

**Softball New Zealand Scorers Refresher  
Examination 2018**

Marks

Section 1	/30
Section 2	/25
Section 3	/25
Section 4	/20
Raw Mark	
% Mark	%

The entire exam will be answered in this booklet.

Sections 1-3 are compulsory sections for ALL scorers.

Section 4 is compulsory for Grade 6 and 7 Scorers.

Grade 5 scorers have the option of completing this section.

**Marks:**

Sections 1-3 are marked out of 80 as follows:

Section 1: Theory and multiple choice questions - 30 Marks

Section 2: Game Scoring - 25 Marks

Section 3: Analysis - 25 Marks

*(Final raw marks will be converted to a Percentage (%) mark for those undertaking sections 1-3 ONLY)*

Section 4: Advanced Scorers. Scorers complete either part (a) - Chief Scorers Role OR part (b) - Statisticians Role

Section 4 is worth 20 marks, giving a total of 100 marks attainable.

**Time:**

Grade 4 & 5 scorers undertaking Sections 1-3 ONLY will have 2 hours 30 to complete the exam.

Scorers undertaking Section 4 as well will have 3 hours to complete the exam.

Scorers may have up to 10 minutes reading time before the exam.

Please complete the details below:

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**Section 1 Theory Questions and Multiple Choice (30 Marks)**

- 1 Give the full symbols for the following situations: (Batter numbers and joiners not required).  
Write your answers in the boxes to the right hand side of each question.

a	Runner on 3, batter hits a long foul fly ball with the left field catches, runner scores from 3 <sup>rd</sup> after the catch is taken. What do you score on the batter?	
b	Batter hits a foul ball, the first base in attempting to catch the ball collides with the first base coach and the batter is called out. What do you score on the batter?	
c	With a runner on 2 <sup>nd</sup> , the batter hits the ball to short stop who checks the runner back to 2 <sup>nd</sup> , then throws to 1 <sup>st</sup> too late for the out. What do you score on the batter?	
d	The umpire rules that the batter is out for an infringement of the substitution rule. What do you score on the batter?	
e	With 2 outs and a runner on 3, batter hits the ball to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base who throws to first for the out. First base however, has his foot off the base and the batter/baserunner is called safe. The runner from 3 scores. What do you score on the runner coming home?	
f	What do you score on the batter going to 1 <sup>st</sup> in the above situation?	
g	Batter on 1 <sup>st</sup> is called out for leaving base early.	
h	On an open diamond, a large hit to left field, the ball hits a tree and the runner is sent back to 3 <sup>rd</sup> base by the umpire for a blocked ball ruling. What do you score on the batter?	

(4 Marks)

Page Mark

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- 2 The DP is batting 4<sup>th</sup> in the lineup, for the pitcher. Answer Yes/No - circling the CORRECT option.

a	When batter 4 is due to bat, can the pitcher bat instead of the DP?	YES/NO
b	Can the DP then bat again the next time batter 4 comes up to bat?	YES/NO
c	Can the team start with 9 players and bring on a DP in the 5 <sup>th</sup> innngs?	YES/NO
d	Can a team have a DH and a DP in the same game?	YES/NO
e	Can the DP play in the field?	YES/NO
f	If a baseunner is replaced by a DR, does he need to be re-entered?	YES/NO
g	Can the DR stay on and field in the original player's position?	YES/NO
h	Can a DR be substituted?	YES/NO

(4 Marks)

- 3 Wild Pitch. Provide your answers in the box below each question.

a	What is the difference between a passed ball and a wild pitch?
b	What should you do when 2 or more runners advance on the same wild pitch to ensure that the one wild pitch is not charged against the pitcher twice?

(2 Marks)

- 4 Give four different situations where the illegal running symbol (IR) would be scored.

a	
b	
c	
d	

(4 Marks)

5 When proving your box score:

a	Where do you get the POS total from?
b	Where do you get the AB total from?
c	Where do you get the LOB total from?
d	What figure(s) should the added up totals on each side of the box score be the same as?

