# **NZ Girls Development Team**

### Day 1

#### Vs Sunstate Wanderers

First game of the tournament, girls were a little nervous and couldn't wait to get out on the diamond. They played very well with Matie Whitman putting the ball over the 2m outfield fence with Keri Simeon on 1 base. Jasmin Kaiarun pitched a great game. Good game of softball by both teams with us going down 3-4.

### Vs School Sport Australia

Cassie Siataga hitting an inside the diamond homerun with Clarissa Mafoe on 1, with the score at 2-1. School Sport replied with their own inside diamond homerun. We eventually went down 2-9.

### Day 2

#### Vs Australia U17

This was a tough game with the Aussie team making some good drives into the outfield, couple of errors. Lost 0-10

## **Vs NSW Country Girls**

After some stern words from coach Alex Carter the girls came out firing for this game. They made some big hits to the fence scoring runners on base, a great team effort with Jasmin Kaiaruna on the mound. Winning 12-1

#### Day 3

#### **Vs NSW Metro & Victoria Metro**

A tough game against NSW Metro, going down 0-4. A good come back in the 2nd game against Victoria Metro winning 11-4. Top of the 4th Mikayla Werahiko hit a stand up inside the park home run with loaded bases, scoring Krystal Werahiko, Keri Simeon and Emma Francis. Mikayla is a very quick runner almost catching Emma on the way home!! A good hitting game for our girls.

Day 4 is a big day for us with the cross overs and possible finals spot. We came 5th place in the pool games and play NSW Metro (4th) at 9.30am in the morning, rest of the day depends on results.

A few tired bodies and grazes but otherwise the girls are great and looking forward to tomorrow.

### Day 4

Day 4 of the tournament, we had 3 games today still with a chance of making the finals.

Game 1 Vs NSW Metro went down 2-7

Game 2 Vs NSW Vic won 7-3

Game 3 Vs Aus U17 went down 4-6

After Day 3 we placed 5th in the pool round. Today's games were still an opportunity to make the finals, but losing game 3 ended our tournament.

We had some excellent double plays, great hitting but we just couldn't string the hits together leaving runners on base and a couple of errors in the field let us down. Our battery in today's games (Gettins, Kaiaruna, Bradbrook & Francis) did a great job.

Overall the girls have enjoyed their experience and I am sure they have learnt from the experience of playing in this tournament.