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## This week's games

*Including streaks, pitches and umpires*

### Division 1

LIO 5W @ MAV 2W (4)  
LIG 2L @ GRX 2W (5, CE)  
MKT 3L @ THU 2W (6, MD)  
DOD 3L rest

### Division 2

MV2 1W @ CAM 8W (2, AG)  
MUT 1W @ MHM 2W (3, HS)  
SPE 2L @ CM2 7L (9)  
SHA 1L rest

### Division 3

BAT 13W @ TIG 2L (6, DD)  
OUT 2W @ DRZ 1L (8, AR)  
STO 1W @ RIP 3L (9, MD/BA)  
PIR 1W rest

### Division 4

BFL 4W @ HAC 11W (3, ML)  
PHX 1W @ TTN 1L (2, MG)  
REB 4W @ HUR 1L (1, SS/JF)

### Division 5

COL 2W @ FRZ 9L (4, PF)  
MET 10L @ ENF 1L (6, LA)  
VIP 2L @ BLJ 5L (9, PN)

## Division 4 final rotation marred by injury

**T**HE final games in the 12-team Division 4 produced some exciting finishes, but one game was abandoned incomplete due to an unfortunate injury to the Meteors' Maria Fox, who slipped running to 1st base and reportedly broke her ankle. The game was halted with one out in the bottom of the 3rd inning, and will be completed if possible

when the teams meet again in Division 5. Luckily, the relegation places did not depend on this result. As reported last week, places 3 to 7 in Division 4 were potentially very tight, with 7th place dropping into Division 5. With **Hurricanes** having lost convincingly to **Rebels**, **Barflies** came back to the pub to announce a win over the **Titans** by 20-19, the same score

as their previous week's win, leaving three teams tied on the same record. Having won by only one run, as explained last week, **Barflies** would be below **Hurricanes** on head-to-head. So all eyes were on the **Enforcers-Colts** result: a win for the coppers would put the flies in Division 5. But **Colts** won an exciting game 11-10 having trailed for half the

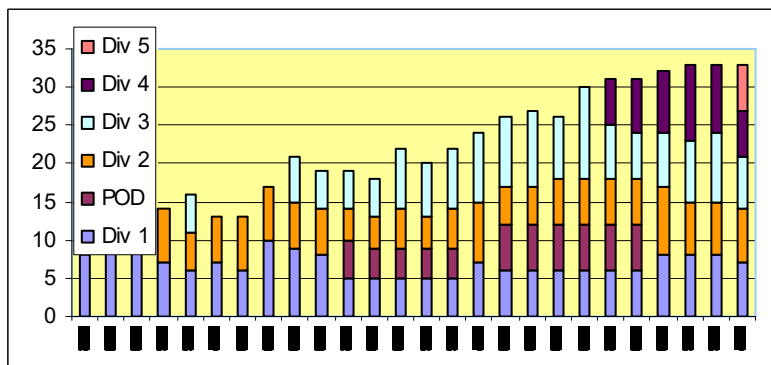
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## MSL enters new era with fifth division

**T**HIS week marks a milestone for MSL as the 12-team Division 4 splits into two, and MSL expands to five divisions. Although the league has not grown (in terms of total numbers of teams or players) the relative distribution of new and established players has seen the top

divisions reduced to seven teams each (to be expanded back to eight next season), with over half the teams playing in the lower divisions. The graph shows the

growth of the league, now in its 26th year. Full Division 4 and 5 fixtures for the remainder of the season are published inside this issue.



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# Match reports

## Rebels revel in Force 9

<b>Hurricanes</b>	0 0 4 3	<b>7</b>
<b>Rebels</b>	3 6 7 11	<b>27</b>

RAR, Umpire Tony La Fave, Pitch 4  
**HURRICANES** Dilan Bastiampillai (SS), Sarah Bennett (3B), Chris Newham (LF), Francesca Maher (CR), Harry Somers (1B), -, *Mark Griffin (THU)(P)*, *Martine Knight (MHM)(C)* ; Subs Adam Morrison (for Bastiampillai), Mark Dagnall (for Orrell)

**HR** Morrison

<b>REBELS</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>RBI</b>
Conor Battersby (LC)	4	3	1	4	3
Hayley McTear (LF)	3	3	2	5	4
Dave Eaton (SS)	4	4	1	5	5
Sarah Cassin (3B)	4	3	0	3	5
Ian Caird (RC)	3	3	1	3	1
Emma Miller (2B)	4	0	0	0	0
Julian Jones (P)	3	3	1	1	3
Amy Torkington (C)	4	4	0	2	0
Matt Thomas (1B)	4	1	0	2	3
Jen Douglas (RF)	4	3	0	2	3

**HRs:** Battersby 2, McTear, Eaton 2, Cassin

FOR the last game before the split, Rebels played a Hurricanes team which was down to nine players. The Hurricanes were shut out by the Rebels for the first two innings before starting to score; four and three runs in innings 3 and 4 respec-

tively, but by that point Rebels managed to score enough to secure the RAR victory in four innings.

