



BASEBALL CLUB

Match Reports

Round 2 - 15 September 2012

8.1 Comets 21 v Sharks 30

Another fantastic Spring day to kick off round 2 up at Janalli.

TJ smashing a great drive out to left field to lead off the 1st Innings was the perfect start for the day. Riley followed, smashing out to centre field. A solid hit from Marvin and then Finn gave some more work to the outfield... driving in the first run getting TJ home. It was like clockwork with solid safe singles from Cooper, Henry, Brendan and Tiana with a great hit to push through our 6th home by Hayden. Fielding one of our strong infield line-ups, the very first hit was straight to Brendan at pitcher. It was fielded cleanly and quickly thrown to Finn at 1st who made the out and so we were away to a fantastic start. The second out came quickly too, with another 1-3 combination (pitcher thrown to 1st) on just their 3rd up to bat had the Comets stunned! They managed to start clawing a few runs but we managed to get a little lucky as their number 9 batter struck out at the plate. Yahoo!! 2 runs ahead after the first!!

Because we were fielding only bare 9 players with both Kane and Alex out and a perfect 'at bat', we were back to the start of the order with TJ up first again. Great batting filled the bases and a massive slog out to left field by Finn brought everyone home including himself for a homer, revealing to the Comets that it will be a tough day for them. Cooper was next up and showed the whole team the way to run through

first (well done Coop!) Henry hit a great ball and had a quick run to start to fill up the bases again. Brendan stepped up and cracked it out to centre field driving Cooper home and Henry around to 2nd. Tiana filled up the bases and Hayden cleaned up again with another great hit to wake up the left outfielder and to bring up our 2nd chance at fielding. A different fielding setup this time around produced more great results with Finn at pitcher and Hayden at first base teaming up to produce all three brilliant outs for the innings. What the score sheet doesn't say is the missed opportunities that were SO SO close. Well done everyone.

Third innings batting went pretty smoothly, although we lost Riley at second through no fault of his own due to the ball just falling at the feet of their 2nd baseman...unlucky! Brendan slogged a hit to centre field pushing Cooper home from second and Henry from 1st to 3rd, Tiana then brought Henry home and Brendan through to 3rd... Our cleanup guy Hayden got that lazy left outfielder to run again to get us 6 home. Player shuffle again saw TJ at pitcher with Finn at 1st base producing our best innings letting go only 2 runs with their first and third batter going down to 1-3 combinations.... Awesome!... and a strikeout for the third out.

Our fourth 'at bat' further cemented our position, Finn cleaning up with another homer!! (I can see a pattern emerging here!) and everyone starting to run through first base (yay!). We continued dominating, but lost Tiana

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run out to first with a good piece of fielding from the Comets. Cooper and Henry stormed home after their great hits (Henry's right out to right field) thanks to Hayden and TJ cleaning up. Tiana at pitcher next up, Marvin at ShortStop with Brendan covering 1st base saw some very close calls, and a bad call for a great out at 2nd base that was called safe. (no way!). Riley got us some payback getting a great out at 3rd base...well done! This was the only innings we let them get 6 away.

Last innings saw Riley up first and drilled it out to right field, and a double from Finn pushed Riley and Marvin home after a bit of a 3rd base error that wasn't picked up by the Ref. (gotta touch those bases guys!!!) We gave their 2nd baseman a workout with Cooper, Henry, Brendan and Tiana ALL hitting to him one after the other, and fantastic running getting us safely up to 6 home. On the field we saw Marvin and TJ 1-3 combination get the 1st and the third out, with a strikeout for their second....again an innings with some very close ones. We saw some fantastic fielding at 3rd from Tiana and Riley at ShortStop.

That was the game ...great fun....a great team effort and a FANTASTIC win... WELL DONE!!!! We have some great skills and absolutely everyone is improving out of sight!!! Thanks again to Nathan, Shelley and Vic a huge shout out to Kath for the awesome scoring.. plus a special thank you to Debbie for the help with the scoring and everything else.... And great support from the sidelines...the kids love it...Well done all!!!! It's very obvious that the training is paying off!!!!

The numbers We got 9 outs from 1-3 combinations (and that was a great mix of player combinations too), 2 strikeouts from them and a 'put out' (base out) at 3rd.

4/5/2/6/4 =21 runs them.

We lost only 2 outs, one put out at 2nd and a 1st base run out. 6/6/6/6/6=30runs for us!

Great game team!

10.1 - Arncliffe 7 v Sharks 4

With Byron off at Mindquest and McKenzie in his sick bed we headed out of the Shire to Kogarah for a game against Arncliffe.

Being the away team we were first at bat and saw a lot more action with the bat this week.

