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This week's games

TUESDAY

Division 3

Stingers 3W @ Bandidos 6W
(pitch 4, ump Carruthers)

Interdivisional

Barflies 1W @ Thunder III 1L (7,
Hugill)

Raiders 1W @ Seagulls 1L (6,
Goff)

Screwballs 6W @ Thunder IV 6L
(1, Warren)

Sluggababes 1L @ 3L Enforcers
(2, F Fagan)

Swingers 1W @ Tiggers 3L (3,
Sharp)

WEDNESDAY

Division 1

Mayhem 1W @ Mavericks 8W (H,
Creelman)

Speeders 5L @ Greensox 1W (G,
P Fagan)

Thunder 1L @ Sharks 3L (E, Da-
vies)

Travelling Dodgers 2W @ Camels
2W (F, Wallace)

Meerkats rest

Division 2

Camels II 1W @ Bats 1L (C, Stray-
er)

Mavericks II 4W @ Dodgers 5W
(A, Somers)

Thunder II 1W @ Hackers 1W (D,
Green)

Tigers 1L @ Titans 1L (B, Caird)

Freeze rest

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Mavs win top clash—Dodgers march on

Thunder met **Mavericks** for the 30th time in a top-of-the-table clash between two unbeaten sides, and it was the Mavs who came out with their record intact. A ten-run 2nd inning gave them a lead that was instantly snuffed out by Thunder's 12-run 3rd, but an 0-4 4th gave Mavs a 17-16 lead which they extended by one in each of the subsequent innings. **Mayhem** climbed into 3rd place above the resting Travelling Dodgers on head-to-head with a 21-11 defeat of the **Meerkats**. Near the bottom, **Greensox** got their

first win of the campaign in a close game with **Sharks** which boosts them into 7th place, while **Speeders** now prop up the rest after their 20-1 loss to the **Camels**.

In Division 2 the bottom two slugged it out with **Hackers** prevailing over **Freeze** 49-25 (report, page 5). They held a comfortable lead for the whole game, but Freeze hung in there to take it to seven innings, despite the score. 49 is the highest score so far this term, beating the Barflies' 48 from a couple of weeks

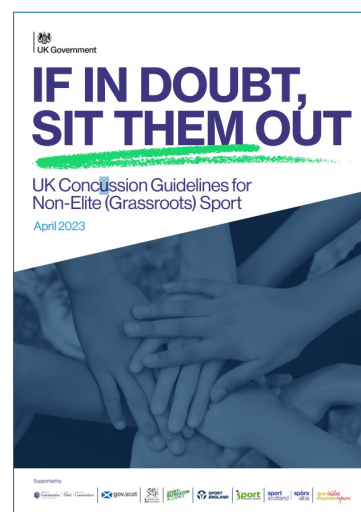
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Concussion rules applied

When the Sluggababes short stop took a line drive to the forehead, the government's new concussion rules for grassroots sports, agreed by BSF, came into play.

While the player himself

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Birthdays

Week beginning June 5th

Monday Clare Thomas (Screwballs)

Tuesday Max Fagan (Camels), Aiden Peakman (Tiggers)

Wednesday Emma Agostini (Mayhem), Luis Allan Arrevillagas (Thunder III), Chris Fulton (Mavericks)

Friday Jessie Abbott (Travelling Dodgers), Ben Leeks (Swingers), Mark Sanders (Greensox)

Sunday Kieran Oleary (Greensox)

Double grand slams

As reported elsewhere, Lee Kendrick-Walker hit two grand slams playing as a guest for Barflies against Tiggers. This is the 12th time this has been done since records began in 2008, though there is mention in the *Review* of a similar feat back in 1995. The last double slam was as recently as last year, when Steve Bartlett got two for Thunder II. It's the second time a Barflies player has done it, the previous occasion being two slams *in the same inning* by Dave Dean in 2014, a feat equalled by

On this day ...

Last weekend the 19th Alex Hall tournament took place (see report page 9). Over the years this has developed as a regular feature of the MSL calendar, with its unique colour-coded teams, competitive picnicking and fancy dress. In its early years its regular slot was towards the end of June. Then it moved a bit earlier to the end of May or beginning of June.

The issue of *Bases Loaded* dated 6/7/8 June 2017 reported on the tournament held the previous weekend. The Blue Lagoons won an unprecedented double by winning both the tournament proper, and the picnic competition. *BL* suggested "As far



Darrel Goh's cookie monster cupcakes probably helped the judges decide that the Blue picnic (the hardest colour for food) was the best. Photo Darrel Goh

as anyone can remember, no team has won both these prestigious trophies in the same year." The picnic prize was all the more remarkable since blue is notoriously the most difficult colour for a colour-themed picnic. The final



Dave Warren in his prize-winning costume. Photo Leanne Cracknell

win over the White Weddings (their first defeat of the day) was all the more remarkable as "three of their team [wore] full sea-creature costumes even in the final."

Sam Whatmore for the Enforcers in 2019. Kendrick-Walker is the third guest (or equivalent) to hit two slams, Ross Maskell doing so as a guest for Freeze in 2017, and Carl McCarthy as what was then called a

"linked player" for Lightning in 2008. And Freeze seem to feature in this stat, with three players hitting double slams for them ... and they were also on the receiving end of the Dean double already mentioned.

