

ST. MATTHIAS (G) DARTBALL TIMES

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Scoring slump continues, team only scores 4 runs, loses 2

The team played host to St. Gregory The Great. Everyone is hoping the team breaks out of this terrible scoring rut that they are in. Well, it wasn't meant to happen tonight. The team won the 1st game, but lost the last 2, including a shut out in game 3. Due to the lack of scoring runs, the team was getting a 5-run handicap, but they failed to take advantage of the opportunity

Game Re-caps

Game 1: St. Matthias won this game 5-2. St. Gregory put a runner on 1st base in each of the 1st 2 innings, before breaking through in the 3rd inning, when they scored 2 runs, which turned out to be their only runs of the game. St. Matthias responded with a run in the bottom of the 3rd inning, and with the handicap, they tied the game. This came about after there were 2 outs. Dale got a single and was driven in by John's triple. The stayed tied until the bottom of the 9th inning, when Rick led off with a triple. He was brought home off of Ray's single, to take the game 5-2. (included 2 handicap runs) This was the first time the team won the first game of the night. *Box score: St Matthias, 5 runs on 8 hit (includes 3 handicap runs); St. Gregory The Great 2 runs on 8 hits.*

Game 2: The team lost the 2nd game 5-7 (Includes 3 handicap runs). St Gregory started the scoring when they drove in 2 runs in the bottom of the 1st inning. They scored 2 more in the 4th inning, to take a 0-4 lead. Our team finally got the bats going in the top of 5th inning, when Steve and Mike combined for a run. When the handicap was added to the run, the scored was 2-4. St Gregory added another run in the 6th inning. During the top of the 8th inning, St. Matthias scored again. John led off with a triple and was followed by Rick's triple to bring the team into a tie, at 5-5. The bottom of the 8th had St. Gregory the Great take back the lead, when they scored twice. In the 9th inning, St. Matthias put the leadoff batter on first, but went down in order after that. *Box Score; St. Matthias 5 runs on 9 hits (includes three handicap runs); St. Gregory the great the Great: 7 runs on 14 hits.*

Game 3: The final game was lost by St. Matthias 7-0 St. For the team from St. Matthias, this was a frustrating game. They had a no-hitter being thrown at them for the 1st four innings. Meanwhile St. Gregory scored a run in the 2nd inning and 2 more in the 3rd to take a 3 lead. St. Matthias put a runner on in the 5th, 2 on in the 6th and another on in the 7th, but could not bring them in. On the other hand, St. Gregory had no problems scoring, as they added 3 runs in the 5th and their last run in the 6th. In the top of the 9th inning, St. Matthias had everyone sitting on the edge of their seat as Jim, Rick and Rod all singled to load the bases, with only one out on the ledger. However, possibly due to a manager error, the team could not bring them in. *Box Score: St. Matthias 0 runs on 7 hits; St. Gregory the Great; 7 runs on 15 hits.*

Player of Night

Rick is the player of the night. Rick went 5 for 11, which is a .455 clip. He got 3 singles and 2 triples, plus drove in a run.

Memorable At-Bat of the Night

The memorable at bat had to be Mike's triple in the 5th inning of the 2nd game. That was Mike's very first triple, since he started playing with us in the 20-17-2018 season. The look on his face was amazing. It would be interesting to hear what he was thinking.

Statistics

Poker Hands won by: Gary, Gary and Ed

Game winning hits by: Ray

Current Active hitting streaks: Rod and Jim have a hit going into next week, and Rick is riding a 3 hit streak.

Season Record:	Won: 3	Lose: 9	0.333%
Game 1:	Won: 1	Lose: 3	0.333%
Game 2:	Won: 2	Lose: 2	0.500%
Game 3:	Won: 0	Lose: 4	0.000%

Extra-Inning Games: 1 9.29: 17 innings, MPH (G) win

Longest winning streak: 1 9/22, St. John the Evangelist Game 2: 9.29 MPH (G) game 2

Longest losing streak: 4 9/15: St. Augustine (B), all 3, 9/22 St. John the Evangelist Game 1

Longest hitting streak 4 9/15 Rick

Prize Money awarded:

Most Fines Tonight: 14 Dale and Steve

Fines Collected tonight: 121 Amount: \$6.05 Season's Total: 497 Total amounts: \$24.85

Manager's Musings

Another frustrating night, and I am probably responsible for some of that frustration. In the 3rd game, when we had the bases loaded, I miss-counted the runs that would score. I was looking for 1 run, before going for the triple. I should have had Ray shoot the triple, and tied the game, and then go back for the single. Instead, I had Ray shoot the single, and he went off the board. Maybe, he would have hit the triple. Oh well, things have not been going well with the team. One of these nights we will definitely break out of it.

Team News

Next week, we are going to St. Augustine to play the blue team. Hopefully they scored a lot of runs last night. Maybe they will have to give us 6 runs.