

Ladies Powderpuff Softball

Royals cook Buns 'n Roses

ROYAL PAINS 13 BUNS 'N ROSES 4

Royal proved to be a pain in the Buns as they clobbered them and took home the point for the win.

Carol Spateri, led the bats for Royal with a triple and a double. Heather Hansen and Molly Moore both pounded out 2 doubles each.

Jennifer Reynolds made a fabulous throw home from the outfield for an out. Lori Hofing showed great defence on second to hold down any Roses attack.

Debbie Davies pounded out a triple to bring in one run for the Roses. Cathy Crichton, Elaine Moreland and Karen Smith hit in the other R.B.I.s for this game.

LOTS A GREEN 17 SUN STROKERS 14

Lotsa Green stroked out the Sun in this close encounter. Great hits by Tanya Hill, Suzanne Presswood and Janie Smith as they pounded out triples to help keep the lead on the Sun.

Great pitching by Yvonne Kocvik. Donna Sproule made two fabulous catches at the fence to hold down the Sun Stokers attack.

For the Sun, Robin Maltby pounded out 2 triples to bring in 2 runs and 3 R.B.I.s. Lisa Switzer went 3 for 4 at bat with a triple and 2 R.B.I.s to help keep this game close.

SILVER BULLETS 12 HOBBS SNOBS 11

This was a strong game by both teams with some close calls by the

man in blue to decide the outcome.

Silver had some bullets flying as Jennie Brooks proved to be a sharp shooter as she fired out to over the fence home runs. Wendy Reid and Deb Tatham shot out a homer each.

Karen Tales hit a two run base loaded single to break a tie and bring in the winning run in the bottom of the seventh.

Great effort by Snobs as Laurie Sproule hit a triple for her best hit this season. Rose Wilcox and Christina Netten both smashed out two doubles each to keep this game really close.

Sandra Cousens made a nice double play and great catch in centre by Diana Westwood. Good effort.

ESOBEEES 9 CATCH THE BEET 8

This was another close match with the Bees capturing the point.

For the Bees, Janet, Wendy and Marie did another great job pitching. Janet Ransom struck out 2 batters in the seventh to stop the Beet.

Andrea Ford and Debbie Knoepfli played well behind the plate. Andrea tagged one run out at home. Lois Cassista scored the winning run with her double. Good game played by all.

For the Beet, Pat Herrington smashed out a homerun bringing in two runs. Cheryl Jackson pounded out a double and Sylvie McPherson hit 3 singles to keep this game

close. Good defensive game by all.

MINT CONDITION 6 SIMPLY RED 6

A Great Game. Both teams played hard to come out with a point each.

For Mint, Goldie cashed in with her first ever homerun. Joyce Hutchins smashed out a triple and Pat Akers chalked up a double. Pat Morey made her debut as she stole her first base of the year and as an encore another after that.

Starring for Simply Red, Doreen Dobbins pounded out a double with 2 R.B.I.s. Leanne Hall and Dawn Hilt both brought in a run each to keep the score even. Good game ladies.

UDDERLY AWESOME DEFEATS BLUE LIGHTNING

Blue Lightning was trampled as the Udderly Awesome herd moved in for the win.

The prize winners in this fair were Bonnie Penny and Laura Raine as they both smashed out a homerun. Lorraine Tarzwell and Helen Slingsby pounded out a triple each. Great defense by the whole team.

For Blue, Leslie corked out a double. Sylvia Murphy starred in defense with 3 outs in one inning. Nice pick off at third by Leslie and Cindy. Everyone on the team seemed to have the Blues but none the less it was a good game.



The stretch play

Silver Bullets first base player Debbie Tatham stretches up for the ball as she tries to get a force out on Udderly Awesome hitter Tammy Lockwood. The play wasn't a key one for the Bullets, who had trailed the entire game and eventually lost 17-9. (Herald Photo)

Soccer Report

Warriors put out Flames

SHOPPERS DRUG MART RED WARRIORS - 6

CONSUMERS BLUE FLAMES - 0
Goals: Tristan Temple (2), Chris Martyniuk (2), Onirik Sarma, Andrew Jones.

Noteworthy: Red - David Royce, Graham Brown, Christian Waterstrat. Blue - Jamie Tawil, Freddy Roffel, Robert Timmings.

WHITE LIGHTNING - 1 VARIAN GREEN MACHINE - 0

Goals: Chris Sperduti
Noteworthy: White - Jason Gadoutsis, Bryan Foster, Eric Broughton. Green - Patrick Donoghue, Jim Spoehr, Jeffrey Graville.

YELLOW COBRAS OVER - 3 DK. GREEN SPEED DEMONS - 2

Goals: Yellow - Robert McLeod, Ryan Booth (2). Dk. Green - William Ivankovic (2).

Noteworthy: Yellow - Ivan Bosnjak, Daniel Harris, David Cormier.

Dk. Green - William Ivankovic, Eric Fogal, David Jubenville.

-Referees and breathing - How are they related?



RISKY BUSINESS
By Rob Risk

Some things are taken for granted, like breathing - it's an action we don't really notice until something draws our attention to it. Breathing is necessary because we need the oxygen to go to our lungs and from there to help our bodies function.

I'm not giving a lesson in human anatomy, but I am showing the similarities breathing has to referees and the job they do.

I've heard it said that the best referee is one that's hardly ever noticed. I can agree with that, because there are few things I dislike more than the delays caused by officials who seem to think the game is played just so they can get people around. Thankfully, there aren't many of that type.

Similar to breathing, the refs aren't noticed until something happens. Depending on who the call is against, the corresponding bench, especially the coach, will react, and the throat when it finds something too hard to swallow. Gaggling, spitting or something more disgusting is usually the result.

For most infractions, there are usually disagreements over whether the whistle should have been blown or not.

It's a close call, it's expected that the affected team is going to be biased about what they "really" saw happen.

Unfortunately, especially in minor league sports, there is a shortage of referees and many of the games are played with one or two fewer officials than you might expect to have.

As a result, some of the outs at first base, holding penalties and an offside or two are bound to be missed.

So, just like a set of overworked lungs, they can't be expected to perform the job of two or three people without the occasional cough or wheeze happening.

Some of the coaches and players who complain about the referees making some poor calls should remember just how much the abused organs of the game are vital to the function of sports. You can't easily replace them when you're not happy with their work.

For the refs, take heart in the fact that you're performing the job as best you can in less than ideal

circumstances. Also, it's human nature for people (i.e. coaches) to blame somebody else for mistakes they (or their players) make.

Lastly, the next time someone is in your face about a call, just picture how they would look if they held their breath for oh, let's say five minutes...or even eight...or...

Cold shoulder for opponents

Due to a dislocated shoulder, Acton Bantam Boys baseball pitcher Dave DeForest watched from the sidelines on Monday as his team tied Cheltenham 6-6.

DeForest cheered on fellow pitcher Bill Andrews, who finished with the tie. Teammates Mark Leckwood, Matt Smith, Chad Rousell, Brian McCallum, Danny King, Brett Papillon, Travis Mitchell and Matt Robertson are commended for their efforts as well.

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