In the first innings Kurtis hit a great ball to centre field. Ryan helped Kurtis around the diamond with a hit toward third base. Both Kurtis and Ryan held their bases when a fly ball was hit and caught but they only made it one more base before we were three out side away. Arncliffe unfortunately struck themselves out three times in this innings. Score is nil all.

Bradley was first at bat in the second innings and hit a great ball to centre field and was soon on third base through a ground ball from Rivva toward third base and a hit from Cody but unfortunately we were three out before we knew it and were again left scoreless. Arncliffe got four home even though Cody threw two great hits in from centre field, the Zooka machine got in the way of Kurtis trying to field at pitcher and Rivva and Ben connected in the field getting themselves two outs with Rivva fielding two hits at left field and throwing to Ben playing at second base on both occasions. Score is now Arncliffe 4 Sharks 0

In the third innings Kurtis was again the first batsman to get our one and only run for the innings on the board with a great hit to centre field allowing him to run a double and then was helped home by a hit from Anthony and Ben to right field. We held Arncliffe to just one home this innings with hits going towards Ryan at pitcher, Cody at left field and Rivva at short stop before they unfortunately strike themselves out again three times. Score is Arncliffe 5 Sharks 1

The fourth innings sees a great hit by Cody to centre field to run a double and get Nik and Rivva home. Cody then makes it home himself through hits from Spyros and Rebecca. We see a home run from Arncliffe and one other batsman get home before they unfortunately strike themselves out again three times. Score is Arncliffe 7 Sharks 4

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Time allows us to go out and bat in the fifth innings with a great hit from Bradley to left field but we are unfortunately left scoreless. The umpire calls time and game before Arncliffe are able to bat and the game is left at Arncliffe 7 Sharks 4

Man of the Match goes to Ben for great work all round, Rivva got the Video Ezy award for great work in the field and Cody got the McDonald's award for great hits.

Thank you to Coach Paul Bunker, Assistant Coach Paul Donaghy, Scorer Cindy and all the families that support us.

10.3 – Sharks 13 v Dolphins 1

Game 2 on our journey into the 10's turned out another inspiring performance. The boys have really stepped up and handled the ball coming at them at 40mph.

1st dig Unfortunately their first two outs were struck out. I don't like seeing that at all. But the third out was a ripper hit to Benny at pitcher who threw to Brodie on 1st. Jasper Appleby smacked a 3 base hit bringing 2 runners home. Jack hit a one base hit allowing another homer and Osea hit a magic home run to the outfield with loaded bases. 6 home side away. 0 - 6

2nd dig Jasper A gave the Dolphins no chance when their batter hit straight to him fielding infield of 1st base. JA caught a missile of a hit. The runner on 1st had set off for 2nd base leaving himself no chance to get back when JA took the four steps back to 1st base for the double play. The Sharks fans cheered and clapped an outstanding piece of play. Again unfortunately they struck out. 3 out side away. We didn't start out this dig well either with 2 striking out before we could get batters out on bases. Eventually Charlie hit a 1st base run and brought home Rowdy. The Dolphins had a good dig keeping us to the 1 run. 0 - 7

3rd dig The Dolphins got a runner home in this dig to a well deserved cheer from their supporters. Zach hit a nice ball getting himself to 1st base but allowing 2 home. Benny was working his magic around the bases when a hit went straight to the 3rd base fielder and gave

him no chance of getting there. Angus hit a 2 base hit and allowed another home run. Rowdy hit a 1st base hit but allowed another 2 home and Jasper C did the same even though we chalked up the 6. 1 - 13

I must mention this because it was a great hit. Jordie unfortunately struck out in the second dig but his 2nd strike was a foul ball he hit down the third base foul line. It went 40 metres past the third base. When Jordie gets it it goes. It will happen mate.

Great work Boys. We were on ground setup and canteen until 10 and again every parent helped. Now I know you have all chipped in the last three years but I'll say again, A VERY BIG THANK YOU.

Coach Bill

14.2 - Bosco 7 v Sharks 7

A gritty 7 All result was played out between two evenly matched sides – go figure a draw = evenly matched!

We built our game on good pitching by Brooke over 3 digs, great fielding at times and consistent batting which saw us compile our 7 runs with good hits were seen from Christian, Cooper and Michael. Matthew's catching for the entire 4 innings and good fielding plays by Cameron, Liam and James almost got us over the line with our closer Coop being brave in the last dig. **Our two match award winners were Cooper Langby and Michael Large for their fine game performances.**

A game off for M-Man and a brave game for Corey (having been hit by a ball in warm up) and ongoing hopes for Lachlan's return should also be noted. Children and parents dealt with interesting umpiring – but it was a game played in good spirits. See you all at training (if possible) and looking forward to the next game.

Coach Attila



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