue Jays	2	5	
Wildcats	2	5	

3, Frank Glauser had 3 hits and 3 rbi's. Chipping in with 2 hits were Daryl Puzan, Larry Restivo, Gene Rubin, Steve Scheele, and Jerry Barsky who also scored 2 runs with his superior speed. Frank Deon, Rich Waloff, and Gary Jones each had 1 hit.

The Panthers were beaten by the Comets by a score of 13-5. While the game never felt out of reach the Comets just kept getting hit after hit to score in 3 run bunches. The Panthers played decent defense but could not get their bats to work for a consistent attack, getting only 14 hits over 7 inning and picking up 6 walks. Joe Grines led the hitting for the Panthers going 3 for 3. Dave Ortlip, Jack Zupan, and Bob Silvester each went 2 for 3. Rich Pich and Bim Bradford both had doubles.

Wildcats 13 Eagles 11

A wild game between the Eagles and the Wildcats ended up with a 13 to 11 win for the streaking Cats today. A 23 hit barrage won it with 4 hits for Ed Schmidt, 3 for Frank Slack and Ron Miller, 2 more from Bill Matlack, Vince Burkett, Tracy Zimmerman, Howard Barman, and Doug Rutter led to the victory. We even had some good defensive plays to kill the rallies

The Eagles and Wildcats sored early and often. After three innings the game was tied 8-8. The Eagles could only score three runs the rest of the way while the Wildcats scored five and went on to beat the Eagles 13-11.

The Eagles were led by Ron Cohen with four hits. Bob Dolan, Tom Delaney, Bill Schwartz, Dave Borden and Bob Esterly each had two hits a piece.

Tom Delaney pitched and fielded well. Tom Boyce, Bill Schwartz and Ron Cohen played well defensively. The Eagles shortstop fielding left a lot to be desired and surprisingly Tom Delaney withheld from cursing for the first time in years. (Editor's note: Tom is not cursing at other players. Tom has a tendency to move towards first base and when the ball is hit exactly where is no longer standing he goes turrets on himself. The staement that he withheld from cursing isn't exactly true)

Iron Pigs 12 Devils 7

The Iron Pigs got off to a good start with 3 runs in the first inning, 2 in the second inning and 5 in the third all while keeping the Dvil off the scorboard. The Devils broke through with 3 in the fourth inning aided by 2 sun ablls. The Iron Pigs added 2 in the fifth inning. Jeff Blatt, Jack McNulty, Rich Dempsey, Dave COurtright, Howarad Wible and Jim Stabene all had 2 hits while Dave Detwiler and Mike Segal led the attack with 3 hits

each.

The Devils were still on vacation and did not score until the 4th inning. Derek Foster led a failed comeback going 3 for 3. Roy Barlow, Bill Howland and Dave Bushar had 2 hits apiece.

Classics 17 Blue Jays 11

The Jays jumped out with 5 runs in the top of the first inning and looked unbeatable. Once they Jays went on defense that scenario rapidly changed. The blue birds stumbled and bumbled consistently on defense allowing the Classics to score at will. Lee Bullman led the Jays offense going 3 for 3 with 2 doubles. Two hit games by Monroe Weingarten, Tom Redding, Del Kates, John Rozalis, Ron Mangini (3 runs scored), Connie Kilgarriff, Bill Russell and Lou DePalma.

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June, 2023

Results of Thursday 6/1 games

Comets 12 Blue Jays 3

The Comets jumped out to an early lead 12 to 0 in the first 4 innings. Then the manager finally removed his starting pitcher and back up pitcher Lou shut the door down and the Comets were stymied at Lou's fast ball and change up. The Comets could not score a run against Lou's 99 mile fastball. The Blue Jay's just put the starter on wavier and no one has claimed him at this time. Offensive stars were Larry Restivo going 4 for 4 with 3 RBI's and Frank Deon going a perfect 3 for 3 with 2 RBI's. Chipping in with 2 hits were Darryl Puzan, Frank Glauser, Wayne Heaton, Steve Scheele and Bob Ott. Chipping in with 1 hit was Craig Wright, Gary Jones, Hal Katz, Gene Rubin, and Rich Waloff. Special note goes Steve Scheele and Frank Glauser for their superb defensive. Rumor has it that the Blue Jay's are also looking for a new manager.

The Comets and the Blue Jays teamed up to defeat the blue Jays by a score of 12 to

3. The Jays had no defense and little offense in defeat suffering from poor defense, little or no offense, poor base running and "brain farts". Monroe Weingarten had 3 base hits, Ron Mangini had a single and a double, Larry Landes posted 2 base hits and Lee Bullman had a double. Massive organizational changes for the Blue Jays are on the horizon. Steve Scheele made two nice catches to terminate the Jays meager attempts at rallying. Yo Steve, knock it off.

Wildcats 10 Panthers 8

Kenny Riess and Howard Barman both had a 3 hit day to lead the Wildcats to a 10 - 8 victory over the Panthers this morning. 2 hits from Ed Schmidt, Frank Slack, Ron Miller, Franklin Smith, and big Doug Rutter added to the attack against the Panthers for our 2nd Victory this week. Good defensive Play and smart baserunning kept the Panthers from victory this morning

The Panthers dropped another game, this time to the Wildcats by a score of 10-8. The Panthers simply could not get their hitting working after the 1st inning in which they scored 3 runs. The defense allowed 5 runs in the 3rd and 4 runs in the 4th inning putting us behind to the end of the game. Jack Donohue made one of his patented sterling catches in the outfield in a defensive highlight for the Panthers. Kevin Culp and Lee Jaslow led the hitting each going 2 for 3. Jack Donohue went 2 for 4 with a double.

Eagles 15 Iron Pigs 6

The Eagles started out well by scoring five runs in the first inning but then gave up four runs to the Iron Pigs that same inning. The Eagles settled in allowing only two more runs while scoring ten runs for a 15-6 win over the Iron Pigs.

Tom Delaney not only pitched well but he had three hits (two doubles and 8 RBI's). He also didn't curse until after the game. Fred Weiner had a triple and made a nice catch in left field. He scored three times. Ron Cohen played well at third base and had two hits. Dave Borden filled in very well at first base and contributed two hits. Scott Comer made a nice catch in the outfield and had two hits (one double). Carl Weigand had two hits and Bob Esterly contributed three hits toward the team's win.

The Iron Pigs took it on the chin today losing to the Eagles by a score of 15 to 6. The Eagles scored 5 in the top of the first and the Iron Pigs answered with 4 in their half of the inning. That was as close as the score would get. The Iron Pigs only managed to score 2 more in the fifth. Not much hitting for the Iron Pigs. Tom Boyle went 3 for 3, Howard Wible, Jeff Blatt and Dave Detwiler all had 2 hits while one of Jeff's hits was a double.

Devils 6 Classics 4

The Devils got back on the winning track by beating the Classics 6-4 but it wasn't easy because of great pitching by Devils Bill Howland and the Classics Ed Betancoft. Derek Foster and Steve Belenko led the Devils with 2 hits each and Ken Radon playing a great first base.

The Devils only scored three runs in the second & third and held on to beat the Classics 6-4. Outstanding hitters for the Classics were Charles Whittaker (three hits) and Geno Corrado with two hits with a monster three base hit. Also contributing with two hits were Craig Niederpruerm and Howard Borachaner.

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Tuesday's Results

Eagles 13 Devils 5

The Devils started out well leading the Eagles by a score of 5-2 after two innings. However, the Eagles defense stiffened up and managed to hold the Devils scoreless for the rest of the game. Meanwhile, The Eagles scored eleven runs over the course of the final five innings to win 13-5.

Ron Cohen had three hits and four RBI's while playing a stellar third base. We gladly welcomed Ken Mealy who had two hits and three runs scored. He also snagged a nice line drive. Welcome Back Ken! Tom Boyle captured a nice line drive and had two hits (1 double) while driving in two runs. Bill Schwartz played excellent at first base and had two hits and two RBI's. It was good to hear that his wife has started her recovery and we all wish them our best wishes. Tom Delaney had two hits and three RBI's and pitched his usual great game. The only cursing we heard was to himself. Scott Comer had three hits, Carl Weigand two hits, Fred Weiner had one hit (two runs scored). Bob Esterly had four hits. Joe Travato, Gary Bennett and Dave Cutler each had one hit. We are hoping Dave Borden has a quick and complete recovery from his injury.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	6	3	
Iron Pigs	5	4	
Comets	5	4	
Panthers	5	4	
Eagles	5	4	
Classics	4	5	
Wildcats	3	6	
Blue Jays	3	6	

The Devils took an early lead 5-2 going into the 3rd inning and then the Eagles took over blanking the Devils the rest of the game. The Devils were lead by Derek Foster, Steve Belenko & Tom Cosgrove who had 2 hits apiece,

Classics 8 Comets 7

The Classics edged out the Comets with a 8 to 7 win. The game came down to the bottom of the seven with the Comets leading 7 to 6. Eric Gottlieb led off the bottom of seven with a double and Araron Oseroff and Jeff Blank singled and John Salmon singled to score the 2 winning runs. Hitting highlights: Charlie Whittaker, Eric Gottlieb, Araron Oseroff, Araron Sacharov, John Salmon, Michael Colucci and Ed Betancourt all had 2 hits

Blue Jays 9 Wildcats 7

The Wildcats scored 4 runs with 2 outs in the top of the fourth to take a

commanding 7 to 3 lead. The Blue Jays nibbled it down by scoring a run in the fourth and another in the fifth. In the sixth inning the Jay Birds put up 4 runs to take home a 9 to 7 victory behind strong pitching by Lou DePalma. Ron Mangini (triple) and Jim O'Brien were both 3 for 3. John Rozalis (double), Bob Gaines (2 triples) and Bill Russell (double) powered the offense with 2 hits each. The blue birds defense showed significant improvement over their previous games. It's too early to determine if the organizational changes had any impact but signs are looking good.

The P&B Wildcats scored 7 runs in 2 innings and were shutout the rest of the game by Jimmy's Blue Jays as they beat the Wildcats by a 9-7 score. A perfect day at bat from Vince Burkett going 4/4. Ron Miller had 2 hits and catcher Doug Rutter also had 2 hits. Loose play and mistakes caught up to the Wildcats in the 6th and cost them the game.

Panthers 8 Iron Pigs 7 (8 Innings)

The Panthers squeaked out a win over the Iron Pigs by a score of 8-7 after 8 innings of play. The game was tied 6-6 after 4 innings and the Pigs took a 1 run lead in the 6th. The Panthers tied the game in the 7th inning on a 2 out single by Dave Ortlip who went 4 for 4 in the game. The winning run was scored in the 8th inning on a double hit by John Breig. The Panthers defense was good throughout the game, with the infield playing particularly well. John Breig did a nice job of filling in at 3rd base and Dave Ortlip ended the game with an outstanding double play, tagging 2nd and throwing to first on a squibber off the glove of Kevin Culp. Dave also led the Panther hitting going 4-4, while John Breig went 3-4 with a double. Joe Grines and Kevin Culp each posted 2 hits.

The Iron Pigs lost in extra innings to the Panthers by a score of 8 to 7. This is their second loss to the Panthers by 1 run. Unfortunate controversial calls at first base in the top of the seventh inning extended the inning and allowed the Panthers to tie the game at 7 to 7. A crazy play ended the game

when with the bases loaded, Jeff Blatt hit a hard grounder up the middle that looked like a sure base hit. The ball deflected off of the the pitchers glove directly to shortstop Dave Ortlip who turned a double play to end the game. Jack McNulty had three hits for the Iron pig including a grand slam. Tom Boyle and Dave Deetwiler also had 3 hits. Dave Courtright and Dave Frayne contributed 2 hits each.

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Results from Tuesday - Card From the Tvarok Family

To all John's friends in the Senior Softball League

There are no words to express our deepest, heartfelt thanks for all your thoughts and prayers, your kind words even all through John's sickness to now. The ceremony and prayer before the game for John was so beautiful and such a tribute and testament to how much he was loved and will be missed. Thank You!. I wish I would have known, I would have been there. I wish I could thank all of you individually for all your concern and friendship. John is lucky to have so many good, loyal friends. I miss him and I know you do too. We appreciate everything!! My kids and I were amazed and grateful that you could be there with us through the service. John would have loved it!

Thank you all!

God Bless!

Love, Kathy and family

P.S. I copied the prayer. We are going to frame it and hang it in his office. It's beautiful!

Thank You

A friendly smile
a casual touch,
these are the things
that mean so much,
to know you are with us
in our time of sorrow,
sharing our prayer,
today and tomorrow,
God gives us comfort
in the form of good friends,
may His peace be with you,
His love never ends.

The family of
John P. Tvarok, Sr.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Devils	7	3	
Iron Pigs	6	4	
Eagles	6	4	
Comets	5	5	
Panthers	5	5	
Classics	5	5	
Wildcats	3	7	
Blue Jays	3	7	

Devils 15 Blue Jays 6

The Devils were able to exact revenge the Blue Jays by besting them 15-6. The Devils were led by Roy Barlow and Ken Radon who both went 3 for 3 and led a team 23 hit attack. Big highlight of the game was Al Avello who got his 1st base hit of the season while collecting an RBI.

The Devils jumped out in front early scoring 5 runs in both the first and second innings. The Jays defense arrived late and settled the Devils down but too late to make it a game. Offensively the Jays were led by John Rozalis and Bill Russell who both went 3 for 3 with 2 RBI's. Del Kates and Jim O'Brien chipped in with 2 hits each. Lou DePalma pitched well, and with 2 K's, his season strikeout total is now at 12. There will have to be another new look for the Blue Jays defense as they have tried everything except wearing athletic supporters on the outside of their pants.

Eagles 11 Panthers 6

The Eagles continued their long term jinx of the Panthers winning by a score of 11-6. The Eagles put up 10 runs in the first 3 innings and the Panthers could never quite catch up. Panther defense was good but the Eagles seemed to come up with one hit after another. On offense the Panthers put up 12 hits with outstanding hitting by Jack Donohue and Rich Pich. Jack went 3 - 3 with a single, a double and a triple in the game. Rich celebrated his return from Ireland by going 2 - 3 with 2 doubles. Joe Grines and Bob Silvester each went 2 - 3 to round out the hitting highlights for the game.

Classics 9 Wildcats 5

The Classics came back with the game tied 5 to 5 to score four runs in the bottom of the sixth to go ahead with a score of 9 to 5 which was the final score. The Classics had good defense through the whole game to keep the game in reach. Good hitting by Franco Folda and Howard Borocharner with three hits each. Good pitching by Ed Betancourt with two hits and a big hit in the bottom of the sixth to score a few runs.

The Puss & Boots Wildcats had a 15 hit attack against the Classics today that they lost in a 9 - 5 game. A 3 hit day from Kenny Riess, with 2 hits each by Ed Schmidt, Frank Slack, Dave Claghorn, and Bill Matlack. One sloppy inning proved to be the culprit for the Classics victory.

Iron Pigs 7 Comets 6

The Iron Pigs outlasted the Comets by a score of 7 to 6. The Iron Pigs went into the bottom of the seventh holding a 7 to 1 lead and gave up 5 runs. With the bases loaded and 2 outs a force out at third base ended the game and sealed the win for the Iron Pigs. Jack McNulty had 2 doubles and a walk. Dave Detwiler had 3 hits. Howarad Wible, Jeff Blatt and Mike Segal all had 2 hits each. Also I better mention that we had a very good umpire.

The iron pigs took a 7 to 1 lead in to the bottom of the 7th. The Comets scored 5 runs and

ended the inning with the bases loaded with 2 outs when coach Jerry Barsky choked and hit a weak grounder to third to end the game. Offensively the Comets only had 10 hits and half of the hits came in the bottom of the last inning. Gary Jones and Hal Katz each had 2 hits and 1 RBI. Daryl Puzan, Frank Glauser, Larry Restivo, Gino Corrado, Steve Scheele and Jerry Barsky each had 1 hit.