Lots of the Rebels seemed to like Griff's pitching (or else managed to take advantage of the fewer outfielders present!) as four players scored a total of six home runs: Conor Battersby and Dave Eaton managed two apiece and Hayley McTear and Sarah Cassin had one each. Five players also batted 1.000; Eaton, McTear, Amy Torkington, Julian Jones and Ian Caird.

*Emma Miller*

**MVPs** Bennett, Morrison (HUR), McTear, Battersby (REB)

## Pirates leave it late

<b>Rippers</b>	0 7 1 2 5 2 0	<b>17</b>
<b>Pirates</b>	3 2 4 2 0 0 7	<b>18</b>

Umpires Luis Arreivillagas (plate), Harry Somers (1B), Pitch 8

**RIPPERS** Sophie Temple (1B), Bruce (P), Ellie Sams (LF), Simon Sharp (CR), Becca Cantrill (RF), Ed Woodcock (SS), Jay Rayton (3B), Zac Rayson (CL), Jo Nuttall (C), Simon Baird (2B), Lorraine Wetton (EP), *Dave Warren (VIP)(EP)*

**HR:** Rayson

**PIRATES** Natalie Robinson (LF), Shane Coyles (3B), Faye Dunlop (2B), James Ridgway (P), Su O'Brien (1B), Ian Williams (SS), Sarah Ross (RF), Marco Doria (CR), RachelMerrie (C), Matt Jacobs (CL)

**HRs:** Williams, Doria, O'Brien

THE Pirates are tearing their way up the league so we faced them with trepidation but also confidence as our debut season in Division 3 is improving. We're still losing games but by a much smaller margin and with a strong team out, we had a good chance of making them walk their own plank.

The first inning started off pretty poorly with a very quick shutout and they managed to get three runs in but we came out firing in the second inning and scored seven to their two giving us an early lead.

The third inning saw them recover somewhat with us only pipping one home leaving them slightly in the lead at 9-8 top of the 4th.

Two runs apiece in the 4th and then a mighty five for the Rippers in the 5th (all of them after two outs) coupled with two shut outs for the Pirates meant we were well in the lead after six innings with the score at 17-11. Going into the bottom of the 7th we just had to stop them scoring, we just needed the outs but unfortunately the Pirates' sails had found a second wind and they managed to score the seven runs needed to claim the win.

It was a very close game though, and very enjoyable.

We live to pillage again next week.

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We gave the MVP to James Ridgway as he ran the bases like a freight train and didn't and refused to stop even when the fielder had the ball in front of him. Top work. *Bruce*

MVPs Rayton, Rayson (RIP), O'Brien, Ridgway (PIR)

## Tigers caught in the Storm

**Tigers** 3 1 0 2 0 0 0 6

**Storm** 6 0 3 0 1 2 x 12

Umpire Mike Davies, Pitch 7

**TIGERS** Tony La Fave (LC), Emma Pritchard (RF), Michael Miah (SS), Alyssa Jones (LF), Sulaimann Ahmed (3B), Tereza Kokocińska (2B), Steve Girling (EP), Jackie Ervin (1B), Rob Lawrence (RC), Annie Downes (C), Dave Wareham (P), Jennie Duckworth (EP)

**HR:** Jones

**STORM** Sandeep Jayaprakesh (LF), Sarah Percy (C), Mario Ruedo (3B), Kara Buzza (2B), Miguel Martinez (SS), Abi Stone (LC), Tom Huntley (RC), Keeley Buzza (RF), Hector Martinez (EP), Zoe Rigley (1B), *Mark Griffin*(THU) (P), Emma Barnard (EP)

**HRs** M Martinez, Huntley

STORM took an early lead and Tigers never managed to get back on even terms. They did a decent job in the field but just never really got going at the plate.

One person who didn't have any batting problems was Alyssa Jones, who hit a triple as well as her first home run of the season, being robbed of a third base hit only by a really nice low catch by Migiel Martinez at short stop. Jones also topped the OBP stats, together with Michael Miah and Sully Ahmad, all three of them going 2 for 3. Unfortunately as a team Tigers only went 11 for 31, not a recipe for success.

