Rodney Landscaping (1-5) vs Dog Gone It (2-2-2) May 15, 2024

What a gorgeous night for Robson Softball! A balmy 88° (feels like 89°) with a 14 mph SSE wind. Thanks to the 52 fans, including 5 of our 4-legged friends, in attendance to passionately support their teams! Appreciate y'all!

Officiating tonight's game are; Carol Rumberger - behind the dish. George Wendt over at 1st base. And, Steve Pratt down at 3rd.

Supporting the game from high above in the press box are; Jay Packer keeping the scorebook updated. Pat Lewis managing the scoreboard and calling tonight's game and keeping the fans and players entertained is Ken Q!

After the managers and umpires completed their pregame meeting, it was time for our National Anthem, which was being sung by Rhonda Gunther. Once again, Rhonda crushed it with an inspiring rendition. A great way to start a game!

Top of the 1st

Dianna Duncan kicks it off with a single to left and moves to 2nd on a single 3 by Peter Grasser. Michael Cummings plates the 1st run of the game by lacing a single to center.

Bottom of the 1st

Leadoff hitter Tim Williams rips a laser to right for a double. Aasha Jones follows with a walk. Steve Courtney hits a ball to left and turns on the afterburners and touches 'em all for a home run. Rick Ketring and Theresa Tucker keep it going with back-to-back singles. Gary Warrick hits drives in the last run of the inning with a sac fly.

Robney 1 - Dog Gone It 4

Top of the 2nd

Lee Figueriedo bangs a single and moves to 3rd on a double by Clyde Ziegler. Singles by Stu White and Bob Wheeler drive home Lee and Clyde. Dianna Duncan scores Stu with a fielder's choice and moves to 3rd on a single by David Pride.

Bottom of the 2nd

Joe Wolfinger pounds a single down the 3rd base line and then moves to 2nd when Cheryl Mccally earns a walk. Ken Kamrath follows with a single to right that drives home Joe W to tie the game.

Rodney 5 - Dog Gone It 5

Top of the 3rd

Dog Gone It's solid defense prevents Rodney from scoring any runs in their half of the 3rd.

Bottom of the 3rd

DGI starts the inning with singles by Rick Ketring and Theresa Tucker. Gary Warrick singles to center to drive home a run. Luay Ashoo drives home another run with a single. Steven Bentley's single loads the bases and back-to-back singles by Tom Gunther and Joe Wolfinger score 2 more runs.

Rodney 5 - Dog Gone It 9

Top of the 4th

Rodney comes out swinging with 3 consecutive singles by Lee Figueriedo, Clyde Ziegler and Stu White. Ruth Brush drives home run #6 with a fielder's choice. The Duncans (Jeff & Dianna) drive in the next 2 runs with singles. The inning ends on a breathtaking double play by DGI's defense.

Bottom of the 4th

After a leadoff walk by Ken Kamrath, Tim Williams hits a double to right that pushes Ken over to 3rd. Aasha Jones hits a missile to right that scores 2 runs and moves to 3rd on a single by Steve Courtney. Aasha is able to score on a fielder's choice. Theresa Tucker hits a rope to left that scores run #4. Jeff Vaka follows with a single to right to score run #5 and end the inning.

Rodney 8 - Dog Gone It 14

Top of the 5th

Peter Grasser leads off with a single and then jets to 3rd on a single by John Gauthier. Michael Cummings plates the only run of the inning on a fielder's choice.

Bottom of the 5th

Gary Warrick hits one to center field that absolutely looks like a base hit. Not so fast! Stu White commits larceny by making a tremendous catch that sends Gary back to the bench. Rodney's defense steps up and keeps DGI off the bases and off the board!

Rodney 9 - Dog Gone It 14

Top of the 6th

Rodney quickly loads the bases with singles by Clyde Ziegler, Stu White and Ruth Brush. Bob Wheeler drives and Jeff Duncan clear the bases with consecutive singles. Dianna Duncan hits a seeing-eye line drive just inside the foul line in left field that scores run #5, which ties the score late in the game!

Bottom of the 6th

Tom Gunther singles to start the 6th. Stu White to the rescue! Stu makes another "big league" catch and throws a BB to 1st base to double off Tom G. We have ourselves a real nail-biter fans!

Rodney 14 - Dog Gone It 14

Top of the 7th (The Buffet Inning)

Rodney quickly loads the bases with 3 singles by David Pride, Peter Grasser and John Gauthier. Michael Cummings plates a run with the 4th consecutive single. Peter Grasser scores on a fielder's choice. DGI's defense "muscles up" and allows only the 2 runs to score!

Bottom of the 7th

Here we go. DGI needs 3 runs to win their last game! Ken Kamrath ignites the fire with a single to right. Tim Williams hits a sun-drenched home run to right field that puts DGI 1 run away from a last inning comeback victory. Aasha Jones uses her sharp eye to earn a walk and then moves to 2nd on a single by Steve Courtney. Stepping to the plate with the winning run at 2nd is Rick Ketring. Every fan is sitting on the edge of their seat! Rick wastes no time by swinging at the 1st pitch and drives the ball to the outfield that falls in for a base hit. Aasha Jones races around 3rd to score the winning run! DOG GONE IT WINS THE GAME!

Rodney 16 - Dog Gone It 17

Game Summary

Wow! The fans in attendance witnessed a real gem. Every player on both teams played their hearts out and deserves a Standing "O!" There was no loser tonight! Everybody walked away with a huge smile! This game is another testament to why the Robson Softball League is so popular and a big part of life on the Ranch!

This day in baseball history

- 1912 Ty Cobb charges into the stands and attacks a heckler (could you imagine what today's punishment would be for that behavior??)
- 1941 Joe DiMaggio singles in his last at bat, which was the start of his incredible 56-game hitting streak!
- 1991 Red Sox and White Sox play the slowest 9-inning game to date; 4 hrs 11 minutes!