Kia ora whanau, a long busy fast action day today with an initial loss against the Delta Heat 96 and a win against the Surrey Storm.

The morning game against the Heat was in cooler weather and although we hit well and scored 6 runs, defensively we let ourselves down and gave up walks and hits that saw our opposition reach home plate 12 times. The Heat had not lost in pool play and we were their last game. Overall we felt that we should have won this game and that we were the better team, but alas not on the day. The game was long and we were rushed to get to our next game at another park. The next game vs. the Storm was a better effort and we scored a 5 to 1 victory. Defensively we held our own and crucially got hits at the right time.

It felt like we sat in vehicles for hours today as we went to and from Softball City and Cloverdale Athletic Park and then to the White Rock beach for some amazing fish and chips, thanks to our liaison person Di Thompson.

Result wise we officially finished 2nd in our pool, behind the Heat and 8th standing in pool play of 24 teams. This means we have made it to the championship round were we will go into a double elimination round. First up we play the Saskatoon Scotiabank Selects at 8am, then if we win we advance to the top 8 and play at 3.30pm for a top 4 spot.

Its been a long day and we have an early start. The team are all in bed and I am signing off for tonight,

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