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Bats go top while resting

It was “all change” in Division 2 as the leaders **Screwballs** perhaps unexpectedly lost against the up until then winless bottom team, **Hackers**. 11-3 down after two innings, Hackers might have thought it was business as usual, and after four they were still seven runs adrift. A nine-run 5th inning gave them a narrow lead which they relinquished in the 6th. But a strong showing in the final inning saw them retake the lead and then shut out the home team to prevail 25-19. **Stingers** moved up into 2nd place in a high-scoring game with **Mavericks II**, the highlight of which would be a 15-run 3rd inning. The hornets maintained their superiority in the second half of the game, never quite reaching the 15-run ahead threshold, but winning comfortably in the end, 35-19. The division's other two games

did involve the “mercy” rule, as **Tigers** led from the start to overcome **Speeders** 22-7, while **Camels II**, leading the nine-player **Thunder III** 15-9 after four innings, doubled their tally over the next two innings to win 30-11. The results mean that the resting **Bats** go top on a 6-2 record, with three teams just half a game behind them on 6-3, their order in the standings determined by their win-loss records just in games between themselves. Mid-table sees Mavs II and **Tigers** a further game behind, on 5-4. The bottom two already look like returning to Tuesday ball, though last week's bottom-vs-top win suggests anything is still possible.

There was no change at all in the Division 1 standings as the top three all won, **Camels** doing so in front of their own TV sets (and more comfortably than the Three Lions) as

Dodger Sharks forfeited. **Mavericks** beat **Thunder II** with Pete Nightingale's grand-slam homer confirming the run-ahead victory in the bottom of the 6th. Thunder II's Gabrielle Mangan on 3rd base made some excellent stops despite the uneven ground. Meanwhile **Thunder's** first team scored steadily and defended well to see off the **Titans** 18-9. The 4th-vs-5th clash between **Mayhem** and **Meerkats** was a low-scoring affair for six innings, with Mayhem

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Bats go top *(Continued from page 2)*

scoring just four runs, but shutting Meerkats out for half a dozen donuts. In the top of the 7th the Mossley crew tripled their total with a ten-run bash, and in the bottom half the suricates avoided a Eurovision ("nul points") with a five-run flurry.

On Tuesday, after last week's heatwave, Division 3 teams got a thorough drenching as the heavens opened. It was a fitting baptism for the league's newest team, the **OddSox**, who managed a healthy 11 runs against an experienced

Freeze, who hit the run-ahead target in six innings. **Toras** gave **Bandidos** a scare, leading for the first three innings until, coinciding with the sun coming out, the Mexicans managed a double bat-around, scoring 16 runs. There were grand slams for both teams, Liam Morrison's being his third this year, while Ben Lock managed the Toras' first ever league GS. **Sluggababes** maintained their winning run, now ten games, with a 13-6 win over the **Liver Birds**, who have now dropped to 6th. **Barflies** stay in 2nd place despite a heavy loss to **Tiggers**, who appear to have found last year's form, with a 13-run 4th inning notable. **Raiders** move up to 3rd after seeing off **Fireballs** 19-4, with a second dad&lad home run double for Mark and Luke Crannage, their 14th overall and second this year. Looking at the Division 3 standings, behind the top two there is a bit of traffic jam, with four teams tied on win-loss percentage. Their ordering is explained elsewhere in this issue.

Statto's corner**Walk-off home runs**

As reported elsewhere, the Mavericks' Pete Nightingale sealed his team's run-ahead rule win with a walk-off grand slam home run. The final score was initially reported as 23-6, but this was corrected due to the following rules.

When the 21st run crossed the plate, the game was technically over by the run-ahead rule, the 15-run lead having been reached. But Nightingale completed the grand slam, following his preceding batter home. So what's the rule?

If the walk-off homer is hit over the fence, all the runs count, but not for an inside-the-park homer. And of course since we don't have fences, that's the only kind of homer we get. So the runs don't count, but, as long as the batter-runner touches all the bases, the homer is included in the records. This is explicitly mentioned in section 3.6.2 of the *MSL Handbook*.

