

Battle of the Brokers
State Farm vs. Farmers
Tuesday, May 9th 2023

Who's yo sister? No, it's Kiss Your Sister and Who's yo Daddy.

State Farm and Farmers battled, and I mean they battled to a 19 – 19 draw. It was back n forth; nip n tuck with momentum swinging both ways throughout the game.

State Farm came out of the chute swinging with 8 straight singles for 4 runs. Farmers responded with 5 runs from only 5 batters as Coco homered and later Jeff Rumberger drove home the fifth run with a triple.

Farmers pitcher, Sharon Deputy, shut out State Farm with 3 up, 3 down in the 2nd. Farmers' subs Bob Riley, Tom Gunther and Mike Slocum combined for one run in the bottom of the 2nd.

State Farm worked back to the top of their line-up in the 3rd and went off for 5 runs. Grasser, Gauthier and Kaker all singled on their way to each having a 4 for 4 night. Farmers picked up 3 to tie the score at 9 a piece after 3 innings but it could have been more had Bill Maynard not hauled in a deep fly in right.

State Farm's Sally Wasson was the hero of the 4th inning singling and scoring the first of 3 runs for State Farm. Farmers laid an egg in their half of the 4th.

State Farm was at it again for 3 runs in the 5th as Frank Kaker and Dianna Duncan got things started with singles. Tracey Ginnings and Bill Maynard did the heavy lifting bringing in the RBIs with timely hits.

Carol Rumberger had one of her routine nights (4 for 4) and got it going for Farmers in the 5th. Coco & Jeff R jumped in with doubles and Henry Moore brought in the 3rd and final run of the inning leaving State Farm up 15 – 13 after 5 full innings.

Grasser, Gauthier and Coach Coffman made sure State Farm got their 2 runs in the 6th to go up by 4. Farmers turned right around with 5 of their own on back-to-back home runs by Johnny B and Coco and Farmers nosed ahead by one run going into the buffet.

Not to be outdone, Hal Wasson and Steve Ward both doubled to get State Farm off to a hot start and Joe LeCroy helped his

own cause by surprising the field and pushing one opposite field for the 19th and last RBI for State Farm.

Gary Warrick singled, Jeff R moved him around and Bob Riley brought home the tying RBI. Quite a game. 19 – 19 the final score.

Even at the after party the discussion was all positive and everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves. There were a bunch of close calls at 1B but Mick Calverley was on top of it, Mike Conley had home plate and Scott Baker was at third. Paul Neal was our announcer tonight and was ably assisted by George Wendt keeping the scorebook.

Some perfect hitters:

Grasser 4 for 4, Double

Gauthier 4 for 4, 4 RBIs

Kaker 4 for 4, RBI

Wasson, H 4 for 4, Double, Triple, 3 RBIs

Rumberger, C 4 for 4

Coco 4 for 4, Triple, 2 Home Runs, 4 RBIs

Warrick 4 for 4, 3 RBIs

Slocum 3 for 3, RBI

Another great night at the Field of Dreams,

Johnny B