

CHAMP'S CHATTER

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The match ups are set and they are going to be exciting. The Host Saskatoon Angels finished first in the Black Pool with their win over Manitoba and will play last year's bronze medallists from Nova Scotia East Hans Mastodons. The winner will go to the semi final and the loser will have to work back the hard way. The Defending Champion Galway Hitmen look unbeatable. After scoring 20 runs in their 2 games yesterday they topped that total in their first game today with 23 runs on 20 hits. They went on to score 10 more in their second game. They will take on Sooke Loggers who won 2 games today including an extra inning game against Irma to get into the 1 vs 2 game.

In the two 3 vs 4 games it will be Alberta vs Saskatchewan in both games. Irma and Grande Prairie had 3-0 starts but struggled after that and ended up in third place in their divisions.

The comeback kings of the day were the Bruno Merchants After losing their first 4 games while only scoring a single run, they won 2 huge games today to make it into the playoffs.

Saturday's Schedule

C1	BVI	11:00am	DC Galway Hitmen	BC Sooke Loggers
C2	BVI	1:00pm	Host Saskatoon Angels	NS East Hans Mastodons
C3	JGF	2:00pm	AB2 Grande Prairie Pirates	SK 2 Bruno Merchants
C4	BVI	3:00pm	AB1 Irma Tigers	SK4 Bulyea Rustlers
C5	BVI	6:00pm	LC2	WC3
C6	JGF	8:00pm	LC1	WC4
C7	BVI	8:00pm	WC1	WC2

Games of the Day

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK2 Merchants	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	6	12	2
SK3 Delisle	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	4	7	0
WP Justin Dauvin LP Jeff Farion Delisle HR Jeff Durham										

The final play off spot in the Black division was likely on the line when Delisle played Bruno. There was a lot attached to this game, as these 2 teams have played each in big games for years and don't like each other. This year, Bruno were beaten up all year in league play but eliminated Delisle from the Provincials on their way to earning silver. Thus, the Diamond Dogs were looking for revenge. They certainly didn't get much of it early, as Bruno took a 3 run lead in T2. In the inning, the Merchants had 4 hits including a one run single by **Logan Schmatz**. Delisle got 2 of those runs back thanks to a single by **Mike Lawton**, a **Jordie Gagnon** triple followed by a **Trevor Ethier** single. The score was unchanged until the action got hot and heavy in B6 and Delisle took the lead. **Jeff Durham** hit a 2-run shot scoring Ethier who had reached on error. **Jeff Farion** who had replaced **Trevor Ethier** in the circle was cruising, as he had not given up a hit to the 7 batters he had faced. The wheels fell off for Farion and Delisle in T7 when Bruno exploded for 3 more runs on 6 hits. **Justin Dauvin's** 2 run single was immediately followed by an **Earl Ghostkeeper** one run single to account for the damage. Delisle did not quit as they brought the winning run to plate thanks to a couple of singles, but could not score a run, thus suffering a bitter defeat.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK1 Chettys	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	9	1
NS Mastodons	0	0	0	0	3	2	x	5	7	2
WP Donnelly Archibald LP Dustin Keshane NS HR Jonah Wright										

This was an interesting affair, as the Saskatchewan Provincial champs finally lived up to expectations. Chettys took a 3-0 lead in T3 after a 2 run single by **Christian Bear**. They held the lead until B5. That is when Jonah Wright hit a homer and Nick Shailes delivered a 2 run single to notch things up at 3.

In their next at bat Nova Scotia delivered the killer blow to Chetty's. They scored 2 runs on singles by Jacob Hopewell and Jeff Ellsworth. Sask 1 made thing exciting in T7 as they brought the potential winning run to the plate with one out, and the hero from earlier Christian Bear at the plate. He didn't have the magic this time and hit into a nifty double play to end the game.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	R	H	E
BC Sooke	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	9	11	0
AB1 Irma	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	4	4

WP Scott Lieph, LP Caleb Keeshig, Irma HR: Brett Larson Evan Normand

This game had huge playoff implications as these two teams were fighting for the all important 2nd playoff spot in the Black division. In B1 Irma's **Brett Larson's** homerun made up for the damage caused by **Blake Hunters** double in T1 and the score was tied at 1. In T5 **Kris Walushka** stole home and scored what looked to be the winning run. At that point Sooke ace **Scott Lieph** was dominating the Tigers, as he had allowed only 3 hits. He showed no signs of tiring coming into B7 but made one mistake to **Evan Normand** who led off the inning with a homer and took the game to extras. That mistake seemed to anger the Loggers as they exploded for 6 hits in the first extra inning, more than doubling the number of hits they had got off Caleb Keeshig to that point. **Ben Edginton** hit a 2-run triple and Hunter got one of his 3 hits to score another run. The logger offense came throughout the lineup as 5 different players had at least one RBI.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
MB La Salle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	6	1
SK2 Merchants	0	0	2	1	1	0	x	4	7	1