Birthdays**Tuesday 7th**

Natalie Wood (Raiders)

Wednesday 8th

Georgia Orton (Tiggers)

Thursday 9th

Jack Lalor (Toras), Erin Wilkinson (Bandidos)

Saturday 11th

Richard Thompson (Tigers)

This week's games**Tuesday 7th****Division 3**

Barflies 1L @ Bandidos 3W 6 MF
Fireballs 2L @ Tiggers 2W 2 AH
Liver Birds 2L @ Freeze 1W 7 FF
OddSox 1L v Raiders 1W 1 DB
Toras 10L @ Sluggababes 10W 3 MG

Wednesday 8th**Division 1**

Mavericks 4W @ Dodgers 1W D
Meerkats 1L @ Camels 1W G PF
Sharks 2L @ Thunder II 15L C NS
Thunder 6W @ Mayhem 1W B HS

Division 2

Mavericks II 2L @ Camels II 1W F JB
Screwballs 1L @ Speeders 1L A MD
Thunder III 3L @ Bats 4W H IM
Tigers 2W @ Stingers 2W E AG

Match reports

Stingers swarm to stun Mavs



STINGERS 5 1 15 3 4 4 335
MAVERICKS II 4 3 3 2 6 0 1 19

Pitch E, Umpire Nacho Sánchez
STINGERS Richard Fox (C), Natasha Wicikowski (LF), Jack Barnes (2B), Toni Strowger (3B), Nic Sims (SS), Chloe Patient (P), Dilan Bastiampillai (CL), Michelle Cleator (1B), Jack Rains (CR), Jennifer Quinton (RF)
 HRs Barnes 3, Sims, Patient, Bastiampillai

MAVERICKS II Ali Marrs (LF), Chris Gresty (SS), Natalie Dunlop (2B), David Martin Baez (CR), Helen Moore (C), Steven Kellett (P), Jane Curley (1B), Mike Goff (CL), Luca Mulholland (RF), Ian Williams (3B)
 HRs Martin Baez (GS), Gresty

The first return fixture of the season saw a high-scoring encounter at the WSG.

A well-known fact about bees is that they are reluctant and one-time only stingers. The Stingers on Wednesday must have been a different species, stinging first and repeatedly in a relentless attack. Five Stinger runs on the board in the top of the 1st was met by an efficient Mavs

response: three singles from the first three batters to load the bases with the Mavs Captain Dave Martin Baez up next. Inspired by the recently-viewed thumping winner from footballing counterpart Harry Kane in the World Cup, the first pitch was sent sailing towards the car park for a grand slam to put the Mavs within one run.

The Stingers' defence managed to limit the damage with two tricky catches including a notable running catch in right field by former rookie of the year Jennifer Quinton (pictured).

The momentum still momentarily with the Div 2 veterans, they took the lead, 7-6, going into the top of the 3rd. The prodding of the hornets' nest, however, provoked a furious response from the Stingers' bats. 15 runs in the 3rd inning and consistent scoring for the

rest of the game meant that a second consecutive "mercy" defeat seemed inevitable for the Mavs.

But the Mavs didn't lie down and some steady hitting in the middle innings prolonged the game to the 7th, with the Mavs recording their second highest run total of the season (coincidentally the highest was also against



the Stingers in the season opener). However it was nothing more than futile resistance in the face of an opponent at the top of their offensive game, final score

35-19.

Top Mav BBH hitters were Chris Gresty (5 for 5, HR, 4 RBIs), Mike Goff (4 for 4) with MVP going to Martin Baez (3 for 5, grand slam, 4 RBIs). SBH MVP went to Nat Dunlop (2 hits, 2 RBIs). Other notables were Ali Marrs (3 for 5) and Luca Mulholland who made a smart catch in right field

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Match reports (Cont. from page 4)
in the 2nd inning.

Dave Martin Baez

MVPs Strowger, Fox (STG),
Dunlop, Martin Baez (MV2)

Bandidos survive Toras scare



BANDIDOS 1 3 1 16 6 27
TORAS 5 1 0 2 4 12
RAR, Pitch 6, Umpire Dilan Bastiampillai

BANDIDOS Jacob Arnison (CL), Nadia Horan-Peek (2B), Liam Morrison (SS), Jane Langford (1B), Nacho Sánchez (P), Erin Wilkinson (C), Niall Flanagan (3B), Hannah Lynch (LF), Harry Somers (CR), *Jen Quinton* (STG)(RF) HR Morrison (GS)

TORAS Dan Waterman (3B), Jemma Crosby (1B), Jack Lalor (SS), Rachel Thorpe (CR), Ben Lock (P), Jessica Waugh (LF), Arima Mathieson (CL), George McLaren (2B), Rahul Ghosal (RF), Ruth Gordon (C) HRs Lalor, Lock (GS)

In torrential rain (no excuse) Toras gave Bandidos a right old scare as they took a 1st-inning lead and extended it over the next two innings to maintain a one-run advantage after three completed innings, including a triple play more the fault perhaps of inappropriate footwear than the batter, who happened to be your scribe.