Concussion rules applied (Continued from page 2)

insisted that he was OK to continue, the umpire and other players (including three Exec members) insisted that he sit out the rest of the game.

The UK Government

published official guidelines on concussion only this April which have been widely welcomed and endorsed by the BSF. The strapline “If in doubt, sit them out” makes clear that no-one should return to sport within 24 hours of a sus-

pected concussion. The guidelines include a recommendation to call NHS 111 within 24 hours of a potential concussion, to rest and sleep as much as needed for the first 24 to 48 hours and

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Mavs win top clash— Dodgers march on (Continued from page 2)

ago, but the 74 aggregate is four short of this year’s record so far. **Dodgers** stay top, and perfect, after beating the **Bats** 26-10 in 4½ innings. **Camels II** swapped places with their opponents, the **Tigers**, after a comfortable 28-9 win which saw Craig Lawson hit four home runs in his first four plate appearances of the season.

Thunder II climbed a couple of places at the **Titans’** expense in a see-saw game: the rumblers scored 14 in their opening inning, but after three were trailing 17-15. After a double donut 4th, Thunder re-established a lead which they held on to until the end.

In Division 3, **Bandidos** and **Screwballs** remain joint top of Division 3, protecting their respective perfect records with

wins in their first ever games against **Sluggababes** and **Thunder III** respectively. The Mexicans completed a 5th inning run-ahead rule win in a game that was delayed for 20 minutes midway through the 1st inning (see page 2, and match report page 8), while the cocktailers, although leading from the start, were run much closer by the rumblers (see page 6). What looks like being a tasty showdown is not scheduled until the ninth week of the 11-game first rotation. **Stingers** beat **Seagulls** in the other all-Div 3 match-up, in what was a pretty tight game until a final-inning ten-run sting gave the game a more one-sided look than was really the case. **Barflies** continued their winning ways with a five-inning “mercy” which sent their Div 3 opponents, **Tiggers**, to the bottom of

the pile. A nine-run opening inning got them off to a good start, but Tiggers matched them in the 2nd, and the pair were tied 10-10 after two and 15-15 after three. Then Barflies doubled their score with a 15-run salvo and completed the “slaughter” as a walk-off home run by Daisy Lord batted in the run-ahead run. The homer counts but the run doesn’t. Likewise, the two grand slams hit by guest Lee Kendrick-Walker in the same game. **Swingers** and **Enforcers** switched places in Division 4 as the partiers recovered after initially trailing to win 21-13, and similarly **Raiders** swapped with **Thunder IV** after the bottom two, both winless up to now, met in a game (report, page 7) that started out fairly close, but which Raiders took hold of in the later innings to register their first win of the campaign.

avoid using devices which involve screen time. Driving is also ruled out.

The BSF and government guidelines indicate immediate actions to be taken after a suspected concussion.

- The individual should be removed from the field of play and should not re-

turn to play in that game even if they say that their symptoms have resolved.

- The player should be assessed by a healthcare professional within 24 hours.
- Arrangements should be made for the player to get home safely and for a

responsible adult to supervise the player over the next 24-48 hours.

- An injury report form should be completed and submitted to the BSF.
- If concussion is confirmed, the player should not play again for two weeks.

Match reports

49ers thaw Freeze

HACKERS 7 4 7 5 4 9 13 **45**
FREEZE 3 3 7 0 7 3 2 **19**

Pitch F, Umpire Mike Davies

In scoring 49 runs, Hackers finally got their first win of the season against Freeze on a sunny softballing night in Wythenshawe. Both sides batted well in a high-scoring game and it is a testament to Freeze's batting that despite scoring 49 runs, we still had to play out the full seven innings before clinching that first win. Hackers got off to a flying start hitting a Boeing 7-4-7 runs in the first three innings but couldn't shake the cold, leading 18-13 by that stage. A fifer followed in the fourth (easy for you to say) but Freeze froze in the only shut-out of the game. A mini comeback for the iced ones followed in the

HACKERS Ella Mills (1B), Jack Hoban (3B), Grace Mills (LF), Ian Mills (SS), Abbie de Zwart (2B), Alex Mills (C), Emma Cosgrove (RF), Harry Bell (CL), *Chloe Patient* (STG)(P), Sean Rafter (CR)
HRs G Mills 2, Bell 3, Rafter 2, A Mills 2

FREEZE Drew Stanton (SS), Lorilei Salfred-Ingham (LF), Giancarlo Calo (3B), Emma Ashby (2B), Kelly Salfred-Ingham (CR), Laurie Salfred-Ingham (1B), Will Gould (CL), Laura Bertalot (RF), *Oscar Marengo* (TDS)(P), Oksana Paluszkievicz (C)
HRs Marengo, Stanton

fifth before Hackers finally put the shivers on Freeze, racking up 9 and then 13 in the final two innings to leave a scoreline not quite reflective of the closeness of the game.

Our highest total for some time was underpinned by some great batting, with Millsy (Ian Mills) and Hoby (Jack Hoban) both batting 1.000, ably backed up by some solid base hitting from Ella Mills, Abbie de Zwart and Emma

Cosgrove. Like all teams, we are cursed with having "trophy hunter" batters who just whack the ball as hard as they can into the air and hope for the best, and we seem to suffer more than most with double homers being hit by Grace Mills, Harry Bell, Sean Rafter and Alex Mills (a sibling double homer for the family stat page!). Technically Bell hit three homers but that last one should really be credited to some excellent base coaching (yours truly) allied to the fact that he managed to get his size 11 plates in the way of a certain tag on 3rd, sending the ball foul and earning a lucky HR in the process. Ella made sure it went down as "Fielder's Choice" in our team stats

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Match reports (Continued from page 5)

so he doesn't get undue credit for it.

