

# Everybody Scores!

## DCKickball Capital Conference

Week Nine: June 20-21, 2007

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## LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Your Mom's Team 1, Campesinos 0

DC Detention 12, Red Rovers 0

Thick Femur 7, Balls Optional 6

Here for the Beer 5, Team Lush 1

AA-Team 1, Big Kids 1

Bad News Barristers 10, APCO All Stars 6

>1.4 Miles 3, YTBD 1

The Freqs 7, Sloppy Seconds 1

## RULE CLARIFICATION!

The kicker kicks the ball. The ball lands in foul territory but then **rolls back into fair territory before making it as far as 1st or 3rd base**. The kick is ... **FAIR**.

The kicker kicks the ball. The ball lands in fair territory but then rolls back to a **final stop in foul territory before making it as far as 1st or 3rd base**. The kick is ... **FOUL**.

The kicker kicks the ball. The ball flies **beyond 1st or 3rd base** and **lands outside the foul line** but then rolls back into fair territory. The kick is ... **FOUL**.

The kicker kicks the ball. The ball flies **beyond 1st or 3rd base** and **lands in fair territory** but then rolls to a stop outside the foul line. The kick is ... **FAIR**.

*So in short:*

When the contact with the ground happens **before the ball reaches 1st or 3rd** base, the deciding factor is **where the ball comes to rest** (or where it is touched by a fielder).

Does it come to rest in fair territory before 1st or 3rd base? Is it touched in fair territory before reaching 1st or 3rd base? Well, then it is FAIR. (... And note: If the ball hits the cones at 1st or 3rd base, the ball also is FAIR.)

Does it come to rest in foul territory before 1st or 3rd base? Is it touched in foul territory before reaching 1st or 3rd base? Well, then it is FOUL.

But **beyond 1st or 3rd base**, the deciding factor is **where the ball LANDS**. Does it land in fair territory? Well, then it is fair. Does it land in foul territory? Well, then it is foul.

NOTE: When touched in fair territory, the ball is fair. When touched in foul territory, the ball is foul. But a ball that is caught in foul territory is an out. And guess what, fielders. The ball is also now in play, meaning that runners can tag up and run. So even if you catch that foul and make an out, you're still going to have to watch the runners.

Oh, and those "**extra cones**" beyond 1st and 3rd base – the only reason they are there is **to help the umpires visualize the foul line**. That's the only purpose they serve.

## EXTRA BASES

We've bet you've noticed the extra base there at 1st and wondered what it's all about. Well, it's there, effectively, to make 1st base "twice as large" and help reduce collisions at that position.

The outside bag is intended for the runners; the inside bag is for the 1st baseman. It's not going to be a big deal if a runner tags the inside base. But in general, **runners** should aim for the **outside** base, and the **1st baseman** should work the **inside** base – with each staying out of the other's way.

## WEATHER REPORT

### Wednesday

**Partly Cloudy**

**Hi: 84**

Low: 65

Chance of rain: 10%

Humidity: 50%

UV Index: 9 - Very High

Sunset: 8:36 p.m.

Winds will be from the north at 13 mph.

### Thursday

**Mostly Sunny**

**Hi: 88**

Low: 70

Chance of rain: 0%

Humidity: 39%

UV Index: 9 - Very High

Sunset: 8:37 p.m.

Winds will be from the west-northwest at 12 mph.

**WEATHER POLICY:** When in doubt, go to the fields - even if the weather is messy in Bethesda or Reston or wherever. Your Capital Conference Board of Directors is constantly monitoring the weather. If games must be canceled or postponed due to weather, we will let you know by posting notice on the website and/or by e-mailing you by 5 p.m. on game day. If you hear nothing from us, it's because the GAMES ARE ON! **No news = go to the fields. And no matter what, we always go to the bar - rain or shine.**

## THIS WEEK'S MATCH-UPS

*Betting lines by JP. Picks by Hilary "HardCore" G.; Marc "Mountaineer Dude" E.; and Scott "ScottPockets" T. Lines are for entertainment purposes only, not actual wagering. Besides, you'd be a fool to bet on kickball!*

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20**

## AA-Team (-2) vs. Bad News Barristers

**6:30 p.m.**

### Field A

*Umps: 'Sinos, 1.4M*

Both of these teams need something to celebrate. And a tie would not be one such occasion. So this will be a fight to the death. ... OK. Not really. No one is going to die here. But be advised that every time you bunt, a kitten dies. However, we're not expecting many bunts in this game. These teams LOVE kittens. ... And sushi. ... But mostly kittens.