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Results from Thursday 6/15

Eagles 6 Blue Jays 5

The Eagles and the Blue Jays played a very tight game with the Eagles coming out on top 6-5. Both teams played very good defense and the Eagles only managed eight hits.

Ron Cohen led the way with two hits and two RBI's. Tom Delaney again pitched very well and the Eagles defense held up against a solid Blue Jays team holding them scoreless in the last two innings

The Eagles defeated the Blue Jays in a game that could only be described as a walk in the park. Too many free passes doomed the Blue Jay defense. The Jays defense played very well with outstanding contributions by repositioned players Lee Bullman and John Rozalis. The Jays offense was led by Ron Mangini, Lee Bullman and Tom Redding with 2 hits each. Since the defense played well, Jays management has decided that athletic supporters will remain where they are.

Panthers 14 Classics 13 (8 Innings)

The Panthers eked out a win over the Classics in the 9th inning of a nailbiter. The score sawsawed through 5 innings when the Panthers put up 5 runs in the 6th to take a 3 run lead. The Panthers gave up 3 runs in the 7th inning resulting in a tie game after seven. Each team scored 1 run in the 8th inning to keep the score tied at 13 all. The Panthers finally put up the winning run in the bottom of the 9th inning to win the game. Great fun. Rich Pich led the Panther hitting going 5 – 5 and knocking in the winning run. Joe Grines and Kevin Culp each had 3 hits while Jack Donohue, Bob Silvester and Bob Doernberg had 2 hits each. Dave Ortlip went 1 – 3 with a double to round out the Panthers hitting highlights.

Classics kept the game close and tied the game in the bottom of the seventh to go into extra innings but it was not their day. Classics lose in the bottom of the ninth. Final score was 14th to 13th.

The Highlight of the game was a home run by Franco Folda.

Wildcats 8 Iron Pig 3

A good defensive effort by the shorthanded Wildcats with 17 hits kept the mighty 3 of the Iron Pigs off balance today and led to an 8-3 victory for the Wildcats. Playing one man short because of vacations, the Wildcats played their best game of the early season today. Catching all or most of the outs led to a victory sorely needed. Having lost 5 in a row, the Cats hit in streaks and finally had a 5 run inning. A timely hit by Bill Matlock with the bases loaded led the victory. 2 hits from Frank Glauser, picked up as the 10th man according to our shorthanded rules had a monster game to send the Cats to victory. 4 hits from left fielder Frank Slack 3 from Kenny Riess and Franklin Smith, 2 from Doug Rutter, gave the Wildcats the victory.

The Iron Pigs took the day off only scoring 3 runs and losing to the Wildcats by a score of 8 to 3. Jeff Blatt led the Iron Pigs offense with a triple and a single, John Walsh and Dave Detwiler both had 2 singles. Jack McNulty had a booming double. John Walsh filled in at first base and Mike Segal filled in at midfield.

Comets 8 Devils 7

Comets defeated Devils 8 to 7 in a thrilling come from behind victory today. The Devils took a commanding 5 to 1 lead going into the bottom of the fifth when the Comets had a big inning and took a 6 to 5 lead. That only lasted til the 6th when the Devils tied the game and took a 1 run lead in the top of the seventh. The Comets tied the score in the last inning when Frank Glauser led off with a single and scored on a long blast to right center field for an RBI double from Hal Katz who then scored the winning run on a 2 out line drive by winning pitcher Wayne Heaton. Offensively for the Comets Hal Katz went 3 for 3 with 2 RBIs, and chipping in with 3 hits were Daryl Puzan, Frank Glauser, and Wayne hit lips Heaton. With 2 hits were Larry Restivo, Gary Jones. Gene Rubin Rich Waloff, Steve Scheele, and Bob Ott each had 1 hit.

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Results of Tuesday 6/20 Games

Iron Pigs 9 Classics 6

Another good close game with the Iron Pigs scoring 5 runs in the top of the 7th to go ahead 9 to 6. The Iron Pigs then held the Classics scoreless in the bottom of the seventh to seal the win. Hitting stars for the IP's were Rich Dempsey with 3 hits including a booming triple in the 7th inning while playing in his first game back after vacation. Tom Boyle and Jeff Blatt also had 3 hits, while Dave Courtright and Mike Segal has two hits each.

The Iron Pigs jumped out to a 4-0 lead but the Classics came back to score 3 runs in the bottom

of the third. Classics added on 3 runs in the bottom of the fifth to take a 6-4 lead. In the top of the 7th the Iron Pigs scored 5 runs to hold off the Classics with a 9-6 win.

Outstanding hitting from Charlie Whittaker and John Salmon with 3 hits each. Franco Folda, Howard Borocharner, Araron Sacharov, and Jeff Blank contributed with 2 hits. The Defensive play of the game in the 6th came with a screaming line drive down the left field line which was caught by Eric Gottlieb to save a few runs.

Devils 7 Wildcats 4

The Devils beat Wildcats 7-4. The Wildcats proved to be a worthy opponent for the Devils as the score was 2-1 favoring the Devils in the bottom of the 5th. The Wildcats took the lead in the bottom of 6th by putting up 3 runs. The Devils scored 5 runs in the top of 7th and shut down the Wildcats in the bottom of the 7th to seal the victory. The Devils had 8 players with 2 hits apiece to lead a 19 hit attack

An 18 hit attack by the Wildcats with 3 hits from Frank Slack and Howard Barman. Two hits each from Franklin Smith and Tracy Zimmerman. The wildcats were not able to score enough to defeat the Jersey Devils today. The Devils scored 5 runs to catch and beat the Wildcats by a 7-4 score. The Devils showed good defense to hold the wildcats from scoring in 5 out of 7 innings to win the game today.

Panthers 9 Blue Jays 1

The Panthers defeated the Blue Jays by a score of 9 – 1. The Panthers played a fine defensive game giving only 1 run in the 2nd inning. Dave Ortlip and Joe Grines both played tight defense on the left side of the infield. Jack Donohue and Bim Bradford had nice catches in left and right centerfield. Rich Pich and Bim Bradford lead the Panthers hitting both going 2 – 2 with a double. Joe Grines, Dave Ortlip, Jack Donohue and Bob Doernberg each had 2 hits.

The Blue Jays only managed 1 run on 8 hits and that is never enough to come away with a win. Bob Gaines was 3 for 3 and Jim O'Brien had 2 hits. Lee Bullman accounted for the Jays only run after scoring on a fielder's choice grounder by Bill Russell. The Jays hit the ball well but most of the well struck balls went directly to Panther fielders.

Eagles 8 Comets 4

The Eagles played the Comets and started out scoring four runs in the second inning and building a 6-0 lead after four innings. The Comets closed the gap by scoring four runs in the last three innings but it was not enough as the Eagles held on and won by an 8-4 final score.

The Eagles were led by Dave Cutler who went two for two with two RBI's. Garry Bennett also was two for two, and Ron Cohen had two hits and one RBI. Gary Bennett threw a runner out at

first base thanks to a great catch by Bill Schwartz. Ron Cohen made numerous good plays at third base and Bill Schwartz made a few other nice stops at first base. Ken Mealy and Tom Boyce played solid defense throughout the game. Tom Delaney did his usual great pitching and fielding as the Eagles played good defense.

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June, 2023

Results of Thursday 6/29 games

Panthers 7 Iron Pigs 5

The Panthers defeated the Iron Pigs by a score of 7-5 in a close game. The Panthers displayed good defense allowing only 2 runs in 6 innings after the Iron Pigs scored 3 runs in the 1st. There were nice plays all around with Jack Donohue shagging a couple of sky high flies in left center. Dave Ortlip and Joe Grines had their usual sterling field work and John Breig caught a hot liner at 2nd base to end the game. The Panthers put up 14 hits in the game. Dave Ortlip went 3-4 and Rich Pich went 2-3 with another double. That made the 8th double Rich has hit so far this season. Joe Grines, Kevin Culp and Bob Silvester each contributed 2 hits as well.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	9	4	
Devils	8	5	
Panthers	8	5	
Iron Pigs	7	6	
Comets	7	6	
Classics	5	8	
Wildcats	5	8	
Blue Jays	3	10	

Another good close game as the Panthers topped the Iron Pigs by a score of 7 to 5 with good defense on display by both teams. Tom Boyle and Rich Dempsey led the iron Pigs hitters both going 3 for 3. Jeff Blatt and Mike Segal both had 2 hits each while Jack McNulty had a double and 2 long flies caught at the center field fence. Mike Segal made a great over the shoulder catch at second base.

Comets 7 Classics 5

The Classics took a 2 to 0 lead going into the 4th inning when the Comets put up 5 runs on 7 consecutive hits to take the lead. In the top of the 5th the Classics put up 2 runs to close the gap, and the Comets answered with 2 more runs for a 7 to 4 advantage. The Classics added one more run in the 6th to end the scoring a Comets 7 to 4. The Comets number one pitcher had the day off after ingesting a red hot home fry burning his esophagus, resulting in weight loss and weakness. Coach Jerry Barsky filled in, walking 5 and struggled thru 7 innings. He was willing to pay Wayne to close out the game but \$2,500 was not enough. Thank goodness for the defense, the Comets only committed 1 error today. This was our best defensive game of the year. The infield play was spectacular by all 5 infielders. Hitting stars today were Daryl Puzan

with 2 hits and 2 rbi's, Gary Jones 2 hits and 1 rbi, Gene Rubin 2 hits and 2 rbi's, Steve Scheele and Frank Glauser each with 2 hits. Chipping in with 1 hit were Larry Restivo, Hal Katz, Gino Corrado, newcomer Mike Cici, Bob Ott, and Rich Waloff. There were 12 batters for the Comets and 11 of them had hits. Trivia: who went hitless? Foot note: Bob Ott's wife came to see him play, she watched 4 innings on the wrong field. Did she forget what he looks like or was she looking for a new man?

The game was close through the whole game with the Classics scoring first in the second inning with 2 runs the Comets came back and scored 5 runs in the fourth to take the lead 5-2. The Comets added on 2 more runs in 5th inning with the score 7-4 and Classics added on 1 run in the 7th for a 7-5 loss. The hitting was scattered through the whole game with Charlie Whittaker and Ed Betancourt with 2 hits each and with a big 3 base hit from Jack Galloway.

Eagles 5 Devils 4

The Eagles and the Devils played their usual close and well-played game with the Eagles coming from behind to win 5-4. Carl Weigand drove in the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning with a clutch single for the win.

The Eagles defense led the way by turning six double plays. The offense was lead by Carl Weigand with two hits and two RBI's, Ken Mealy with two hits (on his birthday), Ron Cohen with two hits and one RBI, Tom Boyce with two hits and Bob Esterly with three hits.

Tom Delaney pitched his usual great game.

The game was very close from beginning to the end with the Eagles scoring two in the first inning and the Devils taking the lead by scoring four in the fourth inning. The Eagles then scored one run in the fourth, sixth and the game winner from Carl in the seventh inning to eek out the victory.

Wildcats 15 Blue Jays 14

A wild one started the day on Field 4 this morning . The Bluejays had an 8 run lead over the Wildcats in the 5th inning today only to pick up an 15-14 loss in 8 innings to the Wildcats who stormed back to win by 15-14 score when the dust cleared 3 hits from Ed Schmidt, Kenny Riess, Franklin Smith, and Vince Burkett brought the Cats back close and a big hit in the 8th by Ron Miller won the game for the Wildcats of Puss & Boots.

The Blue Jays built an 11 to 3 lead going into the the bottom of the 5th and then had a defensive nightmare inning giving up 8 runs and allowing the Wildcats to tie the score at 11 all. After a scoreless 6th inning the Jays took a one run lead going into the seventh. In the bottom of the seventh 2 questionable calls allowed the Widcats to tie the game. The Jays put up 2 runs in the top of the eighth but the cats scored 3 runs with 2 outs in the bottom of the eight to win the day.

Tom Redding was the defensive star for the Jays. Bob Gaines, Del kates and Connie Kilgariff had 3 hits. John Rozolis, Ron Mangini, Lee Bullman, Tom Redding, Bill Russell, Larry Landes and Lou DePalma had 2 hits each.

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Results of Tuesday 7/18 game

Iron Pigs 10 Blue Jays 8 (6 innings)

The Iron Pigs pulled out a 10 to 8 come from behind victory in a rain shortened 6 inning game. The Iron Pigs scored 1 in the first inning while the Blue Jays scored 2 in the second, 1 in the third and 5 in the fourth to take a commanding 8 to 1 lead. The Iron Pigs responded, scoring 4 in the bottom of the fourth and 5 in the fifth. Jack McNulty had 2 singles, a double and a walk. Judy Agasar had 2 walks and a single and Dave Detwiler had 2 hits.

The Blue Jays pulled off a come from ahead defeat as they once again built a substantial 8 to 1 lead and then allowed their opponent back into the game with some poor defensive decisions. Once the Iron Pigs got ahead the Jays were unable to respond and then the rain came, ending the game too early for the Jays but just in time for the Iron Pigs. Every Blue Jay had at least one hit but Ron Mangini and Larry Landes led the way with 3 hits each. Bob Gaines (double), Jim O'Brien and Rich Dickson had 2 hits each. The bottom of the Jays batting order led the offensive and did everything they needed to do to earn a win.

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Results of Thursday 7/20 games

Devils 18 - Blue Jays 4

The Devils started the 1st inning scoring 5 runs and never looked back. Derek Foster, Steve Belenko, Gene Reeber and Jerry Barlow each had 3 hits leading a team 23 hit attack against JOB who's pitching acumen left the Blue Jays a little up in the air.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	11	4	
Devils	9	5	
Panthers	8	6	
Comets	8	6	
Iron Pigs	8	7	
Classics	6	9	
Wildcats	5	9	
Blue Jays	3	12	

The Blue Jays did not play well Thursday falling to the Devils for their 6th consecutive loss. Too many walks and defensive miscues resulted in an 18 to 4 lose as the Devils won the game and went home with the soul of the Blue Jays team. Tom Redding was the lone defensive exception playing an outstanding left field. Offensively Monroe Weingarten went 3 for 3, while Del Kates was 1 for 1 with 2 walks. Larry Landes, Connie Kilgarriff, Ron Mangini (double) all chipped in with 2 hits. John Rozolis had an RBI double.

Eagles 7 Panthers 4

The Eagles and Panthers played a very intense and exciting game that took nine innings. The Eagles pulled out the win by scoring three runs in the ninth inning to win 7-4.

Bob Dolan was a one man show scoring two runs and driving in four runs on three hits which included two doubles and one triple. Tom Delaney pitched another good game and had two hits with one RBI. Ron Cohen had one hit and one RBI. Fred Winer had one hit and one RBI. Ken Mealey made several nice plays at short and had two hits and two runs scored. Bill Schwartz had two hits (one double) and played very well at first base. Bob Esterly had three hits and two runs scored. Scott Comer had a nice catch in the outfield and had one hit along with Dave Cutler who also had one hit.

Both teams played very good defense. Kevin Kulp and Tom Delaney were in a real

pitchers duel to complete a very well-played game by both teams.

The Panthers dropped a tough game to the Eagles by a score of 7-4. The game was tied 4-4 and went into extra innings. The Eagles scored 3 runs in the top of the 9th inning which the Panthers could not match, losing in the bottom of the 9th. The Panthers played good defense throughout the game but could not put together an effective offense. The Panthers bats were very rusty following the break managing only 8 hits over 9 innings. There were many 0-fers in the line-up with Jack Donohue the only batter to manage 2 hits.

Classics 13 Wildcats 12

This was a team win with good pitching, fielding and hitting. The Wildcats kept the game close with a score of 9-7 (Classics winning) in the 6th but the Wildcats scored 8 runs in the last two innings. The Classics held on for a 13-12 win.