Both teams had guest pitchers who kept the game moving swiftly with some excellent pitching but a special shout-out goes to Chloe Patient who pitched for us, keeping Freeze's big hitters to just two homers and fighting through muscle cramp in the final inning having played four days of softball in the past week! Thank you Chloe and thanks to Mike Davies for bluing what was a competitive but friendly and enjoyable game, despite the trophy hunters. *Millsy* MVPs G Mills, Bell (HAC), Lorilei Salfred-Ingham, Stanton (FRZ)

Facing Judgement Day, Screwballs survive T3

SCREWBALLS 6 3 3 0 3 6 122
THUNDER III 2 5 1 3 0 5 420

Pitch 3, Umpire Luis Arrevillagas
A valiant and inspiring Thunder III squad hung tough with Division 3 (and undefeated) co-leaders Screwballs Tuesday night at Parrs Wood, falling just short by a score of 22-20 in MSL Division 3 slow-pitch action. It was a game in which the records were thrown out, as the mete-

orologists (2-4) continued with their recent strong form despite frustrating results. They remain in the positive for run differential in 2023. Accordingly, T3 came within a whisker of evening their record and changing the landscape of the D3 pennant chase, bringing the winning run to the plate in the last of the 7th inning. But Screwballs LBH game MVP and pitcher Dan Strayer (3-0) managed to induce a game-ending flyout to put the game on ice for the Pink and Blue Wrecking Crew, keeping pace with Bandidos in Divisional play. Bandidos still hold the tiebreaker and don't face their top-form cohorts until Screwballs host them on 20 June. Screwballs captain Caz Millan and SBH MVP Nic McKenna each recorded five base hits for the Pink and Blue. Millan drove in a pair of runs, and

SCREWBALLS Emma Swarsbrick (1B), AJ Hoysted (CR), Catherine Millan (C), Milan Nechvátal (SS), Nicola McKenna (LF), Dan Strayer (P), Hannah Tillyard (2B), Zak Morris (3B), Carola Guevara (RF), Isaac Howard (CR)
HRs Strayer 3, Hoysted, Nechvátal, Howard
THUNDER III Luis Allan (SS), Lauren Pritchard (2B), Michael Mia (P), Freya Parmar (LF), Tomm Childs (3B), Luna Sanchez (1B), Elliot Boydell (CR), *Miranda Currie (TDS)(RF)*, Jimmy Warren (CL), *Fran Leyton (TH2)(C)*
HRs Mia, Currie

McKenna plated four runners. McKenna leads Screwballs SBHs with 12 RBIs this season. Pink and Blue LBHs Isaac Howard, AJ Hoysted and Zak Morris recorded four hits individually, driving in six runs collectively. Thunder III never quite wrested the lead away, but they did continuously apply pressure with their bats as Strayer went the distance for the Screwballs. Opposing pitcher Michael Mia and guest outfielder Miranda Currie played longball for T3, as the Yellow and Blue mashers pulled to within 9-8 after two innings and 12-11 after four. Luna Sanchez and Tomm Childs took home game MVPs for Thunder III. Howard procured his first homer of the season for Screwballs, and short-stop Milan Nechvátal hit his fifth homer of the season. Both keep pace in the longball department with Hoysted (whose solo homer was his sixth of the year) and Strayer. Strayer tallied five hits, including a personal MSL career high of three home runs, driving in eight runs for the second straight week. The Screwballs pounded out 37 hits as a team to hold off the repeated rum-

blings of Thunder and carry their unbeaten streak into the first week of June.

NEXT WEEK: Thunder III take to interdivisional play this Tuesday night, hosting Div 4 leaders Barflies at Parrs Wood – first pitch at Pitch 7 is at 7pm. Barflies pulled off a 31-16 RAR win over Tigers last week. Screwballs look to the skies again from the visiting dugout against Div 4 tenants Thunder IV at the same time and place, albeit at Pitch 1. This immediate follow-up with the meteorology franchise marks the Screwballs' first showdown at Pitch 1 in 2023.

Dan Strayer

MVPs McKenna, Strayer (SCR), Sanchez, Childs (TH3)

Rookies reloaded

RAIDERS 1 3 1 7 8 1 7 **28**
THUNDER IV 4 0 0 1 3 8 4 **20**
 Pitch 2, Umpire Adam Hugill

I was told by a number of captains last season that trying to win games with a team of complete rookies is bloomin' difficult. It would be better in year 2 they said. Unless of course year 2 brings five more newbies, including four of our six small ballers! Ah well, the Raiders love a challenge. The early part of the season has seen us show glimpses of

what could be. Our hitting shows potential with some real power in the team but defence wins you matches and that's where we have been lacking. Some close games including giving the unstoppable Bandidos a battle before we inevitably succumbed has given us optimism. That brings us on to last Tuesday night and a bottom-of-the-table showdown with Thunder IV.

