



Bristol Baseball Club

Match report, 15th May 2011, home v London Metros

Our home opener was a weekend extravaganza complete with foul poles and distance markings, as well as our logo painted behind the home plate circle! Considering our diamond was built in less than 30 days a great deal of thanks goes to our directors and some players, plus Craig (the head groundsman) & his team. Several players showed up on Thursday to help finish things, but those who showed up Saturday were treated to something special. A helicopter flyover and landing started the day, then we saw Branden, Alex and Oliver paint their masterpiece Badgers logo.

Sunday was windy and bitterly cold as we warned about in our starting line-ups email. But the supporters were numerous as Craig threw the ceremonial first pitch to Rem, and we were underway!

Game 1- Badgers 7, Metros 2 – The score seems comfortable but their pitcher held us to just 9 hits. Thankfully José was in good form with 2 runs scored and 2 hits including 1 home run! Gian contributed with 3 hits in the game as Jon pitched 7 strong innings to José, only allowing 2 hits and striking out 7 batters as we stayed undefeated with our 7th win.

Game 2- Badgers 10, Metros 3 – The second game started in more difficult weather conditions but our team came through with some clutch hits. Rem had 3 runs batted in; Dan had 3 runs scored and 3 hits; and José had 2 hits in our team total of 10 hits. Peter pitched to Jonathan giving up 7 hits and striking out 11 as we improved our record to 8 wins and 0 losses this season. We are doing well and long may it continue!

Thank you to all the people who came out to support us. Apart from our own web site, you can also see our progress on the BBF web site by using this link <http://www.britishbaseball.org/page/show/285688-badgers> Thank you also goes to Ron and Mike for umpiring our opening weekend. And a special thanks goes to Phil for the previously mentioned foul poles, and also a set of wooden bat racks for game day! Our field is amazing!

**Practice returns to normal - Thursdays 6pm Patchway, Saturday 10am
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