The Classics team had a total of 23 hits combined. Howard Borachaner with four hits. Eric Gottlieb, Charlie Whittaker, Jim Hart, Ed Betancourt, John Salmon had two hits each. Craig Neiderpruem and Tony Baccari had three hits each. Outstanding shoestring catch with two outs in the 7th with a player on second which could have tried the game.

The Wildcats came up with a 25 hit attack but sloppy fielding with many miscues cost them a 13-12 loss to the Classics today. Four hit games from Ed Schmidt, Kenny Riess, Dale Cassidy and Tracy Zimmerman were not enough to win a game we lost by a 13-12 score. 3 hits from catcher Doug Rutter, 2 hits from Franklin Smith, Vince Burkett and Bob Johnson were not enough power to overcome a sloppy infield defense. Loose play with only 10 players gave the Comets the way to a needed victory today .

Comets 9 Iron Pigs 4

A poor offensive performance by the Iron Pigs as they lost to the Comets 9 to 4. The Iron Pigs could only muster 4 runs all in the fourth inning. Jeff Blatt, Dave Detwiler, Dave Courtright, Howard Wible and Mike Segal all had 2 hits.

Score from Thursday July 20th, Comets 9 Iron Pigs 4. Comets scored 1 in the top of 1st and then scored 4 in the top of the 4th. The Iron Pigs scored 4 to narrow the

lead to 5 to 4. The Comets continued to score in the 5th, 6th, and 7th for a final score of 9 to 4. Offensive leaders were Wayne Heaton, Larry Restivo, Hal Katz, and Geno Carrado all getting 3 hits. (Yo) Steve Scheele, and Steve Bradley each chipped in with 2 hits and Gene Rubin and Frank Glauser with 1 hit. Frank also had 2 walks and scored 2 runs as a lead off hitter for the first time this season. Larry Restivo also had a game high 4 RBI's.

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Results of Tuesday 7/25 games

Panthers 5 Classics 3

The Classics game was back and forth with two ties in the third (2-2) and in the fifth (3-3) but the Panthers scored two runs in the sixth to hold onto a 5-3 win. The Classics had good fielding and pitching but left too many players on the bases. Outstanding hitting from Craig Niederpruem with three hits.

Eagles 12 Blue Jays 10

The Eagles and the Blue Jays played a game where both teams were undermanned. The Eagles started slowly and with both teams not scoring in the sixth and seventh inning, it lead to an Eagles hard-earned 12-10 win.

The Eagles got off to a difficult start with the manager (unnamed of course) making both physical and mental errors giving the Blue Jays a 5-2 lead after the first inning. The Eagles then scored ten runs while holding the Blue Jays to five runs over the next four innings.

The Eagles were led offensively by Bill Schwartz, Scott Comer who each had four hits. Gary Bennet, Ron Cohen, Tom Delaney, Tom Boyer and Bob Esterly each had three hits. Defensively Scott Comer made a great diving catch in right field. Dave Cutler played very well at second base. Dave also observing a Blue Jay player running to third base while not touching second base. The umpire agreed and called him out which was a key out in the seventh inning. Many thanks to Doug Rutter for subbing out at catcher while collecting two hits. Dave Cutler also had two hits along

with Bob Dolan as the Eagles eked out a win in a tough game against the Blue Jays.

The Blue Jays lost their 7th straight today falling to the front running Eagles by a score of 12 to 10. The Jays struck early scoring 5 runs in the first inning but true to form were unable to maintain a lead. Lou DePalma pitched well but the defense was shaky at times and outstanding at other times. Baserunning was less than stellar. John Rozolis had 3 hits (triple, double) with a walk. Monroe Weingarten was 3 for four. Bob Gaines was 2 for 3 with a double. John Rozolis, Connie Kilgarriff, Bob Gaines and Lee Bullman made key defensive plays to keep the game within reach.

Wildcats 10 Iron Pigs 9

Another great game from Ken Riess with 4 hits and several running catches from left fielder Frank Slack led the Wildcats to a 10 - 9 victory over the Iron Pigs this morning. Some loose play in the infield was overcome by good team hitting which led to the victory, 3 hits from Ed Schmidt, Vince Burkett, Franklin Smith and 2 hits from Howard Barman and Doug Rutter sealed the win.

The Iron Pigs lost their fifth one run game of the season falling to the Wildcats by a score of 10 to 9. The Iron Pigs played shorthanded with 10 players. Thanks to Frank Glauser for subbing. The Iron Pigs were down 10 to 4 going into the bottom of the seventh where they proceeded to score 5 runs but still came up one run short. Mike Segal pitched 5 innings. Jim Stabene had a 4 for 4 day, Jeff Blatt and Tom Boyle had 3 hits each. Numerous players had 2 hits each.

Comets 10 Devils 9

Comets vs Devils was an up and down game with the final Comets 10 and Devils 9. The Comets scored 5 in the first inning without any outs. The score remained 5 to 2 going into the bottom of the 5th when the Devils scored 4 to take a 6 to 5 lead. The Comets answered with 5 more on the 6th to take a 10 to 7 lead going onto the bottom of the 7th. The Devils pushed 2 runs across and with runners on 1st and 2nd with 2 outs the next batter grounded to 2nd for a force out and the final score of 10 to 9 Comets win. Offensive stars were Geno going 4 for 4. And Hal Katz 3 for 3, Gary Jones 2 for 2 with a base on balls, Frank Glauser, Larry Restivo, Gene Rubin, Wayne Heaton, Steve Scheele each getting 2 hits. Larry Restivo, Hal Katz and Gary Jones

each with 2 RBI's. Wayne Heaton was the winning pitcher and ended two rallies with a hit to drive on the 5th run in 2 different innings.

All Star Game

Jerry Barsky's team defeated Billy Schwartz's team in the game but there were only winners as we held our second annual all star game.



After some brief opening words from the Commissioner, special guest Kathy Tvarok, accompanied by members of her family, took the mound and threw out the first pitch. A perfect strike.

Andy called it ball 1.



Ron Miller's version of the National Anthem was so bad that no one even stood up.



Jack McNulty would have finished first in the home run derby so we didn't bother holding one.



As demonstrated by Frank Glauser and Hal Katz, there are Comets that orbit the basepath, while at other times they succumb to earth's gravity.



If you don't catch a ball in the outfield. No one can see you.



Wayne Heaton delivers a pitch and then signals his approval of the defensive play.

Steady Eddie Betancourt delivers a pitch. It's a little outside but Eddie knows that if you lean to the left the ball will move to the right.



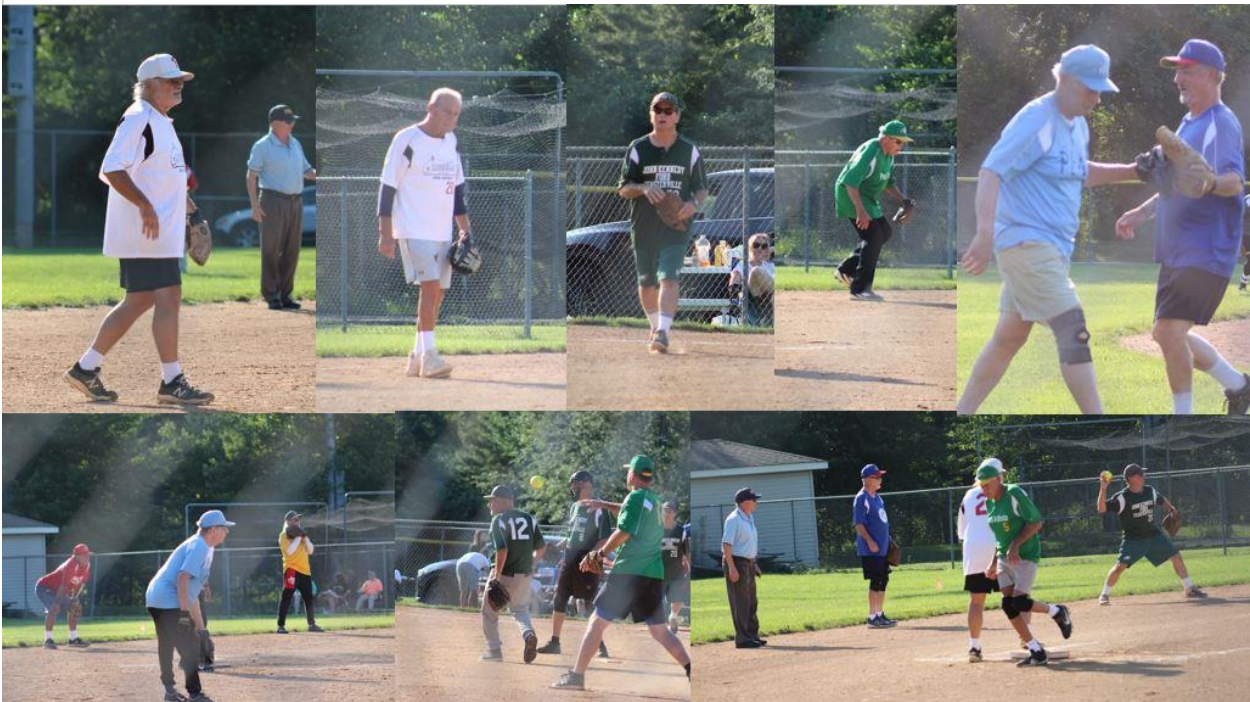
Ron Cohen comes in from third base for an on the mound consultation session.



Kevin Culp is either following up after a pitch or saluting the members of his fan club.



Wayne Heaton is awestruck at the pure perfection of a Tom Delaney fastball while Jim O'Brien just looks at the ball trying to figure out how to do that.





No one can ever recall seeing Dave Ortlip looking so happy. Joe Grines is ready to make the play. Del Kates with the throw to first. Ron Mangini after being forced out. Jack Donohue and Aaron Sacharov



Long Ball Bob Gaines

Field Marshall Craig Wright is so valuable that we keep him in a cage so no one steals him.

Tom Cosgrove heads to third base.



Bob Gaines and Ed Schmidt between innings but the real question in this picture is who dressed Carl.



Eric Gottlieb looking runnerish.

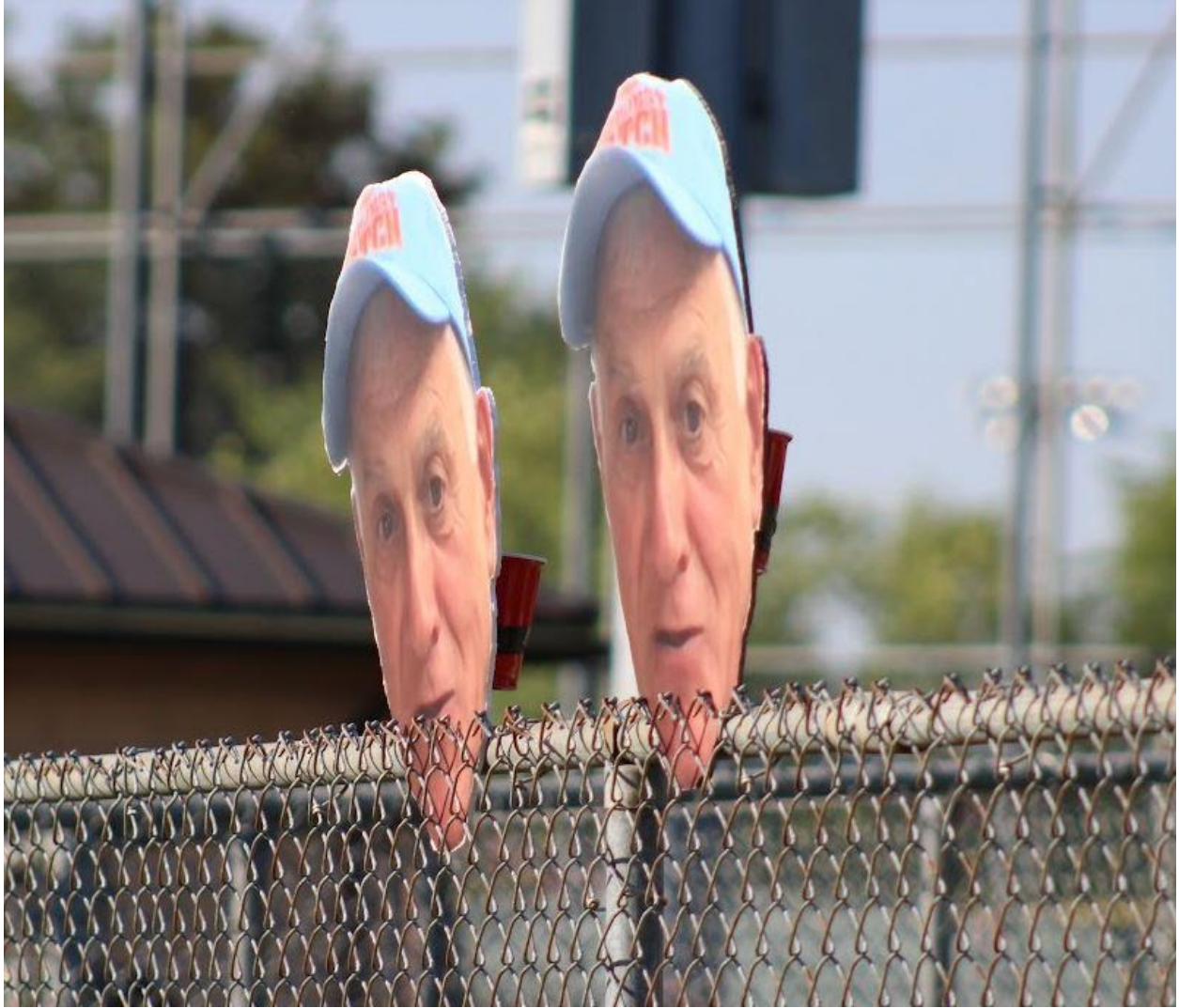


Ron Cohen heading toward third base.



Jeff Blatt. Should I stay or should I go.





Kenny Riess didn't get a big head because he made the all star team. He got two!



Tuesdays Results

Blue Jays 12 Classics 7

The Bad News Blue Jays delivered some bad news in classic form defeating the Classics 12 to 7 in a game where both teams struggled to throw strikes. The Jays jumped out early with 5 runs in the first inning but then went on cruise control until the Classics tied the game with 5 runs in the bottom of the fourth. The Jays responded immediately with 5 runs in the top of the fifth. Both teams added 2 runs in the seventh for a 12 to 7 final. The Classics had scoring opportunities in every inning as the Jays spent the entire game dodging bullets. John Rozolis had a great defensive game filling in at short for the injured Del Kates and Jim O'Brien saved some runs by pouncing on a 2 out dribbler with the bases loaded and shoveling the ball to Rich Dickson at home for the final out of the inning.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	13	4	
Panthers	10	6	
Devils	9	7	
Comets	9	7	
Iron Pigs	9	8	
Wildcats	6	10	
Classics	6	11	
Blue Jays	4	13	

John Rozolis (2 runs), Bob Gaines (double) and Ron Mangini led the Jays offense with 3 hits each. Monroe Weingarten and Connie Kilgarriff kicked in with 2 hits and a walk.

Blue Jays were leading five to nothing but in the fourth The Classics came back to tie the game scoring five runs to even the score with Howard Borochnaner, Aaron Sacharov, Jim Hart, Ed Betancourt, John Salmon, Jack Galloway, Jeff Blank and Bill Krieger's effort. In the fifth the Blue Jays scored five runs to go ahead ten to five. In the seventh the Blue Jays scored two runs to lead twelve to five. The Classics came back to score two more runs with the combination of Craig Niederprum, Eric Gottlieb and Toney Baccari but came up short with a loss twelve to seven. The Classics had chances almost every inning but did not capitalize to score enough runs.

Outstanding fielding catch at second base by Howard Borochnaner and great running catch by Bill Krieger in left center field.

