



## Bristol Baseball Club

### Match report, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011, home v Windsor & Bracknell Bears

Our previously undefeated record finally fell on Sunday to a stubborn Bears team who held us at bay in the second game. In the first game we came away easy winners to bring our record to 9 wins without loss, but we could not keep it going for both ends of the doubleheader. The Bears deserve credit for coming back in the later game, although we helped them through several errors.

**Game 1- Badgers 12, Bears 2** – We took a 7 run lead after the 1<sup>st</sup> inning, and strong pitching by Luke to Matt kept our opponents in check as we ran out easy winners. Batting highlights include Jonathan's home run, and he had 3 runs scored in the game; and Matt went 2-3 on the day. Luke pitched a 1 hitter with some "up tempo" pitching as we won by the mercy rule after 5 innings.

**Game 2- Badgers 8, Bears 10** – In game 2 the Bears jumped out to a 5-1 lead after the 1<sup>st</sup> inning, so this became our toughest test of the season. Unfortunately every time we clawed back some runs we ended up giving away runs in the top half of the next inning. We were losing 8-6 after 4 innings, scored 1 in the 5<sup>th</sup> to get to make it 8-7, only to give up 2 in their half of the 6<sup>th</sup>. We just could not make things happen as we lost for the first time this season. Our hitting highlights were Luke with 3 hits and 3 runs scored; Brad with 3 hits and 2 runs scored; and Rem with 3 hits. It was one of those games where Rem and Jon only allowed 5 hits, but our defense committed 8 errors. These things happen, but we will learn from it and move on to our next game at Oxford.

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 Jiri, Juraj and Mike for umpiring on the day, and to Luis for scoring the game, and Phil for his scoreboard. We are still top of the league, and we look forward to playing Oxford on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June.

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