

2013 IFPAA 11A Tournament Team Results

Please click the "[2013 PA Northwest 50/70 Cal Ripken State Championship Tournament](#)" link in order to see the results of all of the games in pool play. As you will see, our results are as follows:

W Daniel Boone 12-2 (five innings)

W Pine Forge 6-0

W Kimberton 8-5 (they were 2 time defending state champions for our age group)

L Spring Ford 13-1 (worst defensive game we have played in 2 years and although we hit the ball hard, we hit it right at them and they made some great plays).

As a result, we were the No. 2 seed from our pool and had to play the host Audubon in the semi-finals. They were 4-0 in pool play outscoring their opponents 49-10 with 3 ten run rule victories. Two of their players tied to win the home run derby by hitting 6 out of 10 pitches out so they could hit. We lost 6-1. The frustrating thing is that even though we did not play our best, we easily could have beaten them if we had a couple of clutch hits or made a couple more plays. Our starting pitcher walked 2 batters in the top of the first and then had some bad luck with a swinging bunt and a couple of other weak ground balls that found holes in the infield for hits and we were down 3-0 with runners on second and third and one out. We brought another pitcher in and he got out of the first inning without giving up any more runs. He also pitched the rest of the game and I believe the 3 other runs he gave up were all unearned. When we were only down 3-1 we stranded second and third in the second inning on a bang bang play at first, hit into a 1-2-3 double play with bases loaded and 1 out in the third, and stranded second and third in fourth so we definitely had our chances but it just wasn't our night I guess.

Spring-Ford beat Kimberton 5-1 in the other semi-final, and last night Audubon beat Spring-Ford 10-7 in the championship to win the state and advance to regionals. Those are the only 2 teams we lost to, and because we beat Kimberton on Sunday, in our book we finished third in the state.

Also, during the skills competition on Friday night, 4 of our players won the fastest team relay race (Audubon came in second) and received trophies and 9 of our players came in second in the around the horn throwing competition (Audubon came in first) and received medals.

Although we obviously came up short of our ultimate goal, we believe the boys (and parents) had a good time and believe it was a positive experience. The boys definitely represented Ingomar well not only by how they played but also by how they acted. The umpires repeatedly commented to us not only how good of a team they are but also how good of kids they are. In fact, after our semi-final game Monday night, the home plate ump told the team in the dugout that he really enjoyed umping their games (he along with the head umpire umped all 5 of our games) and that they were his favorite team he ever umpired. Many of the Audubon volunteers said the same thing to me. And lastly and probably most importantly, the Ripken officials who were in attendance (Chuck and Tony) said the same thing. So although we came up a bit short, we are very

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proud of the boys not only for how they performed this weekend but also how they have done all tournament season. Going into last weekend, we were 13-1 and had won all of our tournaments this year (BradMarPine, Montour, Pine Richland) and as a result of last weekend we are now 16-3 and hope to finish strong at our tournament this weekend.



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The 11A tournament team finished their season by losing a heartbreaker to Bethel Park in the championship game of the IFPAA Tournament 7-6. Despite the loss, the team had an excellent season. This was their 4th tournament of the season and the team finished with **3 Championships** (Brad-Mar-Pine, Montour, Pine Richland), one runner-up (IFPAA), a third place finish in the Ripken state championships, and an excellent record of **19-4** in tournament play (**26-4** if you count pre-tournament games). Two of their four losses were to the Ripken state champion and runner-up (both of whom were from Philadelphia) so they only lost two games to teams from this area.

Including their performance as 10As last year, their record for the past 2 years is **43-11** with **6 Championships** and 2 runner-up finishes in the 9 tournaments they entered.

The members of the 2013 team were Zach Andreykovich, Eric Barbus, Walker Davidson, Ryan Feczko, Reid Fisher, Stefan Kidd, Connor McSparran, Braydon Meyers, Tyler Pullen, C.J. Weller, Chris Winger and batboy Brett McSparran.

Congratulations to the coaches (Mark Feczko, Andy Andreykovich, Chris Winger, Chris Weller and Scott McSparran) and players on a great season!