

Englewood Men's Senior Softball League Newsletter

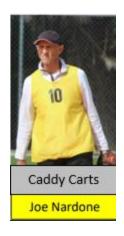
Silver Division – Week 4

Talk about competitive!! Silver games on Tuesday ALL ended in 1 run games!!! 3 of them were walk off affairs!!! Xpertech is alone in 1st place with only 1 loss.

The Supplemental draft was completed on Wednesday with 4 players being chosen. Congrats to these 4 for joining the league.









Porter Sharks 12 Caddy Carts 11



The Sharks did a lot of things right in this game. Bob Felt did not issue any walks, and the infield had a couple of double plays and reduced their errors to just two. They were down 10-2 after three innings and then shut Caddy Carts down allowing just one run in the last four innings. Timely hitting in the 7th inning saw the Sharks score six runs and take a one run lead. They retired the first three batters in the bottom of the inning to notch the win. Jim Johndrow was 3 for 3 and drove in the winning run with a triple. John Raymond and Archie King were also 3 for 3. Greg Senay was 2 for 2 including another triple and Jim Donaldson had a home run.



Grumpy's 18 Libee's 17



Bob McMahon

Grumpy's team showed the 0-6 record was not an accurate reflection of how well this team plays! Libee's scored 4 runs in the top of the first and the game looked to be going according to the script. But Grumpy's came back with 5 in the bottom of the first and the battle was on! Dave Rafalski had a grand slam and Dan Damboise 3 hits. But Damboise was a bigger problem for Libees in the field as he was everywhere at shortstop and killed rally after rally with his glove.

Bob McMahon hit 2 HRs for 7 RBI and added a single and 3 runs in a great offensive performance! Ron King had a 3 run HR and Dennis Easterday went 3 for 3.



Dave Rafalski

Warrior Homes 17 vs Xpertech 18



Bill Maichle

The Warriors scored 5 runs in the top of the first Inning, Xpertech answered back in the bottom of the first with 3 runs and continued hitting, scoring 5 runs in the 2nd and 3rd innings, and 3 more in the 4th inning. The Warriors scored 2 runs in the 2nd, 5 in the 4th and 1 in the 5th. After a scoreless 6th inning by both teams Xpertech was leading 16 to 13 going into the 7th inning. The warriors scored 4 runs in the top of the 7th to take the lead. In the bottom of the 7th Xpertech first batter made an out, but then Joe Gasparino and Kevin Michael had back-to-back triples to tie the game. The Warriors intentionally walked the next to batters to load the bases. Then with 2 out Bill Maichle singled home the winning run and immediately posed for this photo!! Ron Foster and Dave Keefer had home runs and Tom Scanlon went 3 for 3.



Arturs 16 vs Designer Tees 15



Gary Terrenzi

On Tuesday January 30th Designer Tees squared off with Arturs in an important early season match-up. The sun shone brightly on both teams this day, especially on Designer Tees early on as they jumped to a quick lead 9-3 after 3 innings. The Tees held a 3-run lead going into the bottom of the 7th. Artur's tied the score and had runners on 2nd and 3rd with 2 outs with Geno up to bat. The decision was made to walk Geno to set up a force out at every base. Joe Saraguso quickly spoiled that strategy by lacing a game winning hit down the right field foul line. As Joe rounded 1st base in his exuberance, he removed his hat, and the crowd was astonished that every hair was still in place reminiscent of the great Cowboy coach Jimmy Johnson. Joe proved once again that he was still "Brylcreem Joe". Arturs won 16-15.

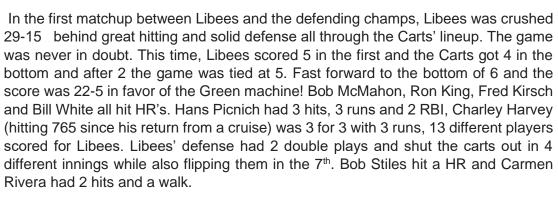


Tees were led this day by wreckum' Ralph Fisher in his 1st action of the year following knee replacement surgery and Helicopter Hanson with 4 hits apiece. Steve O'Connor and Dave Tacey chipped in each with 3 hits.

Libee's 22 Caddy Carts 9



At the end of the day, these 2 teams are separated by just 1 run after 2 games by a combined score of Caddy Carts 38 and Libees 37. Game number three should be a doozy!!!





Porter Sharks 12 Warrior Homes 10

Bob Felt

The Sharks recorded their 4th victory of the season downing Warrior Homes 12- 10. The Warriors jumped to an early 2-0 lead but only scored 2 more runs over the next 4 innings as the Sharks responded with 5 runs in the 4th and 4 runs in the 5th inning to take the lead 11-4. The Warriors bats woke up in the 6th inning, scoring 5 runs. Down 12-9 in the bottom of the 7th inning, the Warriors scored 1 run and had the winning run at the plate with 2 outs, but Porter made a great play on a hard-hit grounder to end the game. The winning pitcher was Bob Felt who struck out 4 and did not issue a walk. Felt has walked just 6 batters in 8 games, and that included 3 in one game on a windy day. He has not issued a walk in 4 of his games and has 13 strikeouts (4 looking) on the season. John Raymond and Jim Johndrow had three hits each.



Ron Foster and Henry Sirignano Had 4 hits each. We were missing Rich Burke, Ray Kunitz, Fedele Volpe, & Jimmy Mackey. Bern D'Aleo was playing with a sore back and Tom Gaff who has been out all season with a pulled muscle, stepped in and played but was not 100% yet.

Designer Tees 15 Grumpy's 10



On Thursday February 1st, the gentlemen of Designer Tees looked to start a new month by ending a three-game losing streak. The game against Grumpy's hotdogs started as a slugfest with the score tied **8 to 8 after 2 innings**. (*Editor's question - does anybody play defense anymore?*) For the next four innings the combination of John Anjos's pitching and stellar infield glove work kept the dogs scoreless. The Tees infield of Big Country Greene, Wreckum Ralph Fisher, Dave Tacey and Clark Kent Vogel came together to foil Grumpy's hitters. Much like that rodent from Pennsylvania the Tees batsmen did not burrow underground but scored 7 runs to take a 15-8 lead going into the bottom of the 7th. There was no quit in these dogs as they scored 2 runs with 2 runners in scoring position. The game came to an abrupt end as Wreckum Ralph snared a line drive to cut the dogs rally short. The Tees were lead in hitting this day by Steve O'Connor with 4 hits and 4 Rbi's. Dave Tacey also had 4 hits and Dave Ege and Dick Dial each had 3 hits. Ralph Fisher laced a triple to the fence showing that knee replacement wasn't going to hold him down. Tees look to continue their winning streak on Tuesday against league leading Xpertech.



Xpertech Auto Repair 15 Artur's 11



Joe Gasparino

Xpertech came out swinging and led 13-3 after 4 innings. Joe Gasparino led the assault with 2 HR's and 6 RBI. Tom Jensen and Gary Garcia both went 3 for 3. More good news for the 1st place Xpertech team, Rick Silva returned to active duty after missing 4 games.



Dennis Smith





Best of luck to good guy Pat Valerio who recently spent a day in the hospital for Vertigo. Anyone remember Nick Esasky? He actually lost his baseball career over Vertigo.