But then, as the rain stopped, Bandidos found their rhythm and batted twice round the order to score 16 (actually 17, we miscounted). Ten runs had scored (four from Liam Morrison's third grand slam of the season) before the first out and the parade continued until the lead-off hit into a fielder's choice in her third plate appearance of the inning.

The batting performance dominates the story, with RBIs for every batter, six (or seven) for Morrison, and five each for Jane Langford (pictured) and Harry Somers. Defence was solid too, in atrocious



conditions, especially Jacob Arnison, who offered a short spell as a relief pitcher while Nacho Sánchez regained his composure after a few walks too many.

El Niño

MVPs Horan-Peek, Morrison (BND), Crosby, Lalor (TOR)

Bad things happen, but Sluggababes still perfect



SLUGGABABES 3 3 0 3 1 1 2 13
LIVER BIRDS 1 0 0 5 0 0 0 6
Pitch 2, Umpire Arthur Hung

SLUGGABABES Kieran Oleary (CR), Rachael Wake (2B), Chris Mannion (CL), Annie Downes (P), Johan Lemmers (1B), Abbie Thwaite (RF), Tim Roberts (C), Eleanor Harris (LF), Mat Tanner (SS), Demi Rabbette (3B) HRs Harris, Mannion

LIVER BIRDS Estelle Speers (C), Neil McIntyre (SS), Sophie temple (1B), Ross Jones (LF), Grace Williams (CR), Rolf Growth (2B), Alys Jones (CL), *Charlie Whalley* (DSH)(P), Gemma Wallace (3B), *David Martin Baez* (MV2)(RF) HR Martin Baez

Bad things happen in threes, too.

Bad Thing 1: The game started in steady drizzle, but fortunately this gave way after a couple of innings.

Bad Thing 2: Unfortunately it gave way to heavy rain. But this, too, ceased after a few innings.

Bad Thing 3: In the later innings the rain had stopped but the low sun

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Match reports (Cont. from page 5)
made plays at 1st base
perilous.

Added to this, the right-handers' batter's box on Pitch 2 started as a muddy mess but deteriorated into a quagmire. More than one batter-runner slipped and fell while attempting to run to 1st. For reasons of safety there was talk of shifting the diamond but nobody seemed to know how this could be done, so play continued.

Against this background the avian Scousers had already started at a disadvantage. With their junior stars away on international duty they had to rely upon guests and a stand-in pitcher – taking to the rubber on a miserable evening for hurlers.



For the Slugs there were a couple of highlights involving El Harris (pictured). Backing up in an attempt to catch a high fly-ball in left field, she found it dropping over her head. Amazingly, completely unsighted, Chris Mannion reached behind her to snag an ankle-high catch. Then, with her fancy new bat, Harris slugged a ball into right centre and set off round the basepath. Rounding 1st, rounding 2nd, "She's gonna make 3rd", she turned left again: "What the hell's she ... home run!!" A maiden circuit and tears of joy.

Once again the gastropods' victory was founded on MVP Annie Downes' pitching – runs conceded don't lie. In support the team's defence was iffy in the early innings but improved in tune with the weather and they produced five donuts. Slugababes continue the season undefeated.

Two-Out Tim

MVPs Downes, Mannion (SLG), Williams, McIntyre (LVB)

Game in the (pouring) rain

RAIDERS	4	7	1	2	5	19
FIREBALLS	4	0	0	0	0	4

RAR, Pitch 7, Umpire Paul Fagan



RAIDERS Mel Kittles (C), Richard Valentine (P), Kerry Brown (LF), Luke Crannage (SS; Sub Kristian Stokwicz), Lisa Morrissey (1B), Mark Crannage (CL), Jessamine Belfield (RF), Jonathan Pearson (3B), Amy Jerdin (2B), Jake Collins (CR)
HRs M Crannage 2 (1GS), L Crannage, Pearson

FIREBALLS Mitch Gilbert (P), Mandy Knight (1B), Andrew Whatmore (3B), Rhiannon Flame (C), Sam Webb (SS), Lisa Williams (2B), Nicky Johnson (CL), Ellie Sams (LF), Robert Fairweather (CR), Bailey Saunders (TIG)(RF)

The game didn't get off to the best start for Nicky Johnson, who forgot his boots. However, he did manage to find a random one that had been discarded in a bush near pitches 6 and 7. Bingo, it was the right size. Sadly, he couldn't find the left one so proceeded to play in one second hand boot and one of his own shoes.