In the field Dave Wareham pitched well, Jackie Ervine did a nice job at 1st base and the rest

### Div 4 final rotation marred by injury (Continued from page 1)

game to an Enforcers team unusually playing 6&6 with an auto out, and then seeing an exchange of runs tie up the score at 9-9 after six. Because of their early-season forfeit, Enforcers were one league point behind the other three teams with 6-5 records, and so head the new Division 5. Elsewhere **Hackers** continued their perfect season with a 22-8 defeat of Mayhem **Freeze**, who had the temerity to take a 1st inning lead before succumbing. And **Phoenix** took an 11-0 lead in the bottom of the 1st to begin their defeat of **Vipers**.

ON Wednesday there were comfortable wins for **Lions** against **Meerkats**, **Mavericks** against **Lightning**, and **Thunder** against **Dodgers**, results which all but confirm the top-bottom split in Division 1 in a few weeks time: Mavs need only to turn up next week to seal 4th place.

DIVISION 2 also saw two comfortable wins, for **Mavs II** over **Camels II**, and **Mutineers** over **Speeders**. And **Mayhem's**

of the infield also looked tidy. Rob Lawrence, Steve Girling and Tony La Fave all took good outfield catches and Jones did a fine job in left field. Overall the Tigers' fielding performance was fine, they just did not score the runs needed to be competitive. *Dave Wareham*

MVPs Jones, Miah (TIG), Rigley, M Martinez (STO)

win over the **Sharks** was only diminished by a late flurry from the Merseysiders .

THERE was some excitement at least on Thursday, though not from the **Bats** whose 11-run opening inning was the eventual margin of victory over **Drizzle**. And **Storm** got their noses in front of the **Tigers** early doors and held on to win 12-6. The real excitement was in the palindromic RIP@PIR game, where **Pirates** got off to a decent start with a 3-0 first inning, only to concede seven **Ripper** runs at the top of the 2nd. But they wrestled the lead back in the 3rd, 9-8. No change through the 4th as both teams scored two, but in the 5th **Rippers** got a 4-run lead, which they extended to six in the 6th. So **Pirates** went into the 7th needing a shut-out and then six to tie, seven to win. One by one the runs got in, not least thanks to some cheeky base running by James Ridgway. But it was a bit of a rookie error of a throw to 1st with the winning run at 3rd that cost Urmston the game. The lovely double rainbow was no doubt little consolation.

## Birthdays

**Monday** Cat Thornton (Speeders), Mel Wright (Mutineers)

**Tuesday** Dilan Bastiampillai (Hurricanes), Arthur Hung (Blue Jays)

**Thursday** Sian Payne (Thunder)

**Sunday** Jerry Seabridge (Bats)

## A huge thank you from the parents of the U19 GB players

**F**OLLOWING selection for the Great Britain under-19 fast-pitch team Dan Downes, Jonathan Downes, Max Fagan, Nathan Barratt and Tom Russell were encouraged to begin some fundraising to help towards the expenses of their trip to Prague, as advertised in these pages. So off they all set with football cards, sweetie jars, raffle tickets and finally culminating with a quiz night on Friday 7th July at Heaton Sports Club. The quiz night was a great success with lots of fun and a certain amount of head-scratching over some of the questions. The Tigers were the eventual quiz winners but it even went to an extra inning with a tie-breaker to decide on the eventual winner. We are thrilled to report that over the last six weeks the lads have raised a grand total of £1,237.

We would like to thank sincerely all the members of the Manchester Softball League who have supported the boys during their endeavour and especially the committee of the MSL for their support. They really could not have raised this much without your generosity.

Fliss and Paul Fagan  
Carolyn and Phil Barratt  
Jill and Gary Russell  
Annie and Steve Downes

AS was mentioned in *BL* 23.5, the Exec agreed to match-fund (up to an agreed limit) any monies raised by the five lads. Accordingly, the League will be contributing a further £1,250 to their expenses.

We wish them all the very best in the Czech Republic, and look forward to hearing how they got on in a future issue of Bases Loaded.  
– Ed, pp *The Exec*