(2 Marks)

6 True/False - Is the statement in each question TRUE or FALSE. Circle the CORRECT answer.

a	If a batter overruns 2 <sup>nd</sup> base on a safe hit and is tagged out trying to return, he is awarded a 2 base hit.	TRUE/FALSE
b	The third out in the 7 <sup>th</sup> innings becomes the tiebreaker in the 8 <sup>th</sup> innings.	TRUE/FALSE
c	With 2 out the runner from 3 scores after a deep FE9, the batter gets a sacrifice.	TRUE/FALSE
d	If the batter makes base on a Catcher's Interference, it's an error on the catcher.	TRUE/FALSE
e	If you notice a batter has not been re-entered you should immediately tell the umpire as well as both teams.	TRUE/FALSE
f	If a substitute is replaced by another substitute the original player can re-enter the game.	TRUE/FALSE
g	The tie breaker runner cannot be a designated runner.	TRUE/FALSE
h	If there are no runners on base and the pitcher throws an illegal pitch, this does not get recorded as an illegal pitch against the pitching stats.	TRUE/FALSE
i	A runner picked off at first base by the catcher is charged with a Caught Stealing.	TRUE/FALSE
j	If a thrown ball hits a runner, allowing the runner to reach base safely, an error is charged against the thrower.	TRUE/FALSE
k	A foul tip caught on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> strike is a strikeout.	TRUE/FALSE

(5 Marks)

7 Multiple Choice - Which is the MOST correct way to score the following plays. Circle the letter of your Choice.

a	The correct batter should be batter 3, but batter 4 bats instead and gets struck out. How do you score batter 3?			
	(i) L2	(ii) K	(iii) MTB	(iv) IG2
b	On the same play in (a) above, if batter 3 now bats who could be ruled out for batting out of order?			
	(i) Batter 3	(ii) Batter 4	(iii) Batter 5	(iv) Batter 6
c	In the case of (a) & (b) above, who should be the correct batter up?			
	(i) Batter 3	(ii) Batter 4	(iii) Batter 5	(iv) Batter 6
d	The count is 1 ball and 1 strike and there are no outs. The batter fouls off the next pitch, but the runner on 1 <sup>st</sup> is called out for lead off. What is the strike on the batter?			
	(i) 1 ball, 1 strike	(ii) 1 ball 2 strikes	(iii) 2 balls, 1 strike	(iv) 2 balls, 2 strikes
e	In the play in (d) above what do you score on the baserunner?			
	(i) IR3	(ii) CS3	(iii) CS 2T3	(iv) CS2
f	How many runs must a team be ahead by for the Run Ahead (Mercy) rule to be applied in the 3 <sup>rd</sup> innings?			
	(i) 7	(ii) 10	(iii) 15	(iv) 20
g	How many runs must a team be ahead by for the Run Ahead (Mercy) rule to be applied in the 4 <sup>th</sup> innings?			
	(i) 7	(ii) 10	(iii) 15	(iv) 20
h	How many runs must a team be ahead by for the Run Ahead (Mercy) rule to be applied in the 5 <sup>th</sup> innings?			
	(i) 7	(ii) 10	(iii) 15	(iv) 20
j	Which of the following is an advance error?			
	(i) FE7	(ii) E72	(iii) 7E2	(iv) (7)E2
k	Which of the following situations should the Illegal Batting Symbol (IG) NOT be used for?			
	(i) Using an altered bat	(ii) Batting out of order	(iii) Batting out of the box	(iv) Batters Interference

(5 Marks)

8 Work out the Earned Runs for the following two innings. Show your working.

A		
SH ⑥	WP ④	
1	2	
4T2	E2	
FC 42	SH ⑥	
HH ⑦	IBB	
1		
IF6		
HH ⑦	FC 42	
⑦	SH 3E4	
⑦	+++ 9A	
3		
63		

Number of Earned Runs

B		
WP ⑥	— ⑤	
FC ⑥	— 8	
6E	WP ⑥	
1	— ⑥	
6E2	78	
α2		
62E	FC 62	
c	1	
E6		
.xc		
1		
63		
..c.		
2		
F8		
23		
3		
F8		
xc		

Number of Earned Runs

(4 Marks)

Total Section 1 Mark

/30

Page Mark

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## Section 2

The game is the Cubs versus Eagles, on Diamond 1 at Forest Stadium. Cubs will field first. You will only score Cubs side of the game.

Fill out the lineup from the roster supplied on the right.

You are only scoring the Cubs batting, **however you will need to do the end of innings analysis, including the ball and strike counts.** The pitches are marked in italics.

Assume that all fouls are to the catcher unless indicated by a notation after it (1B = 1<sup>st</sup> base line, 3B = 3<sup>rd</sup> base line, LF = Left Field, RF = Right field)

There will be times that you may need to make assumptions and make judgement calls about what to score. This should be based on your knowledge of game situations.

"Batter" will mean the batter in the box at the time of the play.

"Baserunner" will mean baserunner(s) on base at the time of the play.

