

Thursday May 12th – 6PM Co-Ed Game Report as viewed by Rosemary “Killer” Myers-Neagli

At 6PM it is 92F, sunny, and with an SSE 16mph breeze to help cool both the players and spectators who were filling the stands. Manager Tom Neagli’s **Home Tint** (3 wins and 1 loss record) has set up in the visitor dugout, while Manager Michael Jaensch organized **Wise Health** (3 wins and 2 loss record) on the home side of the field. A shout-out to tonight’s subs: playing for **HT**, Lisa McGlaston, Arnie Randall, and Dave Riddle; and for **WH**, Louis Berthold (who seems to play on every team), and Sean Curry (another sought after RR asset for his great pitching abilities).

Announcer Peter Day started off the excitement after taking a moment to respect to our flag, which today flew at half-staff in memory of a milestone one million lost American souls due to a virus that has changed us all. Pres. Biden stated, *“we have been humbled, we draw strength from each other, and never give up”*, that’s us at Robson Ranch, we remember all those who have touched us, but we persevere by volunteering and participating in our community. RR volunteers joining Peter Day to complete the Press Box trio were Marti Conley recording the score, and RRSA Secretary Debbie Hinson manning the scoreboard.

1st INNING: HT’S Dave Riddle started the batting order with a stand-up double, Mike Flatt copied Dave and scored the first RBI, Dale Frazier pounded a single to score a second RBI. Just when it appeared HT was on a roll, Mike Lorenc drove a hit way out to center field which was sprinted down by WH Becky Milby and changed the HT momentum, two more batters with caught pop-ups, shut down HT leaving 2 scored runs. WH was fired up and Becky Milby led out a batting spree with a single, Bruce Horeftis copied, powerhouse Dave McKie stepped up to launch in the first run with a stand-up double. WH now on the scoreboard, doesn’t stop, Tim Jeske’s single continues the party scoring another 2 RBIs. Louis Berthold and Tony Ross on base with singles, next up, Sean Curry rifles a hot tamale into HT Dave Riddle’s glove to make the only out of the inning, as Rod McDonald’s single sent home 2 runners closing the inning with the 5-run limit rule. **End ONE: HT 2 WH 5**

2nd INNING: Dianna Duncan started HT’s rally with a single, hubby Jeff Duncan pounded out a stand-up double moving Dianna to 3rd base, bringing up Lisa McGlaston whose single sent home 2 runners, but after a couple of singles from Tom Neagli and Ty Nelson, a well caught pop up fly and throw to 2nd base shut down the HT effort leaving 2 runs on the scoreboard. WH continued their lead with singles from Bill Hackley and Becky Milby, a textbook stand-up double by John Martin, followed by manager Mike Jaensch who singled for 2 RBI’s, Bruce Horeftis’s singled also for an RBI, but that was enough, HT buckled down and shut down the WH attack.

End TWO: HT 4 WH 8

3rd INNING: HT was challenged by the WH fielders permitting only one scored run when Mike Flatt singled, and Mike Lorenc's torpedo landed him on 2nd and scored Mike for the innings lone RBI. Tim Jeske singled to start the WH effort to add runs, mighty Louis Berthold drives a ground shot near SS Mike Lorenc who pounces on it, tosses it to 2nd base Joe Nuttal, who rifles to 1st base Mike Flatt, a double play right here at Field of Dreams. After a Tony Ross single, RCF Lisa McGlaston caught Sean Curry's high hit fly and the inning was over. **END THREE: HT 5 WH 8**

4th INNING: A combination of well hit singles and a couple walks gave Lisa McGlaston, Tom Neagli, and sub-Arnie Randall each one RBI. The HT inning ended when Dave Riddle slugged a single driving the final two runners home putting 5 scored runs on the HT board. After several single hits by Spencer Folsom, Christa Prim, Bill Hackley, and John Martin, the HT defense shut down the WH dreams. **END FOUR: HT 10 WH 8**

5th INNING: HT was on fire this inning; stand-up doubles included Mike Flatt, Dale Frazier (with RBI), and Ken Ford (also added an RBI). HT players continued pelting WH fielders with single hits, which added the three final RBIs from Mike Lorenc, Paul Vargo, and Lisa McGlaston. WH started off hot with an opening easy double by manager Mike Jaensch, Becky Milby singled to advance Mike, Bruce Horeftis single scored Mike, but HT was able to stop Becky from taking 2nd base. Slugger Dave McKie was up next, he sends the ball into space, and upon return to earth Tom Neagli made a home for it in his glove, two out. Tim Jeske, wanting to get even, connected for an easy stand-up double to score another RBI. Louis Berthold steps forward in the batter's box, I heard that bat pound that ball, and watched it sail over heads deep into LCF, all eyes are on Dale Frazier, I think he caught it ,nope, it's popped up back in the air, yes it's back in the glove, oh no, it's popped up back in the air, yup, three times is truly a charm, it does finally safely rest in Dale's glove to make the third out of the inning. **END FIVE: HT 15 WH 10**

6th INNING: HT Manager Tom Neagli started his team off with a stand up double, Arnie Randall's sacrifice single sent Tom home for an RBI and one scored run. HT followed with several singles hit by Dave Riddle, Mike Flatt, Mike Lorenc (added an RBI), Ken Ford, and Joe Nuttal. Dale Frazier sealed the deal with a brilliant triple which added two more RBI's before WH shut down any further scoring efforts. WH focused to pool all energy on narrowing that lead, but despite every batter cranking out hard hits, the HT defense closed out the inning shutting out WH. **END SIX: HT 19 WH 10**

7th INNING: After a brief consultation between team Managers and Umpires, the inning was "flipped", meaning that WH would bat before HT. During the "buffet" 7th inning WH could push the scoreboard to tie or surpass HT's 19 runs, but on this night, it was just not in the stars. Becky Milby and Dave McKie each scored an RBI, but after several well hit balls, and several well fielded balls, the game ended. **FINAL SCORE: HT 19 WH 12**

Honorable shout-outs go to our esteemed Umpires: HP RRSA El Presidente Mike Calverley, 1st base Bob Kuhfuss, and 3rd base Bobby Duncan. These guys kept the gaming moving along safely, and their calm demeanor simmered the occasional overzealous that occasionally occurs during the game. But as usual, after the post-game team camaraderie between teams, everyone safely off to their team parties, and by the following day we can barely remember any game details. Hence the Game reporters ... with our own style and flare, and this reporter must take game notes because I sure won't remember all those great plays. I leave you with a thought, what has 20 legs and moves around to catch flies? Well of course a RRSB team playing the field! So, with that, week 8 RRSB concludes on the ranch. Be safe ya'll.