## Last week's MVPs

<b>Barflies</b>	Hayley Jane Sims	Chris Smith
<b>Bats</b>	Dawn Yates	Alex Bates
<b>Camels II</b>	Rebecca EboLee	Kendrick-Walker
<b>Colt 45s</b>	Roger Pedley	Angela McArt
<b>Dodgers</b>	Nic Duerden	Anthony Garcia
<b>Drizzle</b>	Elley McGinnis	Alun Jones
<b>Enforcers</b>	Nicola Brown	Jordan Wilcock
<b>Freeze</b>	Laura Parks	Paul Smith
<b>Hackers</b>	<i>Jane Curley (DOD)</i>	Ian Mills
<b>Hurricanes</b>	Sarah Bennet	Adam Morrison
<b>Lightning</b>	Kim Reedy	Nathan Barratt
<b>Lions</b>	Michelle Collier	Luis Congote
<b>Mavericks</b>	Leanne Cracknell	Pete Nightingale
<b>Mavericks II</b>	Jan Bradley	Kristian Matthews
<b>Mayhem</b>	Caroline Jones	Miteshs Himar
<b>Meerkats</b>	AnnGledson	Chris Chu
<b>Mutineers</b>	Tash Miotk	Tony Stonard
<b>Phoenix</b>	Michelle Fisher	Ryan Noble
<b>Pirates</b>	Su O'Brien	James Ridgeway
<b>Rebels</b>	Hayley McTear	Connor Battersby
<b>Rippers</b>	Janette Rayton	Zack Rayson
<b>Sharks</b>	Hayley Saunders	Paul Colton
<b>Speeders</b>	Emma Bennet	Jeremy Fothergill
<b>Storm</b>	Zoe Rigley	Miguel Martinez
<b>Thunder</b>	Emma Carruthers	Mark Griffin
<b>Tigers</b>	Alyssa Jones	Michael Miah
<b>Titans</b>	Katie Flanagan	Rich Taylor
<b>Vipers</b>	Mandy Ashton	Tom Nolan

*All names appear exactly as they were written on the score sheet*

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## Divisions 4 & 5 Fixtures

With the 12-team Division 4 now having completed a full rotation, the division is splitting, with the creation, for the first time in MSL, of a fifth division. Fixtures represent the second meeting of teams, and so home-away allocation is the reverse of the first meetings. This has thrown up unexpected spreads of four or even five home (or away) fixtures, rather than the 3-2 spread perhaps expected. Teams with an excessive number of home games and not enough match balls should negotiate with teams who are in the opposite position and have a surfeit.

### Division 4

**July 18:** Barflies @ Hackers, Phoenix @ Titans, Rebels @ Hurricanes

**July 25:** Hurricanes @ Hackers, Rebels @ Phoenix, Titans @ Barflies

**August 1:** REST WEEK

**August 8:** Barflies @ Rebels, Hurricanes @ Phoenix, Titans @ Hackers

**August 15:** Hackers @ Phoenix, Hurricanes @ Barflies, Titans @ Rebels

**August 22:** Barflies @ Phoenix, Rebels @ Hackers, Titans @ Hurricanes

### Division 5

**July 18:** Colt 45s @ Freeze, Meteors @ Enforcers, Vipers @ Blue Jays

**July 25:** Colt 45s @ Vipers, Enforcers @ Freeze, Meteors @ Blue Jays

**August 1:** REST WEEK

**August 8:** Colt 45s @ Meteors, Blue Jays @ Enforcers, Freeze @ Vipers

**August 15:** Enforcers @ Vipers, Colt 45s @ Blue Jays, Freeze @ Meteors

**August 22:** Colt 45s @ Enforcers, Freeze @ Blue Jays, Meteors @ Vipers

## Transfer

**Lorraine Wetton**, Blue Jays to Rippers, 12 July

## Blu corner—hit by batted ball

**W**HAT happens when a runner is hit by a batted ball? This happened to me when I was a runner standing on 3rd base. Apart from a nasty bruise (see photo) this can actually cause much confusion, even when three BASU umpires are present.

**Jeremy Fothergill**

This scenario is covered by several different sections of Rules 8 and 9. So, let's try and make sense of this.

First, is the runner out? Rule 8.10m states that the runner is not out "When he is hit by a fair, untouched batted ball while in contact with his base, unless he intentionally interferes with the ball, or a fielder making a play." But it then notes "The ball will become dead or remains alive, depending on the position of the fielder closest to the base." It does not come much more vague, and appears to contradict Rule 9.1g which says the ball is dead when it hits a runner before touching a fielder, or passing a fielder other than the pitcher. Then the vague wording is repeated, though with no obvious referent for the pronoun.

If the runner is *off* base, and is hit by an untouched fair batted ball and a fielder had an opportunity for an out, the runner is out (Rule 8.9k). Note the requirement that, in the umpire's judgment, a fielder had an opportunity for an out. In most situations, it is assumed when a runner off base is hit by the ball they are automatically out. Actually, it is the opposite. They are only out if an opportunity existed to make an out. Finally what happens to the batter and runners on base? If the ball is dead, the batter is awarded 1st base and runners will advance if forced by the batter. But if the ball is live, the batter must run as the ball is considered a fair batted ball, and runners may advance at risk.