A tight start to the game (5-4 to Thunder after three) was the prelude to a slugathon with Raiders notching bat-arounds in the next two innings. That gave them a 20-5 lead heading into the bottom of the 5th and thoughts turning to a possible run-ahead victory. Hopes of first dibs on the chip butties were quickly dashed by some solid batting from Thun-

RAIDERS Alex Wall (2B) (sub Richard Valentine), Nat Wood (1B), Mark Crannage (CL), Kerry Brown (LF), Luke Crannage (SS), Mel Kittles (3B), Jon Pearson (CR), Amy Jerdin (RF), Ross Jubber (P), Claire Simcox (C)
 HRs Valentine (GS), L Crannage 2, Jubber, Brown
THUNDER IV Graham Hartley (CR), Kelly Brookshaw (1B), Phil Cosgrove (SS), Rachel Jones (CL), Simon Ronksley (P), Rachel Osbourne (2B), Ben Acton (LF), Atiyah Malik (C), Jamie Acton (3B), Magali Flores (RF)
 HRs Ronksley 2, B Acton

der and a Raiders infield with more holes than a hedgehog's lilo. With one inning to play the Raiders were leading 21-16. A third bat-around in four innings helped add seven runs before Thunder registered four in reply. Someone had to win this one and Raiders duly got the W by 28-20. A game played in really good spirit was notable for a number of batting highlights. Your correspondent's first ever grand slam, Kerry Brown hitting the first dinger by a Raiders small baller, Ross Jubber getting his first maximum of the season and then the dependable Luke Crannage hitting two more bombs to give him seven in six games, including one ball hit further than I go on my holidays. Thunder skipper Simon Ronksley also logged two homers spanked into right field and youngster Ben Acton managed to dance around all the bases after one mighty swipe.

Next up for Raiders is a possible giant killing at Seagulls, while Thunder IV take on the unbeaten Screwballs. Both these

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D4 teams have a bit of fight about them and neither roll over easily. Watch out D3 adversaries.

Richard Valentine

MVPs Brown, L Crannage (RAI), Brookshaw, Ronksley (TH4)

Possible concussion halts game

SLUGGABABES 1 1 0 1 3 **6**
BANDIDOS 3 7 3 7 1 **21**
 RAR, Pitch 1, Umpire Paul Fagan

SLUGGABABES Alex Wardle (SS) (sub Johan Lemmers), Eleanor Harris (LF), Joe Wright (CL), Rachael Wake (2B), Mat Tanner (3B), Georgina Pugh (1B), *Carlos dos Ramos* (MKT)(RF), Emmie Cotter (C), *James Stevens* (MKT)(P), Rachel Scaldwell (CR)
 HRs dos Ramos 2, Tanner
BANDIDOS Jacob Arnison (CL), Lozie Birch (2B), Liam Morrison (SS), Jane Langford (1B), Noah Arnison (3B), Helen Parr (CR), Harry Somers (RF), Carol Ann Costello (LF), *Pete Nightingale* (MAV)(P), Raechel Moss (C)
 HRs J Arnison, Morrison, N Arnison, Nightingale 2 (1GS)

Bandidos continued their perfect start to the campaign in a game that was much less tight than we expected, but the main talking point of which occurred in the 1st inning. Guest Pete Nightingale cracked a full-bodied line drive which hit short stop Alex Wardle on the head. Newly agreed protocols for possible concussion came into play, and Alex was benched, despite insisting that he was OK to carry on. With no sub available, Sluggababes

were facing continuing one short, although a possible abandonment with the game to be replayed at a later date was discussed. Then it transpired that a rostered player who lived nearby but had not been intending to play was available, and after a 20-minute delay, the game continued.

With four team members away on a school trip, there was a slightly make-shift aura to the Mexican ten, with a second Arnison brother, Noah, making his debut alongside younger brother Jacob. And this is a sibling pair to rival our Morrisons as both managed home runs, Noah's coming from not just his first ever plate appearance but his first pitch faced! Both were also outstanding in the field, as was stand-in shortstop and MVP Liam Morrison, whose game highlights included a homer, nearly a second homer, and a part in a smooth 6-3 double play. Loz Birch again batted 1.000 with two walks and two hits from four PAs, and four runs scored meriting the small-ball MVP award again. Carol Ann Costello was just a homer short of hitting for the cycle. The Div 1 guests for both sides had an im-

pact and raised the standard of play, but none more so than Bandido-for-a-day Cookie Nightingale with a grand slam in the 4th inning, and a walk-off "homer" in the 5th: scare-quotes because the game-ending run was on 3rd, and the blu called ball-game after that run crossed the plate, with Pete's hit disappearing into the long grass. A homer was awarded even though it doesn't count. So your correspondent, *capitán por el día*, is 1 for 1, which may be a good moment to hand back the armband and quit.

Bandidos' face a tough test in their next game against the 3rd-placed Stingers on a three-game winning streak. Will the returning Bandidos get their places back?

El Niño

MVPs Harris, Tanner (SLG), Birch, Morrison (BND)



Alex Hall Memorial tournament

Last Saturday Parrs Wood was the venue for the 19th annual Alex Hall Memorial charity tournament which was won by the Blu Team (each dressed up as their favourite “Blu”) in an exciting final in which they prevailed over the unlucky Yellow team,



(fancy dress theme, assorted animals) who were undefeated until the final. The four-team tourney was completed by the red team, dressed in Christmassy Santa and elf suits which were frankly the last thing you would want to wear on a sunny day with temperatures in the 20s and the White Weddings who lost every game, but won the picnic comp. Other winners were Gina Amos whose “Mask” costume was judged the best, Sa-

rah Cassin and Matt Green (throwing) and Nic McKenna and Gurarjun Grewal (fastest round the bases).

