



# THE BASEBALL REVIEW

2021 WINTER SEASON

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## Week 2 of comp and things are sorting out!!

It seems that the home ground advantage is not so true!

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### ROYALS Clinch Lead in Sixth Inning to Defeat Penrith

The boys drive down the hill to the Riff and some roadworks near the ground didn't help getting there on time.

Warm ups were short and sharp before we were up to bat.

Brett started with a walk, before Adam Thomas, Adam Forster and Steve Down all got hits to score 2 runs.

Todd took to the mound and had a slow start with a few walks and a few hits saw 4 runs scored by Penrith.

ROYALS hit back with three runs in the third inning. Paul Petterson, Steve Down, and Mason each having RBIs in the big inning.

Todd Shepherd then shut Penrith down before they scored, they got 1 run in the 5th to tie the game at 5.

In the top of the 6th the Royals took the lead back with some aggressive base running from Steve Down as well as an RBI from Jade Mason.

Steve came on the bottom of the 6th and after an early walk closed out the game.

ROYALS racked up 11 hits in the game. Down, Mason, Adam Forster, and Adam Thomas each managed multiple hits for ROYALS.

A great win by the boys

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### That St Marys team came back to Lomatia!

G2 were at Lomatia for the first time this season to enjoy a top afternoon of competitive baseball.

An initial shout out to Tom, who stepped into the team to form the nine required- played a great game and held centre field like a veteran. Quinny (the Pooh's) first time back on the field after 20+ years of hibernation and Stuarts first ever game... both getting on base at least once and seeing some action in the field.

Macca got us started on the mound and pitched a great first dig. We faced some tough opposition batting, one of those innings where they just seemed to find gaps. Royals hit back with our own offensive power, batting around the line up to keep the score tight.

Doc relieved Macca on the mound and Adrian subbed in for Matt behind the plate. Both with top performances.

Dan was busy at second base with about half a dozen text book plays, both on the ground and in the air.

Play of the day had to be the double play... Matt tracked back from short stop, to then relay the ball to Doc in the infield who threw a rocket to the plate for Adrian to apply the tag.

The boys battled hard and stayed in the game the whole way with some great hitting and aggressive base running. Game could have gone either way, but unfortunately, we went down by 2 runs in the end.

Onwards and upwards!

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### **G3 – A loss to St Marys Saints 5-12**

Review next week -2 for the price of one.

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### **Stevie brings the newbies home!**

Felt nice to play at the sacred Lomatia stadium in front of a healthy post covid crowd on Saturday and be blessed by the presence of the honourable past president Bobby Bartlett.

It was an honour to do jersey presentation to new club member Liv Mulkearns who slipped into the Royal's spirit, his jersey and 3rd base very nicely. Great to have Mr Reliable (Clarkey) at catcher after the week off.

New man Dean was the first on the mound with his hot pitches, but he overheated and Phil slipped onto the centre stage. Plumpton Green hit the gaps in the outfield to jump out to a lead. However, Marina made a great 2 handed fly ball catch at 2nd to clean up the 2nd innings.

Our batting started slowly but picked up as the game progressed. Young Evelyn had a great hit with an easy run to 2nd. Yours truly then hit deep into the outfield to allow Evelyn to score her first run in baseball. She liked it so much she decided to do it again just to prove our easy it was. At the halfway mark, we changed the fielding around which saw Liv make a great running catch at left field and Evelyn made some great plays at 2nd base.

Phil pitched for most of the game and Plumpton had to earn their runs the hard way. Emma had a go at 1st and made a statement when she fielded the ball over her head, then charged back to the base to collide with the runner to show him that she meant business to grab the base before the runner arrived for a brave out.

I has my first pitch in a comp game and cleaned up the good work done by King Jobbo on the mound towards the last dig.

Final score was 12 great runs to us and 22 lucky runs to the visitors. It was a game of many "firsts" and was enjoyed by all.



### **The third round of games will play out as follows dear chaps: -**

G1 – LOMATIA PARK – 2.30 GAME V KELLYVILLE.

G2 – LOMATIA PARK – 12.30 GAME V QH BLACK PEARLS

G3 – MONFARTVILLE – 12.15 GAME V SAINTIES (ANOTHER ONE?)

H – CHAPMAN GARDENS – 2.30 GAME V MACKILLOP GOLD

**FAIR WINDS, HARD BATS AND SAFE GLOVES TO ALL!**

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## T Shirts, T shirts, T shirts!

We still have a handful of the new Baseball/ Softball T shirts left at the canteen!

\$20 each in cotton or poly cool! HMMM -nice!

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## Canteen!

Wil – he's the one in the grass skirt- has the Canteen up and running now!

So, for your consuming pleasure, avail yourself of the delights that he serves!

Hot doggies, Drinks, a post-game bevvvy, chippies and lollies for the kids (sugar them up and let them run and crash at night), coffee, tea and lots more stuff!



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## It's coming – voter be aware!

The Annual General Meeting of the Blue Mountains Baseball and Softball Club will be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May, at 7.30pm at the Royal Hotel – Springwood.



See you at the diamonds!