Aside from the 1st inning our hitting was poor though we did give Raiders some catching prac-

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Match reports (Cont. from page 6)

tice. Raiders, on the other hand, hit consistently with MVP Mark Crannage (pictured) hitting a grand slam on his first at bat.



We had a better time fielding including our first double play of the season when Sam Webb stopped a ground ball, threw on to Andy Whatmore to get the out on 3rd. The runner from 1st to 2nd ran over the base so Whatmore quickly got the ball over to Lisa Williams and we got the tag out.

Mandy Knight made a good catch in the 3rd inning, running off the diamond from 1st to catch a right

field hit. The 4th inning saw Webb stopping a ground ball after it bounced awkwardly. Facing the outfield, and with his back to 2nd base, he managed a no-look throw to 2nd to secure another out.

Unfortunately Johnson's new-found boot didn't bring us luck and we finished in five innings, though it probably wasn't the worst night to not play seven. We were all soaked, bats had started to fly out of people's hands in the batting box and our only supporter (Sam Webb's dad) had retreated early to the shelter of his car.

Lisa Williams

MVPs Jerdin, M Crannage (RAI), Kight, Webb (PFB)



"... Oh, you know. Same old same old ... Long periods of boredom punctuated by brief moments of sheer terror."

Resolving ties in the standings

There are four teams on the same points in Division 3, thanks to Bandidos' two-point deduction. In the standings this is shown as a .556 win-loss percentage. In a multi-way tie, head-to-heads among the tied teams are considered: with the first rotation just finished this is very neat, as they have all played each other once.

Head-to-head results

Freeze 13 Liver Birds 10
Bandidos 6 Raiders 21
Freeze 9 Raiders 13
Raiders 24 Liver Birds 27
Freeze 17 Bandidos 20
Bandidos 12 Liver Birds 11

Raiders and Bandidos have a 2-1 record, with Raiders having beaten Bandidos and therefore above them in the standings. Freeze and Liver Birds are 1-2 with Freeze similarly favoured by the bilateral head-to-head.

Head-to-head mini-league

	W	L	RS	RC
Raiders	2	1	58	42
Bandidos	2	1	38	49
Freeze	1	2	39	43
Liver Birds	1	2	48	49

There are three-way ties in Divisions 1 and 2, which are resolved in a similar fashion.

Titans change leader

Titans have announced that Sam Baker (pictured) has stepped down as captain following the team's game against Thunder. Jai Baghdev has agreed to take over the role after the team's upcoming rest week and will lead the Titans into their



next fixture against Mossley Mayhem.

Sam concludes his tenure as Titans captain almost three years to the day after first taking on the role. During that time, he led the team to its most successful season to date, culminating in a 2nd-place finish in Division 2 in 2025, earning promotion to Divi-

sion 1.

Sam commented, "I would like to thank all Titans players, past and present, for their support throughout my captaincy. I would also like to give special recognition to Karyn Cooper for her incredible support as vice-captain in my first two seasons. Finally, I wish Jai every success as he takes on the captaincy and leads the Titans into their next chapter."

Indoor softball

A brief update on this.... We have had enough interest to make an indoor league viable this winter.

The venue we did have lined up has pulled out as they would rather be a football only venue. I am looking for an alternative location. If anyone does know of anywhere that might be suitable (two or more indoor five-a-side pitches or similar) please do let me know.

Thanks. *Leo Pearn*

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Score sheet submission

You may have noticed in recent weeks score sheets appearing in the "Results" WhatsApp group soon after submission, as illustrated here.

We have been working hard to make this happen (and to have the information correctly presented). There have been a few teething problems, but we can now revise the official procedure for submitting scores online:

you should still take a screenshot before submission (just in case), but if the sheet appears automatically, which it should do almost instantly, there is no need also to post your screenshot. Screenshots are of course still required if you are using paper forms, old-school. And losing captains should still acknowledge with a thumbs up.

