



The Sports Page



Squoze

The Cowboys, Bethesda, 9/13/11, 6:30pm

The Cowboys were looking for a win Tuesday evening. We were sitting at 0-2, having lost by a run to a good **Hooters Outkast** team and lost to a fairly green **White T's** team by a bunch of runs. **The Cowboys**, of late, had had trouble putting away teams we knew we should beat every now and then, so we didn't want to take our next opponent for granted.

Our next opponent, however, was **The Big Squeeze**. We had seen these guys warm up while we were playing our first two games this season and immediately assumed we'd handle them easily. That opinion continued as we saw their losses posted against the **White T's**, 30-0, and **Motley Crew**, 19-4.

Tuesday evening **The Big Squeeze** looked very, very green and we definitely expected to beat them. They started the game with eight players, but quickly built up to ten as a couple of stragglers arrived.

We were Home team for this titanic struggle and hit the field not expecting to stay long. **The Big Squeeze** got a couple of guys on base on errors, but that was about it and we got out of the first inning unscathed.

Then we scathed the heck out of **The Big Squeeze**. We started the game with a double, but a little fly-out followed then "Garden of" **Elden Kasmier** christened the scoreboard with the first run of the game on a triple over the left-fielder. A line-out came next then **Andy "Haz" Matz** stroked a single, a two-out run crossed the plate and we led 2-0. A walk and single kept the inning alive, while loading the bags then "Rolling" **Rock McCoy** stroked a liner past LF for a double, three runs scored and our lead expanded to 5-0! Back-to-back walks followed the grand double, but a ground-out finally ended a first inning where all eleven of us had batted. We were certainly conscious of being patient at the plate and not getting slack against a team we knew we'd beat, but, honestly, the pitcher we faced was throwing very few balls anywhere close to the plate.



We put another quick donut on **The Big Squeeze** in the top of the second inning, this donut even quicker than the one in the first. Then we batted again, against a team who had trouble fielding semi routine fly balls. **Jason "Voorhees" Tyler** went deep for a triple to start the inning and scored on a ground-out to make it 6-0. Another ground-out followed (They could field routine grounders.) then we put two guys on with base hits. **Josh "Yes, Ma'am" Carper** got them off the bases with a triple and we led 8-0. Another ground-out ended the inning, but had the game well in hand after two.

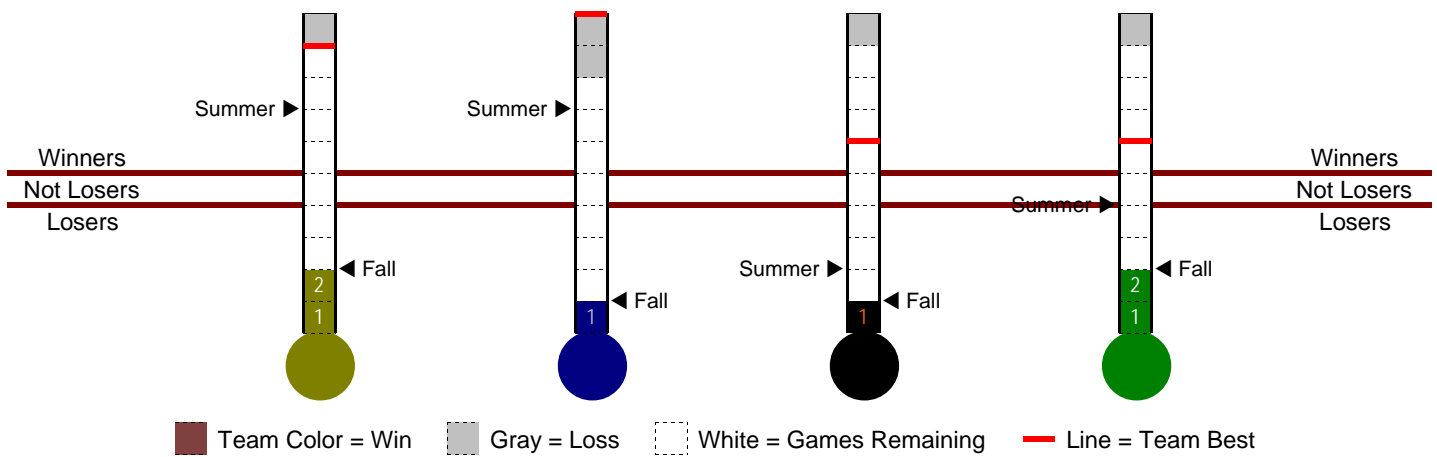
We threw another donut in the top of the third then set about hitting again. We faced a different pitcher in the top of three and we led off with a fly-out. Then three straight, no doubt about it, walks followed to load the bases and there was another pitching change. A single and walk each drove in runs to make it 10-0 then **Elden "Physical Graffiti" Kasmier** ** busted a bases loaded triple for three runs and the lead swelled to 13-0! A double made it 14-0 and another double followed to put two guys in scoring position, then **Josh Carper "Diem"** added a third straight double to drive in a fifteenth run and we won the game, by run-rule, 15-0!

