

King mosquitoes fight back from 10-run deficit

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Great job by the RCC Waterproofing Mosquito Cobras, who came back from a 10-run deficit to defeat their opponents from Aurora 17-10.

This week's KTBA Husky Player Of The Week is Cameron Kokelj. Cameron wins a commemorative certificate and a \$35 iTunes gift card courtesy of Husky Injection Molding Systems in Bolton. Congratulations Cameron!

Here are some other happenings from around the league.

Senior Rookie

The Prism Painting Cobras played their 10th game of their season at King Upper park against Aurora A1, Monday night July 21. The Cobras struggled on defence and when they made big hits, Aurora's defence managed to stop everything that came at them. Things just seemed to lean in Aurora's favour, and unfortunately the Cobras just weren't themselves tonight. Prism Painting lost 20-7.

The biggest play of the game was when Dylan Cocciardi #36 lined himself under a monster hit to left field and made a terrific catch, saving 3 runs batted in. Dylan is one of those kids who seems to be a natural athlete in all sports. He made two great defensive plays and had 2 big hits with 1 RBI. Dylan Cocciardi is our player of the week!

Peewee

Monday, July 14, the Sports International Peewee Cobras team played Aurora's Dynamic Funds. Patrick Buffa pitched an excellent second inning, striking out 2 batters before grabbing a grounder hit by the fourth batter, throwing it to Justin Topp on first and scoring the third out.

The bats were hot in the third inning for the Sports International team. Justin Topp had a great hit to centre field. Patrick Buffa also crushed one to centre field that brought in two runs. Ben Harbridge had a great hit down the first base line, Aaron Fraser hit out to centre field and Aidan Naworynski had a hit that brought Aaron home. Aidan Naworynski pitched the third inning, striking out the first batter. After Tanner Charlton and Cameron Kokelj each caught pop flies, it was three up three down.

Owen Witten pitched the fourth inning, striking out two batters. In the fifth inning Matthew Murphy had a nice hit down the third base line, then proceeded to steal two bases. Justin Topp hit to bring Murphy in. Patrick Buffa had another fabulous hit to right field to bring Topp home. Jonathan Brunato pitched the final inning and notched two strikeouts.

There was a great play by back catcher Aaron Fraser who threw to third base Matthew Murphy to catch a runner trying to steal. The final score was 12-5 for the Cobras. Player of the game goes to Patrick Buffa for great pitching and excellent work at the bat.

Another great game was played on Wednesday, July 16 between the two King peewee teams.

In the first inning, there were great hits by Cameron Kokelj, Aaron Fraser, Aidan Naworynski and Matthew Murphy. In the second inning great hits by Ethan Lane, Patrick Buffa, Shawn Kay, Tanner Charlton and Justin Topp.

The hits continued in the third inning by Ben Harbridge, Owen Witten and Matthew Murphy. In the fourth inning more hits by Cameron Kokelj, Justin Topp, Aaron Fraser and Patrick Buffa. Shawn Kay was walked in the fourth inning and had some great base running, with a final steal from third base to home, bringing in another run for Sports International.

The final score was 19-11 for the peewee #2 team. Player of the game goes to Shawn Kay for his great base stealing and defensive playing.

On Wednesday, July 23, the Sports International Cobras played Aurora's Cowen Remax.

Aaron Fraser pitched the first inning and had a nice strike out.

Patrick Buffa pitched in the second inning and did such a great job that he ended up striking out 3 players. The third inning saw great batting by the Sports International. Great hits by Ethan Lane, Ethan Hall, Aaron Fraser and Shawn Kay, which led to 5 runs in the third inning.

The excellent playing continued defensively in the third inning by Sports International. Aidan Naworynski pitched a great inning. Also there was a great play from home plate by Cameron Kokelj, who threw a ball to Ben Harbridge on second to get out the base stealer from the Cowan Remax team. Third baseman Ethan Hall grabbed a grounder and threw to first base for the third out of the third inning, keeping the Aurora team scoreless.

Justin Topp pitched a great fourth and fifth inning. The game continued in to the sixth inning where the King Cobras scored five runs. Great offensive playing by Shawn Kay, Ethan Lane, Matthew Murphy, Ethan Hall, Justin Topp, Aidan Naworynski and Tanner Charlton.

The final score was 13-3. Player of the game goes to Ethan Lane for his amazing hit giving him an RBI. He also worked very well defensively.

Mosquito

The RCC Waterproofing mosquito Cobras started last week's game as cold as ice. Nothing was working in the first 2 innings, and the Cobras scoreless. Their opponents from Aurora managed to score heavily in their first 3 innings, taking a commanding 10-0 lead. The Cobras came out in the 3rd inning determined to score their first run. Luke Parolin was at the plate with bases loaded and took a fastball off the elbow allowing the Cobras to get in the board. The Cobras then managed to cash in 4 more of their own.

The coaching staff then makes a pitching change bringing in David Pagliaroli to close the door on them in the 4th inning. The Cobras managed to keep Aurora at bay with no runs scored. With a runner on first, first baseman Zachary Perruzza base catches a pop fly then turns around and tags the runner to make a picture perfect double play. This seemed to fire up the Cobras as they came out in the fourth inning on fire, scoring 10 runs and taking the lead to ultimately win the game 17-10.

The Cobras capitalized on hits from Gregory Aloia, Jacob Diamond, Jake Falbo, Marcus Cohen, and Jonathan DiGiorgio while Kieran Purves, Daniel Marini, Ryan Hull and Lorenzo Rossi all played great defensively. The Cobras will enjoy a light schedule this week with a practice this Thursday and a five-day rest before hitting the field next Tuesday night.