

# ST. MATTHIAS (G) DARTBALL TIMES

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## LOSSES CONTINUE TO MOUNT

### Team loses 2 to Big Blue, but the bats break out in 3<sup>rd</sup> game.

The team travelled to St. Augustine to play the Blue team. Due to a scheduling conflict, this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in 5 weeks that they were the opponent. The team got shut out in game 1, won game 2, but lost a heartbreaker in a 15-inning slugfest, for game 3. They had to give the team 5 runs for the handicap.

#### Game Re-caps

**Game 1:** St. Matthias lost this game 0-8. This game was the continuation of a scoreless streak, that went back 10 innings, and when adding in the innings, from tonight, until the team scored had the streak run to 19 innings. St. Matthias put runners on base in 7 of the 9 innings, but simply could not bring them in. St. Augustine, once they warmed up, was able to score 3 runs in the bottom of the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4 runs in the 4<sup>th</sup> and another run in the 5<sup>th</sup>. They could have scored more, but they went into their prevent a run mode, where everyone was shooting singles. *Box score: St Matthias, 0 runs on 8 hit; St. Augustine (B) 8 runs on 17 hits.*

**Game 2:** The team won the 2nd game 7-2, (Includes 4 of the 5 handicap runs). St Matthias scored first in this game. In the bottom of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning, Rick, led off with a single. Ken got another single, which put runners on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> base. Gary got a 2-base single, which brought in the 1<sup>st</sup> run (plus 1 handicap, made the score 2-0. With runners on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, Steve got a single to bring the man in from 3<sup>rd</sup>. When the 2 additional handicap runs were added, the team was ahead by a score of 5-0. In the 6<sup>th</sup> inning, Rick led off with a single. Mark's triple brought him in. Adding the 4<sup>th</sup> handicap, mad the score 7-0. St. Augustine put a man on in each of the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 innings, but then went hitless until the 7<sup>th</sup>, when they scored their only 2 runs of the game. *Box Score; St. Matthias 7 runs on 9 hits (includes 4 handicap runs); St. Augustine (B) the great the Great: 2 runs on 7 hits.*

**Game 3:** The final game was lost by St. Matthias 13-14. Throughout this game, St. Matthias kept coming back, after falling behind in the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 innings. St. Augustine took an early lead, during the bottom of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning, when they score 1 run. They added to their total in 2<sup>nd</sup> inning as they added 6 more runs. Down 0-7, coming into the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning, St. Matthias cut the lead down by scoring a run. After adding the handicap, the score was 2-7. The run came off of the bats of Steve and John. Steve got a single and John's triple drove him in. St. Augustine responded in the bottom half of that inning by scoring 2 more runs, making the score 2-9. In the top of the 4<sup>th</sup> inning, Rick led off with a single and Ken brought him in with the triple. Adding in the 2 handicap runs made the score 5-9. In the 5<sup>th</sup> inning, the bats of St. Matthias went quiet, as all 3 batters made out. St. Augustine padded their lead, in the bottom of that inning, when they scored their 10<sup>th</sup> run of the game. In the 6<sup>th</sup> inning, St. Augustine added another run in the bottom of the 7<sup>th</sup>, making the score 7-11. St. Matthias crept closer to St. Augustine when, after there were 2 outs, Ray got a single. He was brought in, when Ken got a triple, with an additional handicap run, the score was now 7-10. In the top of the 8<sup>th</sup> inning, St. Matthias scored 2 more runs, plus the last handicap run, to make the score 10-11. St. Matthias tees the game up at 11, during the top of the 9<sup>th</sup> inning. Dale got a single, and John brought him with a triple. When St. Augustine failed to score in their half of the inning, the game went

into extra innings. In the 11<sup>th</sup> inning, St. Matthias finally took the lead. Dale led off with a single, John's triple made the score 12-11. Rick followed up with a single, as St Matthias took a 2-run lead. However, St. Augustine was not to be shut down. They scored twice in the bottom of the 11<sup>th</sup>, to tie the game up again. Both teams went quiet for the next 3 innings, with St. Matthias going hitless. St. Augustine managed to put a runner on in the 14<sup>th</sup> inning, but left him stranded. In the 15<sup>th</sup> inning, after there were 2 outs, Steve got a single, but the team was unable to bring him in. St. Augustine opened the bottom of the 15<sup>th</sup>, with a single. Their 2<sup>nd</sup> batter got a triple to win the game. *Box Score: St. Matthias 13 runs (Includes the 5 handicap) on 18 hits; St. Augustine (B) 14 runs on 25 hits. the Great; 7 runs on 15 hits.*

### **Player of Night**

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row, the player of the night was Rick. Rick got 7 hits in 15 at bats, for a 0.467 average. He had 6 singles, a triple and drove in 2 runs.

### **Memorable At-Bat of the Night**

The manager believes the whole team deserves the memorable at bat of the night, for their actions during the 15-inning loss. There were many clutch hits, and everyone had at least 1 of the 18 hits. The 18 hits were the most hits in 1 game for the season. Well Done.

### **Statistics**

Poker Hands won by: Steve, Steve and Rick

Game winning hits by: Steve

Current Active hitting streaks: Steve has a hit going into next week

Season Record:	Won: 4	Lose: 11	0.266%
Game 1:	Won: 1	Lose: 4	0.200%
Game 2:	Won: 3	Lose: 2	0.600%
Game 3:	Won: 0	Lose: 5	0.000%

Extra-Inning Games: 2 9.29: 17 innings, MPH (G) win: 10.13, 15 innings, St. Augustine (B)

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: 1 10.13; Ken (Walk) \$0.50

Most Fines Tonight: 26 Ray

Fines Collected tonight: 112 Amount: \$5.60 Season's Total: 609 Total amounts: \$30.45

### **Manager's Musings**

The night started out like a lot of the games we played. I wondered if we would go 0 for 3 for the night. But the 2<sup>nd</sup> game showed that our bats might just be breaking loose. We didn't even need the handicap to win that game, as we scored 3 runs, on our own, to their 2 runs. The 3<sup>rd</sup> game was fun, but disappointing. Everyone just kept getting hits. It's too bad that the 15<sup>th</sup> inning started with their lead-off hitter, Jerry. He was their hottest hitter for the night. He finished game 3

hitting 5 for 9. He was followed up by their 2<sup>nd</sup> best hitter of the night, who also finished the 3<sup>rd</sup> game hitting 5 for 9. He was 9 for 20 on the night. The important thing is that the bats really came alive. I don't know if you were watching, but several of the players, from the other match-up, stayed to watch our game, and they were all rooting for us.

Lets hope things are starting to look up.

### **Team News**

Mother of Perpetual Help (B) will be at our house next week. This is the old St. Aloysius. So far it looks like they will have to give us runs.