This brings me to what the correct call was when I was hit while standing on 3rd base. If the ball had passed me to the left it would have been a foul ball. However, it hit me over fair territory. Rule 1.29a defines a fair ball as one which "settles or is touched on or over fair territory between home and first base or between home and third base." As the rule does not specify who has to touch the ball we can declare the ball fair. As I was in contact with the base at the time and did not intentionally interfere with the ball I am not out. As the ball reached me untouched and without passing any fielder it is dead (notwithstanding the vague add-on rule mentioned earlier). If I had been off base, then the question would have been whether 3rd base could have fielded the ball and certainly had no opportunity to make an out. But I was on base, so this is irrelevant: the batter was (or should have been) awarded 1st base. Goodness knows whether it counts as a hit.



Photo: Jeremy Fothergill

## Home runs

### Division 1 Female

- 3 – Kathryn Mullin (GRX)  
 2 – Kate Barlow (LIO), Michelle Collier (LIO), Jade Shaw (LIO)  
 1 – Ellie Buckley (MAV), Charlie Cook (MAV), Vicky Green (GRX), Sherry Kenyon (MAV), Chloe Llewellyn (THU), Lindsey O'Farrell (LIO), Becci Wadeson (LIG)

### Division 1 Male

- 13 – Anthony Reyes (DOD)  
 8 – Peter Nightingale (MAV)\*\*  
 7 – Luis Arrevillagas (THU), Danny Gunn (GRX)  
 5 – Baljit Ahluwalia (MAV), Luis Congote (LIO), David Dyson (DOD)  
 4 – Chris Chu (MKT), Dave Leverton (THU), Gordon Milson (LIO), Jon Taylor (LIG)  
 3 – Ian Blease (MKT 2, MAV 1), Gareth Evans (THU), Chris Fulton (LIO), Benkei Johnson (THU), Paul Kidley (GRX), Tyler Lappage (DOD), Adam Roberts (LIO)  
 2 – Nathan Barratt (LIG)\*, Peter Buckley (MAV), Elieser Dorron-soro (MAV), Mike Gaskell (LIO)\*, Guy Hamer (THU), Oscar Marrenco (GRX), Tom Russell (THU)  
 1 – Suchit Desai (DOD), Matt Fairweather (MKT), Paul Finney (LIG), Amilcar Gomez (THU), Jeivo Gomez (LIG), Mark Griffin (THU), Jonny Huck (LIO), Mike Hulme (MKT), Vince Lui (LIO), Sean Miley (GRX), Richard Sarver (LIG), Ed Watkinson (LIO)

### Division 2 Female

- 2 – Jan Bradley (MV2), Kate Williamson (MUT)  
 1 – Lyndsey Bygrave (CAM), Jo Gardiner (MV2), Claire Higgs (CAM), Tanya Lochery (MV2), Tash Miotk (MUT), Linni Mitchell (MHM), Helen Rossiter (CM2)

### Division 2 Male

- 12 – Tom Atkinson (CAM)\*, Paul Colton (SHA)  
 10 – Joe Grantham (MUT)

- 8 – Dave Martin Baez (SHA)  
 7 – Phil Norton (CAM)  
 5 – Steve Howard (MHM), Rich Thompson (MHM)\*  
 4 – Ed Covington (MHM)\*, Rolf Herbert (MUT), Colin McKie (CAM)  
 3 – Adam Hugill (CAM)\*  
 2 – Adam Craig (CM2), Adam Falloona (SPE), Charlie Gardiner (CM2), Mike Goff (MV2), Chris Gresty (MV2), Mike Hawkins (MUT)\*, Richard Jameson (CM2), Dan Jarman (CAM), Duncan Jones (MUT), David Kirby (MV2), Chris Lennon (SPE), Kristian Matthews (MV2), Stephen Shearer (SHA), Kieran Taylor-Thomas (CM2), Mark Young (MUT)\*, Ian Yates (MV2)  
 1 – Rob Alger (SHA), Anthony Boffey (CAM), Dave Dean (CM2), Chris Drayton (CM2), Andrew Gardner (MV2), Ali Hallsworth (MUT), Steve Kellett (SPE), Nick Money (SPE)

### Division 3 Female

- 3 – Su O'Brien (PIR)  
 1 – Pamela Bauer (BAT), Annie Downes (TIG), Faye Dunlop (PIR), Alyssa Jones (TIG), Ellie Phillips (DRZ), Natalie Robinson (PIR)

