

Englewood Men's Senior Softball League Newsletter

Silver Division – Week 5

Greetings ESSL players and fans! This week's feature photos are of the men who contribute to the newsletter every week by submitting summaries of the week's games in their own words. I have received a lot of compliments for the writings of these guys and just want to be sure that everyone is aware of who the real writers are. I do very little editing of their submittals.



Dave Tacey



Tom Scanlon



Bill Rice



Rick Silva

Xpertech is in 1st place with only 1 loss in 10 games. The silver boys have been playing stellar defense and lead the division in fewest runs allowed with 120. But they've also been swatting the ball all around the ballpark to the tune of 146 runs scored, good for the 3rd highest in the league.

Porter Contracting has won 3 straight and then we have the "tie" that will be continued before our next game!!! If Porter won that game, they'd be tied for 2nd place! A long way from last season's poor showing.

Team	Win	Loss	Tie	PCT
XperTech Auto Repair	9	1	0	0.900
Libee's	6	3	1	0.650
Caddy Carts	6	4	0	0.600
Porter Contracting	5	4	1	0.550
Warrior Homes	5	5	0	0.500
Artur's	4	6	0	0.400
Designer Tee's	3	7	0	0.300
Grumpy's Hot Dogs	1	9	0	0.100

Warrior Homes 11 Caddy Carts 17



Bob Stiles

The Warriors Scored 5 runs in the top of the 1st inning led by a Bern D'Aleo Grand Slam home run. The Caddy Carts answered with 5 runs in the bottom of the inning. It was 6-6 after 2 full innings.

With a runner on 1st base, Ken Brink had a nice base hit to short left center, but Ron Foster fielded it cleanly and threw a bullet to second base for the force out!!! Great play!!! The Warriors were leading 8 to 7 going into the bottom of the 5th inning, but Caddy then scored 5 runs and another 4 runs in the bottom of the 6th inning. The Warriors had lots of chances to score but ended up stranding 11 runners on base throughout the game.

Rich Burke also hit a Home Run and Peter Salvatori had 3 hits for the Warriors



Rich Burke

Bob Stiles had a single followed by a double where once again, he split the outfield with a sharp line drive hit. We all know he can hit every field and this guy continues to be a dangerous hitter for the Carts!!!



Porter Sharks 22 Grumpy's 8



Bill Rice

The Sharks jumped on the Dogs with 5 runs in both the 1st and 2nd innings leading to their 5th win of the season. They established new team records with 27 hits and a batting average of .692 on the day. Every Sharks player had at least one hit and the team scored in every inning. Archie King was 4 for 4, Jim Johndrow was 3 for 3 with a home run and two doubles, Jim Donaldson was 3 for 4 with a home run and 4 runs scored, Mike Albin was 3 for 3 plus a walk, John Raymond was 3 for 4 with a triple, and Manager Bill Rice was 2 for 2 plus two walks and scored 4 times. Porter Contracting is now 5-4-1. The 1 tie will be played to completion starting in the 9th inning an Porter's next match with Libees.

Grumpy's falls to 1-9 on the year.

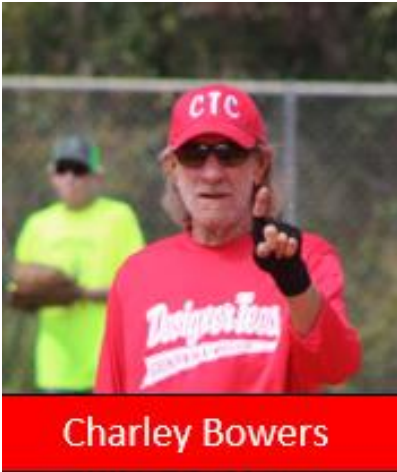


Ken King

Designer Tees 11 Xpertech 17

On Tuesday February 6th Designer Tees squared off with the league leading batsmen of Xpertech. The game could not have started any worse for the Tees as Xpertech jumped to a 10-0 lead after the 2nd inning. Tees battled back to make the game respectable but still fell short by the final score of 17-11. Dave Ege, Steve O'Connor, Helicopter Hanson, Clark Kent Vogel and Charlie Tuna Bowers each collected 3 hits each to lead the Tees offense. Designer Tees looks to end this early season slide with their game Thursday against Warrior Homes.

