

Wise Health vs. Eagle Eye Care

Wednesday, 10 May 2023, 1102 start time

This was a choppy, hard fought, ever changing game ending much like the coed games of the last few nights; exciting and close.

Wise Health were visitors and started off with a bang. Seven hits including a double by MVP Schwertner and a triple by substitute David McKie. Is that fair? No matter, that was 5 runs.

Sharon Deputy held EEC to no runs. Gary Brown returned the favor and shut out Wise Health in the 2nd.

Bob Kuhfuss shut out Wise Health Care in the top of the 3rd and led off to ignite a fire at the plate that finally put some runs on the board for EEC. Sue Kamrath also singled and scored. Sharon fooled Johnny B with a short pitch to get an out but Horeftis, Scholze and a home-run by George Keller brought home the 5 spot. **5 – 5 after 3 innings.**

Wise did it again in the 4th. Greg Laffey started out with a triple. Wait a minute, Laffey can't even run. That's right, you can have a runner even from home plate. What a feeling and Greg wasn't even breathing hard. Caruso singled, Fox singled, and who's this Rick Werstein guy. He's like new and burned the outfield for the second time. Then Henry Moore, Sharon D and Coach John Thompson just kept rubbing it in for the 5 runs.

Well dang it. Coach Johnny B gave a few of his players a tongue lashing saying 'the team couldn't just play like he coached.' They needed some organization on the field and focus at the bat. That could have gone either of two ways but EEC decided they'd just keep up with those high steppers from Wise. Dianna started a rally that didn't end until Rocky, Kelly P, George W, Steve W, Shields Jones and Gary Brown all singled and Bob Kuhfuss drove in the last of their 5 runs.

Bob Cox, a bit of a Wise guy himself, thought he'd win the game by himself and almost did with a home run to lead off the 5th. EEC pitcher, Bob Kuhfuss, was having none of it and retired 3 of the next four batters.

Sue Kamrath, Bruce Horeftis and Terry Scholze got EEC off to a hot start in the bottom of the 5th. George Keller, Rocky, Kelly

and George W. came through to finish off the 5 spot and go into the buffet inning, leading 15 – 11.

Wise Guys are definitely no quitters. The fleet footed Laffey led a hit parade of six singles. The crowning hit was by Sharon. Coach Johnny B urged his 'designated' SS to edge a little closer to third base. Wise Coach Debbie Hinson saw the move and told Sharon to drive it up the middle. Just like an Army artillery piece, Sharon corrected course and turned slightly to her right and drove one up the middle for a single and an rbi. It was brilliant. Wise was on its way to a runaway. Then things got squirrely. Quarfoot lined one to the pitcher; the pitcher caught the runner off at second and by the time it was over it looked like a triple play. But, the runner scored from 3rd, EEC had a double play, not an historic triple play, and Wise Health pushed through with 5 runs and a one run lead going into the bottom of the 6th.

Eagle Eye Care was down one and down to their last at bats. Steve Wetenkamp came through and singled. Shield Jones singled and Steve moved over. Gary Brown singled and the hinges started to come loose. Then the master, Bob Kuhfuss, salted away his own game with another RBI (he had 3) to win the game. How old is that guy? Old enough to be the hero of the game.

Thanks to the umps, press box, fans, maintenance personnel and all who contributed. Most importantly, thanks to the Jack Daniels Squires who gather in the parking lot and dispense shots as the finer points of the game are discussed.

Another lovely day at the Field of Dreams.

Johnny B