### Division 3 Male

- 12 – Mario Ruedo (STO)  
 7 – Ross Birch (BAT), James Ridgeway (PIR)  
 6 – Miguel Martinez (STO)\*, Michael Miah (TIG)  
 5 – Dan Downes (TIG), Brad Hadwin (DRZ)  
 4 – Ian Williams (PIR)\*, Ed Woodcock (RIP)  
 3 – Alex Bates (BAT), Shane Coyles (PIR), Marco Doria (PIR), Tom Huntley (STO), Shawn Khwaja (BAT), Zac Rayson (RIP), Jerry Seabridge (BAT), Chris Thompson (OUT)  
 2 – Paul Duffy (RIP), Max Fagan (BAT), Dean Phillips (DRZ), Humberto Soto (DRZ)  
 1 – Miguel Acosta (STO), Jonathan Downes (TIG), Doug Henderson (PIR), Hector Martinez (STO), Greg Spiers (OUT)

### Division 4 Female

- 6 – Sarah Cassin (REB), Hayley McTear (REB)  
 3 – Katie Flanagan (TTN)  
 1 – Annie Fallon (COL), Janine Hickey (HUR), Natasha Hopkins (REB), Jacqui Ng (TTN), Nikki Pugh (COL), Eleanor Swallow (COL), Amy Torkington (REB)

### Division 4 Male

- 15 – Alec Aspinnall (BFL)  
 14 – Richard Taylor (TTN)  
 11 – Phil Cosgrove (COL)  
 9 – Darren Corner (HAC)\*, Ryan Noble (PHX)  
 7 – Conor Battersby (REB), Dave Eaton (REB), John Kaye (COL), Chris Radford (BFL)  
 6 – Carl McCarthy (HUR)  
 5 – Anthony Henderson (VIP)\*, Daniel Johansson (HAC)  
 4 – Scott Barton (VIP), Ian Mills (HAC), Joe Mills (HAC)\*, Tom Nolan (VIP), Ian Radford (HAC), Chris Smith (BFL), Taj Uddin (BLJ), Jonno Wrigley (BLJ)  
 3 – Adam Ashby (FRZ)\*\*, Dilan Bastiampillai (HUR), Simon Grainger (TTN), Mark Griffin (HUR)\*, Dan Hocking (TTN), Julian Jones (REB)\*, Simon Ronksley (BLJ), Tom Scott (PHX)\*, Paul Warburton (BFL), Jordan Wilcock (ENF), Chuan Fu Yap (REB)  
 2 – Steve Beddows (FRZ), Chris Bowers (ENF), Mike Davies (ENF), Rolf Herbert (ENF), Ben Hughes (PHX), Craig Lawson (REB)\*, Dave Olsen (MET), Matt Spencer (TTN), Karl Walsh (MET), Paul Wolstenholme (FRZ)  
 1 – Nick Baker (TTN), Christopher Bowers (ENF), Ian Caird (REB), Chee Ho Chan (ENF), Tom Currie (COL), Graham Hartley (COL), Greg Howard (ENF), Ben Miller (BFL), Adam Morrison (HUR), Michael Murphy (BLJ), Chris Newham (HUR)\*, David Orrell (HUR), Stewart Pilling (VIP), Lee Scambler (PHX), Dave Sharples (ENF), Andy Shaw (HAC), Paul Smith (FRZ), Jay Tennant (HUR), Kris Timms (FRZ), Dave Warren (VIP)

\* indicates grand slam

## Next week's games - Week 13 (25/26/27 July)

*Next week's games in Divisions 1 and 2 are the return fixtures from May 24th.*

**Note: all games are at Parrs Wood next week.**

### Division 1

**Dodgers @ Meerkats (PW2)**  
Dodgers won 17-10, their third win in four meetings.

**Mavericks @ Greensox (PW3)**  
Greensox won 19-15 to tie up this 57-game series, the most played fixture in MSL history, at 28 wins each, with one tie.