Run rule	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
The Big Squeeze	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0
The Cowboys	5	3	7	-	-	-	-	15

The Big Squeeze was not what we'd expected. They were actually worse than we had imagined them to be and we squoze them in three short innings. This team was not only not used to playing together, but it was clear that some of them hadn't played Softball before this season. I'm not picking on them by any means, because I was one of the progenitors of **The Zombies**. (Been there, done that!) I'm just saying if we'd been visitors, we might have scored another fifteen runs without trying too hard. We were not seriously challenged in the field that game, after the two errors in the first inning, and we weren't challenged too hard at the plate, though we did hit a lot of nice, clean line drives when we saw pitches either near or in the strike zone. That game was a 15-0 win that left us wanting more. Good game, **Cowboys**.

Jason "Fortune" Tyler and **Andy "Fa" Matz** were each 3-3 with an RBI, **Josh Carper** "the Friendly Ghost" was 2-2 with a walk and three ribbies and **Mike Reams** "Do Come True" and **Mike "Rollin', Rollin'" Rowland** were each 0-0 with two walks.

** this particular nickname courtesy of Tim McCoy



Dirty Dozen **The Cowboys** **Motörhead** **Jets**

Rain Numbers for Each Park			
Bethesda	Bethesda	Bethesda	G.Pierce
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“When in doubt, come on out.”

Each edition of The Sport Page is a snapshot in time and as such will not update automatically, like other sheets on the website. Each TSP shows only what the schedule looked like when it was published. Always check the MegaSchedule or the Stats sheets for the most current scheduling.

Wednesday 9/14/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
MH 7:30 - 1H vs. KMM/Walda

Thursday 9/15/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011
JM 7:00 - 2V vs. Finish Line Tire & Auto

Monday 9/19/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
DZ 6:30 - 9V vs. Reds

Tuesday 9/20/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
CB 6:30 - 8V vs. Motley Crew

Wednesday 9/21/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
MH 8:30 - 1H vs. GranQuartz

Thursday 9/22/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011
JM 8:00 - 1V vs. Scrubs

Monday 9/26/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
DZ 8:30 - 8H vs. Sons of Pitches

Tuesday 9/27/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
CB 6:30 - 8H vs. Goobo's

Wednesday 9/28/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
MH 7:30 - 1H vs. Suwanee Dental Care

Thursday 9/29/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011
JM 8:00 - 2V vs. American Ale House

Monday 10/3/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

DZ 8:30 - 9V vs. Bubba's

Tuesday 10/4/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB 8:30 - 8H vs. Hooters Outkast

Wednesday 10/5/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

MH 9:30 - 1V vs. Rebels

Thursday 10/6/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011

JM 9:00 - 1H vs. Lookouts

Monday 10/10/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

DZ 6:30 - 9V vs. Get Dirty

Tuesday 10/11/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB 7:30 - 8H vs. White T's

Wednesday 10/12/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

MH 8:30 - 1V vs. A-Team

Thursday 10/13/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011

JM 7:00 - 1V vs. The Firm

Monday 10/17/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

DZ 8:30 - 8H vs. DUCK!

