

The Jets Make Last Call

The Jets, Bethesda, 10/8/04, 8:30pm

Friday night **The Jets** played a team we'd played only once called **Last Call**. We beat them the first and only time we played them back on 8/27, to begin Fall 2004. It was a new league at a different park against all new opponents and in typical **Jets** fashion we knuckled down and faced the unknown,... and smacked it around a little. A six-spot in the second inning had us up 7-5, then we gradually added insurance runs over the last three innings to bring in the 12-6 victory.

We sat at 3-2, having lost to **Blue Thunder** and **Frog** and **Last Call** was tied with us at 3-2, their losses coming at the hand of **The Jets** and **Blue Thunder**. **Frog** was also 3-2 and went to 4-2 over **Team Prophecy** right before our game. Friday night was a chance to knock off one of those second place teams we were tied with and one more step towards a chance at First Place. We jostled for Home or Visitors and the other coach won. My lance shattered on impact with the other rider and stayed on the horse whilst the other lance stayed intact and I ate dirt. We got Visitors and my chest plate needs some Bondo-O and paint and a little polish.

We led off the game with two straight singles, then "Loud" **Howard Mathis** stroked another one to make it 1-0. An out on the bases and a line-out quickly gave us two down, but a double put two runners in scoring position, then "Bad Baby" **Amy Parham** smacked a single, both runs scored and it was 3-0! A ground-out ended the rally, but we'd put a few on the board. **Last Call** put up a run in the first to make it 3-1.

In the second **Sammi** "I Am" **Kirkland** led off with a triple over the LCF, a ground-out followed, then **Debbie Ellis** "Island" busted a double to make it 4-1! A ground-out and fly-out ended it, but at least we came away with a run. **Last Call** matched our run to make it 4-2 after two. We got two more runs in the third, 6-2, on back-to-back, two-out doubles from "Baby Grand" **Deanna McCoy** and **Tim** "MAY!" **McCoy**. We handed **Last Call** a donut in the bottom of the third.

We led off the fourth with a single and a walk, then "Mutt &" **Jeff Whitley** cracked a deep shot for a triple, 8-2, and a single chased him home to make it 9-2. A single and walk loaded the bags, but nobody was able to score on the short fly that followed. The next batter singled, 10-2, and an out on the bases gave us two down. We didn't stop there, though. **Howard** "the Duck" **Mathis** single in a two-out run, 11-2, "Chiquita" **Deanna McCoy** stroked another two-out double, 12-2, and **Tim** "porary" **McCoy** singled for a run to make it 13-2, before a fly-out ended the rally. All twelve of us batted in the inning and seven of us crossed the plate. We threw **Last Call** another donut in the fourth.

We put up two more in the fifth, 15-2, the last run on a two-out, RBI double from "Easy" **Eiji Mineishi** and we were in run-rule territory. **Last Call** needed two runs in the bottom of the fifth or it really would be their last call. Our defense was solid and handed **Last Call** a third straight pastry and we won 15-2!

Run rule	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
The Jets	3	1	2	7	2	-	-	15
Last Call	1	1	0	0	0	-	-	2

Friday night was a beautiful thing to behold as **The Jets** played very well on both sides of things. We played serious "D" and held a real good offense to only two runs. We also hit the ball well, scoring runs in every inning and producing one big, fat seven-spot late in the game to more or less seal the deal. We're hitting our peak at just the right time. Great game, **Jets!**

Tim "tation" **McCoy** was 3-3 with two RBI and **Sammi** "James T." **Kirkland** was 2-2 with a walk and a rib. Seven others made only one out apiece as we all shared the wealth that game.

Our defense is on fire right now and we're hitting the ball hard, often and all over the park. In other words we're peaking, and the timing couldn't be any better. Every team has ups and downs and we're just beginning to hit the top right now. We play **Frog** and **Blue Thunder** the next two Fridays, so our timing is exquisite! They both beat us the first time through the schedule, but we're hot right now for the second round. If we beat **Frog** by seven runs or more and **Blue Thunder** by three or more, we will all but clinch second place in the division and we'll own the tie-breaker over those two teams. We'll still be a game behind **Blue Thunder**, but if they trip over somebody, we'll take the top spot because of the tie-breaker.

Next week we've got **Frog**. **The Jets** know **Frog**, because they're mostly **From Enterprises** with a few extra players. If we beat them by seven or more, we'll own them, but any win over them will put us a game up on them. After we beat **Frog**, and beat **Blue Thunder** by three or more, we'll still have to cross our fingers and hope that somebody else beats them, too.

Hang in there and keep playing smart, **Jets!**

Next Game Times

DZ = Dirty Dozen
 CB = The Cowboys
 MN = Mixed Nuts
 JT = The Jets

Rain Numbers			
Bethesda	Lanford	Lucky Shoals	Bethesda
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“When in doubt, come on out.”