Abbie Overington

Abbie De Zwart

01/07/2026
Stingers @ Mavs II

FIELD WSG E HOME ELECT TO BAT 1ST NO UMPIRE Ignacio Sandez Sanchez

Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Final
Stingers	5	1	15	3	4	4	3				35
Mavs II	4	3	3	2	6	0	1				19

TEAM BATTING 1ST

HOME RUNS

- Jack Barnes x 3
- Nic Sims
- Chloe Patient

MVPS

SBH MVP: Tori Strawger

BBH MVP: Richard Fox

TEAM BATTING 2ND

HOME RUNS

- David Baez

MVPS

SBH MVP: Natalie Dunlop

BBH MVP: David John Martin Baez

OTHER MENTIONS

None provided.

SERIOUS INJURIES

None reported.

REASON FOR INCOMPLETE GAME

None provided.

Stingers @ Mavs II - 2026-07-01 11:09 pm

Home runs

Last week saw the most home runs hit in Divs 2 and 3 so far this season (23 at 5.8 per game, and 21 at 4.2 per game respectively), while Div 1 saw the fewest (5 at 1.7 per game).

Division 1 SBH

5 – Maddy Gresty (CAM)
3 – Avery Chong (MKT), Zoe Le Roux (THU)
2 – Jessica Hastings (DOD)
1 – Nicola Booth (CAM), Melissa Byrne (DSH), Zoe Coombes (TTN), Leanne Cracknell (THU), Lauren Crouse (MAV), Charlotte Green (CAM), Kim Hannessen (THU), Izzie Keeley (CAM), Alexa Martinez (DOD), Linni Mitchell (MHM), Izzy Rendell (TTN), Rachel Shkurko (DSH)

Division 1 BBH

8 – Brian Slusarek (DOD)
7 – Pete Nightingale* (MAV)
6 – Paul Colton (DOD), Tom Russell (THU)
5 – Keith Altena (MKT), Sam Baker (TTN), Stephane Karayannis (DSH), Jake Roberts (DOD)
4 – Carlos dos Ramos (MKT), Rohan Johns (TTN)
3 – Luis Arreivillagas (THU), Tom Atkinson (CAM), Nathan Barratt* (MHM), Max Fagan (CAM), Jeivo Gomez (TH2), Joe Grantham (THU), Adam Hugill (CAM), Benkei Johnson (MHM), Mike MacDowell (CAM), Jack Scholes (MHM), Jon Taylor* (TH2)
2 – Craig Brooks (MAV), David Dyson (DOD), Carl Emsley (TTN), Matthew Green (MHM), Brad Hadwin (THU), Kris Hadwin (THU), Stephen Howard (DOD), Alex Ingham (MKT), Mike Lott (DSH)
1 – Luis Allan Arreivillagas (THU), Jai Bhagdev (TTN), Andrew Bogie* (TH2), Charles Coffey

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(MAV), Elieser Dorronsoro (DOD), Daniel Downes (DSH), Anthony Garcia Reyes (MHM), Amilcar Gomes (MHM), Simon Hepburn (DOD), Phil Kirby (TH2), Luke Martin (DSH), Matt Narain* (MKT), Wes Ng (CAM), Laurence Pearmain (MAV)

Division 2 SBH

2 – Anissa Aghtarafi (TIG), Chloe Patient (STG)

1 – Carmen Arrevillagas (HAC), Emma Bennett (SPE), Ella Mills (HAC), Alia Paschali (CM2), Evie Sanders (HAC), Toni Strowger (STG), Olivia Thompson-Westmacott (SCR)

