

PYTHONS WORK OVERTIME TO WIN SLUGFEST

In Milwaukee, Summerfest opened this week. In Racine, Slugfest opened last Sunday, as the Pentecost Pythons out-slugged Ice Box / Racine Gymnastics 20 – 19 in a marathon, nine inning game that featured 27 Python hits and five walks issued to Python batters. The victory evened the Pythons' season record at 3 – 3 midway through the 2019 season.

Multiple Python batters put on a hitting clinic, including Kyle Jacob, Dan Hasko, Paul Maller, Tim Barthel and Jeff Hansen. Jacob had a perfect night at the plate, with a base on balls, four doubles, a triple and a pair of runs batted in. Hasko had three singles, a double and an RBI and Maller drove in seven runs with five singles. Jeff Hansen hit safely three times, with a trio of singles in addition to drawing a walk, and Tim Barthel drove in a pair of runs with three singles. Ian McGregor drove in three runs with a single and triple, Luke Jacob drove in two more runs with a pair of singles, and Jon Cooper drove in a run with a pair of singles and a walk. Tom Hasko drove in a pair of runs with a double and a pair of walks. And finally, Dave Van Ruden reached on an error, which was at least a slight consolation for the pair of scorching line drives that he hit at the shortstop and third baseman during other at bats during the night. Tim Hasko, who had fresh legs after taking all but a single at bat off the prior week, caught all nine innings behind the plate for the Pythons.

The Pythons return to the diamond on Sunday, June 30th, with a 5 PM at Lincoln Park.



Jeff Hansen singled three times, walked and scored four runs.



Scorekeeper Deb Cooper uses a trusty Pentecost Pen.....*Dependable* enough to record all 20 Python runs. Need to think back to Joyce Hasko's Children's Message a few weeks ago for this one.....



Paul Maller drove in seven runs with five singles.



First base coach Rob Cooper welcomes son Jon Cooper down to first base following a base on balls.



Tim Barthel drove in a pair of runs with a trio of singles.



Kyle Jacob, using his vintage Demarini bat, was five for five at the plate, with five extra base hits and a walk.



The Pentecost Pythons -- The eleven players, two base coaches and scorekeeper, who worked overtime in a marathon, nine inning / extra inning, 20 – 19 Python victory – enjoy the victory cooler!

Kyle Jacob	P	5-5, BB, 4-2B, 3B, 2 RBI, 6 R
Dan Hasko	SS	4-5, 2B, SF, RBI, 3 R
Paul Maller	RC	5-6, 7 RBI, 4 R
Tom Hasko	LF	1-4, 2B, 2 BB, 2 RBI, 2R
Ian McGregor	RF	2-6, 3B, 3 RBI, R
Luke Jacob	DS	2-5, 2 RBI
Jon Cooper	2B	2-4, BB, RBI
Tim Barthel	1B	3-5, 2 RBI
Dave Van Ruden	3B	0-5
Tim Hasko	C	0-5
Jeff Hansen	LC	3-4, BB, 4 R