

Strong Pitching, Fielding Nets 9-0 Braves Win

Sometimes, it's straight out pitching that wins the day. That was the case with the 9 to 0 win by the AAA Braves who played the White Sox in a memorial game in late April.

The Braves showed the league the power of a smart, even-handed day on the mound. Among the highlights were Ari Leichenger, who pitched three innings — no-runs scored — with only one player reaching first base. Add that to Penn Lynch, who pitched two-innings no-runs scored.

The Braves also had a strong day out in the field. Jamie Matley made a great play throwing a player out at first base. Teddy Lewis and Jacob McPhail performed amazingly well as catchers. Both Ari Leichenger and Rainer Bissel each hit RBI triples, while Simon Scurlock, Michael Richards, Lance Boswell, Teddy Lewis and Ollie Olsen hit singles.

Plus the spirit of the players remained high the whole game. With kids having fun and families coming in mass to support their players, it was clear that everyone loves baseball.

- *John Leichenger*