**Thunder @ Lions (PW4)** Thunder won 15-4 to take a 12-5 all-time lead.

Lightning rest

### Division 2

**Camels II @ Camels (PW6)** The senior bactrians won this first-ever derby meeting 24-6.

**Mayhem @ Speeders (PW7)**  
Speeders won 27-22, tying up the four-game all-time series at 2-2.

**Sharks @ Mutineers (PW1)**  
Mutineers won this first-ever meeting 23-8.

Mavericks II rest

### Division 3

*Next week's games are the return fixtures from the games played on June 15th.*

**Drizzle @ Storm (PW6)** Storm won this Thunder derby 21-6 to leave the four-game all-time series tied at two apiece.

**Tigers @ Pirates (PW7)** Tigers won 21-15 to take a 2-1 lead in all games.

**Outlaws @ Bats (PW8)** Bats won 16-6 and lead this, the most played fixture between current Division 3 teams 8-4.

Pirates rest

### Division 4

**Hurricanes @ Hackers (PW4)** Last meeting June 13th, Hackers won 18-3 in 6 innings, their first win in five meetings.

**Rebels @ Phoenix (PW6)** Last meeting June 13th, Phoenix won 21-15, a first win in four attempts.

**Titans @ Barflies (PW7)** Last meeting July 11th, as reported in this issue, Barflies won 20-19 to secure their place in Division 4. The flies have won both their games against the giants.

### Division 5

**Colt 45s @ Vipers (PW3)** Only previous meeting July 4th (Division 4), Colts won 9-6.

**Enforcers @ Freeze (PW2)** Only previous meeting June 20th (Division 4), Enforcers won 15-11.

**Meteors @ Blue Jays (PW1)** As described elsewhere, these two met for the first time last week in a game that was suspended with one out in the bottom of the 3rd due to an injury. The teams will complete that game either before or after playing the "return".

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#### Division 4 (Tues)

**Barflies** 0 0 3 4 6 4 3 **20**  
**Titans** 1 5 8 3 0 0 2 **19**

Umpire Pete Nightingale, Pitch 1  
HRs: **BFL** Aleck Aspinall 3, Chris Smith 2, Paul Warburton; **TTN** Richard Taylor 2, Katie Flanagan, Jacqui Ng, Nick Baker, *Zac Rayson (RIP)*

**Blue Jays** 10 3 1  
**Meteors** 0 0

Umpire Mike Lott, Pitch 6  
Game abandoned incomplete due to injury

**Enforcers** 4 0 0 0 0 5 1 **10**  
**Colt 45s** 0 0 1 1 6 1 2 **11**

Umpire Dave Dean, Pitch 2  
HRs: **ENF** Mike Davies, Jordan Wilcock

**Freeze** 7 0 0 1 0 0 0 **8**  
**Hackers** 4 8 2 2 2 4 x **22**

Umpire Mike Goff, Pitch 7  
HRs: **FRZ** Paul Smith; **HAC** Ian Radford 2, Darren Corner

**Hurricanes** 0 0 4 3 **7**  
**Rebels** 3 6 7 11 **27**

RAR, Umpire Tony La Fave, Pitch 4  
HRs: **HUR** Adam Morrison(e); **REB** Conor Battersby 2, Hayley McTear, Dave Eaton 2, Sarah Cassin

**Vipers** 0 0 2 1 0 3 0 **6**  
**Phoenix** 11 2 0 2 1 2 x **18**

Umpire Adam Roberts, Pitch 3  
HRs: **VIP** Scott Barton, Tom Nolan; **PHX** Ryan Noble

### End-of-season tournament

PUT it in your diary: September 9th – the final tournament of the 2017 season – Lagerball.

Mix in some slowpitch softball, douse in lager and bake for 6 hours on a low heat.

Then add in some BBQ food and some amazing music from our resident DJ 'Scatmandu' and you have the ingredients for a fantastic day.

Sprinkle in some comedy value we have LAGERBALL.

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Watch this space next week for more details and how to enter.

# RESULTS AND STANDINGS - Games played 11/12/13 July

## Division 1 (Weds)

**Mavericks** 3 8 7 0 1 **19**  
**Lightning** 0 0 2 0 0 **2**  
 RAR, Umpire Mike Davies, Pitch 6  
 HRs: **MAV** Pete Nightingale 2, Ian Blease

**Meerkats** 1 1 1 0 0 0 **3**  
**Lions** 5 0 2 6 0 2 x **15**  
 Umpire Tony La Fave, Pitch 3  
 HRs: **MKT** Chris Chu; **LIO** Luis Congote 3, Gordon Milson 2

**Thunder** 3 6 0 5 2 2 3 **21**  
**Dodgers** 3 0 1 2 3 0 0 **9**  
 Umpires Paul Fagan, Mike Lott, Pitch 9  
 HRs: **THU** Mark Griffin, Guy Hamer; **DOD** David Dyson 2, Anthony Garcia

## Division 2 (Weds)

**Camels II** 1 1 0 0 0 0 3 **5**  
**Mavericks II** 3 4 4 0 0 2 x **13**  
 Umpire Harry Somers, Pitch 6  
 HR: **MV2** Jan Bradley