Eagles 22 Wildcats 12

The Eagles started hitting early and often and built a 14-1 lead after three innings. Both teams did not score in the fourth inning. The Eagles scored five runs in the fifth inning and two more in the top of the sixth to lead 21-1. The Wildcats didn't quit and scored ten runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to really shake up the Eagles. However, both teams managed to score one run the seventh inning to finish the game 22-12 against the never-quitting Wildcats.

The Eagles were led by Joe Torvato with three hits along with Ken Mealy, Fred Weiner and Tom Boyce each had three hits. Ken Mealy scored five runs and had a double in the second inning. Ron Cohen, Tom Delaney, Bill Schwartz also had two hits a piece. Bob Esterly chipped in four singles. Carl Weigand, Dave Cutler and Gary Bennett each had one hit.

Tom Delaney ran the bases very well, fielded his position and pitched a strong game for the Eagles. It was very admiring for the Wildcats to not quit and score the 10 runs in the sixth inning to make for an interesting game.

The Eagles scored 20 runs in the first 5 innings to lead the Wildcats by 18 then the Cats scored 9 runs to almost make it a game. The Cats luck ended in the 7th to lose by a 20 to 12 score to end the game. 3 hits from Frank Slack and Bill Matlack. 2 each from Ed Schmidt, Ken Riess, Dale Cassidy, Tom Jakubowski, and Franklin Smith. Too many errors and misplays led to the 20 runs produced by the Eagles this morning

Iron Pigs 3 Devils 1

A close game between the Iron Pigs and the Devils with the Iron Pigs coming out on top 3 to 1. Good pitching and defense by both teams. The Iron Pigs offense was led by Dave Courtright and Jim Stabene with 2 hits. Multiple Iron Pigs had 1 hit.

Panthers 5 Comets 1

The Panthers took a win over the Comets in a tight, well played game on both sides by a score of 5-1. The game was tied through 5 innings with each team scoring 1 run in the 3rd inning. The Panthers managed to put up 4 runs on 5 hits in the bottom of the 6th inning to take and keep the lead. Defense was very good for both teams in the game. Panther batting was led by Bob Silvester who went 3-3 followed by John Breig and Bim Bradford, who each had two hits.

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Thursday's Results

Comets 13 Blue Jays 9

The Blue Jays were a little more blue after dropping their game against the Comets by a score of 13 to 9. The Cats jumped out early and were leading 8 to 1 in the fourth. The Jays responded with a 5 run rally highlighted by a Larry Landes two out double. The Jays tied it up at 9 to 9 with 3 more runs in the fifth, but the Cats added one in the sixth and three more in the seventh to seal the deal. Wayne Heaton pitched for the Comets and recorded an impossibly high 7 strikeouts in the game. The Jays were likely still hung over from their win on Tuesday. Thanks to Del Kates for keeping the book and supporting the team.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	13	5	
Panthers	11	6	
Devils	10	7	
Comets	10	7	
Iron Pigs	10	8	
Wildcats	6	11	
Classics	6	12	
Blue Jays	4	14	

The Jays offense was led by Jim O'Brien (3 for 3, 2 runs), Bob Gaines and Larry Landes both contributed 2 hits and scored a run. Tom Redding had a perfect day at the plate with a hit and 2 walks.

Iron Pigs 8 Eagles 1

The Iron Pigs defeated the Eagles by a score of 8 to 1. The Iron Pigs played strong defense with Jack McNulty making numerous good plays at shortstop and Dave Courtright making good catches in left field. The Iron Pigs offense was led by Howard Wible with 3 hits, Jack McNultym Rich Dempsey (triple), Dave Courtright, Mike Segal, Jim Stabene and Judy Agasar all chipped in with 2 hits.

The Eagles started slow and kept playing that way which resulted in an 8-1 loss to

the Iron Pigs. The Iron Pigs jumped out early scoring four runs in the first inning and never looked back as the Eagles scored only one run in the second inning. The Eagles could not get close to scoring the rest of the game.

Tom Delaney had three hits including one double. Scott Comer and Bob Esterly each had two hits but all to no avail as the Eagles were held to only one run by the Iron Pigs.

Devils 11 Classics 9

The Devils after leading thru 5 innings gave up the lead in the 6th inning but came back with 5 runs in the bottom of the inning to overtake the classics. Steve Belenko and Gene Reeber (4 RBIs) each had 3 hits to lead a 16 hit attack.

The Devils jumped out in the first inning with a 5 run lead. The Classics kept the game close by cutting into the lead through the game but came up short with a 11-9 loss. Outstanding hitting by Craig Niederpruem, Aaron Sacharov and Jack Galloway with 3 hits each.

Panther 10 Wildcats 9

The Panthers squeaked through another win, this time over the Wildcats, 11-10. The Panthers led the first 4 innings and went down by 1 run in the top of the 5th. The Panthers answered with a 4-run surge in the bottom of the 5th to go ahead by a score of 11-8. The Wildcats scored 2 runs in the top of the 6th inning but no more for the final score, Panthers 11 - Wildcats 10. Defense was spotty on both teams in a game that was fun because it was so tight. The Panthers bats really came alive with a 21 hit attack led by Jack Donohue who went 3-3 with a single, a double and a triple. Dave Ortlip went 3-4 with 2 doubles. Rich Pich also went 3-3. John Breig, Bim Bradford and Terry Gallagher each went 2-3.

Another big hit day for the Wildcats but 23 hits were not enough to cover up for the errors and miscues against the panthers who beat us 10 to 9. Another 4 hit day for Frank Slack, 3 each for Kenny Riess, Bill Matlack, and new player Andy Cohen. 2 each from Vince Burkett, Tracy Zimmerman, Howard Barman and Doug Rutter. For the second time this week we end up losing by 1 run. Look out league we are hitting the ball which is half of a winning Team.

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Results of Thursday 8/11 games

Devils 8 - Panthers 6

In a hotly contested game the Devils outlasted the Panthers with Steve Belenko & Tom Cosgrove both going 3 for 3 leading an 18 hit attack. Derek Foster pitching his 1st game of the season and brought his A game.

The Panthers dropped a close game to a good Devils team by a score of 8 to 6. The Devils put up 5 runs to the Panthers 1 in the 1st inning but the Panthers tied the game in the 2nd with a 4-run surge. The Devils went up in the 3rd inning scoring 2 runs to the Panthers 1 making the score 7-6, Devils. The Devils put up 1 more run in the 5th inning. The Panthers were unable to put up additional runs and the final score was 8-6 in favor of the Devils. Panther defense was good allowing only 2 runs after a shaky 1st inning. The Panther bats worked well putting up 17 hits in 36 at-bats. John Breig went 3-3 to lead the team while Terry Gallagher hit a 3 rbi triple going 1-3. Jack Donahue and Dave Ortlip both went 2-4 with a double each. Bob Silvester also had 2 hits.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	14	5	
Panthers	11	7	
Devils	11	7	
Comets	11	7	
Iron Pigs	11	8	
Wildcats	6	12	
Classics	6	13	
Blue Jays	4	15	

Iron Pigs 11 Blue Jays 3

The Iron Pigs defeated the Blue Jays by a score of 11 to 3, Scoring 4 runs in the top of the first while the Blue Jays answered back with 3 runs in their half of the inning. The Iron Pigs added 5 runs in the top of the third and 2 more in the top of the fifth. Mike Segal went 3 for 3, Jack McNulty had 2 doubles, Jeff Blatt, Rich Dempsey, Howard Wible all had two hits. Dave Detwiler and Judy Agasar had nice catches on fly balls in right center and right field.

The Blue Jays scored three runs with 6 hits in the first inning. After that their offense stagnated totaling only 10 hits for the games. The Jays defense was improved but allowed a 5 run Iron Pig rally that put the game out of reach. Jim O'Brien (triple,

2RBI's) and Lee Bullman (RBI) both had 2 hits. Welcome to new Jay Greg Peters. Del Kates played a strong defensive game at shortstop and Bill Russell caught a screaming line drive off the bat of Jack McNulty at the fence in right center.

Eagles 9 Classics 8

The Eagles started slow but managed to come from behind to eke out a 9-8 victory over the Classics. Ron Cohen led the way with four hits. Bill Schwartz had three hits, followed by Tom Boyce, Ken Mealy, Bob Esterly, Fred Weiner, each with two hits. Tom Delaney also had two hits and pitched very well again. He threw out a runner at home plate and had the walk off RBI in the seventh inning.

The Classics went ahead in the 4th inning with a 6-3 lead and also scored 2 more runs in the top of the 5th to lead 8-3. The Eagles came back to score 5 runs in the bottom of the 5th to tie the game 8-8. The game went into the top of the 7th tied but The Classics failed to score but the Eagles came up with one run in the bottom of the inning to win 9-8.

Outstanding hitting by: Craig Niederpruem, Howard Borachaner, Bill Krieger and Ed Betancourt with 3 hits each.

Outstanding fielding play by Eric Gottlieb at 3rd with bases loaded and one out. The ball hit to him who tagged the runner going home and went back to 3rd base to complete a double play.

Comets 12 Wildcats 8

The Comets took a 6 to 0 lead into the 3rd when the Wildcats scored 2 and the Comets plated 4 to take a 10 to 2 lead. In the 6th the Wildcats scored 6 to make this a close game. The Comets scored 2 in the bottom of the 6th for a final score of 12 to 8. Hitting stars for the Comets were Hal Katz going 4 for 4 and Gary Jones also 4 for 4. Wayne Heaton went 3 for 3. Frank Glauser and Larry Restivo chipping in with 3 hits. Darryl Puzan, Jim Cro, Steve Scheele, and Andy Cohen all had 2 hits each.

Another big loss for the Wildcats today as we loaded the bases 3 times and scored nary a run in those innings. Infield errors and not catching balls in the outfield led to a 12 to 8 loss to the Comets today. Another 4 hit day from Kenny Riess today with

3 hits from Dale Cassady, Tracy Zimmerman, Franklin Smith, with 2 from Ed Schmidt still added up to another loss today.

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Results of Tuesday 8/15 games

Classics 7 Wildcats 6

An 18 hit attack by the Wildcats fell short in a 7-6 loss to the classics today. 3 hits from Ed Schmidt, Dale Cassady and Bill Matlack, 2 each from Kenny Riess, Bob Johnson and infield sub Tom Boyce were not enough to overcome a 4 run lead from the first inning by the Classics .

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	15	5	
Comets	12	7	
Panthers	11	8	
Devils	11	8	
Iron Pigs	11	9	
Classics	7	13	
Wildcats	6	13	
Blue Jays	5	15	

The Classics jumped out to lead the Wildcats in the 1st innings with 4 runs and added on in the 2nd with 1 run to lead 5-0. The Wildcats kept adding on in 4th, 5th and went ahead in the top of the 6th to lead 6-5. The Classics came out of their deep sleep to score 2 runs in the bottom of the 6th to hold off the Wildcats with a 7-6 win. The 2 runs were driven in by Jeff Blank and ED in the bottom of the 6th.

Eagles 7 Panthers 5

The Eagles and the Panthers played their usual close, hard fought, well-played game again. The Eagles ended up holding on to a 7-5 win. The Eagles defense infield was led by Dave Cutler and Tom Boyce. Both made nice plays, The outfield was led by Scott Comer and Carl Weigand as both made impressive catches. Fred Weiner moved himself to rightfield and made a timely catch.

The Eagles offense was led by Fred Weiner who had three hits and three RBI's. Scott Comer had a double and Bill Schwartz had two hits.

The Panthers dropped another tight game 5-7 to a good hitting Eagles team. The

short-handed Panthers kept the game close and were within 1 run for most of the game. However, hitting was spotty and the Panthers just could not bunch enough hits together to go ahead. Defense was decent but the Eagles were able to take advantage of the big holes in the outfield with only 3 outfielders. The Panthers bats were pretty quiet, managing only 10 hits. Rich Pich went 3-3 and Dave Ortlip went 2-4 with 2 doubles to lead the Panther offense.

Blue Jays 9 Devils 5

The Blue Jays turned in their best defensive performance of the year in shutting down the Devils by a score of 9 to 5. Good outfield play by Bill Russell, Bob Gaines and an outstanding running catch by Greg Peters. The infield of Del Kates, John Rozolis, Ron Mangini, Lee Bullman and Rich Dickson played outstanding defense with Lee making a great play on a line drive to right and John Rozolis firing a bullet home to Lou DePalma for an inning ending out at home plate. Not to be outdone pitcher Jim O'Brien made an over the shoulder catch on an infield popup and shoveled the ball to Ron Mangini at second for a rally killing double play.

The Jays also kicked in with some good offense with 3 hit days from Monroe Weingarten (3 runs scored), John Rozolis (2 runs), Ron Mangini and Jim O'Brien (double). Greg Peters and Lee Bullman chipped in with 2 hits each. Bob Gaines was 1 for 2 with a walk, a sac fly and 3 RBI's. The boys in blue played so well that it really pains me to tell you that no sarcastic comments are warranted.

Comets 13 Iron Pigs 7

Comets led from the start going into the 6th innining when the Iron Pigs scored 3 to close the gap 8 to 5. The Comets plated 4 in the bottom of the 6th and final score was 13 to 7. Hitting stars for the Comets were Darryl Puzan going 4 for 4 and 3 hits for Wayne Heaton who was the winning pitcher. 2 hits for Larry Restivo, Gary Jones, Frank Deon, and Ed Brandriff. Gary Jones recorded 3 RBI's and Larry Restivo and Rich Waloff adding 2 RBI's.

To many defensive miscues by the Iron Pigs resulted in a lot of Comet runs as the Comets bested the Iron Pigs by a score of 13 to 7. The offense was led by Jeff Blatt (2 doubles), Judy Agasar, and Dave Detwiler who all had 3 hits. John Walsh had 2 hits and a walk, while Tom Boyle and Dave Courtright had 2 hits each.

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Results of Thursday 8/17 games

Classics 8 Panthers 4

The Classics were shortened with 10 players but scored 2 runs in the top of the 1st inning and Panthers scored 1 run in the bottom inning. The Classics scored 1 run in top of the 2nd to lead 3-1 and added on 1 run in the 3rd for a 4-1 lead. The Panthers came back and scored 3 runs in the 6th to tie the game 4-4. But the Classics came back to score 4 runs in the top of the 7th to lead 8-4 and held on to a 8-4 win.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	15	6	
Comets	13	7	
Iron Pigs	12	9	
Panthers	11	9	
Devils	11	9	
Classics	8	13	
Wildcats	6	14	
Blue Jays	6	15	

Tony Baccari, Howard Borocharner, Jack Galloway, John Salmon, Ed Betancourt, Charlie Whittaker and Bill Krieger delivered the four runs in the top of the 7th.

The Classics had good fielding and pitching by Ed Betancourt and outstanding hitting: Craig Niederpruem, Howard Borocharner, Jack Galloway and Bill Krieger with 3 hits each. Eric Gottlieb, John Salmon, Ed Betancourt with 2 hits.

The Panthers dropped another tight game to the Classics, 8-4. The Panthers tied the game 4-4 in the top of the 6th inning but could not prevent the Classics from putting up 4 runs in the bottom of the 6th to win the game. Panther defense was mostly good save a few spotty moments but played a tight game overall. The Panthers offense put up 14 hits led by Bob Silvester who went 3-3. Rich Pich went 2-3 with a 2-rbi double. Dave Ortlip and Augie Rosenblatt both went 2-3. Jack Donohue and Terry Gallagher each went 1-3 with rbi doubles.

Blue Jays 6 Eagles 4

It was cold in hell this week and the souls there got to go sledding twice. That was all courtesy of the Blue Jays who knocked off the Devils on Tuesday and the Eagles on

Thursday. The little blue birds upset the big green birds by once again playing excellent defense. One big defensive play was a catch in left field by Tom Redding that turned into a double play when a runner tagging from third was ruled to have left the base early. The Jays made the routine plays and made them look, well, routine. John Rozolis and Del Kates solidified the left side of the infield with strong defensive games. Jim O'Brien tried to even things up walking two in the bottom of the seventh but the blue defense refused to lose.

