

Englewood Men's Senior Softball League – Silver Division

Weekly Update – Week 7

With 56 total games played and 28 left we have completed 2/3 of the season. 12 of those remaining games are “rubber” matches. Gloating rights are at stake boys!

Rubber Games							
Arturs	Cady Carts	Designer Tees	Englewood Elks	Libees	Purple Panthers	Riverwood Relics	Xpertech
Cady Carts	Arturs	Cady Carts	Libees	Arturs	Arturs	Englewood Elks	Designer Tees
Libees	Designer Tees	Xpertech	Purple Panthers	Cady Carts	Englewood Elks		Libees
Purple Panthers	Libees		Riverwood Relics	Englewood Elks	Libees		Purple Panthers
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UPDATE- Interesting fact – The home team has now won 36 of 56 games played for a 64% win percentage. Home teams this week are Arturs, Designer Tees, Englewood Elks (2), Libees, Purple Panthers, Riverwood Relics, Xpertech.

Game 13 Matchups Tuesday Feb 21, 2023



Xpertech crushes **Arturs** 22-11. It was a bad start for Xpertech as *Jaime White* pulled a ribcage muscle during warmups so they had to move *Kevin Michael* over to short while *Jaime* played hurt at 2nd base. And the bad vibes continued as the Arturs squad jumped to a 9-2 lead after 2 innings. Xpertech scored 5 runs in each of the next 3 innings and only allowed 2 more runs for Arturs the rest of the way. Things were going so well for the silver guys that *Rick Silva* had hits in 2 consecutive at bats and even drove in a run!!! *Bill Maichle* and *Gary Garcia* (the guy is about a .700 hitter!) had 3 hits each.

Here's an interesting at bat - *Bruce MacDonald* hit a line drive double down the left field line only to be told while standing on 2B that it was a foul ball. Nobody heard the “foul ball” call. So back to the plate he goes and promptly hit one down the right field line for a double!!

Joe Siragusa had a single and a triple to go along with a great defensive stop in the 6th. Going well to his right and spearing a ball with his backhand, wheeled and turned and threw a great ball to 1st. It was just a step late! Great play though!

Designer Tees defeat the **Englewood Elks** 16-15 In a back and forth game. The Tees trailed the Elks by one run going into the bottom of the 7th. *Pete Sargent* and *John Anjos* hit 1 out singles and *Al Fuller* managed a walk to load the bases. *Dave Ege* hit a sacrifice fly to tie the game and *Dave Tacey* followed with a two out single to plate the winning run. *Bob Hanson* continued his power hitting with a Grand Slam for his 5th homer of the season. *Bob Lynch* made 2 excellent defensive plays as a catcher in the same inning.





Libees blew out the **Purple Panthers** 18-7 – It was a long day for the Panthers as they were severely short handed missing 3B *Ray Kuntz*, middle infielder *Henry Sirignano*, P *Ron Foster* and catcher *Jeff Killian*. Libees threw 2 runners out at the plate in the top of the first inning and never looked back, scoring 3 in the first and 3 more in the second en route to an 18-2 lead after 6 innings. The Panthers scored 5 in the 7th and were still threatening when the last out was caught. *Steve Greene* was held without a double which is actually a pretty big feat, but he did manage 3 singles. Steve Stanley had 4 hits for Libees. In his last 9 AB's Steve and his ponytail have 8 hits!



Caddy Carts barely beat the **Riverwood Relics** 8-7. The Carts have scored double figures in all but 2 games this year. Both times they were held to 8 runs by the Riverwood Relics. The Relics appear to match up pretty well against the cady boys, so is there a chance we could see a first round upset if the Carts take 1st place regular season again?

Game 14 Matchups Thursday Feb 23, 2023



Libee's beat the **Arturs** team with a 6 run bottom of the 7th rally! Libees had 8 singles, 1 intentional walk to *Paul Mieszczanski* and a fielders choice before Rick Nelson hit the last hit over a drawn in outfield. Arturs was without TPR, Rich Minto and Digger Staunch while Libees had *Ron King* (lost for the season) and *Fred Kirsch* out. *Neil Meneghini* made what could be the catch of the year in right field for Arturs. Running top speed toward the 3rd base line, he lunged and made a diving catch of a hard hit line drive off the bat of *Gary Kleinhammer*. The ball would have been a certain 3 run home run!



Englewood Elks topped the **Purple Panthers** 20-10. "The game was won on the backs of solid defense and timely hitting....both of which were missing during the middle third of the season". Walt Voll was the Designated Sub for the Elks and through 6 innings was in complete charge shutting down the Panthers and getting a pair of hits as well. The Panthers are still leading the league in runs scored but with key players missing this week, they dropped a pair of games giving up 38 runs in the process. *Bob Yarnell* has the look of concern but help is on the way this week when they get back to almost full strength.

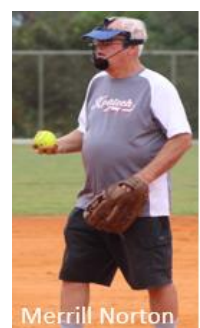


Bob Yarnell

Cady Carts 9 game winning streak was snapped by the **Designer Tees** who extended their own win streak to 3. The **Carts** scored 3 in the top of the 1st for an early lead. Trailing by 1 going in the bottom of the 3rd, Anjos led off with a triple later in the inning Bob Hanson hit a 3 run homer (6th of the season) and the Tees scored 4 runs for a 5 to 3 lead. Tees scored an additional 4 runs and held the Carts to 2 over the last 4 innings. Key to the Tees victory was the excellent defensive play of infielders *Ralph Fischer*, *Al Fuller* 7 putouts and Brian *Hatfield* and the effective pitching by *Anjos*. *Fischer*, *Steve O'Connor* and *Hatfield* each had 3 hits.



Xpertech clubbed the **Riverwood Relics** 14-5. *Joe Gasparino* hit 2 HRs to the fence. Xpertech took the lead in the first inning and never gave it up. *Merrill Norton* pitched a good game walking 1 player and allowed just 5 runs.



Joe Gasparino

Merrill Norton

The Week Ahead –

Cady Carts play Xpertech on Tuesday and Libees Thursday. 2 wins could just about seal up the division and guarantee the Carts play Riverwood in round 1 of the playoffs (upset city?). 2 losses would drop the Carts into 2nd place. Panthers get the Elks and the Relics with their full team back. Designer Tees get Arturs on Tuesday. Big game for both teams.

Standings

	W	L	Runs Favored	Runs Against	Run Differential	AVG Run Differential	Avg Runs Scored	Ave Runs Allowed
Cady Carts	11	3	231	145	86	6.14	16.5	10.4
Libees	9	5	218	180	38	2.71	15.6	12.9
Xpertech	9	5	213	184	29	2.07	15.2	13.1
Purple Panthers	8	6	244	233	11	0.79	17.4	16.6
Arturs	7	7	220	249	-29	-2.07	15.7	17.8
Designer Tees	6	8	173	208	-35	-2.50	12.4	14.9
Englewood Elks	5	9	210	224	-14	-1.00	15.0	16.0
Riverwood Relics	1	13	147	233	-86	-6.14	10.5	16.6

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