The day couldn't have gone better! The sun was shining, everyone had fun, new friendships were made, lots of great soft-ball was played and we raised so much money for the Christie.

While payments are still coming in, an initial estimate is that we raised just over £2,000. That's a massive amount to help the Christie fund their life saving work. We

know they are so grateful for the support they receive from this long-standing fundraiser. The organisers, Vicky Green, Kate Shearer and Gina Amos, would like to thank all those who supported—whether by captaining, playing, umpiring, donating/buying raffle tickets or generally helping out to

Vicky Green



Above: Gina “The Mask” Amos with umpire Simon Hepburn; Left: White team’s winning picnic; Below: The winning Blu(e) team Photos Vicky Green

make this event so successful! They especially want to thank the players themselves for adhering to their request not to drink too much alcohol. Here's to next year! Thanks again everyone.



Liverpool Shield

Stingers battle it out at the Liverpool Shield

Getting a Stingers team down to a tourney is like herding kittens, so our hybrid outfit for Liverpool this year consisted of Hackers, one Screwball and travelling friends from north of the border representing Edinburgh Vandals.

A first game defeat to a strong Bristol Bam team gave the ragtag bunch a chance to get warmed up and just in time to meet the Bats in the second game, where three consecutive home runs from in the first inning set the tone nicely for a 14-6 win. Game 3 saw us face the Trojans just in time for them to hit a stride with some excellent batting, leaving us trailing from the start and running out easy winners. But the team was not disheartened, digging deep in the next game to perhaps surprise the Kelpies, who had to push hard in the last inning to secure a tied game.

The Bobcats were the

final opponents of the day and it was left to big hitters Kristian Stokwicz and AJ Hoysted to see who could hit the furthest home run of the game (I think Kristian probably edged this one with a fine bomb towards the car park). Not to be out-



Grace Mills has a swing

Photo David Grice

done, Ian Mills added his own homer in the second inning but sadly we lost by just one run at the end of the day.

On to Sunday and the dreaded early start, particularly for Clan Mills, who had spent the night

Chloe Patient

painting the town black and green; we fished a bleary-eyed and sun-burnt AJ out of his tent just in time for the game to begin and immediately conceded ten runs to the Yorkshire Dales. It was a wake-up call indeed and the team did well to respond, but sadly time was called just as we took the lead and with the game reverting to the score from the previous inning it was a good win for Fletch's crew. Two victories followed, the first seeing our Vandal players meet their compatriots in the Bolts and the second had us playing against the other half of the Hackers side who had joined Drizzle for the day; and some excellent defensive play saw us earn a Plate semi-final game with Kelpies, who had learned from the previous day's tie and saw us off in the end.

It was a fantastic weekend under beautiful blue skies with some really close games and strong plays, sunburned shoulders and sore heads – just what Good British Softball should be.

Letter to the Editor

Couples home runs revisited

Further to the piece on these pages last week on “all-in-the-family” home runs, and in particular on home runs scored by couples, NJ Dyson of the Dodgers writes: “Great review as always—just wanted to add that we also have a HR couple: Chris Mannion and Abbie Thwaite both scored HRs (Chris x 2, Abbie x 1) in the same game against Hackers 2nd May.”

Congrats Chris and Abbie, but this perfectly illustrates why this stat is so troublesome for Statto. How is he to know that Chris Mannion and Abbie Thwaite (different surname) are a couple, unless he happens to know? OK, they used the same address when registering ... but so do plenty of other players who happen to live at the same address without necessarily being a “couple”. Or some of them may be couples for all Statto knows. It’s not something he wants to probe, frankly!

Last week’s MVPs

| | |
|-----|--|
| CAM | Hayley McTear (1B), Adam Hugill (SS) |
| GRX | Natalie G (RF), Mat G (P) |
| MAV | Sherry Kenyon (CL), Craig Brooks (CR) |
| MHM | Emma Agostini (3B), Amilcar Gomez (sub) |
| MKT | Amy Miller (CL), Keith Altena (SS) |
| SHA | Joicy (3B), George (CL) |
| SPE | Liz Lyon (C), Warren Osbourne (3B) |
| TDS | rested |
| THU | Kim Hannessen (CL), Kris Hadwin (CR) |
| BAT | Avery Yin Chong (3B), Arthur Hung (P) |
| CM2 | Ann Gledson (RF), Craig Lawson (2B) |
| DOD | Lisa Jepson (1B), Chris Mannion (CR) |
| FRZ | Lorilei Salford-Ingham (LF), Drew Stanton (SS) |
| HAC | Grace Mills (LF), Harry Bell (CL) |
| MV2 | rested |
| TH2 | Bryony James (RF), Steve Bartlett (P) |
| TIG | Teresa Kokocinska (1B), Oli Sharpe (3B) |
| TTN | Kate Winfield (1B), Nick Baker (LF) |
| BND | Loz Birch (2B), Liam Morrison (SS) |
| SCR | Nicola McKenna (LF), Dan Strayer (P) |
| SGL | Gina Amos (1B), David Grice (CL) |
| SLG | Eleanor Harris (LF), Mat Tanner (3B) |
| STG | Ellie Hotchkiss (LF), Rory Casey Wright (CR) |
| TGG | Lynsey (C), Harry Schulte (LF) |
| TH3 | Luna Sanchez (1B), Tom Childs (3B) |
| BFL | Daisy Lord (LF), Taj Udin (3B) |
| ENF | Tegan Francis (3B), Alex Hartley (P) |
| RAI | Kerry Brown (LF), Luke Crannage (SS) |
| SWI | Lisa Williams (2B), Jordan Wilcock (SS) |
| TH4 | Kelly Brookshaw (1B), Simon Ronksley (P) |

Note: names are reproduced here exactly as submitted on the scoresheets.