"Batter/Baserunner" will mean the batter who then becomes a baserunner as a result of the play and making 1<sup>st</sup> base safely.

Substitutions and Fielding Changes notified by the coaches are indicated in italics. Changes are made using shirt numbers eg #3. Exception is for fielding changes where positions may be used.

The game commentary for answering this section is at the back of this answer booklet in the appendix. Detach it and use to answer on the scoresheet provided in this booklet.

Batting Order.	Shirt No.	NAME (First)	(Surname)	Pos.
1	10	Mike	BIRD	8
2	1	Ken	FOSTER	7
3	15	Fred	TIMMS	3
4	14	Lance	KNIGHT	6
5	11	Chris	POTTER	2
6	21	Kyle	DENNIS	9
7	23	Sam	CARTER	DP
8	18	Paul	LUCAS	4
9	19	Rick	HICKEY	5
10	4	Mitch	KING	1
11				
		SUBSTITUTES		
A	13	Alex	ADAMS	
B	28	Nathan	MATTHEWS	
C	23	Nick	PETERS	
D	3	Tom	LEWIS	
E	6	Charlie	PYKE	



### Section 3 Analysis

Analyse the game on the next pages in this booklet.

The end of innings analysis has already been done for you. You will need to analyse the rest of the game, including the necessary batting, fielding, pitching and end of innings summaries. You do NOT need to add up the pitch counts.

The analysis has been started for you. There are five errors for you to correct in this game. They are not errors to game scoring decisions, nor are they RBI's in the batting side partially analysed (but they may be other errors in that side of the analysis).

Analysis Mark

/25

CHIEFS

Vs. STARS

VENUE CARTER PARK

Dia 2

DATE 27-05-2018

TOP	BOTTOM		Inn.	Pos	Pos	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	K	SB	CS	E	FC	R	LOB	A	PO	E	PO
	1	2																																
12	Sandra	Pierce	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
3	Chrissy	Nathan	7	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
7	Mandy	Walters	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
10	1224	Lewis	DP	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
8	Mary	Churcher	B	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
9	Arong	Baker	5	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
11	Sue	Lemon	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
7	Denise	Green	9	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
13	Sam	McDonald	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
14	Jojo	Stewart	4	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
10	10	Walters		1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
11	11	O'Donnell		1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
12	12			1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
13	13			1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
14	14			1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
15	15			1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
16	16			1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
17	17			1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	

PROVING THE BOX SCORE		FINISH		START		TOTAL	
Runs	AB	AB	5-06	SH	3-37	HP/CO	
LOB	BB	SH					
POs							
-TB							
TOTAL							

SOFTBALL NEW ZEALAND



**Section 4 - Advanced Scorers Section**

This section is to be completed by ALL Grade 6 & 7 scorers. Grade 5 scorers wishing to be considered for regrading to grade 6 may choose to complete this section.

All scorers undertaking this section must complete Part A.

You then choose ONE of Part B (Chief Scorer Role) or Part C (Statisticians Role).

Part A - Compulsory for all undertaking Section 4

1 At a tournament Chief Scorers and Statisticians will need to check scorer's scoresheets for accuracy. List twelve different (12) things that you would check.

i	
ii	
iii	
iv	
v	
vi	
vii	
viii	
ix	
x	
xi	
xii	

(6 marks)

**Part B - Chief Scorer Role**

1 When speaking as the Tournament Chief Scorer at the Managers Meeting, name 4 things that you should mention to the teams.

i	
ii	
iii	
iv	

(2 Marks)

2 Explain the catcher replacement rule and which player may come in to run for the catcher.

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(2 Marks)

3 What are the requirements for a team scorer who is sitting a bar exam during a national tournament.

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(2 Marks)

4 Who does the Chief Scorers Tournament Report go to and in what time frame should it be sent?

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(2 Marks)

4 Tied Team

Complete the Tied Team Chart below using the points system that was used for MOST Softball New Zealand tournaments in 2015/16 season as follows

- Each team receives 5 points for the win.
- Where a team loses by 2 runs or less, they receive 1 bonus point. (B1)
- Where a team loses in a tie break situation, they receive 2 bonus points. (B2)
- If a team receives tie breaker (B2) bonus, it cannot receive the (B1) bonus.

Please redo the chart provided. Games marked with an asterisk (\*) were tie breaker games.