Offensively The Jays only managed 3 runs in both the first and third innings and 11 hits for the game but that was enough to lead the entire game. Del Kates and Bob Gaines both posted 2 hits and scored 2 runs. Ron Mangini had an RBI double, Jim O'Brien chipped in with a hit, a sac fly and 2 RBI's, Lee Bullman had a two out RBI hit and made the call to challenge that the runner left third early.

The Eagles started slow and unfortunately stayed that way in a 6-4 loss to the revitalized Blue Jays.

Bill Schwartz had a 3-3 day at the plate and Fred Weiner had two hits including a double. Ron Cohen had one hit and two walks. Scott Comer made some nice catches in the outfield and Gary Bennett had a nice catch helping us out in the outfield.

Comets 17 Devils 15

The Comets took a 5 to 3 lead after 1 inning. The Devils scored 10 more runs to take 13 to 6 lead going into the 5th when the Comets explode for 7 runs to tie the game. The Comets scored 4 more in the bottom of the 6th and the Devils scored 2 in the 7th for a 17 to 15 final. Hitting stars for the Comets were Hal Katz, Gary Jones, Steve Bradley, and Dave Simone all with 3 hits. Jerry Barsky was 2 for 2, and Frank Glauser, Larry Restivo, Wayne Heaton, and Steve Scheele each each had 2 hits. Thanks to Jack McNulty and Dave Ortlip for filling in as we played with 10 players.

The Comets took a 5 to 3 lead after 1 inning. The Devils scored 10 more runs to take 13 to 6 lead going into the 5th when the Comets exploded for 7 runs to tie the game. The Comets scored 4 more in the bottom of the 6th and the Devils scored 2 in the 7th for a 17 to 15 final. Hitting stars for the Comets were Hal Katz, Gary Jones, Steve Bradley, Dave Simone, all with 3 hits. Jerry Barsky was 2 for 2, and Frank Glauser,

Larry Restivo, Wayne Heaton, and Steve Scheele.

Iron Pigs 7 Wildcats 4

The Iron Pigs defeated the Wildcats 7 to 4 scoring 3 runs in the first inning, 1 in the fourth and 3 more in the top of the sixth. The Wildcats scored 1 run in the bottom of the first and then went scoreless until they posted 3 runs in the seventh. Jeff Blatt had a single, a double and a walk. Jack McNulty a single and a triple. Rich Dempsey had a single and a double. Tom Boyle, Dave Detwiler and Jim Stabene all had 2 hits. Overall both teams played a good defensive game. Jack McNulty playing shortstop had 2 double plays.

The Wildcats were led by 3 hits from Frank Slack, 2 hits from Ed Schmidt, Kenny Riess, Dale Cassady and Bill Matlack. The team was stopped 3 runs short against the "Iron Pigs" by excellent defensive play by Tom's team turning 3 double plays to squash rallies that led to a 7-3 win for the Iron Pigs today.

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Results of Tuesday 8/22 games

Eagles 5 Comets 2

The Eagles played good defense and got off to a 3-0 start. The lead held up until the fourth inning when the Comets scored two runs. The Eagles defense held the Comets scoreless the rest of the game. The Eagles scored two more runs in the fifth inning to pull out a 5-2 win in a very well-played game by both teams.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	16	6	
Comets	13	8	
Devils	12	9	
Iron Pigs	12	10	
Panthers	11	10	
Classics	9	13	
Blue Jays	7	15	
Wildcats	6	15	

A Carl Weigand single drove in two runs in the first inning and he made a couple of good catches in right field. Gary Bennett had three hits and drove in a run in the fifth inning. Dave Cutler played good defense and had three hits. Fred Weiner had

three hits including one double. Ken Mealy had two hits including one double. Outfielders Bob Dolan and Scott Comer both made a couple of nice catches to help the Eagles' victory.

In a fast played game the Comets failed to hit with runners in scoring position, and some poor fielding. Both pitchers did not walk anyone. Great pitching and fielding by both pitchers. Offensively the Comets were led by Dave Simone going 3 for 3 and Jerry Barsky going 2 for 2. Frank Glauser, Gene Corrado, Steve Bradley, Wayne Heaton, Jim Cro, Steve Scheele, and Rich Waloff all contributed 1 hit. We played a tough team and they played excellent defensively.

Devils 21 Wildcats 8

The Devils' bats lit up with a 32 hit attack led by Roy Barlow going 5 for 5 and Big Ken Radon going 4 for 4. Derek Foster, Tom Cosgrove, Gene Reeber, and Bill Howland all had 4 hits and Jim O'Brien pitched and played perfect defense as he subbed for the Devils.

A 19 hit attack was not near enough to overcome a 19 run in 4 innings destruction of the Wildcats today. As a leaky defense gave the Jersey Devils a lop-sided win today by a 21-8 score. 4 hits from super man Ken Riess, 3 more from Ed Brandriff (a new player for the Wildcats), also Tom Jakubowski, and Tracy Zimmerman, 2 from Franklin Smith, Bill Matlack plus one additional hit from the bottom of the lineup had no effect on this game.

Classics 9 Iron Pigs 4

The Iron pigs jumped out to a 2 run lead in the top of the 1st inning to lead the Classics 2-0 but Classics came back with 2 runs in the bottom of the 2nd to tie the score. The Classics were not done scoring runs in bottom of the 3rd scoring 5 runs and 2 more runs in the 5th inning for a 9-2 lead. The Iron pigs scored 2 runs in the top of 6th for a 9-4 score with the Classics 9 and Iron pigs 4 final score.

Good pitching by Ed Betancourt and defence by the Classics. One double play combo by Charlie Whittaker and Howard Boročaner. Outstanding hitting by Craig Niederpruem and Charlie Whittaker with 3 hits each and Aaron Sacharov, Howard Boročaner and Curtis Brag with 2 hits each.

The Classics defeated the Iron Pigs 9 to 4. Sloppy fielding by the Iron Pigs defense and infield hits were the key to the Classic's victory. The Iron Pigs sparse offense was led by Jeff Blatt who went 3 for 3. Rich Demsey was 2 for 2 with a walk and Mike Segal had 2 hits.

Blue Jays 12 Panthers 11

It looked like the Blue Jays were coasting to an easy win, just like they always never did in the first half of the season. Then things got scary, very scary. The jay birds built a 12 to 5 lead going into the seventh inning on five run innings in first and fifth with an additional 2 runs in the second inning. The Panthers came alive in the bottom of the seventh scoring 6 runs to make it a run one game and they still had the bases loaded and one out. The jays were able to escape with a win by converting a short fly ball to shortstop and a hard grounder to third into the two outs needed to take home a win.

Connie Kilgarriff and Lee Bullman both went 3 for 3 while Monroe Weingarten, John Rozolis, Bob Gaines (triple, 2 runs), Jim O'Brien (2 runs), Greg Peters (double) all chipped in with 2 hits each. Del Kates (walk, 2 runs), Ron Mangini (sac fly), Tom Redding, Bill Russell and Rich Dickson all contributed a hit to the Jays offense.

The Panthers dropped a close one to the Blue Jays, 12-11. The Panthers put up 6 runs in the bottom of the 7th but fell just short of victory. The Panther defense started somewhat somnolent allowing 5 runs in the first and 2 runs in the second innings. After holding the Blues Jays for three innings the Panthers allowed another 5 run inning in the top of the sixth. This was enough for a Blue Jay win. Offensively Rich Pich went 3-4 with a double and John Breig also went 3-4. Terry Gallagher went 2-4 with a double. Jack Donohue and Bob Silvester also both went 2-4 to top off the hitting highlights.

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Results of Thursday 8/24 games

Eagles 15 Wildcats 7

The Eagles and the Wildcats tangled in a very interesting game. The score was tied 7-7 going into the bottom of the fifth inning. Luckily the game ended in the Eagles favor after they scored eight runs in the fifth and sixth inning to hold on to a 15-7 win.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	17	6	
Comets	14	8	
Iron Pigs	13	10	
Devils	12	10	
Panthers	11	11	
Classics	10	13	
Blue Jays	7	16	
Wildcats	6	16	

The Eagles were led by Fred Weiner who had four hits including one double. Ken Mealy, Bob Esterly, Terry Abrams, and Tom Boyce each had two hits. Carl Weigand had a triple. Tom Delaney pitched and fielded very well. Carl Weigand made a couple of nice catches, as well as Scott Comer making some in the outfield. The game was much closer than the final score indicated.

Another 3 hit day for Kenny Riess and a first 3 hit day for Tom Jakubowski. 2 hits from Franklin Smith, Tracy Zimmerman and Doug Rutter. The fielding and pitching still left a lot to be desired as the Cats were sloppy and that led to another loss today. The Eagle team scored runs with minimal effort. A 15 - 7 loss was better than some of our games but no luck. If they hit it there, there was no one there to catch it as we once again played with 10 players. With only 3 outfielders the end result was extra bases hits for the Eagles.

Iron Pigs 7 Devils 2

The Iron Pigs defeated the Devils by a score of 7 to 2 in a well played game by both teams. Both teams demonstrated good outfield play with Dave Courtright making numerous running catches in left field for the Iron Pigs. Jeff Blatt led the Iron Pigs offense going 3 for 3 with 2 doubles. Dave Courtright, Howard Wible and John Walsh all had 3 hit days and Tom Boyle chipped in with 2 hits.

Classics 11 Blue Jays 8

In my opinion this was one of the best played games this year.

The Classics started out in the top of the 1st with 4 runs but the Blue Jays came back with 3 runs. The Classics scored 3 more runs in the top of the 2nd for a score of 7-3.

The Blue Jays came back again in the bottom of the 3rd with 3 runs to come within one run of the Classics 7-6. Still not done, the Blue Jays came back in the bottom of the 6th to score 2 more runs to take the lead 8-7. The Classics were not done either, scoring 4 runs in the top of the 7th to hold onto a lead and win 11-8.

Good fielding and pitching and timely hitting. One double play with the combo of Howard Boročaner and Jeff Blank.

Outstanding hitting for Tony Baccari with a single, double and triple. Also with 3 hits Charlie Whittaker and Howard Boročaner.

The strong defensive that the Jays demonstrated in their last three games didn't make an appearance Thursday but the Jays managed to stay in the game by playing long ball offensive. Falling behind early the Jays bounced back to take an 8 to 7 lead going into the seventh inning but were unable to hold a strong Classics team off the board. In the top of the seventh the Classics scored 4 and won the day by a score of 11 to 8. The Jays offense was lead by Ron Mangini and Connie Kilgariff who both went 3 for 3. Two hit performances by John Rozolis (2 doubles), Bob Gaines (home run), and Jim O'Brien (double, triple). Greg Peters had an RBI double with 2 outs in the bottom of the sixth to give the Jays their only lead of the day.

Comets 11 Panthers 8

The Panthers have dropped yet another close game, this time to the Comets by a score of 11-8. The Comets took an early lead but the Panthers clawed back to go ahead by 1 run, 5-4. However, the defense gave up 5 runs in the 3rd inning to go down 7-9. The Panthers put up 1 more run in the 5th inning to get within 1 run, 8-9. The Comets scored 2 more runs in the 6th inning to give a final score of 11-8. The Panther defense played pretty well snagging multiple liners all around the infield but for two bad defensive innings. Batting was good with the Panthers having 19 hits. Kevin Culp led the team hitting going 4-4 while John Breig was also perfect going 3-3. Terry Gallagher was 1-3 with a double. Dave Ortlip, Bob Silvester, Bim Bradford and Jack Zupan each had 2 hits. Also, a shout out is in order to Lee Jaslow and Augie Rosenblatt who have come out nearly every game to cheer on their teammates.

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Results of Tuesday 8/29 games

Comets 11 Blue Jays 8

The Comets hit the ball well and scored early and often to take a 8 to 1 lead over the capitulating birds. The Jays offense appeared stymied after each of the first three innings ended with double plays. When it looked like the game was over the Jays bounced back with seven runs in the fourth inning to tie the game at 8. The Comets bounced back scoring a run in the fifth, 2 runs in the sixth and held the Jays off the board for the rest of the game.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	18	6	
Comets	15	8	
Iron Pigs	13	11	
Devils	12	11	
Panthers	11	12	
Classics	11	13	
Wildcats	7	16	
Blue Jays	7	17	

Bob Gaines took control of leading the Jays offense going 3 for 3 with a triple. Chipping in with 2 hits were Monroe Weingarten, John Rozolis, Del Kates, Jim O'Brien, Greg Peters and Rich Dickson. Ron Mancini was 1 for 2 with a triple and a sac fly.

Classics 5 Devils 2

The Classics played a man short but posted their 5th straight win 5-2 by dehorning the Devils. The Devils scored 2 in the top of the 1st but were held in check by a total team effort of clutch hitting (16 hits total) and solid fielding, Leading the hitting were Craig Neiderpruem (2-3 (2 rbi) & bb), Charlie Whittaker (3-4), Tony Baccari (2-4; 2b; rbi), Ed Betancourt (2-4; rbi), Curtis Bragg (2-3; sac fly / rbi), and Bill Krieger (3-3). While fielding was solid across the board of special note is that by an injured Charlie Whitaker at SS glomming more than a few catches. Next up for the Classics are those also streaking Comets.

Eagles 12 Iron Pigs 3

After three innings, The Eagles led 9-1 over the Iron Pigs. The Iron Pigs, unfortunately, were missing some key players on their team. The Eagles hung on for a 12-3 victory. Defensively, Bob Dolan made a nice running catch in right field and Tom Boyce snagged a line drive and then turned it into a double play with a commanding throw to first base.

Offensively, eight players had two hits each including Fred Weiner (one double), Bob Dolan, Bill Schwartz, Carl Weigand, Scott Comer (one double), Terry Abrams (one double), Tom Delaney (one double) and Bob Esterly (no double). Tom Delaney also pitched and fielded well and had his usual good game.

The Eagles defeated the shorthanded Iron Pigs by a score of 12 to 3. The Iron Pigs played with 10 and didn't hit much. Ron Decker had 3 hits while Jeff Blatt (triple), Dave Detwiler (walk) and Howard Wible all had 2 hits.

Wildcats 11 Panthers 3

3 hits from 4 players led the Wildcats to an 11 -3 victory over the Panthers today, Dale Cassidy ,Tom ,Jacobowski , Howard Barman and Doug Rutter all had 3 timely hits to lead the Cats today. Tracy Zimmerman ,Frank Slack and new recruit Ed Brandriff had two hits each to put the icing on the win , Finnaly. A win playing shorthanded meant we had a good game defensively with the whole team playing good Softball.

The Panthers continue their downward spiral as they were trounced by the Wildcats 11-3. The Panthers defense was spotty and the Wildcats were hitting the ball everywhere we weren't. The Panthers bats were mostly silent mustering only 9 hits in the game, 6 of those hits came from 3 batters. Rich Pich went 2-3 with 2 doubles, John Breig went 2-3 with a double and Bob Silvester went 2-3.

Results of Thursday 8/31 games

Iron Pigs 13 Panthers 9

The Iron Pigs beat the Panthers scoring 13 runs with good hitting. Jeff Blatt had 4 hits with a triple, double and 2 singles while Jack McNulty also had 4 hits with a double and 3 singles. Tom Boyle had 3 hits and 7 other teammates chipped in with 2 hits each. Pretty much every member of the Iron Pigs contributed on both the offense and defensive side of the game.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	19	6	
Comets	15	9	
Iron Pigs	14	11	
Devils	12	12	
Classics	12	13	
Panthers	11	13	
Wildcats	8	16	
Blue Jays	7	18	

The Panthers lost another game, this time to the Iron Pigs (Ferric Porcines) by a score of 13-7. A combination of spotty fielding and lack of timely hitting were the downfall for the Panthers. The Pigs had a great day with the bats and hit the ball relentlessly scoring in every inning but one. The Panthers garnered a lot of hits but could not turn many of them into runs. Offensive highlights had John Breig going 3-4 continuing his streak. Joe Grines, Kevin Culp, Rich Pich, Bob Silvester and Bob Doernberg had 2 hits apiece. Dave Ortlip was 1-3 with a double.