Guests

UP/SAME

Miranda Currie (TDS) for Speeders v Camels
 Faye Dunlop (MV2) for Greensox v Sharks
 Natalie Gallagher (TDS) for Greensox v Sharks
 Katie Jessop (TDS) for Thunder v Mavericks
 Steve Kellett (MV2) for Tigers v Camels II
 Oscar Marenco (TDS) for Freeze v Hackers
 Chloe Patient (STG) for Hackers v Freeze
 Carl Roy Emsley (SGL) for Bats v Dodgers
 Rachel Shkurko (TDS) for Sharks v Greensox
 Claire Simcox (RAI) for Titans v Thunder II

DOWN

Miranda Currie (TDS) for Thunder III v Screwballs
 Carlos dos Ramos (MKT) for Sluggababes v Bandidos
 Lee Kendrick-Walker (DOD) for Barflies v Tiggers
 Fran Leyton (TH2) for Thunder III v Screwballs
 Peter Nightingale (MAV) for Bandidos v Sluggababes
 Leo Pearn (CM2) for Swingers v Enforcers
 Laurie Salfred-Ingham (FRZ) for Swingers (3rd) v Enforcers
 James Stevens (MKT) for Sluggababes v Bandidos
 Ashley Swaby (TH2) for Seagulls v Stingers
 Angie Thompson (DOD) for Seagulls v Stingers

Home runs

Division 1

SBH

1—Sarah Cassin (CAM), Sherry Kenyon (MAV), Nat Leyland (TDS), Jacqueline Ng (CAM), Su OBrien (SHA)

LBH

6—Tom Russell (THU)
 4—Keith Altena (MKT), Anthony Garcia Reyes (MHM), Joe Grantham (THU)
 3—Carlos dos Ramos (MKT), Dan Downes (TDS), Karthik Manjunath (SHA), George Stamets (SHA)
 2—Luis Arreivillagas (THU), Ian Blease (MAV), Gurarjun Grewal (GRX), Brad Hadwin (THU), Kris Hadwin (THU), Andy Lott (CAM)
 1—Tom Atkinson (CAM), Nathan Barratt (MHM), Jordan Colton (MHM), Matt Fairweather (MKT), Tatsuyoshi Hikawa (GRX), Adam Hugill (CAM), Paul Kidley (GRX), Chris Lennon (SPE), Mike Lott (THU), Luke Martin* (TDS), Colin McKie (CAM), Pete Nightingale (MAV), Laurence Pearmain* (MAV), Andy Rawson (GRX), Darren Shaw (MKT), Igor von Orel Bronte (MKT)

Division 2

SBH

3—Grace Mills (HAC)
 2—Faye Dunlop (MV2)
 1—Suzanne Donovan (BAT), Bryony James (TH2), Abbie Thwaite (DOD), Kate Winfield (TTN)

LBH

9—Chris Mannion* (DOD) *(pictured)*
 7—Stéphane Karayannis* (TIG)
 5—Harry Bell (HAC)
 4—Craig Lawson (CM2), Wes Ng (MV2)
 3—Elieser Doronsoro* (DOD), Dave Martin Baez (MV2), Sean Rafter (HAC), Simon Sharp (TIG), Brian Slusarek (DOD), Cameron Waddelow (BAT), James Wooderson (CM2)
 2—Steve Bartlett (TH2), Darren Corner (HAC), Ed Covington (TIG), Jeff Fong (MV2), Jeivo Gomez (TH2), Chris Gresty* (MV2), Mark Heyward (FRZ), Alex Mills (HAC), Oliver Potts (CM2), Luis Rodriguez (DOD)



1—Sam Baker (TTN), Alex Bates (BAT), Conor Battersby (CM2), Andrew Bogie (TH2), David Dyson (DOD), Dan Hocking (TTN), Steve Howard (DOD), Lee Kendrick-Walker (DOD), Ian Mills (HAC), Leo Pearn (CAM), Drew Stanton (FRZ), Richard Taylor (TTN), Richard Thompson (TIG), Ben Wright (TTN)

Division 3

SBH

2—Nikki Bradshaw (STG)
 1—Tanya Lochery (BND), Samiyah Rahman (SGL), Amy Sykes (STG), Natasha Wicikowski* (TGG)

