

STANDINGS JUST GOT A LITTLE TIGHTER

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Thirteen games into the 20-game season, the race for first place is heating up. Three teams, Lake Placid Marine, Griffin's Dry Cleaning, and Schooni's Restaurant, are clumped at the top, each with a record of 9-4.

On Monday, Conley Insurance held off Miller's Central Air 9-7. Mike Martinio and Dave Loomis were 3-for-3 for Conley. Bill Gallagher was 2-for-2. Frank Menendez and Mark Milia were 3-for-3 for Miller's.

Lake Placid Marine edged Schooni's Restaurant 12-11. Leading the way to victory was Manager Ron Kilburn, batting 4-for-4 with a home run and 3 doubles in the contest. Teammate Billy Ball was also 4-for-4. Leading the way for Schooni's was Davey Reed, who was 4-for-4 with 2 doubles.

On the neighboring field, once again, a manager led his team to victory when Frank King went 4-for-4 with a triple to lead Griffin's Dry Cleaning over Lakeside Dermatology 19-14. Not to be outdone, Bob Daglian also went 4-for-4 with a triple. Richard Rucker was 4-for-4 with two doubles, and teammate Dave Lock was 3-for-3 with a double. Ernie Greathouse and Jerry Kidd were 4-for-4 for Lakeside.

On Wednesday, the teams played a doubleheader. Lake Placid Marine won both games over Conley Insurance. In game one, the score was 18-3. Ron Kilburn was 3-for-4 with a home run and a double. Steve Burbick was 4-for-4 with a triple and a double. Conley's Mike Martino was 2-for-2, both hits were doubles. In game two, LP Marine won 14-10. Lou Carman homered in the game for LP Marine, and first baseman Mike Beaver was 3-for-3. Mike Martino homered for Conley's and several teammates were 2-for-2. The list includes Alex Gray, George Hartman, and Bill Gallagher.

Griffin's took two games from Schooni's, 18-15 and 12-11. In game one, Bob Daglian was 3-for-3 with a home run and a triple. Richard Rucker was 4-for-4 with a triple and a double. Paul Brand was 4-for-4 with a double, and Ron Hanisch was 4-for-4 for Griffin's. Schooni's Paul Marcellus was 3-for-3 with a home run. Steve Weinzirl was 3-for-3 with a triple and a double. Shortstop Jeff Myers was once again Superman, going 3-for-3, all triples. In game two, the teams were neck and neck with Griffin's winning a squeaker 12-11. Griffin's Bob (Long Ball) Daglian was 3-for-4 with a home run, a triple, and a double. Tim Salazar was 4-for-4. Mark Roth and Craig Ervin were 3-for-3. For Schooni's, Superman Jeff Myers was 3-for-3 with a home run and a triple. Tom Waters was also 3-for-3.

Miller's Central Air took two games from Lakeside Dermatology. The first game was 8-3. Leading the way for Miller's were Terry (Steamboat) Scott and Gary Vizioli, who were both 3-for-3. Game two was closer, with Miller's coming out on top 9-8. Batting 3-for-3 for Miller's were Paul Little and Kelly McMillen. Alex Stanish was 3-for-3 for Lakeside, and Larry Kozloff was 2-for-2.

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