

**December 11th 2005**

Well most arrived earlier than usual and some hitting and throwing exercises took place. Kalle was back along with Daniela. Katie was also soon back to back games days. But a lot of the regular players were absent. So we had nine players at the field and one spectator. Bonnie who is a friend of Katie's came to see what all the fuss was about and yes she had to get together playing. I thought the game was a whole lot of fun. Now we

We divided into two teams of four and I was the server for the entire game. Great job I did too. Some would say that I wasn't that good but all the rest will tell you the truth. I did just fine.

Today's game had a rule change with players having to run onto one and then straight to over to base two. This is some pretty slick running. The fielding team had to get the ball throw to base one who then threw over to base two in an attempt to get the runner out. There were some big hits all of which had to touch the field before bouncing to wherever it went. So the fielders were running everywhere to get the ball the batter

Big mover in playing skills was Susanna. Since she began to get better at this game. Not a week end went by without that I met was the lucky guy who got to work with Ryan and the improvement is suddenly coming to the fore. She had some big throw to make to base two from base one and near everyone of them made it with no problem at all. I reckon there are guys out there that couldn't make those throws. She did a real good game. Kalle and Ryan who were on opposing teams kept the pressure on each other throughout the game with sneaky hits and great fielding by both players. But as this is a team effort for everyone to put in good days work. Jouni was there too. He can hit when he has to. Today he got some good hits away and ran the bases.

The weather for the day was good although the humidity was sure a killer. These nine players who were at the game today were a great mix of players. Some with skills beyond belief and others who are just starting out in the game. Everyone helped everyone. Coaching on the run was done by both teams which saw the effort lifted as the game moved on. Niina well Niina can dish some stuff up. This girl is a real neat person. Great humour and boys she can do stuff in this game. Today she got some good hits away and no matter what happened with the balls she ran the bases as hard as anyone. You know it is just good to see Niina and Susanna doing the hard yards in this game. Katie worked damn hard as well. Daniel did the bit as well. So from all the girls it was a great effort to put in as they all contributed to the results for their teams. I am again in some good fielding work with a good catch to stop Ryan from going anywhere. Oh Ryan soon changed that but he had to work damn hard to beat out some tough plays made on him.

What we need is more players to come to play. It is just that we need you guys and girls to come to games so we can play the game just like back in Finland.

Pretty soon a decision to go to Aussie will have them there. Yes anyone can go there for the Easter event in 2006 which includes plenty of traditional Finnish activities BUT to go to play pesapallo you need to be coming to games and if you come to games the chance of making the selection to go is going to be much more likely. There are some damn good players coming already so if you think you are good enough you best get along to the games.

Last game for 2005 which will see the Spring season close on Dec 18th starting at 11.30am will be a great game if players come to play. 2006 season will open first week of Feb 2006. Mark down in your reminder book that next year you will play pesapallo then do something about being at the games.

Over Christmas Susanna and maybe Ryan definitely mean and anyone else who wants to will be doing stuff pesapallo. Just contact us for details. Anyway see you at the Dec 18th game

See ya

Gavin