HC: BNB

MD: BNB

SP: BNB

## Here for the Beer vs. DC Detention (pick 'em)

**6:30 p.m.**

### Field B

*Umps: Freqs, Femur*

Bad news. HftB co-captain Dan R. has tendonitis in his bicep/forearm area, and it supposedly really really hurts today. The good news is that we have figured out [why he has tendonitis](#), so medical specialists can know how to begin treating the affliction. DC Detention, meanwhile, is in perfect health. And by "perfect," we mean "deep." And by "health," we mean "doo-doo."

HC: DCD

MD: DCD

SP: HftB

## Campeminos vs. >1.4 Miles (-3)

**7:15 p.m.**

### Field A

*Umps: AA-T, BNB*

If we had one of those upside down exclamation points on our keyboard, we would use it right now to over-punctuate the phrase "Ay caramba!" – because that's what one of these teams is going to be saying after this ballgame. Everyone is pulling for the Campeminos (except for the also winless Rovers). But

the Milers excel when it seems the whole world is rooting against them. Should be a muy bueno game, amigos.

*HC: 1.4M*

*MD: 1.4M*

*SP: 'Sinos*

### **The Freqs vs. Thick Femur (-4)**

**7:15 p.m.**

**Field B**

*Umps: HftB, DCD*

The two TF teams take the field to fight tonight. Freqs are on an upswing. And Femur is losing momentum – or so they say. Could these two teams meet in the middle this week? Nah. That would be a tie. And we've already had enough of those this season. But we'd still like to see both sides bash each other up real good – black and blue in more ways than one. We'll even go out on a long, long limb. This could be the Game of the Week. ... Could be.

*HC: Femur*

*MD: Femur*

*SP: Freqs*

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 21**

### **Team Lush vs. Big Kids (-2)**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Field A**

*Umps: RR, APCO*

Let us take you back to 1998 – when a few of the players from Lush and Big Kids BEGAN their adult kickball careers. That's right. If you turn over enough rocks during this game, you are bound to find a couple of players who have been playing adult kickball for almost a decade. (What were YOU doing a decade ago? ... Probably listening to Chumbawamba on your Walkman while waiting in line to see "Mulan" – or to buy a Furby) So in other words, if you attend this game, you'll be watching living history – and probably some real-time plays that look more like slow-mo plays.

*HC: BK*

MD: BK

SP: BK

YTBD (-1) vs. **Sloppy Seconds**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Field B**

*Umps: BO, YMT*

Sloppy Seconds plays a head game. Unfortunately for them, though, YTBD plays a foot game. And that spells "head trauma." Hmm. Might be time to invest in some HeadOn. (Apply directly to the forehead.)

HC: YTBD

MD: YTBD

SP: SS

**Red Rovers** vs. **APCO All Stars** (pick 'em)

**7:15**

**Field A**

*Umps: TL, BK*

Have you ever watched two little babies fight? Yeah, we know. It's awful but at the same time kinda cute. I mean, they're not really hurting each other, but they're so dang primeval about it, and they're both crying as if the world were ending. You probably know where we're going with this. Rovers + All Stars = a baby fight. Oh, you better believe both teams are going to be serious and perhaps a little vicious about it. But the rest of us will look on and say, "Aw, aren't they just adorable when they do that!"

HC: RR

MD: RR

SP: RR

**Balls Optional** vs. **Your Mom's Team** (-5)

**7:15 p.m.**

**Field B**

*Umps: YTBD, SS*

The “Your Mom’s Balls Are Optional” game is destined to be a doozie. YMT is without Captain Marc this week, who is off on his honeymoon, and the Mustarded Ones also had a tough time scoring against the winless Campesinos last week. Meanwhile, No. 13 Balls Optional put a real scare into No. 1 Thick Femur last week. So don’t let the -5 edge to YMT fool you here. This game could be absolutely delish – or so says Rachel Ray.

*HC: YMT*

*MD: YMT*

*SP: YMT*

***ETC.***

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