Division 2 BBH

10 – James Wooderson* (CM2)
 7 – Oscar Marenco (SCR), Cameron Waddelow (BAT)
 6 – Bryn Davies (BAT)
 5 – Adam Faloona* (SPE), Duncan Jones (SPE), James Wright (TH3)
 4 – Jack Barnes (STG), Ross Maskell (SCR), Mike Mia (TH3), Ethan Money-Muter* (SPE), Nic Sims (STG)
 3 – Dilan Bastiampillai* (STG), Ed Covington (TIG), Richard Goar (TIG), Jack Hoban (HAC), AJ Hoysted (TH3), Zak Morris (SCR), Oliver Sharpe (TIG)
 2 – Ant Boffey (CM2), Donald Ching Hang Siu (BAT), Chris Gresty (MV2), Alastair Hallsworth (SPE), Josh Kehoe* (TIG), Shawn Khwaja (BAT), David Martin Baez* (MV2), Joe Mills (HAC), Nick Money (SPE), Sean Rafter (HAC), Jack Rains (STG), Artem Rastrepaev (SCR)
 1 – Dean Cull (TH3), Liam Deegan (CM2), Chris Drayton (CM2), Jonathan Foldi* (CM2), Mark Fox (STG), Chris Frost (BAT), Mohammad Irfan Haziz (TIG), Daniel Johansson (HAC), Maciek Juriewicz (SCR), Chris Lennon (SPE), Christopher Marenco* (SCR), Chris Newhall* (BAT), Dan Strayer (SCR), Rich Thompson (TIG), Ian Williams (MV2)

MVPs

MAVERICKS	Leanne Cracknell (CL), Adam Cole (P)
MAYHEM	Charlotte Green, Jack Scholes
MEERKATS	Eleanor Hotchkiss (3B), Carlos Dos Ramos Gouveia (SS)
THUNDER	Beth Jarratt (CL), Joe Grantham (LF)
THUNDER II	Bryony James (P), Benajmin Pearce (CR)
TITANS	Zoe Coombes (2B), Sam Baker (CL)
CAMELS II	Alia Paschali (CL), James Wooderson (SS)
HACKERS	Ella Mills (1B), Joe Mills (SS)
MAVERICKS II	Nat Dunlop (2B), Chris Gresty (SS)
SCREWBALLS	Olivia Thompson-Westmacott (SS), Oscar Marenco (P)
SPEEDERS	Christine Hunter (1B), Duncan Jones (SS)
STINGERS	Toni Strowger (3B), Richard Fox (C)
THUNDER III	Laura Somers (2B), Jack Lalor (TOR)(CR)
TIGERS	Bailey Saunders (1B), Ed Covington (2B)
BANDIDOS	Nadia Horan-Peek (2B), Liam Morrison (SS)
BARFLIES	Kate Shearer (1B), Ibbby Hassan (SS)
FIREBALLS	Mandy Knight (1B), Samuel Webb (SS)
FREEZE	Emma Ashby (2B), Nino Calo (CR)
LIVER BIRDS	Grace Williams (CR), Neil McIntyre (SS)
ODDSOX	Bron Edge (3B), Jack Heaton (SS)
RAIDERS	Amy Jerdin (2B), Mark Crannage (CL)
SLUGGABABES	Annie Downes (P), Chris Mannion (CL)
TIGGERS	Becky Crawford (1B), Leon Arismendi (SS)
TORAS	Jemma Crosby (1B), Jack Lalor (SS)

All names appear as submitted

Division 3 SBH

3 – Jo McCullough (BFL)
 1 – Eleanor Harris (SLG), Aly Jones (LVB), Chloe Llewellyn (BND), Lorilei Salfred-Ingham (FRZ), Sophie Temple (LVB), Abbie Thwaite (SLG), Nat Wood (RAI)

Division 3 BBH

8 – Luke Crannage (RAI)
 7 – Leon Arismendi* (TGG), Chris Mannion (SLG), Ray Walker (LVB)
 5 – Mark Crannage* (RAI), Liam Morrison*** (BND), Kieran O'Leary* (SLG), Richard Valentine (RAI)
 4 – Ebrahim Hassan (BFL), Jack Lalor (TOR), Johan Lemmers (SLG), Owen Salfred-Ingham* (FRZ), Joshua Walker

(LVB)

3 – Neil McIntyre (LVB), Josh Normie (TGG), Chris Radford (BFL)
 2 – Ben Acton (LVB), Jacob Ar-nison* (BND), Lee Kendrick-Walker (BFL), Mat Tanner (SLG), Carlos Torres (TGG), Jono Wrigley* (FRZ)

1 – Jamie Acton (LVB), Jack Baldwin (PFB), Nino Calo (FRZ), Jake Collins (RAI), David Dean (BFL), Jack Heaton (ODS), Nicky Johnson (PFB), Ben Lock* (TOR), Conor O'Sullivan (TGG), John Pearson (RAI), Chris Smith (BFL), Kris Stokwicz (RAI), Sam Webb (PFB), Kuba Williams (BFL)

* grand slam

Next week's fixtures (July 15/16)

Next week's games are the return fixtures from Week 3, 12/13 May.