LBH

11—Mike Mia (TH3)
 9—Ross Birch (BND)
 8—Liam Morrison (BND)
 6—AJ Hoysted (SCR), Dan Strayer (SCR),
 5—Jason Kneen (BND), Milan Nechvátal (SCR), Kristian Stokwicz (STG), Joe Wright * (SLG)
 4—Anthony Henderson (SGL), James Wright (TGG)
 3—Carl Emsley (SGL), David Grice (SGL), Harry Schulte (TGG), Jimmy Warren (TH3), Charlie Whalley (SGL)
 2—Naveed Ahmed (SCR), Danny Casey-Wright (STG), Tom Childs (TH3), Dean Cull (TH3), Antoon Lemmers (SLG), Zac Morris (SCR), Adam Morrison (BND), Josh Normie (STG), James Tanner (SLG), Mat Tanner (SLG), Alex Wardle (SLG)
 1—Jacob Arnison (BND), Noah Arnison (BND), Luis Allen Arreivillagas (TH3), Dilan Bastiampillai (TH3), Rory Casey-Wright (STG), Mark Fox (STG), Isaac Howard (SCR), John Reeves (SCR), Nacho Sánchez (BND), Nick Sims (STG)

Division 4

SBH

1—Rhianne Boag (SWI), Kerry Brown (RAI), Claire Holden (BFL), Daisy Lord (BFL), Atiyah Malik (TH4), Jade Shaw (BFL)

LBH

7—Luke Crannage (RAI)
 6—Aleck Aspinall* (BFL)
 4—Dave Dean (BFL), Chris Newhall (ENF), Simon Ronksley (TH4), Chris Smith (BFL)
 3—Ben Leeks (SWI), Mike Spiers (RAI), Jordan Wilcock (ENF)
 2—Mike Cooney (BFL), Simon Grainger* (ENF), Alex Hartley (SWI), Ebby Hassan (BFL), Jon Pear-

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Next week's fixtures 13/14 June

Division 1

Speeders @ Thunder (pitch G, umpire Wallace) Last meeting 4 August 2010 (Playoff Division), Thunder won 16-1 in 5 inns, clinching a return to Division 1. Thunder have won all five of their meetings.

Meerkats @ Mavericks (E, Davies) Last meeting 9 September 2021, Mavs won this final game of the season 12-3, confirming the Meerkats' relegation. Mavs have won all six meetings.

Mayhem @ Sharks (pitch F, umpire P Fagan) Last meeting 13 July 2022, Sharks won 13-12, bringing them to one win behind in this pair's 11 meetings.

Travelling Dodgers @ Greensox (H, Creelman) Last meeting 3 August 2022, TDs won a tight game 8-7, their third win in four meetings.

son (RAI), Chris Radford (BFL)

1—Ben Acton (TH4), Phil Cosgrove (TH4), Mark Crannage* (RAI), Bryn Davies (ENF), Ross Jubber (RAI), Ed Roberts (SWI), Richard Valentine* (RAI), Andy Whatmore (ENF) * grand slam

Erratum: A home run by Natalie Leyland for Travelling Dodgers against Speeders was omitted from last week's score sheet.

Camels rest

Division 2

Hackers @ Titans (A, Strayer) Last meeting 25 August 2021, Titans won 14-11 but trail 3-4 in all meetings.

Dodgers @ Freeze (B, Caird) First ever meeting.

Bats @ Tigers (C, Green) First ever meeting.

Camels II @ Mavericks II (D, Somers) Last meeting 29 June 2022, Mavs won 22-7, and lead 7-2 in all meetings.

Thunder II rest

Division 3

Seagulls @ Sluggababes (3, P Fagan) First ever meeting.

Thunder III @ Tiggers (2, Carruthers) Only previous meeting 22 June 2021, Thunder won 28-17.

Interdivisional

Bandidos @ Swingers (4, Goff) Only previous meeting 9 July 2019 (Division 4), Bandidos won 25-4.

Enforcers @ Stingers (1, Arrevillagas) Last meeting 5 July, 2022 (Division 3), Stingers won 22-17 to take a 3-2 lead in all meetings.

Raiders @ Screwballs (7, Sharp) Last meeting

Results (continued from page 14)

Division 3

SCREWBALLS 6 3 3 0 3 6 1 22
THUNDER III 2 5 1 3 0 5 4 20
Pitch 3, Umpire Luis Arrevillagas
HRs **SCR** Dan Strayer 3, AJ Hoysted, Milan Nechvátal, Isaac Howard; **TH3** Michael Mia, *Miranda Currie (TDS)*

SLUGGABABES 1 1 0 1 3 6
BANDIDOS 3 7 3 7 1 21
RAR, Pitch 1, Umpire Paul Fagan
HRs **SLG** Carlos dos Ramos (MKT) 2, Mat Tanner; **BND** Jacob Arnison, Liam Morrison, Noah Arnison, *Pete Nightingale (MAV)*, 2 (1GS)

STINGERS 1 1 4 2 3 1 10 22
SEAGULLS 0 2 2 2 4 0 5 15
Pitch 6, Umpire Dave Warren
HRs **STG** Amy Sykes, Rory Casey-Wright; **SGL** David Grice

Interdivisional

TIGGERS 2 8 5 0 1 16
BARFLIES 9 1 5 15 1 31
RAR, Pitch 4, Umpire Fliss Fagan
HRs **TGG** Harry Schulte 2, James Wright; **BFL** Ebby Hassan, Chris Smith 2, Mike Cooney, Daisy Lord, *Lee Kendrick-Walker (CM2)* 2GS

Division 4

ENFORCERS 4 1 1 0 2 2 3 13
SWINGERS 0 1 4 8 2 6 x 21
Pitch 7, Umpire Arthur Hung
HRs **ENF** Jordan Wilcock 2, Simon Granger

RAIDERS 1 3 1 7 8 1 7 28
THUNDER IV 4 0 0 1 3 8 4 20
Pitch 2, Umpire Adam Huggill
HRs **RAI** Richard Valentine (GS), Luke Crannage 2, Ross Jubber, Kerry Brown; **TH4** Simon Ronksley 2, Ben Acton

12 July 2022 (Division 4), Screwballs won 25-10 and have won all three meetings.

Division 4

Barflies @ Thunder IV (6, Hung) Last meeting 12 July 2022, Barflies won a thriller 22-21 and lead 9-3 in all meetings.