Tom Jensen hit a 3-run homer while Dan Dwyer, Joe Wyman and Kevin Michael all went 3 for 3.



Charley Bowers



Dan Dwyer

Libee's 17 Artur's 18

This game was a dogfight. It started very slowly with Artur's holding a 5-4 lead in the bottom of the 4th, but at the end of 6 it was 15 all! Steve Stanley had a single, double, and triple to go with 2 runs and 2 RBI. Libee's scored a pair in the top of the 7th, but Artur's scored 3 in the 7th to walk it off!!!

Artur's had offensive stars all over their lineup. Cliff Martin had a walk, 2 singles and a triple, Digger Stauch had a bomb to left center and Joe Siragusa had a big three run triple in the third inning.

Scott Maresh had 5 strikeouts with 3 of them looking.



Steve Stanley



Dave Presogna

Caddy Carts 17 Artur's 11

Caddy Carts new middle infielder Joe Nardone is fitting in nicely with the team. A good left-handed bat with speed and a solid infielder, Joe has been a great addition to the Carts who are now 6-4 and poised to get back atop the standings as they do every year.

Meanwhile, Arturs team lost their pitcher to a season ending ailment and their new first round pick Roger Martin has been hobbled with a bad foot injury. Such is the problem with first year players...we ALL get injured!!!



Rich Minto



Joe Nardone

Warrior Homes 20 Designer Tees 3



Jim Mackay

The Designer Tees had an important rematch against Warrior Homes. The game started slowly for both teams as the score was tied 2-2 after the 2nd inning. One team's bats came alive after that and scored 18 more runs over the next 4 innings. Unfortunately for Designer Tees their opponent, Warrior Homes, was the team that mashed the ball at the Tees expense. The Tees had 5 innings of 3 up and 3 down and only collected 5 hits in the entire game which ended mercifully at 20-3. Bruce Berentz was one bright spot for the Tees as he slugged his 1st Homer of the year. Tees management is exploring the possibility of employing a team witch doctor to possibly break the spell that seems to have afflicted the Tees bats this year. The team looks forward to welcoming back this week, the brash slick fielding middle fielder who has been out with an injury recently. Next week, hope springs eternal.



Bruce Berentz

The Warriors Scored one run in the bottom of the second inning to tie the game, and then scored 18 runs over the next 4 innings. The Warriors defense played great, holding the Tee's to only 3 runs. Steve Rubino Had a Home Run, Henry Sirignano had 4 hits, and Dave Keefer, Rich Burke, and Jimmy Mackey each had 3 hits. Even more impressive was the fact that the Warriors dominated this game without the services of Ron Foster, Ray Kunitz, Pat Valerio, and Fedelee Volpe.

Grumpy's 11 Xpertech Auto Repair 12



Tom Jensen

Xpertech was up 10-4 after 4 innings and led the whole game. Kevin Michael went 3 for 3 for the second straight game. Joe Gasparino and Jamie White also went 3 for 3 in the game. This was the 3 consecutive win as the visiting team for the gray and red car fixers. Next up for Xpertech in a revenge game against Libees, the only team to beat them this season.



Gerry Rideout

Porter Sharks 16 Libee's 16



Ron King

This game was a battle and either team could have won but in the end, it was declared a tie.

John Raymond played a stellar game at shortstop and contributed HR. Bill Rice led off and was on base every time he batted.

Ron King had 3 singles and a triple, 3 runs scored and 3 more RBI's. . Ron, who missed most of the last 2 seasons for Libee's, is back with a vengeance! A power hitter with speed, he has 3 HR's, leads the team in RBI and is hitting well above 500. He plays a flawless outfield and is a clutch hitter!!!



John Raymond