*(2 Marks F-A Column, 2 marks W-L column, 2 marks for correct rank, including showing the working)*

	NN	AK	WN	WK	OT	SL	NH	CB	F - A	W - L	B(1)	B (2)	POS
Nelson		2-1	6-2	9-0	0-2*	1-5	4-0	3-2					
Auckland	1-2		4-3*	2-6	0-4	1-0	1-3	2-4					
Wellington	2-6	3-4*		2-5	1-7	0-8	2-1	3-0*					
Waikato	0-9	6-2	5-2		4-1	2-7	2-3	1-2					
Otago	2-0*	4-0	7-1	1-4		0-3	10-1	4-3					
Southland	5-1	0-1	8-0	7-2	3-0		4-0	3-5					
North Harbour	0-4	3-1	1-2	3-2	1-10	0-4		3-7					
Canterbury	2-3	4-2	0-3*	2-1	3-4	5-3	7-3						

Show your working below

(6 Marks)

Total Section 4 Mark /20
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**Part C - Statistician Role**

1 Table (a) below is the batting statistics of the Aces team during a tournament, minus the batting averages. In readiness for compiling the top batters list, complete the batting averages in the batting average column (1).

(4 Marks)

Table (a)

Name	PA	AB	H	Batting Ave (1)	Cut off Y/N (3)
A Abbot	19	16	9		
B Black	27	25	12		
C Charles	21	20	8		
D Dixon	26	24	9		
E Ellis	22	22	8		
F Fraser	23	19	6		
G Gibson	20	18	5		
H Hill	22	13	3		
I Ingalls	14	10	1		
J Jackson	1	1	1		
K Kerr	11	8	3		
L Lester	10	8	3		
M Mitchell	8	7	2		
N Norton	10	9	2		

<b>Cut Off Point (2)</b>	
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2 Using table (a) in question 1, what is the cut off point for inclusion in the batting lists for the Aces team. Write it in box (2) above. In order to get full marks correctly show your working.

(2 Marks)

3 In column (3) place a Y or N beside the players who make the cutoff point

(1 Mark)

4 Table (b) is the pitching statistics for the same team. In readiness for compiling the top pitchers list, complete the Earned Run Average for the pitchers in the ERA Column (4)

(2 Marks)

Table (b)

Name	G	BF	Inn	ER	ERA (4)	Cutoff Y/N (6)
A Abbot	5	81	20.0	4		
E Ellis	3	10	3.0	0		
G Gibson	4	61	13.0	2		
N Norton	4	25	7.0	2		

Cut Off Point (5)	
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5 Using table (b) what is the cut off point for inclusion in the pitching list for the Aces team. Write it in box (5). In order to get full marks, correctly show your working.

(2 Marks)

6 In column (6) place a Y or N beside the players who make the cutoff point

(1 Mark)

7 Who does the Tournament Statisticians Report go to and in what time frame should it be sent?

(2 Marks)

Total Section 4 Mark /20
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Appendix - **Section 2 Game Scoring Commentary.**

Use this commentary to score the game in Section 2. It may be useful to detach this sheet.

**1<sup>st</sup> Inning**

- (1) Batter ONE: *ball, ball, called strike, ball* Hits a high fly ball which is caught by the pitcher right beside the on deck circle OUT.
- (2) Batter TWO: *called strike, ball* Drives a hard flat ball to centre field who makes a spectacular diving catch OUT.
- (3) Batter THREE: *called strike, foul (3B)*, Pops up behind 2nd base who calls, but can't quite reach it, and the ball drops on the ground behind him. Right field makes a throw to first base OUT.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Inning**

- (4) Batter FOUR: *ball, called strike*, Hits a high fly ball. Shortstop seems to have it covered, but drops it, then makes a bad throw to first. Batter-baserunner is already safe at first.
- (5) Batter FIVE: Drops a good bunt down first baseline. First base slips over. Catcher fields the ball and plays first for the OUT. (4) goes all the way to 3rd on the play.
- (6) Batter SIX: *called strike, foul ball (3B)*, Drives a hard ball back past the pitcher. Shortstop makes a great diving save, and attempts to make a throw to first off the ground. The throw is wild, (6) ends up on 2nd.
- (7) Batter SEVEN: *ball, swung at strike which is called an illegal pitch by the umpire, called strike* bunts to 1st base who plays to shortstop covering 3rd. (6) dives back under the tag safe.
- (8) Batter EIGHT: *ball* (7) jogs down to 2nd, catcher doesn't throw. *foul* (8) Hits to shortstop, who plays home for the OUT. (8) gets to 2nd on the play.
- (9) Batter NINE: Hits a popup just behind shortstop. Left fielder running in overcalls OUT.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Inning**

