

NZ White Sox On The Road...

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In the second day of the Prague Invitational Tournament the NZ White Sox had mixed results. In the first game they had an emphatic 8 - 0 win over Austria. Megan Farrell had an outstanding performance on the mound in conceding one hit and taking 9 strikeouts. Every batter in the box chimed in with a hit with Te Reo Powhiri Matautia hitting strongly with two from two.

The final of the tournament against the Czech Republic Team was a different story. The game was really tight with strong defence from both teams. The Czech's scored in the 6th innings with a triple and squeeze play executed successfully. In the 7th innings they continued to apply more pressure with aggressive offence and speedy base running to score two more runs. Whilst both teams got four hits each the White Sox failed to string their hits together. They faced the strong pitching of Czech youngster Veronica Peckova who took 12 strikeouts against a tough Sox line up. Rebecca Bromhead, Danica Ferriso, Mel Gettins and Mikayla Werahiko hit safely but too many batter base runners were left on base. Jennifer Feret had a great performance on the mound and can be happy with her form leading into the world championship. Offensively the White Sox have some work to do in the practice games leading into the championships starting on 15 August in Haarlem, Netherlands.

The NZ White Sox Team have thoroughly enjoyed their stay in the Czech Republic with the wonderful hospitality of their host and president Gabriel Waage. Today they move onto Haarlem in the final stages of their pre championship preparation. Practice games are organised against Japan, Australia and the Netherlands.

Regards
Naomi