**Mayhem** 1 7 2 1 0 2 3 **16**  
**Sharks** 0 1 1 1 4 1 3 **11**  
 Umpire Ian Caird, Pitch 4  
 HRs: **SHA** Paul Colton 2, Dave Martin Baez 2

**Mutineers** 2 5 4 1 13 **25**  
**Speeders** 1 2 1 1 5 **10**  
 RAR, Umpire Charlie Everitt, Pitch 2  
 HRs: **MUT** Joe Grantham 2, Rolf Herbert; **SPE** AdamFaloona

## Division 3 (Thurs)

**Drizzle** 0 0 4 0 0 0 2 **6**  
**Bats** 1 1 3 2 0 1 0 x **17**  
 Umpire Paul Fagan, Pitch 6  
 HRs: **DRZ** Shawn Khwaja, Max Fagan, Ross BirchBrad Hadwin; **BAT** Alex Bates, Pamela Bauer

**Rippers** 0 7 1 2 5 2 0 **17**  
**Pirates** 3 2 4 2 0 0 7 **18**  
 Umpires Luis Arrevillagas (plate), Harry Somers (1B), Pitch 8  
 HRs: **RIP** Zac Rayson; **PIR** Ian Williams, Marco Doria, Su O'Brien

**Tigers** 3 1 0 2 0 0 0 **6**  
**Storm** 6 0 3 0 1 2 x **12**  
 Umpire Mike Davies, Pitch 7  
 HRs: **TIG** Alyssa Jones; **STO** Miguel Martinez (GS), Tom Huntley

	P	W	T	L	F	RS	RC	Pct	GB
<b>Division 1</b>									
▶ <b>Greensox</b> ↑	9	8	0	1	0	161	101	.889	–
▶ <b>Lions</b> ↑	9	7	0	2	0	156	65	.778	1
▶ <b>Thunder</b> ↑	10	7	0	3	0	161	133	.700	1½
▶ <b>Mavericks</b>	9	6	0	3	0	135	114	.667	2
▶ <b>Dodgers</b>	10	3	0	7	0	132	167	.300	5½
▶ <b>Meerkats</b> ↓	9	1	0	8	0	91	178	.111	7
▶ <b>Lightning</b> ↓	10	1	0	9	0	122	200	.100	7½
<b>Division 2</b>									
▶ <b>Camels</b>	9	8	0	1	0	179	106	.889	–
▶ <b>Mutineers</b>	9	7	0	2	0	171	88	.778	⅔
▶ <b>Mayhem</b>	10	6	0	4	0	163	148	.600	2⅓
▲ <b>Mavericks II</b>	10	4	0	6	0	136	154	.400	4⅓
▼ <b>Speeders</b>	9	3	0	6	0	148	154	.333	4⅔
▶ <b>Sharks</b>	10	3	0	7	0	138	187	.300	5⅓
▶ <b>Camels II</b>	9	2	0	7	0	102	200	.222	5⅔
Camels deducted 1 pt									
<b>Division 3</b>									
▶ <b>Bats</b> ↑	9	9	0	0	0	184	84	1.000	–
▶ <b>Tigers</b>	9	6	0	3	0	126	109	.667	3
▶ <b>Outlaws</b>	9	5	0	4	0	97	85	.556	4
▶ <b>Pirates</b>	10	5	0	5	0	171	173	.500	4½
▶ <b>Storm</b>	9	4	0	4	1	122	153	.444	5⅓
▶ <b>Drizzle</b>	10	3	0	7	0	186	188	.300	6½
▶ <b>Rippers</b> ↓	10	1	0	9	0	105	199	.100	8½
<b>Division 4</b>									
▶ <b>Hackers</b>	11	11	0	0	0	228	67	1.000	–
▶ <b>Rebels</b>	11	9	0	2	0	252	133	.818	2
▶ <b>Phoenix</b>	11	8	0	3	0	202	157	.727	3
▶ <b>Titans</b>	11	6	0	5	0	201	157	.545	5
▶ <b>Hurricanes</b>	11	6	0	5	0	171	163	.545	5
▲ <b>Barflies</b>	11	6	0	5	0	196	159	.545	5
▼ <b>Enforcers</b>	11	6	0	4	1	148	142	.545	5⅓
▲ <b>Colt 45s</b>	11	5	0	6	0	165	154	.455	6
▼ <b>Blue Jays</b>	10	4	0	6	0	158	194	.400	6½
▶ <b>Vipers</b>	11	3	0	8	0	146	191	.273	8
▶ <b>Freeze</b>	11	1	0	1	0	130	234	.091	10
▶ <b>Meteors</b>	10	0	0	1	0	52	298	.000	10½

Hurricanes above Barflies on head-to-head

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