- (1) Batter ONE: *ball, called strike, foul ball*, 2nd base drops an easy catch *foul ball (3B), ball*, Next pitch hits the batter.
- (2) Batter TWO: *called strike* Hits to centrefield, one bounce off the fence. Leftfield throws to shortstop who relays to home. (1) is safe. (2) sees shortstop throw to home and goes to 3rd on the play.
- (3) Batter THREE *ball, called strike* Hits deep to rightfield who drops a straight-forward catch. (2) who had tagged up, scores. Right-field recovers and throw to shortstop who tags (3) OUT at 2nd.
- (4) Batter FOUR: *called strike, ball, swung strike, ball, foul (LF), called strike* - struck OUT.
- (5) Batter FIVE: *Ball, foul ball (LF), foul ball (LF)*, Hits the ball to centrefield. The ball bounces 2 metres in front of centrefield and then rolls between his legs. The batter who had run past first, returns to the base.
- (6) Batter SIX: *called strike, foul ball (1B)*, Hits to second base. (5) runs into the fielder OUT.

**4<sup>th</sup> Inning**

- (7) Batter SEVEN: *called strike, ball, ball, swung at strike*, Hits to 2nd base who throws to 1st for the OUT.
- (8) Batter EIGHT: *ball, called strike, ball*, Hits a foul fly which is dropped by third base, but the umpire rules that the batter had his foot on the plate when he hit the ball OUT.
- (9) Batter NINE: *ball, called strike, ball, ball, ball*

- (1) Batter ONE: *called strike* Drives straight at the pitcher who catches the ball. First base umpire calls "Dead Ball - Lead Off" OUT.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Inning

- (1) Batter ONE: Drops a bunt down first baseline. First base is slow to react and the runner is safe.
- (2) Batter TWO: *foul ball, ball* Hits the ball to the shortstop who fumbles it, but recovers in time for the OUT. (1) advances.
- (3) Batter THREE *called strike, foul ball*, Hits a fly ball just inside the fence at right field OUT. (1) goes to 3rd, and then comes home when the throw from rightfield is missed by 2nd base.
- (4) Batter FOUR: *ball, called strike, ball*, Drives to 2nd base who dives and just deflects the ball to shortstop who makes a throw to first (4) is safe. 2nd base is hurt in the dive and is replaced by N Wood.
- (5) Batter FIVE: *Called strike, foul ball, swung at strike* Catcher drops but picks up and tags the batter for the OUT.

SUBSTITUTION: For Cubs, Carter comes into pitch replacing King on the mound.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Inning

- (6) Batter SIX: Hits the catcher's glove on the swing.
- (7) Batter SEVEN: (6) takes off at pace for 2nd on the first pitch, which is hit to leftfield. (6) slides in safe under the tag at 3rd and (7) goes to 2nd on leftfielders throw.
- (8) Batter EIGHT: *called strike, ball* Hits a fly ball which drops between centre and rightfield. Both runners score.

SUBSTITUTION: The Eagles coach makes a pitching change bringing Smith onto the mound.

- (9) Batter NINE: *ball, ball*, Hits to shortstop who steps on 2nd base OUT. Seeing (9) has rounded first, shortstop throws to first. (9) keeps going to 2nd. The throw from first to second has him out cold, but 2nd base drops the ball in the tag.
- (1) Batter ONE: *ball, wild (9) goes to third, swung at strike* (1) hits out to leftfield. (9) holds up for fear of a catch, but the ball falls short of the fielder.
- (2) Batter TWO: *foul ball (3B), ball, (1) steals to 2nd. The catchers throw is cut off by the pitcher who throws back to the catcher for the OUT at home.* Hits the ball in the air down first. Rightfield makes the catch in foul territory.

SUBSTITUTION: As Cubs, take the field, Pyke replaces Timms, Foster moves around to rightfield and Dennis goes to leftfield.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Inning

- (3) Batter THREE: Hits to 3rd whose throw is way over first bases head, and the batter goes to 2nd.
- (4) Batter FOUR: *called strike, ball, foul ball (RF)* Singles to shallow right-field.
- (5) Batter FIVE: Bunts to first base who catches the ball (OUT.)
- (6) Batter SIX: *ball, called strike* Hits the ball hard into the pitcher's leg, it ricochets to 2nd base who throws to 1st (OUT.) Both runners advance.
- (7) Batter SEVEN: Hits to the first base who fields the ball himself and stands on first OUT.

Game Over.