Division 1

Camels @ Thunder Post-poned: to be played Tuesday 4th August

Dodgers @ Sharks (B) Manchester Dodgers won an exciting game 20-19 in 8 innings. The Dodger Sharks were trailing for six innings, but scored seven in the 7th to take a four-run lead. The jammie ones tied it up in the bottom of the 7th, then got the only run in the 8th to secure the win. It was only their second win in seven meetings.

Mayhem @ Titans (D) Mayhem won this first ever meeting 16-11.

Thunder II @ Meerkats (G) Meerkats won 31-10 in four innings and lead 9-1 in all meetings.

Mavericks rest

Division 2

Bats @ Mavericks II (A) Mavs won this low-scoring game 6-5 and have won eight out of 11.

Camels II @ Tigers (E) Cam-

els won a close encounter between the then top two 19-18, with a 3-RBI walk-off homer from Chris Drayton in the bottom of the 7th. The win gave the Bactrians a 3-2 lead in all games.

Speeders @ Hackers (H) This was only the 23rd meeting of these founder members, and Speeders secured an 18-3 RAR win to make it 17½-5½ since 1995.

Stingers @ Screwballs (F) Stingers won 19-17 in a tight game that was even stevens for the first four innings. This was only their second win in six meetings.

Thunder III rest

Division 3

Bandidos @ Fireballs (3) Bandidos scored steadily to win 20-5 in five innings, a fifth win in six meetings

Freeze @ Toras (2) Freeze won 23-8 in a game they were losing until a 14-run 4th inning turned it around. Freeze have won both their games against Toras.

OddSox v Liver Birds (1) First ever meeting.

Results (Continued from page 12)

Division 3

BANDIDOS 1 3 1 16 6 27

TORAS 5 1 0 2 4 12

RAR, Pitch 6, Umpire Dilan Bastiamlillai

HRs **BND** Liam Morrison (GS);

TOR Jack Lalor, **Ben Lock** (GS)

ODDSOX 4 0 1 4 1 1 11

FREEZE 4 7 7 2 2 4 26

RAR, Pitch 1, Umpire Fliss Fagan

HRs **ODX** Jack Heaton, *Dave Warren* (TIG); **FRZ** Owen Salfred-

Ingham 3, Nino Calo, Jono Wrigley

RAIDERS 4 7 1 2 5 19

FIREBALLS 4 0 0 0 0 4

RAR, Pitch 7, Umpire Paul Fagan

HRs **RAI** Mark Crannage 2 (1GS),

Luke Crannage, Jon Pearson

SLUGGABABES 3 3 0 3 1 1 2 13

LIVER BIRDS 1 0 0 5 0 0 0 6

Pitch 2, Umpire Arthur Hung

HRs **SLG** Eleanor Harris, Chris

Mannion; **LVB** David Martin Baez

(MV2)

TIGGERS 3 3 1 13 0 2 0 22

BARFLIES 0 0 4 3 0 1 0 8

Pitch 3, Umpire Mike Davies

HRs **TGG** Leon Arismendi, Emma

Hawke; **BFL** Chris Radford, Ibby

Hassan

Sluggababes @ Barflies (6)

Sluggababes won a tight game 10-9 to make it 6-1 in all meetings.

Tiggers @ Raiders (7) Tiggers won 10-5 and lead 5-2 in all meetings.