Wildcats 7 Blue Jays 6

Dale Cassidy had a 4/4 day and his 4th hit of the day set the stage for Tracy Zimmerman's 3rd hit of the day driving in the winning run of a 7 to 6 win over the Blue Jays today. After 2 force outs in the 7th, Doug Rutter reached first on a fielders choice that started the end of a good victory by Jim's troops, 7 batters in a row reached first by hook or by crook to give the struggling Wildcats a hard earned victory. Good pitching by Ron Miller, just off the disabled list sparked a good output from the team. 3 hits from Tracy Zimmerman including the game winner which drove in the winning run after 2 outs in the final inning. 2 hits from Franklin Smith, Ed Brandriff, and Howard Barman helped secure the victory. With 2 additional players to fill out our roster, the Wildcats of Puss & Boots may be on the move after a disappointing first half of the season

Once again the Blue Jays snatched defeat from the jaws of victory as the Wildcats scored 5 runs in the bottom of the seventh for a 7 to 6 walk off 2 out win. Another sad day along Blue Jay way. The shorthanded Jays started slow with a potential first inning rally ending with a runner being throw out at home. The second inning ended with the bases loaded but no runs in. In the fifth inning the Jays came alive on hits by Monroe Weingarten, Del Kates, Bob Gaines, Ron Mangini, Jim O'Brien, Greg Peters, a Tom Redding walk, and Bill Russell to plate 5 and take a 6 to 2 lead. After that things fell apart. Ron Mangini and Greg Peters lead the Jays offensive with 3 hits, while Monroe Weingarten, Bob Gaines, Tom Redding and Bill Russell chipped in with 2 hits.

Eagles 11 Devils 7

The Eagles started strong scoring 5 runs in the first inning and then hung on for an 11 to 7 win over a tough and resilient Devils team. The Devils managed to score at least 1 run in 5 of the seven innings. The Eagles offense was led by Terry Abrams and Bob Dolan who both had 3 hits and played solid defense. Six Eagle players had 2 hits including Gary Bennett, Dave Cutler, Scott Comer, Carl Weigand, Tom Delaney and Bob Esterly. It was a well pitched and well played game by both teams.

Classics 15 Comets 5

A Classic team win with timely hitting. Good pitching by Ed Betancourt and good fielding by the whole team. The Classics scored first with 3 runs in the top of the third but Comets came back with 2 runs (3-2). The Classics added on with 5 runs in top of the 3rd for a 8-2 lead. The Classics added 2 runs in the top of the 4th and they were matched by the Comets with 2 runs for a 10-4 Classics lead. Four more runs in top of the 5th for a lead of 14-4 and Comets could only muster 1 more run in the bottom of the 6th for a final score of 14-5 Classics win. Good hitting by Charlie Whittaker, Curtis Bragg and Eric Gottlieb with two hits each.

Results from games last week

Eagles 10 Classics 6

Our game against the Classics started out with us scoring one run in the first, driven in by Bob Dolan. The Classics countered with two of their own. In the third inning, the Eagles added three more runs, highlighted by a booming double and 2 RBI's by Fred Weiner. The game stayed at 4-2 until the last of the 6th, when the Classics tied the game at 4 each going into the 7th.

The Eagles bats finally woke up with the first 5 batters getting on base and wound up with a six run rally in the top of the 7th to ice the game. The Classics countered with two runs to make the final score 10-6 Eagles. Defensive highlights included a great catch by Ken Mealey, all star quality first base play by Bill Schwartz, an outstanding stab by Terry Abrams which he turned into a double play and two important force outs at 2nd base generated by Scott Comer from the outfield. Great pitching as usual by Tom Delaney. Bob Dolan (1 double) and Ron Cohen had three hits. Ken, Fred, Bill, Carl Weigand, Scott and Gary Bennett had 2 hits each with Tom Boyce and Tom Delaney getting one hit each. A well played game by both teams.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	20	6	
Comets	16	9	
Iron Pigs	15	11	
Devils	12	13	
Panthers	12	13	
Classics	12	14	
Wildcats	8	17	
Blue Jays	7	19	

The Eagles jumped out to a 1 run lead in the top of the 1st and Classics came back with 2 runs in bottom of 1st for a 2-1 Classics lead. Top of the 3rd Eagles scored 3 runs to lead 4-2 and lead to the 5th inning but the Classics came back to score 2 runs in bottom of the 6th to tie the game. The Eagles came out and scored 6 runs top of the seventh and Classics came back with 2 runs for a final score of 10-6 Eagles win. Ed Betancourt pitched a good game but did not get enough support from the team. Outstanding hitting from Aaron Sacharov with 3 hits. Franco Folda has turned into Schwarbero of the Phillies hitting his second home run of the season.

Iron Pigs 13 Blue Jays 2

The Iron Pigs beat the Blue Jays 13 to 2. Howard Wible and Rich Dempsey led the hitting attack with 3 hits each while Jeff Blatt and Jack McNulty each had a double a single and a walk. Mike Segal, Jim Stabene, Judy Agasar, John Walsh, and Dve Frayne

each had 2 hits. Mike Segal had a great game at second base with a couple of nice plays on hard hit balls as did Howard Wible at third base.

The Blue Jays started slow and then slowed down a little more losing to the Iron Pigs 13 to 2. The Jays had 11 hits but were unable to get the big or timely hits needed to keep them in the game. John Rozolis led the offense for the Jays with 3 hits and scored both blue bird runs. Lee Bullman also chipped in with 3 hits, while Del Kates and Ron Mangini had 2 hits each.

Comets 18 Wildcats 10

The Comets scored a season high of 18 runs to beat the Wildcats 18 to 10. Offensive leaders for the Comets were Gene Corrado and Gary Jones going 4 for 4 followed by Frank Glauser going 4 for 5. Dave Simone getting 3 hits and 2 hits for Hal Katz, Steve Bradley, Gene Rubin and Wayne Heaton. Steve Scheele and Frank Deon chipped in with 1 hit. Gene Corrado had 5 rbi's and Gary Jones with 4 rbi's which accounted for half of the Comets rbi's. Defensively Steve Bradley, Frank Glauser and Gene Corrado made some great defensive plays.

The Wildcats were outhit and outplayed in a 18 to 10 loss to the hard hitting Comets today in a very hot day game . A close game until the top of the 7th when the crap hit the fan for a 7 run inning when the game was tied in the 6th.

Panthers 10 Devils 4

The Panthers triumphed over evil following a long drought by defeating the Devils by a score of 10-4. Defense was strong throughout the game with the Panthers allowing only 4 runs over 7 innings. The Panthers bats were very hot and the top of the line-up put up 10 of the Panthers 15 hits. Bim Bradford and Joe Grines went 3-3, Kevin Culp and Dave Ortlip both went 2-3 with a double. Rich Pich went 2-3 with two doubles. Lee Jaslow re-joined the team following a long hiatus due to an Achilles injury.

Results of Thursday 9/14 games

Classics 9 Iron Pigs 8

In a well played game for both teams. The Iron Pigs jumped out to a 5-1 lead in the 1st innings. The Classics came back with 2 runs in the 2nd for a 5-3 score. The Iron Pigs got more 2 runs in the 3rd for a 7-3 lead but the Classics came back with 3 runs in the 4th for a 7-6 score. In the 5th the Classics scored 3 more runs to go ahead with a 9-8 lead and held on in the 7th to win 9-8. Outstanding fielding and pitching by Eddie Betancourt for the Classics. Jack Galloway led the team with 3 hits and Toney Baccari, Franco Folda and Eddie Betancourt all had 2 hits.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	21	6	
Comets	16	10	
Iron Pigs	15	12	
Devils	13	13	
Panthers	13	13	
Classics	13	14	
Wildcats	8	18	
Blue Jays	7	20	

The Iron Pigs lost to the Classics by a score of 9 to 8. The Iron Pigs scored 5 runs in the bottom of the first and were then only able to score 3 runs for the rest of the game. The Iron Pigs pitcher gave up 5 walks and that contributed to the defeat as all five players that were walked scored. Rich Dempsey led the hitting going 3 for 3. Howard Wible and Dave Detwiler both had 2 hits. Jack McNulty had a triple and 2 walks and Jeff Blatt had a walk and a hit.

Panthers 12 Blue Jays 5

The Panthers have gotten back on track at the expense of the Blue Jays by winning by a score of 12-5. The Panther defense played very well and held the pretty birds to only 5 runs spread over 7 innings. The front end of the Panther batting order was on their game getting 10 of the Panthers 14 hits. Rich Pich led the attack going 4-4. Joe Grines, Kevin Culp and Dave Ortlip had 2 hits apiece.

The Blue Jays fell again. First alerts have been placed on order for all team members as they do appear to have trouble getting back up. This time they fell 12 to 5 to the Panthers. John Rozolis, Bob Gaines, Bill Russell and Jim O'Brien all recorded 3 hits and Tom Redding had 2 hits. The defense had it's moments keeping them in the game by turning 3 double plays.

Eagles 9 Comets 0

The Eagles played the Comets who were shorthanded. The Eagles defense played very well in a 9-0 win. The team was led by Ron Cohen who snagged a couple of line drives. Ken Mealy played excellent at shortstop. Bill Schwartz handled a couple of low throws at first base. Bob Dolan made a couple of nice catches in the outfield along with Scott Comer.

Offensively, the Eagles were led by Carl Weigand who had three hits. Four other players, Bob Esterly, Ken Mealy, Tom Boyle and Dave Cutler each had two hits. Tom Delaney pitched and fielded very well again (as usual) to lead us to the win.

The 1st and 2nd place teams played this morning with the Comets defense and offense failing to make an appearance. The Eagles won the day behind great pitching and defense by their infield. They shut down the Comets 9 to 0. The only bright spot for the Comets were Rich Waloff, Hal Katz and Gary Jones with 2 hits.

Devils 10 Wildcats 8

The Devils finally got back on the winning track but the Wildcats were not very cooperative leading for the 1st 5 innings thanks to a great pitching performance by Bob Johnson and some impressive defense by the Wildcats.

The Devils were lead by Tom Cosgrove, Dave Busher and Steve Weiss with 3 hits each. Al Avello had 2 hits with key hits in the 2 & 4 innings.

19 hits were not enough as the Devils put us down by a 10-8 score. Our 7th inning rally fell one hit short when BJ lined out to third to end the inning. 3 hits from Tom Sikora, Dale Cassidy, Tracy Zimmerman, and Franklin Smith. 2 from Ed Schmidt, Ed Brandriff, and Bill Matlack were just a mite shy as BJ lined a ball to 3b to end the rally. A misplayed fly ball led to the 5 run rally that sunk us in the 7th .

Results of Tuesday 9/19 games

Panthers 6 Eagles 4

The Panthers got a victory over the Eagles by a score of 6-4 in a well played game. Defense was well played by both teams. Jack Donohue made a nice catch in left center to staunch an Eagle rally and John Breig had more business at third base than we've seen in the last four or five games, accounting for a number of put outs. Dave Ortlip played his usual sterling short stop position and made a great throw to home to stop a run. Dave Ortlip went 3-3 with 2 triples to lead the hitting attack. Kevin Culp also went 3-3. Bob Silvester went 2-3 and the rest of the hits were scattered over the lineup.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	21	7	
Comets	17	10	
Iron Pigs	15	13	
Panthers	14	13	
Classics	14	14	
Devils	13	14	
Wildcats	8	19	
Blue Jays	8	20	

The Eagles fell to the Panthers 6-4. The Eagles had three batters with two hits including Ken Mealy, Bill Schwartz and Tom Boyce. Tom Boyce did a nice job pitching the last couple of innings. Fred Weiner had one hit and drove in a run. He also hit a deep fly ball to left field with two runners on base that was caught and ended the game. Fred also caught a ball in left field and did not fall down. The Panthers played good defensively and the Eagles just never seemed to get going on offense. It was a pretty well-played game.

Editor's Note: There may be an error in the provided report as Fred normally remains vertical after catching a fly ball. The Eagle outfield does include another outfielder, I won't mention Carl's name, that does not have that reputation.

Classics 21 Wildcats 8

The Classics posted their strongest offensive attack of the season by pounding out 29 hits in a 21 to 8 decision over the fiery Wildcats.

Offensively, the Classics built a 10 run lead after three innings, but the Wildcats cut

the deficit by battling for 5 runs in their half of the third inning.

The Classics were not to be denied as they put up a crooked number in six of the seven innings they batted, adding 11 more runs to pad their lead in the final four innings.

Offensively, the Classics' attack was lead by Jack Galloway (4 for 4 with 2 doubles) and Eric Gottlieb (4 for 4). Aaron Sacharov, Tony Baccari, Curtis Bragg, Ed Betancourt, and Jeff Blank each had a big three hit day. Charlie Whittaker contributed to the offense with two hits and walk. Franco Folda, Howard Borocharner, Bill Krieger, and John Salmon chipped in with one hit each.

Defensively, it was a quiet day in the Classics' outfield, but strong play by the infield and pitcher Ed Betancourt kept the Cat attack on hold for most of the game. Craig Niederpruemmm had his usual solid game defending the hot corner.

Sixteen hits resulted in 8 runs which was about 1/3 of the classics total today as they soundly beat us today by a 21-8 score. 3 hits from Dale Cassidy, Ed Brandriff and 2 each from George Groves and Howard Barman. Sloppy play and a few walks did us no good at all in our 21 to 8 loss today.

Blue Jays 10 Devils 8

It was win one for Connie day for the Blue Jays who proceeded to do exactly that. They won one for Connie. Before the game Jim O'Brien informed his team that Connie Kilgarriff was in the hospital and not doing well. The fact that Connie was there to play didn't prevent O'Brien from doing a very poor win one for the gipper impersonation. The Jays rallied together in support of Connie and won the game by jumping out to an early 7 to 1 lead after 3 innings. The Devils made it close with 4 runs in the fourth inning but the Jays continued to add runs and won the day 10 to 8.

John Rozolis (3 runs scored), Jim O'Brien (2 runs scored) and Tom Redding were all 3 for 3. Ron Mangini, Bob Gaines (triple), and Lee Bullman all had 2 hits. Good outfield catches by Tom Redding, Greg Peters, Bill Russell and Bob Gaines, and a very good catch at second base by Lee Bullman. Naturally the defensive play of the day was turned in by none other than Connie Kilgarriff who snagged a screaming

line drive off the bat of Tom Cosgrove with 2 outs and 2 runners on. A great play by Connie on win one for Connie day. We all hope that he gets well soon.

Comets 8 Iron Pigs 6

The Comets defeated Iron Pigs 8 to 6. Missing 8 players (the Comets rented a whole floor in St Mary's hospital) the short handed Comets scored 2 runs in the top of the 7th to break a 6 to 6 tie and defeat the Iron Pigs. The big hit and game winner was Steve Scheele's line drive single scoring both runners from 2nd and third. Offensively Comets were led by Gene Corrado going 5 for 5 and Frank Glauser, Hal Katz, and Steve Scheele each with 3 hits. Steve Bradley had a great day with 5 RBI's and Steve Scheele 2 RBI's, Rich Waloff had 1 RBI. Infield play really great defensively and Hal Katz made the best catch with his back to the infield running into left center to make an incredible catch. Wayne Heaton was the winning pitcher and played great defense with one strikeout and no walks.

