


CRONULLA Sharks



BASEBALL CLUB

Match Reports

Round 6 - 27 October 2012

8.1 Bonnet Bay Blue 25 v Cronulla 35

An away game but down at SW on a fantastic spring morning. Batting first up we had Marvin and Riley with safe singles, TJ then smashing out to Centre Field to drive in the first run of the game. Alex followed with a double, Hayden safe on first then Finn with a triple leaving Tiana to bat in the 6th run for side away. Fielding the first innings they managed to get some n runners into play, but Finn on second base got a great put out as their 2nd batter was forced to run. They scored a few runs as we missed some close ones from TJ at pitcher to Hayden at first... just a millisecond too late! we had a chance then for a force at home plate, but the catcher not being ready to catch! (we really have to get the catchers into the game... it's a very important position, not just putting ball on tee!) The last out came just in time as they had 5 home, but Brendan playing third base fielded nicely to play his own base as the runner ran home. (but didn't score) 5-6 our way!

Henry was lead off for our second dig getting onto first, then Brendan stepped up to hit a homer out to Left Field.. great start! Marvin Riley and TJ all with great hits but we lost Riley as a forced runner to 2nd with a great piece of fielding by Bonnet Bay. We pushed our runners home with singles until Tiana stepped up and pushed Finn all the way around to home to call side away. Their 1st batter had a massive hit way out past Marvin at Right Field, which scored them a home run to start a great innings for them. Brendan at pitcher threw to Finn at first twice narrowly missing the outs, but persistence paid off with our first out coming with that combination next up. TJ at Short Stop had similar luck with a throw to Henry at 3rd too high then just a millisecond late to Hayden at 2nd. Our Luck (or lack thereof) continued with Brendan too late at third, and then one to Finn at first base was dropped unfortunately. A big hit out to Right Field finished them off with relays not hooking up at both second and at home. We were happy to hear the ump call side away. 11-12 Our way. One out this innings

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Third dig went well at bat with all singles, we lost Henry at 3rd but Finn finished us up with a brilliant Homer! On the field we had another unlucky innings with Finn at pitcher with TJ at 1st Base, and a total of 7 throws from 1-3, with only one making the mark with the others close but either too high, outside or just a touch too late. We had a chance for Marvin at SS to Tiana at third but that didn't work either... 6 home side away again... Score now 17-18 our way. Again only 1 out this innings.

Fourth dig we Lost only Tiana running to 2nd after the ball went straight to 2nd baseman unfortunately, but we were safe to 6 away again. Everyone is hitting well and placing hits where we needed them, and so far this is the only time at bat that Hayden hasn't hit out to Left field! Safe runs but we need some outs!! On the field our run of bad luck continued with Marvin at pitcher. A great smash out to Finn at Centre Field was returned straight to home with a great throw... which stopped them clearing the bases. Marvin threw to Henry at 1st which was a great catch, but the runner got his foot on base just in time. Another great big smash out to Hayden at Left Field came back to Brendan at 2nd, then thrown to Henry at 1st then to home with nothing to show for it but a few runs for them...Side away... no outs!!! In front 24-23!

Fifth dig. Tiana is leadoff and has a great hit straight toward the pitcher ... Caught perfectly by him and OUT ... bad luck! Next up Henry a big whack but straight to Short Stop. Caught ... OUT ... oh dear! 2 outs and no runs. Brendan steps up, gets on base with a hit to 2nd. Marvin comes in ... strike 1 ... foul strike 2 ...oh oh! He connects and punches it straight to the Short Stop getting Brendan out to second. Riley up to the plate and hits straight to Short stop again, Brendan is a forced runner toward him, Short stop fields the ball, lunges, Brendan slides under him to get onto 3rd! AWESOME!, but a close call! TJ bats in Brendan then Alex pushed Marvin home for 2nd home. 2 outs. Bases loaded, forced runners everywhere. Up comes Hayden, the big Lefty, absolutely smashes one into the back fence of Left Field pushing Riley, TJ, Alex and himself home for our 6 away!!! Way to go!!! really got out of jail there!!!

We took the field in this one with one of our strongest lineups possible.... it's all or nothing. First out came on their 3rd batter with Finn throwing to Hayden at first for a great 1-3 combo. We had an overthrow from Brendan at 3rd to TJ at 2nd which could have been a terrible mistake but was cleaned up well by Riley in the outfield. We had one of their batters strike out for the 2nd out, then a great put out by Brendan at 3rd as their bases were loaded stopped them at 1 home! 24-30 now our way.

We were now only a minute from the 10 minute rule so we went up for another innings... not a win yet... Finn leadoff hits another Homer! singles from Tiana, Henry then Brendan, and a double from Marvin followed by Riley and TJ for singles. Alex struck out but our Hot at Bat Hayden cleaned up with a solid Homer once again to bring the troops home! 6 away and Game... but they wanted to finish their batting. Tiana took the pitchers mound this time, and a good effort from Finn at Short Stop thrown to Brendan at first was too big. A great big hit to Henry at Right Field was thrown to Brendan at first, but the runners were already rounding 3rd base headed for home... the footrace was on and Brendan won, tagging one of them out at the plate. They had a strikeout next and we finished them with a great put out at 2nd by Riley... well done!! Final score 25-36 and our win! The game was a lot closer than the score reflects but we made the plays when it counted. Well done everyone.... The support was excellent from the sidelines too! Great thanks again to Shelley and Vic in the dugout, Kath scoring and of course Nathan as always!

Numbers: 5 home runs, 1 from Brendan, 2 from Finn and 2 from Hayden (who hit to Left field 5 out of 6 times) 15 hits to the outfield. Total of 11 outs in 6 innings

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