Tuesday 10/18/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB 8:30 - 8V vs. The Big Squeeze

Wednesday 10/19/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

MH 7:30 - 1V vs. KMM/Walda

Thursday 10/20/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011

JM 8:00 - 2H vs. Controlled Substances

Monday 10/24/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

DZ 6:30 - 9V vs. Cricket Brew Crew

DZ 7:30 - 8H vs. Twisted Tavern

Tuesday 10/25/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB 8:30 - 8H vs. Motley Crew

Wednesday 10/26/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

MH 6:30 - 1V vs. GranQuartz

Thursday 10/27/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011

JM 7:00 - 2H vs. Suwanee Dental Care

Monday 10/31/11 at Halloween - Fall 2011

DZ ?? Off Day - No Games

Tuesday 11/1/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB 8:30 - 8V vs. Goobo's

Wednesday 11/2/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

MH 8:30 - 1V vs. Suwanee Dental Care

Thursday 11/3/11 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2011

JM ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Monday 11/7/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

DZ ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Tuesday 11/8/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Wednesday 11/9/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
MH ??? ? vs. Rain Makeup

Thursday 11/10/11 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2011
JM ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Monday 11/14/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
DZ ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Tuesday 11/15/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
CB ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Wednesday 11/16/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
MH ??? ? vs. Rain Makeup

Thursday 11/17/11 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2011
JM ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Monday 11/21/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
DZ ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Tuesday 11/22/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
CB ??? ?? vs. Rain Makeup

Wednesday 11/23/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
MH ??? ? vs. Rain Makeup

Thursday 11/24/11 at Thanksgiving - Fall 2011
JM ?? Off Day - No Games

Standings & Scouting Reports – Spring 2011

Bold Italics = Our team. **Normal Brown Italics** = Our next opponent, **PST** = Post Season Tournament. **TBD** = To Be Determined. Asterisks after an opponent's name represent how many times we play that opponent if we play them more than once. A team in "< >" is a team we do not play during the season. The far right column shows our overall record against that opponent.

Monday - Bethesda Men's - No Homers, No Steals No Summer PST

		overall record
	<i>Reds</i>	3-0 4-1 ←
	Bubba's	2-0 1-0
	DUCK!	2-0 7-0
	The Dead Lois's	2-0 17-12
	Dirty Dozen	2-1 n/a
	Cricket Brew Crew **	1-1 5-1
	Get Dirty	0-2 11-12
	Twisted Tavern	0-2 0-0
	Sons of Pitches	0-3 1-0
	The Tribe - Ali	0-3 2-0

The **Dirty Dozen** plays the **Reds** next. These guys have only beaten us once and that was a couple of years ago.

However, we can't take them lightly. First of all they are 3-0, leading the division and hammering their opponents, including **Get Dirty**. Secondly, we are not hitting very well and need every run we can squeeze across the plate.

We need to stay relaxed and focused and just hit the ball. We're a solid team in a hitting funk. Let's turn it around next game!

Wednesday - George Pierce Men's - Equalizer, No Steals No Summer PST

		overall record
	<i>KMM/Walda</i> **	2-0 0-0 ←
	Rebels **	2-0 0-1
	Motörhead	1-1 0-0
	Suwanee Dental Care **	1-1 0-0
	A-Team **	0-2 1-0
	GranQuartz **	0-2 0-0

Motörhead plays **KMM/Walda** next. We don't know these guys, but we can get some idea what they're about by seeing who they've played so far this season.