The Iron Pig lost to the Comets today by a score of 8 to 6 in a good game played by both teams. The Iron Pigs scored 3 in the bottom of the second and 2 more in the fourth to go up by a score of 5 to 1. The Comets responded with 3 runs in both the 6th and 7th innings. Rich Dempsey led the Iron Pigs offense going 3 for 3 while Jeff Blatt, Dave Detwiler, Howard Wible and Mike Segal all had 2 hits.

Buddy Bond



Buddy Bond who played before the league moved to Middletown Community Park in 2017 passed away earlier this week. He was a member of the 2014 regular season and playoff champion Iron Pigs. I never had the opportunity to meet Buddy but have developed a great deal of respect for anyone that meets the challenge of playing senior softball.

Results of Thursday 9/21 games

Classics 13 Eagles 3

The Eagles started slow and then they stopped and played in reverse in a 13-3 loss to the Classics. The defensive star for the game was Fred Weiner. He did not make an error. Then again, I don't think any balls were hit to him. The offensive star was Gary Bennett who had two hits in two at bats. Other than getting clobbered by the Classics, the Eagles didn't have any injuries except to our egos.

Team	Wins	Loses	Ties
Eagles	21	8	
Comets	17	11	
Iron Pigs	16	13	
Classics	15	14	
Devils	14	14	
Panthers	14	14	
Wildcats	9	19	
Blue Jays	8	21	

Devils 10 Panthers 3

The Devils definitely saw red today with Derek Foster leading a 26 hit attack going 4 for 4. Gene Reeber, Roy Barlow, Bill Howland and Steve Weiss all had 3 hits and Bill pitched a great game with a flawless defense backing him up.

Spotty hitting and a porous defense led to the Panthers demise against the Devils, 10-3. Defense was not so good as the Panthers gave up 5 runs in the 1st inning while the Devils hit very well. The Panthers mustered 2 runs in the 1st inning and another run in the 2nd inning but were never able to get ahead. Joe Grines went 3-3. Kevin Culp, John Breig and Jack Donohue each went 2-3 account for most of the Panthers 12 hits in the game.

Wildcats 10 Comets 9

The Wildcats and the Comets both had 5 run innings today but the Wildcats got the win today by a 10-9 score. Timely hits from Frank Slack, Tom Jakubowski, Dale Cassidy, Franklin, new teammates Ed Brandriff (3 for 3) and George Groves, Tracey Zimmerman, Howard Barman. Tracy had the big hit with the bases loaded to give us the BIG "5" today. Ed Schmidt was on base all game, Better defense and pitching kept the Wildcats out front today for the first time in quite a while.

The Comets lost to the Wildcats 10 to 9. The wildcats went up 9 to 3 after 3 innings. After sleeping thru the first 3 innings the Comets woke up and crept back in for a 10 to 9 score. The Comets posted 5 runs in the fifth and then the bats died. Stars for the Comets were Hal Katz with 4 hits and 3 rbi's, followed by Frank Glauser, and Gene Corrado with 3 hits. Steve Bradley, Wayne Heaton and Rich Waloff each had 2 hits. The Comets manager called the hospital for an update on our injured players and was told that we should have 11 players for the playoffs. We got a multiple player discount on crutches.

Iron Pigs 14 Blue Jays 11

The Iron Pigs defeated the Blue Jays by a score of 14 to 11. The Blue Jays scored 3 in the first and the Iron pigs answered back with 2 runs in the bottom of the first. The jays responded with 5 runs in the second inning and the Iron Pigs responded again with 3 in the bottom of the second. With the Blue Jays leading 8 to 5 the Iron Pigs scored 5 runs in the bottom of the third and 2 more in the bottom of the fourth and then added 2 in the 6th inning while holding the Blue Jays to 1 in the fifth and 2 in the seventh. Shout out to Dave Frayne who pitched the first 4 innings in his 2023 debut. Jack McNulty had 3 hits including a home run and a double. Jeff Blatt, Dave Courtright, Dave Detwiler and Mike Segal all had 3 hits. Joh Walsh chipped in with 2 hits. Tom Boyle added a hit and a walk and Dave Frayne worked 2 walks.

The Jays jumped out early again but their offense sputtered in the middle innings with a few walks added in and defensive lapses the Iron Pigs jumped back into the lead. The Jays eventually fell to the Iron Pigs by a score of 14 to 11. John Rozolis kicked in 2 hits, a double, walk and scored 3 runs. Ron Mangini had 3 hits and scored 3 runs. Bob Gaines had 2 hits and scored once. Greg Peters had 3 hits and scored 3 runs. Jim O'Brien had 3 hits and a walk. Bill Russell and Rich Dickson chipped in with one hit.

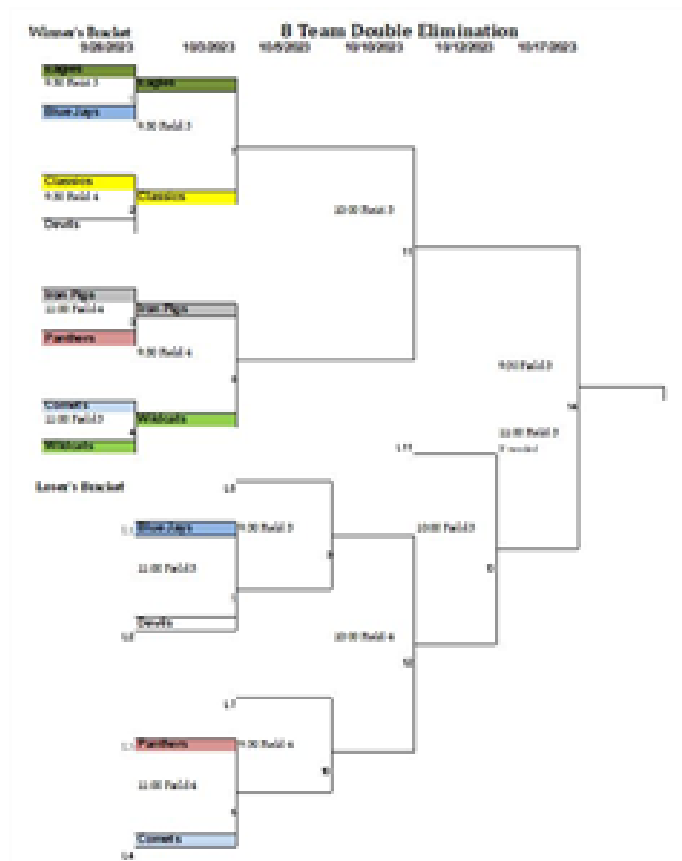
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2023 Post Season Tournament Day 1 Results

Classics 14 Devils 13

WoW! WoW! This game started out with the Devils scoring 2 runs top of the 1st and the Classics coming back with 3 runs. Devils held scoreless in top of the 2nd but Classics managed to score one run to lead 4 to 2. The Devils combined in the 3rd, 4th and 5th for 8 runs but the Classics scored 6 runs in the bottom of the 5th to tie the game 10-10. But the Devils were not going away with 3 runs in the top of the 6th to lead 13-10. The cardiac team known as the Classics scored 4 runs in the bottom of the 7th to win 14-13.



The manager is now taking heart medication after that game.

Outstanding hitting for the Classics was Charlie Whittaker with 4 hits and Franco Folda with 4 hits with the last hit a game winning triple. Also, Craig Niederpruem with 3 hits and Aaron Sacharov and Eric Gottlieb with 2 hits each.

Wildcats 14 Comets 4

A 23 Hit attack by the Wildcats with a good deal of defense set the stage for the playoff win over Jerry's Comets. 4 hits from Ed Brandriff, 3 each from Ed Schmidt, Frank Slack, Dale Cassidy and Bill Matlack. Two each from Ron Miller and Tracy Zimmerman made one hell of a 14 run attack and the defense played a good game in the field. It is amazing when you play well as a team you can do wonders.

Eagles 13 Blue Jays 5

The Eagles started early and led the Blue Jays 9-0 after three innings. The Blue Jays outscored the Eagles by one run over the last four innings and the Eagles held onto a

13-5 win.

The Eagles were led by Ken Mealy with three hits and three runs scored. Ron Cohen with three hits and three runs scored. Tom Boyce three hits including two doubles. Fred Weiner had two hits including a triple which drove in two runs. Bill Schwartz also had two hits along with Bob Dolan. Scott Comer made a very nice catch in right field and Tom Delaney pitched another great game.

The Blue Jays could not contain the top of the Eagles batting order and fell to the bigger birds by a score of 13 to 5. The Jays scored 4 runs late to make the score seem closer than it actually was. The Jays had 15 hits but didn't string enough of them together until the seventh inning when they had hits by Greg Petes, Jim O'Brien (double), Tom Redding, Lee Bullman (double) and Bill Russell (double). Lee Bullman was the star of the game for the Jays playing a flawless second base and going 3 for 3 with a double and an RBI. John Rozolis and Del Kates both had 2 hits.

Iron Pigs 11 Panthers 8

The Iron Pigs defeated the Panthers 11 to 8 by scoring 5 runs in the bottom of the first which included a 3 run home run by Jack McNulty. The Panthers responded with 3 runs in the top of the second. The Iron Pigs added 1 in the third inning and then 5 more in the fifth and held on after the Panthers with 5 runs in the seventh. Jeff Blatt and Tom Boyle both had 3 hits. Jack McNulty had 2 hits, one of which was the aforementioned home run, and a walk. Rich Dempsey, Howard Wible and Jim Stabene all contributed 2 hits. Judy Agasar hit into bad luck with 3 hard line drives that were all caught.

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Results of Tuesday Tournament Day 2 Games

Classics 6 Eagles 4 (8 Innings)

Good fortunes continued for the Classics in game two of the postseason tournament

as they won another nail biter against the always formidable Eagles ball club. After sailing along with a 3-0 lead through five innings the Classics were tagged for three runs by the soaring Eagles who left the go ahead run at second base to end the sixth frame.

After a scoreless seventh inning, the Classics put up a three spot in the top of the eighth and held the Eagles to a phantom run in the bottom of the inning to secure the 6-4 victory.

Both teams played an excellent brand of playoff softball.

The Classics' offensive production was primarily fueled by the middle of the batting order lead by Curtis Bragg (3 for 3 with 2 runs scored); Jeff Blank (3 for 3); Jack Galloway (2 for 2 with a sac fly RBI and run scored); Howard Borocharner (2-3 with two runs scored). Craig Niederpreum and Charlie Whittaker both chipped in with two hits each.

Defensively, Eric Gottlieb made a web gem of a play by throwing out a runner at second base while landing flat on his back to thwart an Eagles late inning comeback attack.



The Eagles and the Classics game went into extra innings. The Classics proving they had solid pitching, fielding and timely hitting to come out of top 6-4 after eight innings.

The Eagles could only muster nine hits as each of our catchers had one hit apiece including Dave Cutler who also scored a run. Joe Travato also had a clutch hit and scored a run. Gary Bennet also had a hit. The Eagles managed to score three runs in the sixth inning to tie the game but they could not keep up with the Classics in the eighth inning.

Blue Jays 12 Devils 11 (9 Innings)

Amazing game with both teams hitting and playing well. The Devils jumped out

early with 3 runs in the first but the Jays rebounded to take a 4 to 3 lead with 2 runs in the second and 2 more in the fourth. The Devils tied it up in the bottom of the fourth but the Jays added two runs in the fifth and 2 more in the top of the seventh to take an 8 to 4 lead. The Devils were not to be denied tying the game with a 4 run seventh and sending the game to extra innings. The Jays got a run in the top of the eighth on an RBI double by Greg Peters but the Devils matched that run in their half of the inning. The Jays then scored 3 runs in the ninth inning. After a walk to Rich Dickson they had key hits by John Rozolis (double), Ron Mangini and Jim O'Brien (double). The Devils responded with 2 runs in the ninth inning but fell 1 short.

The Blue Jays played a very Houdini-esque style of ball Tuesday. Getting themselves into impossible situations and then escaping. In the sixth inning the Devils had the bases loaded with 1 out. Greg Peters made a catch in left center when a well hit ball appeared to be over his head. He fired the ball home but it was cut off and the runner on second was doubled off. After the Devils tied it up in the bottom of the eighth they still had the bases loaded with no one out. The Jays escaped once again after an infield line drive out, an infield fly and a ground out killed the Devil's rally. The Jays imitated Houdini again in the bottom of the ninth as the Devils had cut the lead to one run and had the bases loaded with two outs. A ground out ended the game. A fantastic effort by both teams.

John Rozolis led the Jays offense with 4 hits with a double and 2 runs scored. Del Kates also had 4 hits with 3 runs scored. Greg Peters (2 doubles, 2 runs), Tom Redding (2 RBI's), Ron Mangini (2 runs) and Jim O'Brien (double, 3 RBI's) all had 3 hits. Monroe Weingarten chipped in with 2 hits and scored 2 runs. Rich Dickson and Connie Kilgarriff both had key 2 out RBI singles.

Iron Pigs 12 Wildcats 11

The Iron Pigs defeated a very good Wildcats team by scoring 8 runs in the bottom of the seventh inning. The Iron Pigs started the inning down 11 to 4 and scored 8 to prevail 12 to 11. They sent 13 batters to the plate getting 10 hits and an intentional walk to Jack McNulty. Howard Wible had 2 hits in the inning with his second hit driving in the winning run. The Wildcats jumped out early scoring 4 in the first, 1 in the fourth and five in the fifth. The Iron Pigs scored 2 in both the 3rd and 4th inning. Jeff Blatt and Rich Dempsey led the Iron Pigs offense with 3 hits both with a double. Dave Detwiler, Howard Wible, Mike Segal and John Walsh all chipped in

with 2 hits. Jim Stabene contributed to the win with a hit and a walk.

A 7 run lead going into the bottom of the last inning turned into a nightmare for the Wildcats of Puss&Boots this morning. After a force out at home plate nothing else went right for the Wildcats. Tommy's team scored 8 runs to win the game and deliver the Wildcats into the losing bracket. We played 6 good innings and then the shite hit the fan. We were unable to get even 1 more out before the Iron Pigs made toast out of our defensive effort. Their whole lineup came alive and we provided no additional defensive plays to stem the tide. Nothing went right after that and the Iron Pigs scored 7 more runs to deliver the cats to the losing bracket.

Editor's note: If you are thinking that you missed the muslim guy striking a spectator please note that I made a small modification to what Bob provided.

Comets 7 Panthers 6

The Comets out lasted the Panthers 7 to 6 to advance in the postseason tournament. The Comets fell behind 4 to 1 early and fought back to take a 6 to 4 lead in the bottom of the 6th. They then added one in the bottom of the 7th. In the top of the 7th the Panthers scored 2 to close within 1 run at 7 to 6. With 2 runners on and 1 out a ground ball to short turned into a double play 3rd to 1st to end the game 7 to 6. The Comets were led by some great plays at 3rd by Frank Glauser who made 3 great plays to kill rallies. Offensively the Comets had 7 players that went 2 for 3 (Frank Glauser, Gene Corrado, Larry Restivo, Daryl Puzan, Steve Scheele, and Rich Waloff). Larry Restivo had game high 3 RBI's, and Gary Jones had 2 RBIs. Wayne Heaton pitched a complete game with no walks and 2 strikeouts. A great team effort today!

Alas the Panthers season came to a halt at the hands of the Comets in a hard-fought game by a score of 7-6. The Panthers took an early lead but the Comets came right back to make the game a 3-3 tie. The Comets went ahead in the 5th inning when they scored 3 runs to take and hold the lead. The Panther defense was decent but could not quite hold back the Comets. The Panthers put up 16 hits including 3 doubles. The Panthers made the game exciting in the top of the 7th. Down by 3, Kevin Culp hit a single, then Dave Ortlip hit a sweet double to move Kevin to 3rd base. With runners on second and third, Rich Pich hit a monster 2 rbi double in the top of the 7th to pull the Panthers within 1 run but it was not to be. The scoring

ended there. Kevin Culp was 3-4, Dave Ortlip and Rich Pich both went 2-4 with a double each. Jack Donohue was 1-4 with a double. Bob Silvester was 2-4 and Bim Bradford went 2-3 in the game.

