



Bristol Baseball Club

Match report, 4th July 2010, Badgers at Bracknell Inferno

The Fourth of July saw us travelling to Bracknell. This was always going to be a tough set of games as we were missing 6 first team players including 2 starting pitchers and 1 starting catcher. In fact we only had 2 players who were Badgers last year, so it was good to show our team depth. This was the toughest field we have played on as it was like concrete after the sunshine of the last few weeks. This made for some strange bounces and several ground rule doubles over or through the outfield fence.

Game 1- Badgers 14, Inferno 16 – Luke opened the pitching to Paul in a back and forth game. We were down 3-0; then winning 7-3; then down 13-7; we pulled it back to 13-11, but we eventually lost. At the plate Thom had 3 hits and reached base 5 times, Geoff had three hits including a perfect bunt, José and Dan scored 3 times each, and unfortunately Paul, Geoff and Sonny all were hit by pitches! Defensively Sonny made some good catches, in fact the team did, but we also committed several errors. All in all it was good baseball between two evenly matched teams.

Game 2- Badgers 1, Inferno 11 – A Badgers debut was made by Jes playing in the same team as his dad, with Jes making a couple of good plays at second base including starting a smart double play. José continued his Herculean effort on the mound throwing to Luis who did a great job in his catching debut. Unfortunately for us this was the game Bracknell revealed the ace of their staff, and José and Luis also had our only 2 hits of the game as our team struck out 9 times. Highlights included Duncan stealing a base with grace, but the highlight of the day was a diving catch by Carlos down the left field line. Sadly we ended up losing on the mercy rule after 5 innings but it was good game experience for everyone involved.

Many thanks goes to Remmert for scoring and base coaching after his recent bike accident. Hopefully he'll be playing in the next few weeks, good luck Rem!

See the next page for our team photo on the Fourth of July.



*4th July 2010 - While only 1.5 of these players are American, everyone joined in
the spirit of the baseball revolution*

Announcement

This Sunday we will play our first doubleheader in our new field at Patchway Sport Centre. We will be facing Oxford Kings, the current league leaders, in our new home. So let's make it a day to remember!

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