Guests

Christian Frost (BAT) for Barflies v Tiggers

Rebecca Gunter (BAT) for Camels II v Thunder III

Stephan Karayannis (DSH) for Meerkats v Mayhem

Hannah Kay (BAT) for Thunder III v Camels II

Jack Lalor (TOR) for Thunder

III v Camels II

David Martin Baez (MV2) for Liver Birds v Sluggababes

Chris Newhall (BAT) for Mayhem v Meerkats

Jen Quinton (STG) for Bandidos v Toras

Laurie Salfred-Ingham (FRZ) for

Meerkats v Mayhem

Lorilei Salfred-Ingham (FRZ) for Titans v Thunder

Owen Salfred-Ingham (FRZ) for Titans v Thunder

Bailey Saunders (TIG) for Fireballs v Raiders

Charlie Whalley (DSH) for Liver Birds v Sluggababes

Results 30 June/1 July

Division 1

CAMELS	20
SHARKS	0
Forfeit	
MAYHEM 0 1 0 4 0 0 10	15
MEERKATS 0 0 0 0 0 0 5	5
Pitch C, Umpire Arthur Hung	
HRs MHM Matthew Green; MKT	
<i>Stephane Karayannis (DSH)</i>	
THUNDER II 1 3 0 0 2 0	6
MAVERICKS 1 8 4 4 1 3	21
RAR, Pitch B, Umpire Paul Fagan	
HRs MAV Craig Brooks, Pete	
Nightingale (GS)	
TITANS 0 3 0 0 2 4 0	9
THUNDER 1 4 2 3 5 3 x	18
Pitch F, Umpire Mike Davies	
HR TTN Owen Salfred-Ingham	
<i>(FRZ)</i>	

Division 2

CAMELS II 6 4 4 1 5 10	30
THUNDER III 1 3 0 5 0 2	11
RAR, Pitch A, Umpire Christian Frost	
HRs CM2 James Wooderson 2, Alia	
Paschali ; TH3 <i>Jack Lalor (TOR)</i> 3,	
James Wright	
HACKERS 0 3 2 2 9 2 7 25	
SCREWBALLS 4 7 0 3 1 4 0	19
Pitch H, Umpire Harry Somers	
HRs HAC Evie Sanders, Daniel	
Johansson ; SCR Dan Strayer, Oscar	
Marengo	
SPEEDERS 1 1 3 0 2	7
TIGERS 3 1 7 7 4	22
RAR, Pitch F, Umpire Simon Hepburn	
HRs SPE Duncan Jones; TIG Ed	
Covington 2, Josh Kehoe	
STINGERS 5 1 15 3 4 4 335	
MAVERICKS II 4 3 3 2 6 0 1 19	
Pitch E, Umpire Nacho Sánchez	
HRs STG Jack Barnes 3, Nic Sims ,	
Chloe Patient , Dilan Bastiampillai ;	
MV2 David Baez (GS) , Chris Gres-	
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Transfer

Jonathan Huck, Dodger Sharks
to Thunder III

Standings

Division 1

	P	W	T	L	RS	RC	Pct	GB
► Camels	9	8	0	1	195	67	.889	-
► Mavericks	9	8	0	1	167	99	.889	-
► Thunder	9	8	0	1	176	67	.889	-
► Mayhem	9	5	0	4	118	104	.556	3
► Meerkats	9	4	0	5	129	124	.444	4
► Dodgers	8	3	0	5	155	166	.375	4½
► Sharks*	9	3	0	6	101	168	.278	5½
► Titans	9	1	0	8	100	180	.111	7
► Thunder II	9	0	0	9	86	252	.000	8

* 1pt deducted

Camels > Mavs > Thunder on head-to-head aggregate scores

Division 2

▲ Bats	8	6	0	2	135	89	.750	-
▲ Stingers	9	6	0	3	150	123	.667	½
▼ Screwballs	9	6	0	3	162	142	.667	½
► Camels II	9	6	0	3	152	133	.667	½
▼ Mavericks II	9	5	0	4	119	137	.556	1½
► Tigers	9	5	0	4	155	110	.556	1½
► Speeders	9	4	0	5	171	161	.444	2½
► Thunder III	9	1	0	8	101	210	.111	5½
► Hackers	9	1	0	8	115	155	.111	5½

Stingers (2-0), Screwballs (1-1) and Camels II (0-2) ordered on win-loss in games between each other

Mavs II above Tigers, and Thunder III above Hackers on head-to-heads

Division 3

	P	W	T	L	RS	RC	Pct	GB
► Sluggababes	9	9	0	0	159	75	1.00	-
► Barflies	9	6	0	3	165	118	.667	3
▲ Raiders	9	5	0	4	156	134	.556	4
▲ Bandidos*	9	6	0	3	134	127	.556	4
▲ Freeze	9	5	0	4	158	118	.556	4
▼ Liver Birds	9	5	0	4	157	115	.556	4
► Tiggers	9	4	0	5	109	143	.444	5
► Fireballs	9	1	0	8	106	185	.111	8
► Toras	9	0	0	9	67	181	.000	9
OddSox	1	0	0	1	11	26	.000	

*2pts deducted

Raiders (2-1), Bandidos (2-1), Freeze (1-2) and Liver Birds (1-2) ordered on win-loss and head-to-heads between each other