WP Nick Patrick LP Doug Hoffman Bruno HR Craig Geisler

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
SK5 Hawks	0	2	0	1	0	3	5	1
SK4 Rustlers	3	1	4	3	x	11	12	0

WP Joran Graham LP Les George Bulyea HR: Joran Graham, Josh Jordan, NB HR: Norman Linton

	1	2	3	4	R	H	E
DC Hitmen	13	1	7	2	23	20	0
AB2 Pirates	2	4	0	0	6	12	1

WP Jason Hill LP Scot Galenza, DC HR: Brad. Ezekiel, Steve Mullaly, Blair. Ezekiel 10 players had an RBI

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
MB La Salle	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	0
HOST Angels	2	4	0	0	1	0	x	7	8	1

WP Zach Pierce LP Doug Hoffman HR Jesse Osika

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
NS Mastodons	3	3	0	0	2	2	1	11	14	0
AB2 Pirates	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	4	9	1

WP Justin Schofield LP Trevor McCabe NS HR: Nick Shailes, Donelly Archibald

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK5 Hawks	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	5	8	3
SK1 Chettys	0	0	0	0	3	3	x	6	6	0

WP Jeremy Kenny LP Les George NB HR; Justin Poitras Chettys HR: Christin Bear

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
HOST Angels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
AB1 Irma	0	0	1	0	3	0	x	4	6	0

WP Evan Normand LP Zach Pierce

	1	2	3	4	R	H	E
DC Hitmen	2	2	6	0	10	12	0
SK4 Rustlers	0	0	0	0	0	2	1

WP Nick Pittman LP Justin Sievert

Black Division	W	L	PCT
HOST Saskatoon Poly Plus Angels	5	1	0.833
BC Sooke Loggers	5	1	0.833
AB1 Irma Tigers	4	2	0.667
SK2 Bruno Merchants	2	4	0.333
SK3 Delisle Diamond Dogs	1	5	0.167
MB La Salle Bullets	0	6	0.000
Red Division	W	L	PCT
DC Galway Hitmen	6	0	1.000
NS East Hants Mastodons	5	1	0.833
AB2 Grande Prairie Pirates	3	3	0.500
SK4 Bulyea Rustlers	3	3	0.500
SK1 Chettys Pretty Boys	2	4	0.333
SK5 NB Petro Hawks	0	6	0.000

Men's Performances of The Day

In Sooke's win over Irma **Blake Hunter** got on base 4 times going 3 for 4 with a walk. He also had 2 RBI.

Jeremy O'Reily from Galway went 3 for 3 in their win over Grande Prairie. In the same game **Steve Mullaley** went 2 for 3 with a homerun, he also scored 3 runs and hit in 5

Hitters	Team	P	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI
Boland, S	DC	SS	.636	5	11	8	7	4	8
Hill, J	DC	P	.583	5	12	4	7	1	6
Sievert, J	SK4	P	.538	6	13	5	7	0	1
Ezekiel, B	DC	IF	.533	6	15	7	8	1	9
Burns, P	HOS	P	.529	6	17	6	9	1	5
Roy, M	DC	OF	.529	5	17	11	9	1	8
Isenor, J	NS	CF	.500	6	16	3	8	1	5
Normand, E	AB1	OF	.500	6	16	4	8	2	5
Hunter, B	BC	U	.500	6	18	3	9	0	7

Pitchers	Team	G	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	W	ERA
Randerson, T	BC	2	11.0	6	0	0	2	10	2	0.00
Burns, P	HOS	3	10.2	4	0	0	3	18	1	0.00
Normand, S	AB1	5	21.0	14	9	3	8	27	3	1.00
Archibald, D	NS	2	6.0	5	1	1	2	6	2	1.17
Lieph, S	BC	3	18.0	12	8	5	2	34	1	1.94

Masters Competition

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
SK1 AGI	1	1	2	0	6	10	10	0
AB1 Pirates	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

WP Al Muhle LP Guy Lund

AGI's Kevin Knelson went 4 for 4 and scored 3 runs
Al Muhle threw a 1 hitter.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK2 Moose Jaw	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	6	7	0
SK3 Padres	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	4	8	1

WP Russ Kennon LP Hal Michisnic Moose Jaw HR
Todd Whitehead

	1	2	3	4	R	H	E
SK1 AGI	4	6	6	4	20	21	3
SK3 Padres	1	1	1	1	4	7	0

WP Garrat Baan LP Darcy Haluzan

AGI HR : Dean Holien, Chris Ewen

Kevin Knelson went 3 for 5 with 4 RBI

Terry Wiebe went 3 for 4 with 3 RBI and scored 2

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK2 Moose Jaw	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	4	8	1
AB1 Pirates	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1

WP Xavier Tremblay LP Mike Soucy

Playoffs Saturday, September 2nd

M1	JGF	9:30am	1 st Moose Jaw Giants	4 th Saskatoon Padres
M2	JGF	11:30pm	2 nd Saskatoon AGI	3 rd Grande Prairie Pirates
M3	JGF	6:00pm	LM1	LM2
Sunday, September 3 rd				
M4	JGF	12:00pm	WM1	WM2