They beat the **A-Team** 21-11 then beat **Suwanee Dental Care** 17-16. So, they definitely score runs, but they give up a bunch of runs, too. We've seen the **A-Team** and held them to just six runs, where **KMM/Walda** allowed them eleven.

We know the dentists and the **Jets** handled them, but just barely.

So, plan on playing a tough opponent Wednesday night. Let's focus and have fun getting lots of hits!

Tuesday - Bethesda Men's - No Homers, No Steals No Summer PST

		overall record
	Goobo's **	3-0 1-0
	Hooters Outkast **	2-1 1-4
	White T's **	2-1 2-1
	<i>Motley Crew</i> **	1-2 1-1 ←
	The Cowboys	1-2 0-0
	The Big Squeeze **	0-3 1-0

The Cowboys plays the **Motley Crew** next. These guys suck up on us early last season, but we beat them down later last season in a bog, ol' 26-17 slobber knocker.

This game will be a good test for us and if we can smoke these guys again, I think we'll be right back in the running again.

Stay focused and swing at good pitches next game, **Cowboys**. This season ain't over by a long shot!

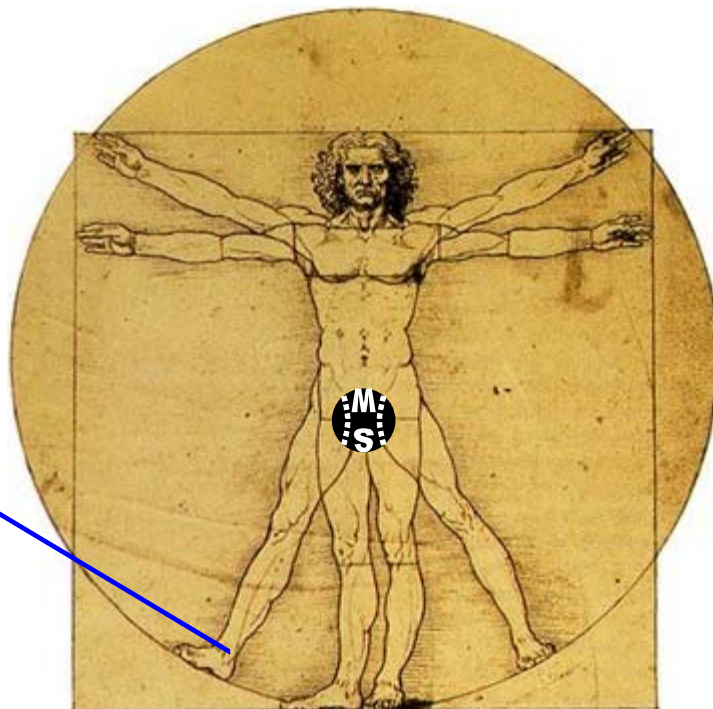
Thursday - George Pierce Men's - Equalizer, No Steals No Summer PST

		overall record
	American Ale House	2-0 0-0
	Suwanee Dental Care	2-0 1-3
	<i>Finish Line Tire & Auto</i>	2-1 2-2 ←
	Jets	2-1 0-0
	Lookouts	1-1 0-0
	Steel Panthers	1-1 0-7
	The Firm	1-1 0-0
	The Tribe - Darr **	1-2 2-0
	Scrubs	0-2 0-0
	Controlled Substances	0-3 0-0

The **Jets** plays **Finish Line Tire & Auto** next. We've beaten these guys the last two times we've played them, but make no mistake: they are a dangerous team. Those last two wins are the only two wins we've ever had against them and if we want to make it three we can't underestimate them.

Plan on a dog fight and keep hitting the ball, **Jets**!

The DL



Eric Wesner rolled his right ankle sliding into third base on 7/12. He fractured his tibia (shin bone) in a couple of places down around the ankle joint and injured a ligament, too.