Results and Standings

Played 30/31 May

Standings Week 6

Division 1

MAYHEM 6 3 3 0 4 4 1 21
MEERKATS 2 2 1 2 0 4 0 11

Pitch C, Umpire Dan Strayer
 HRs **MHM** Anthony Garcia Reyes,
 Jordan Colton; **MKT** Carlos dos
 Ramos, Keith Altena 2, Matt Fair-
 weather

SHARKS 4 0 2 5 2 0 2 15
GREENSOX 3 4 4 3 0 3 x 17

Pitch A, Umpire Harry Somers
 HRs **SHA** George Stamets, Karthik
 Manjunash; **GRX** Gurarjun Grewal

SPEEDERS 0 0 1 0 0 1
CAMELS 1 2 7 10 x 20

RAR, Pitch D, Umpire Mike Goff
 HRs **CAM** Adam Hugill, Sarah
 Cassin

THUNDER 0 4 12 0 1 3 1 21
MAVERICKS 1 10 2 4 2 4 x 23

Pitch B, Umpire Al Green
 HRs **MAV** Ian Blease 2

Division 2

BATS 3 4 3 0 0 10
DODGERS 8 9 6 3 x 26

RAR, Pitch E, Umpire Paul Fagan
 HRs **DOD** Chris Mannion 3 (1GS),
 Elieser Doronsoro, Brian Slusarek
 2

CAMELS II 1 7 6 5 9 28
TIGERS 2 6 0 1 0 9

RAR, Pitch H, Umpire Jonny
 Creelman
 HRs **CM2** Craig Lawson 4, James
 Wooderson, Conor Battersby; **TIG**
 Simon Sharp

HACKERS 7 4 7 5 4 9 13 45
FREEZE 3 3 7 0 7 3 2 19

Pitch F, Umpire Mike Davies
 HRs **HAC** Grace Mills 2, Harry Bell
 3, Sean Rafter 2, Alex Mills 2;
FRZ Oscar Marenco (TDS), Drew
 Stanton

TITANS 4 3 10 0 0 1 4 22
THUNDER II 14 0 1 0 6 4 x 25

Pitch G, Umpire Andrew Bogie
 HRs **TTN** Kate Winfield, Ben
 Wright; **TH2** Jeivo Gomez, Steve
 Bartlett 2

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P W T L F RS RC Pts% GB

Division 1

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----|----|------|----|
| ► Mavericks | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101 | 64 | 1.00 | - |
| ► Thunder | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 99 | 75 | .867 | 1½ |
| ► Mayhem | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 74 | 74 | .733 | 2½ |
| ▼ TrvDodgers | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 68 | 56 | .733 | 2½ |
| ► Camels | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 95 | 80 | .667 | 3 |
| ▼ Meerkats | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 59 | 70 | .600 | 3½ |
| ► Greensox | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 66 | 80 | .467 | 4½ |
| ▼ Sharks | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 68 | 65 | .467 | 4½ |
| ▼ Speeders | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 76 | .333 | 5 |

Mayhem above Travelling Dodgers and Greensox above Sharks on head-to-heads

Division 2

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|------|----|
| ► Dodgers | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 123 | 46 | 1.00 | - |
| ► Mavericks II | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 91 | 51 | .867 | 1 |
| ► Camels II | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 99 | 72 | .867 | 1 |
| ▼ Tigers | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 82 | 66 | .733 | 2 |
| ► Thunder II | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 82 | 110 | .667 | 2½ |
| ▼ Bats | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 86 | 96 | .600 | 3 |
| ▼ Titans | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 98 | 98 | .556 | 3½ |
| ► Hackers | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 97 | 113 | .467 | 4 |
| ► Freeze | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 67 | 173 | .333 | 5½ |

Division 3

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| ► Bandidos | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 142 | 46 | 1.00 | - |
| ► Screwballs | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 142 | 98 | 1.00 | - |
| ► Stingers | 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 141 | 104 | .889 | 1 |
| ► Slugg'babes | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 115 | 117 | .667 | 3 |
| ► Seagulls | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 129 | 128 | .667 | 3 |
| ► Thunder III | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 133 | 120 | .556 | 4 |
| ▼ Tiggers | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 94 | 127 | .556 | 4 |

Division 4

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| ► Barflies | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 163 | 148 | .778 | - |
| ► Swingers | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 87 | 134 | .556 | 2 |
| ▼ Enforcers | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 97 | 110 | .556 | 2 |
| ► Raiders | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 99 | 151 | .444 | 3 |
| ▼ Thunder IV | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 82 | 142 | .333 | 4 |

Swingers above Enforcers on head-to-head