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Tournament Day 3 results

Eagles 3 Comets 2

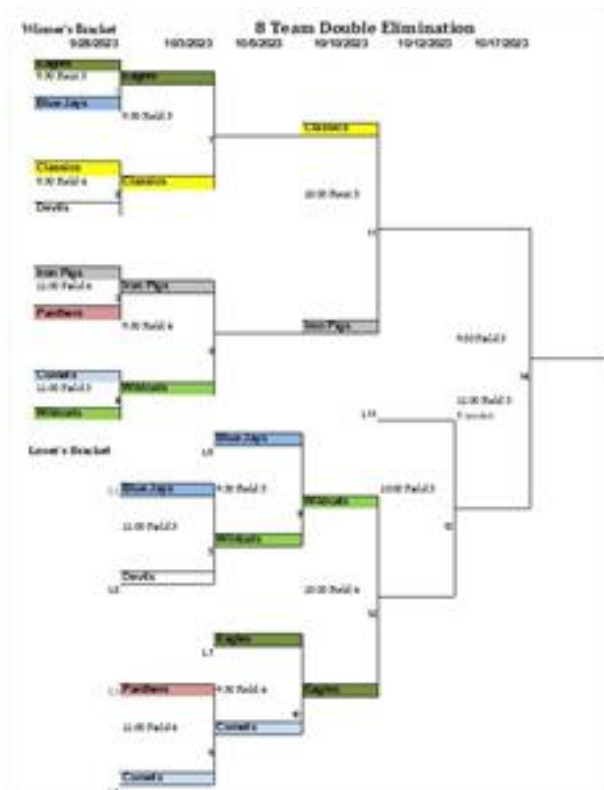
The Eagles and the Comets played another close low-scoring game with good pitching and good defense by both teams.

The Eagles scored two runs in the first inning and one more in the sixth inning. They held the Comets scoreless over the last five innings and secured a 3-2 win.

Dave Cutler had the important “go ahead” hit to lead the Eagles to their victory. Dave was a perfect two for two at the plate. Ken Mealy also

went two for two. The Eagles managed twelve hits and clung to the pitching of Tom Delaney and the team’s defense. The Comets played an excellent game and just fell short at the finish.

The Comets season ended on a, 3 to 2 defeat at the hands of the Eagles. A close game that was 2 to 2 going into the bottom of the 6th when the Eagles pushed the game winner across for the one run win 3 to 2. A very good defense by the Eagles paved the way for the victory and another crucial blown call by the umpire did the Comets in. After playing ball and many tournaments for 69 years, I have never heard



of the number 1 and 2 teams squaring off when 6 teams out of eight were left unless it was the final 2 teams left. The top 2 teams in the league in reality did not mean anything. The Comets lost to a better team today and had nothing to be asked for. It was a great ball game that we were in and it was very exciting. I would like to thank my whole team for their effort and fun year. Hope to see all my players again and would go to war with all of them. Hitting stars today were Jim Cro going 2 for 2 and Larry Restivo, Hal Katz, each getting 2 hits. Frank Glauser, Gary Jones, Steve Scheele, Gene Rubin, Steve Bradley and Frank Deon each with one hit. Good luck to the Eagles and hope you win a championship. Your team was a class act except for Tom Delaney's language again.

Editors Note: The bracket used seeds the number 1 and number 2 teams. This is so that they would meet when there are only 2 teams remaining in the winners bracket. The bracket doesn't get modified if the top seeds lose in preliminary games.

Wildcats 17 Blue Jays 10

Two 5 run innings set the pace for the Wildcats today as they defeated Jim's Bluejays by a 17 to 10 score. Perfect days at the plate by 3 Wildcats led the team today and better defense sealed the deal. The perfect players today were Ed Brandriff, Tracy Zimmerman and Bill Matlack with Ed getting 4 hits, Tracy and Bill getting 3 each with much better fielding by the whole team. George Groves and Franklin Smith also had 3 hits to help win the game. 2 hits each from Frank Slack and Doug Rutter had timely hits to keep rallies going. After our poor showing on Tuesday it was real good to get back on our feet. The whole team responded well today and we hope to keep it going next week. The comedy routine between our pitcher and catcher will still be provided and probably continue for at least one more game. All this fun and entertainment at no extra charge.

The Wildcats scored a touchdown in the fourth quarter to nip the Blue Jays 17 to 10. A late drive by the Blue Jays ended on their own thirtyfour yard line as time expired. The Jays played missing a couple of key components but the remaining players jumped out early scoring 7 runs in the first 2 innings. The Jays couldn't maintain that pace as the Cats stepped on the gas and sped away. The Jays offense was led by Jim O'Brien (3 for 3, double, triple, 3 runs) and Ron Mangini (3 for 4, 3 runs). Tom Redding, Greg Peters, Lee Bullman and Rich Dickson chipped in with 2

hits each. Del Kates was 1 for 3 with a walk and 2 RBI's while filling in admirably at shortstop. The Jays season is now officially over and it would be difficult to call it a success, but the moments of frustration were counterbalanced by the amount of pure euphoria experienced when we played well and prevailed. Thank You Jays.

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2023 Tournament Day 5 results

Wildcats 17 Eagles 1

A solid 23 hit attack by the Wildcats defended by a sloppy infield defense gave the EAGLES a 17-1 defeat today and sent the Wildcats to victory. Poor fielding by the infield today and three 5 run innings sent the Eagles to an early trip to the grandstand this morning. A 23 hit attack and good fielding drove the Wildcats of Puss & Boots to a well earned victory this morning. A perfect 4 hit day from Ed Schmidt and 3 hits each from Ed Brandriff, Frank Slack, and George Groves gave the Wildcats a big lead. 2 hits each from Vince Burkett, Tracy Zimmerman, Doug Rutter, and pitcher Ron Miller who today only issued 1 walk and only 1 run scored by the usually powerfull Eagles.



The Eagles and the Wildcats played a very close game in the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th inning with the Wildcats holding a 2-1 lead over the Eagles. However, The Eagles were required to play the 1st, 2nd and 6th innings where the Wildcats edged the Eagles by outscoring them by 15 runs. The Wildcats managed to win 17-1 over the "hard-hitting" Eagles. The star of the game for the Eagles was Tom Boyce who made the final out in the seventh inning. The Eagles thank the league for having the 5 Run Rule as I am sure Andy the umpire appreciated it's existence.

Iron Pigs 14 Classics 5

The Iron Pigs defeated the Classic 14 to 5 with a barrage of 25 hits. Jeff Blatt, Dave Detwiler, Howard Wible, Mike Segal and Judy Agasar all had 3 hits. Jack McNulty had 2 hit including a double with 2 walks. Rich Dempsey and Dave Courtright also had 2 hits.

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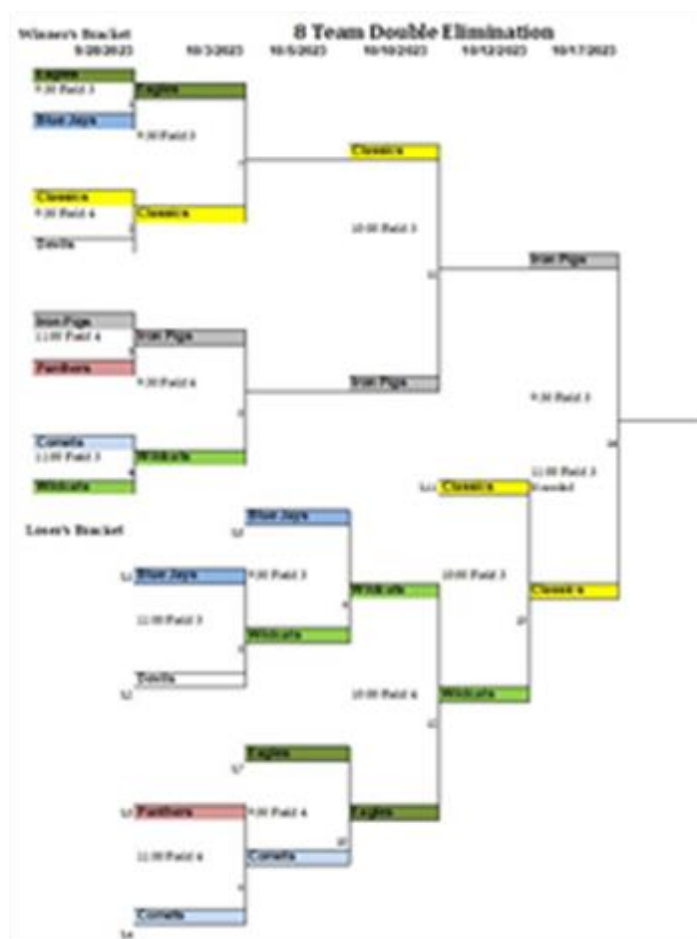
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2023 Tournament Day 6 results

Classics 7 Wildcats 6

The Classics and the surging Wildcats squared off in a closely contested playoff elimination game that was decided in the bottom half of the seventh inning, as the Classics pushed across two runs to walk off with a 7-6 victory.

The Cats jumped out to an early 4-0 lead in the top of the first and the Classics responded with 3 runs of their own in the bottom of the frame, to tighten up the game. The two teams then settled down and traded two runs each through the next 5 innings, as stellar pitching and defense became the order of the day.



Down 6-5 in the bottom of the seventh, hitting star John Salmon singled for his third hit of the day to start the Classics game winning rally. Jack Galloway followed with a clutch single, placing runners at first and second with one out. Bill Krieger delivered the equalizer with a well timed single, advancing runners to second and third.

Jimmy Hart punched home the game winning run with a sacrifice fly RBI to right field, scoring Eric Gottlieb, who was running for Jack Galloway.

The Wildcat pitching and defense limited the Classics batting order to three at bats per man, but the team managed to scratch out 15 hits. As previously noted, John Salmon went 3 for 3 with two runs scored, adding a defensive gem of a foul ball put out behind the plate, which earned the "ESPN jingle" from Umpire Andy. Bill Kreiger also went 3 for 3 to fuel the Classics' offensive attack.

A pivotal play halfway through the game occurred when, with a Wildcat on 1st with no outs, Tony Baccari made a running backhand catch of a sinking line drive and while still in motion fired a bullet to 1st to double up the runner.

The Classics send their Congratulations to the Wildcats who played valiantly during their playoff run and proved to be a tough out. Well done Wildcats!

The Wildcats scored 4 runs in the first and 2 more in the last 6 innings to lose 7-6 to the Classics in a semi-final playoff today. The classics scored 2 runs in the bottom of the 7th to squeek out their A well played game by both teams was lost by some misplayed balls to the outfield today and gave the win to Eric's men with 2 runs in the 7th. Big hitter for the Wildcats was Dale Cassady with 3 hits while Ed Schmidt and Doug Rutter had 2 each to complete the threats.

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2023 Tournament Final Results

Iron Pigs 12 Classics 7

The Iron Pigs defeated the Classics 12 to 7 despite being shorthanded with only 10 players. The Classics plated 2 runs in the first inning and the Iron Pigs responded with 4 in the bottom of the first. The Classics got 3 runs in the top of the third to take a 5 to 4 lead but the Iron Pigs responded again with 5 in the fourth and 3 more

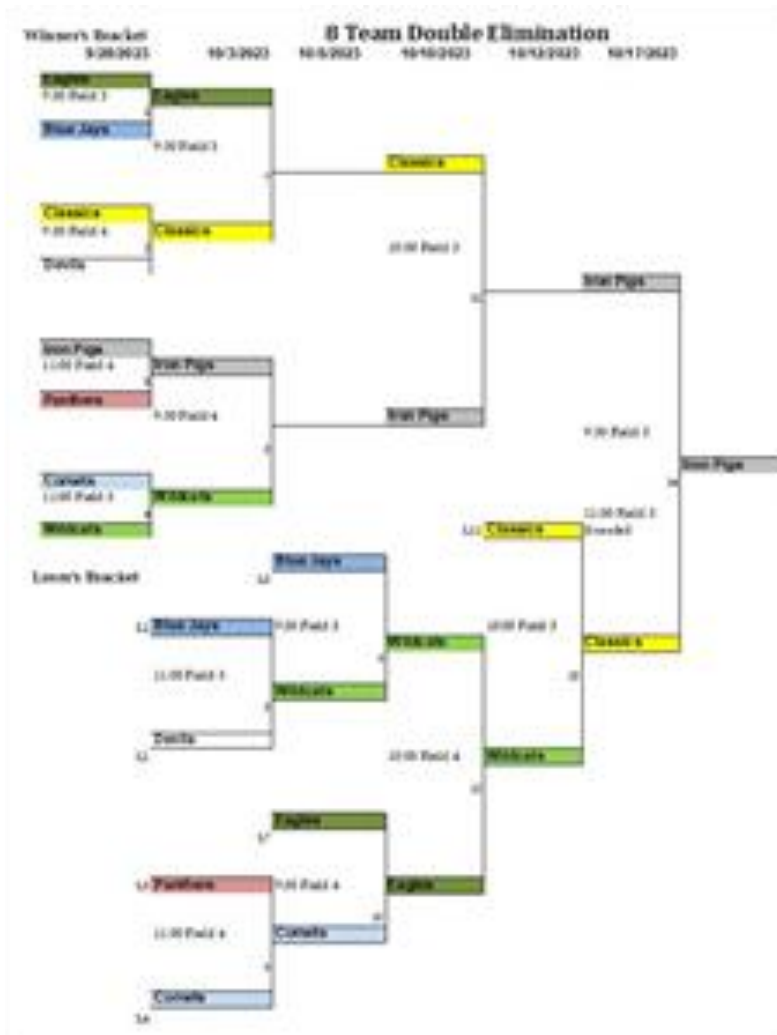
in the fifth. The Iron Pigs then held the Classics to two runs for the rest of the game with the final score being 12 to 7. Jack McNulty had a perfect day at the plate with a single, triple and 2 walks. Tom Boyle, Howard Wible, Rich Dempsey, Dave Detwiler all had 3 hits. Jim Stabene chipped in with 2 hits. The game was the end to a great season with congratulation to Eric and the Classics for making it all the way to the final.

The Classics came back from being in the bottom of the standing in the first half to mount a second half winning streak. Which got the Classics team in the championship round. Well done!

The Classics scored 2 run in the top of the first but the Iron Pigs came back with 4 runs to lead 4-2. In the 3rd the Classics scored 3 runs to lead the Iron Pigs 5-4 but could not hold the lead with the Iron Pigs scoring 5 run in the bottom of the 4th for 9-5 lead, In the top of the 5th Classics scored 1 run but Iron Pigs came back with 3 runs for a 12-6 lead. Classics scored one more run in top of the 7th but fell short to lose 12-7.

Well played game with good pitching by Ed Betancourt and fielding.

Good hitting with 3 hits were Aaron Sacharov and Eric Gottlieb and with 2 hits Charlie Whittaker, Bill Krieger and Howard Borocharner.



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End of Year Luncheon at the Anchor Yacht Club

Great Weather, good food, good people and then I had to spoil it by showing some pictures.

Here are pictures of the great baseball minds that managed to manage all

season. Thank You.



The pictures may have been slightly modified.

Before the season started we asked players to send in pictures of themselves when they were young.

We found out that several of our players were never young. Players that did not send in pictures

were replaced with one of the top 50 worst pictures available on the

internet. What follows is a mash up of the youthful players with their team pictures.

First our regular season champion Eagles.



And of course our Tournament champion. The Iron Pigs.



Our Tournament runner up The Classics.



Hats off the Tom Boyce who was the first person to fully endorse our

new sponsor. Sadly they went out of business before they could sponsor a team. But you can still see their commercial here:
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