Monday **10/11/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ 8:30 - 8 vs. ACC

Thursday **10/14/04** at Lucky Shoals Park - Fall 2004
MN 8:00 - 5 vs. Time Out

Friday **10/15/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
JT 6:30 - 10 vs. Frog

Saturday **10/16/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ 10:00a - 8 vs. CDHM (makeup from 9/27)

Monday **10/18/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ 7:30 - 8 vs. Evergreen

Thursday **10/21/04** at Lucky Shoals Park - Fall 2004
MN 8:00 - 5 vs. TBS

Friday **10/22/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
JT 7:30 - 10 vs. Blue Thunder

Monday **10/25/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ 6:30 - 8 vs. LFUMC

Thursday **10/28/04** at Lucky Shoals Park - Fall 2004
MN 7:00 - 5 vs. The Crew

Friday **10/29/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
JT 7:30 - 10 vs. M&M

Monday **11/1/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ 6:30 - 8 vs. CDHM

Friday **11/5/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
JT 6:30 - 10 vs. Team Prophecy

Monday **11/8/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ 7:30 - 8 vs. The Dead Lois's

End of Fall 2004

Week of	11/15/04 No Games - Between seasons
Week of	11/22/04 No Games - Thanksgiving week
Week of	11/29/04 No Games - Between seasons

Winter 2004

Week of **12/6/04** at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2004
DZ ??:? - ? vs. TBD
JT ??:? - ? vs. TBD

Standings & Scouting Reports – Fall 2004

Bold Italics = Our team, **Normal Brown Italics** = Our next opponent, **Red Teams** have clinched First Place. A + or – with a number indicates the difference in scores against that team, for tie breaking purposes. **PST** = Post Season Tournament. **TBD** = To Be Determined. An “x” before a team name indicates a team that has clinched a berth in the PST. The far right column shows our overall record against that opponent.

Begins on 8/23/04

Monday – Bethesda Men’s - No Homeruns

No PST berths		overall record
<i>Dirty Dozen</i>	4-0	n/a
CDHM	4-0	8-5
The Dead Lois’s	2-2	6-0
<i>ACC</i>	1-3	3-0
Evergreen	1-3	1-0
LFUMC	0-4	11-3

Each team plays the others twice.

The ***Dirty Dozen*** plays ***ACC*** next. We beat them twice in our first Tundraball, Winter 1999, by scores of 23-21 and 9-7, but more recently we beat them 10-9 to start Fall 2004.

In that last game against ***ACC*** we scored two in the first, two in the second and five more in the fifth, then three straight zeros. ***ACC*** got three spots in the first, third and fifth and we were tied when the clock expired after six innings. The seventh was an extra inning and neither team scored, but we got a run in the bottom of the eighth to win.

They aren’t a monster team, but we just didn’t hit much. Last week they had to pick up six guys to field ten, so who knows what we’re facing next Monday.

Rain Makeup

Our rainout from 9/27 against ***CDHM*** will be made up on **Saturday, 10/16 at 10:00am**.
Call Tim if you can’t make it.

Begins on 8/26/04

Thursday – Lucky Shoals Coed – No Homeruns

All teams play in PST		overall record
<i>Mixed Nuts</i>	4-2	n/a
TBS	3-2	3-2
<i>Time Out</i>	2-3	3-0
The Crew	2-4	4-1

Each team plays the others thrice.

The ***Mixed Nuts*** play ***Time out*** next. They’ve lost three games, but don’t underestimate them based solely on their record. They’ve lost to us twice, lost to ***TBS*** once and beat ***The Crew*** twice.

We have three more games, one against each opponent, and if we win them all we take First Place. We’ve already beat ***Time Out*** twice with one to go, so we own the tie-breaker against them, but we don’t own the other teams. We’re 1-1 against both ***TBS*** and ***The Crew***, so the next time we play each of them will determine everything.

Let’s go hit the ball for three weeks, ***Nuts!***

Began on 6/11/04

Friday – Bethesda Coed – Unlimited Homeruns

No PST berths		overall record
Blue Thunder	6-0	0-1
Frog	4-2	0-1
<i>The Jets</i>	4-2	n/a
<i>Last Call</i>	3-3	2-0
Team Prophecy	1-5	1-0
M&M	0-6	1-0

Each team plays the others twice.

The Jets play ***Frog*** next. They beat us 16-10 the first and only time we faced them and now they’re sitting at 4-2 with us in Second Place. The game was even until the last inning, then ***Frog*** pounded us for a big pile of runs and we couldn’t top it and lost the game.

Much of ***Frog’s*** team is made up of familiar players from ***From Enterprises*** and the other half used to play with ***From*** years ago. Their losses were to ***Last Call*** and ***Blue Thunder*** and they should have had a third loss from us. Let’s give ‘em that third one Friday!!



You can find the current MegaSchedule at: <http://userwww.service.emory.edu/~dmcco01/Softball>

The DL

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Congratulations, Summer 2004 Batting Titleists!					
	<u>Dirty Dozen</u>		<u>The Jets</u>		
	Freddy Allen	0.600	Tim McCoy	0.792	
	Tim McCoy	0.563	Deanna McCoy	0.571	

Upcoming Birthdays

Darlene Crews eats cake on 10/12.
Waylon Jones parties on 10/23.
Mark Nations gets a year older on 10/24.
Cindy Lyles has a birthday on 10/24.
Marty Lewandowski counts one on 10/24.
Debbie Ellis gets crazy on 10/26.
Catherine Butler chalks up another one on 10/31.
Sherri Allen tacks on another one on 10/31.
Bobby Wright rolls over his odometer on 10/31.

Bats

The following link shows which bats are legal for USSSA.
(Mixed Nuts)
<http://www.usssa.com/usssa/usssa-general/LegalBats.asp>
If you use a bat not on the list it's illegal in USSSA.

The following link shows which bats are legal and illegal for ASA. **(The Jets & Dirty Dozen)**
http://asasoftball.com/about/certified_equipment.asp
Poke around the website and see if you're legal.

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