He had surgery on 7/18 to stabilize his ankle with screws and will be out the rest of the year.


See ya in Spring 2012, #8!

Birthdays & Batting Titlists


September Birthdays

Summer 2011

Crider, Robbie	9/2
Barker, Chris	9/3
Locke, Dave	9/5
Maldonado, Tim	9/6
Parham, Amy	9/7
Butler, Cameron	9/8
James, Keith	9/8
Morris, Rod	9/10
DeMartino, Darren	9/11
Haynes, Ken	9/11
Martin, David	9/11
Goodman, Nancie	9/12
Heuer, Jenny	9/14
Price, Parrish	9/16
Gardo, Don	9/18
Bauer, Darrell	9/25
Beal, John	9/26
Joyce, Caron	9/26
Stafford, Carla	9/27
Besette, Bryce	9/28
Crider, Zack	9/28
Russell, Dimario	9/28



Elden Kasmier..... 0.700
Josh Carper..... 0.606




Above team average:
S. Morgan 0.581
A. Matz 0.548
J. Tyler 0.531




Jason Johnson 0.643
M.Reams, T.McCoy, D.Fisher .. 0.500





Norman S. Mapp, Jr. 0.630
Troy Kelly 0.606



Above team average:
L.Frazier..... 0.571

Chris Barker, Andy Matz, Keith James 0.536



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ASA Bat Testing & Certification Program

The official bat in ASA Championship Play must meet all of the requirements of Rule 3, Section 1 and:

1. must bear **either** the ASA approved 2000 certification mark **or the ASA 2004 certification mark** as shown below, and must not be listed on an ASA non approved list, **or**



2. must be included on a list of approved bat models published by the ASA National Office; or
3. must, in the sole opinion and discretion of the umpire, have been manufactured prior to 2000 and if tested, would comply with the ASA bat performance standards then in effect.

Beginning January 1, 2004, all bats in ASA Championship Play must pass the ASA 2004 bat standard. All bats having the 2004 certification mark will be allowed in ASA Championship Play. Bats that have the 2000 certification mark will not be allowed in ASA Championship Play unless they are listed on an approved bat list on the ASA website. For convenience, the ASA website has a listing of bats that do not pass the ASA 2004 bat standard.

2004 and Beyond Approved Bats (Updated: 12/5/2008)

For a list of bats that have been tested and found to comply with the ASA bat performance standards, and therefore are authorized to bear the **ASA 2004 certification mark** and/or are authorized for use in ASA Championship Play beginning January 1, 2004, please click on the manufacturer below. Manufacturers continue to submit additional bat models for testing, and the ASA will update this list as test results become available.

2004 and Beyond Non Approved Bats

Please click on the following PDF for a list of bats that do not meet the ASA's current bat standard:

[Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats](#)

(current listing, no changes as of August 29, 2008)

[Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats with pictures](#)

(current listing, no changes as of August 29, 2008)

[Click here for ASA's TWO Page Non Approved Bats with pictures](#)

(current listing, no changes as of August 29, 2008)

[Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats with Certification Marks \(2000 and 2004\)](#)

(current listing, no changes as of March 31, 2008)

[Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats with 2004 Certification Marks](#)

(current listing, no changes as of March 31, 2008)

The ASA periodically and randomly tests samples of bat models bearing the ASA approved certification mark to verify compliance with the ASA bat performance standards. Below are links for press releases announcing results of compliance testing as well as FAQ's regarding bat models withdrawn from ASA Championship play until further notice. The "ASA Banned Bats" link below contains the most up-to-date listing of bat models withdrawn from ASA Championship play. Models placed on that list will be allowed for use in ASA Championship play if they bear the ASA recertification mark (shown in the link below).

[Altered/Doctored Bats](#)

[Grandfathered Bats No Longer Authorized Beginning in 2008](#)

[ASA Court Order Press Release](#)

[ASA Court Order Judgement](#)