

2016 AL PLAYOFFS SERIES

#2 Milford Dogfish vs #3 California Dreamers

All, results of Saturday's playoff series between California, and Milford...

Game 1

Dreamers.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-	4	10	0
Dogfish.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	-	2	5	0

W: Estrada (1-0), S: Uehara (1), L: Greinke (0-1)

HR: Susac (1), Conforto (1)

In a good matchup it was the California Dreamers 4, the Milford Dogfish 2 at Silver Sands Park.

California started with a bang, jumping out to an early lead in their half of the first when they came up with 3 runs on 3 hits. That was all the runs Marco Estrada needed. California had 10 hits for the game and Milford had 5.

Estrada got relief help from Koji Uehara who gained credit for his 1st save. Zack Greinke took the loss. He allowed 3 runs and 8 hits in 7 and 1/3 innings.

Game 2 - Series: CD leads series 1-0

Dreamers.....	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	-	6	10	1
Dogfish.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	1	0

W: Liriano (1-0), L: deGrom (0-1)

HR: Votto (1), Colabello 2 (2)

Francisco Liriano carried a no-hitter into the 6th inning and left fielder Chris Colabello smashed 2 homeruns and had 3 RBI as the California Dreamers bested the Milford Dogfish 6 to 0 at Silver Sands Park.

Colabello provided the offensive punch. He hit a bases-empty home run in the 2nd inning, cracked a solo homerun in the 4th inning and doubled which plated a run in the 6th inning. California managed 10 hits in their victory.

Liriano got credit for the victory, pitching 7 and 1/3 innings and allowing no runs. The left-handed Liriano lost his chance for a no-hitter when Yasmani Grandal singled with one out in the 6th inning. Jacob Degrom was the loser. He allowed 3 homeruns in 5 innings of work.

Game 3 - Series: CD leads series 2-0

Dogfish.....	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	5	-	10	13	0
Dreamers.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	-	5	12	1

W: Cole (1-0), L: Milone (0-1)
HR: Correa (1), K. Morales (1), Headley (1)

Justin Turner hit 3 doubles and had 3 RBI as the Milford Dogfish defeated the California Dreamers by the score of 10 to 5 at Morpheus Park.

Milford jumped on top of California in the 3rd inning when they tallied 2 runs on 4 hits. Milford totaled 13 hits on the afternoon.

Gerrit Cole was the winner allowing 3 runs in 6 innings. Tommy Milone ended up with the loss. He surrendered 8 hits and 6 walks in 7 innings.

Game 4 - Series: CD leads series 2-1

Dogfish.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	7	0
Dreamers.....	0	1	0	2	5	0	1	0		-	9	10	0

W: Hahn (1-0), L: Greinke (0-2)
HR: K. Morales 2 (3), Byrd (1)

Kendrys Morales blasted 2 homeruns and had 4 RBI at Morpheus Park where the California Dreamers beat the Milford Dogfish 9 to 0.

Morales had a great day at the plate. He had the crowd cheering his every move. He ripped a solo home run in the 2nd inning, lifted one out of the park for a two run home run in the 4th inning and doubled bringing in a run in the 5th inning. California had 10 hits for the game and Milford had 7.

The victory went to Jesse Hahn who went 8 innings, allowing no runs. Zack Greinke was the losing pitcher. He served up 3 gopher balls in 6 and 2/3 innings.

Game 5 - Series: CD leads series 3-1

Dogfish.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	-	2	5	0
Dreamers.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	4	0

W: Strickland (1-0), S: Fr. Rodriguez, L: Uehara (0-1)

Hunter Strickland got credit for the win at Morpheus Park as the Milford Dogfish shutout the California Dreamers 2 to 0.

Milford erupted with the game winning runs in the 9th inning scoring 2 runs utilizing 3 base hits. After two were out Justin Turner started the attack as he laced a base-knock. Greg Bird stepped up to the plate and he

doubled. Mookie Betts then tripled bringing in two baserunners. Milford managed only 5 hits on the afternoon.

Francisco Rodriguez gained credit for his 1st save. Koji Uehara ended up with the loss in relief. He surrendered 2 runs and 2 hits in 2/3 of an inning.

Game 6 - Series: CD leads series 3-2

Dreamers.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	-	4	8	0
Dogfish.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	-	5	13	0

W: G. Cole (2-0), L: Soria (0-1)
HR: Sano (1), Grandal 2 (2)

Catcher Yasmani Grandal ripped 2 homeruns as the Milford Dogfish outscored the California Dreamers in 12 innings 5 to 4.

Both teams had scored 3 runs after nine full innings. Milford won it in the 12th inning. After an out was recorded, Gregory Polanco doubled. Carlos Correa stepped up next and he smacked a single resulting in an exciting win for Milford and a wild post-game celebration by the home town fans. Neither team was able to score until the 6th inning.

Gerrit Cole got credit for the victory, pitching 1 and 1/3 innings and allowing no runs. Joakim Soria as charged with the loss in relief.

Game 7 - Series: series tied, 3-3

Dreamers.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	1	0
Dogfish.....	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0		-	6	8	2

W: Greinke (1-2), Buchholz (0-1)
HR: Sano (2), Bird (1)

Zack Greinke went 8 strong innings as the Milford Dogfish outscored the California Dreamers 6 to 0.

Greinke simply dominated California. He didn't allow much, just 1 hit and no walks in 8 innings dropping his ERA from 7.71 to 4.91. The pitchers took over after the 4th inning as neither team was able to score again.

Clay Buchholz was given the loss. He was knocked around, surrendering 4 runs in 2 innings.

Milford wins the Series 4-3.

Summary

Congratulations to Frank. Great regular season posting 104 wins. This series could have easily swung in his favor. Games 5 and 6 were nail biters, while being on life support.

We were running on fumes in games 6 and 7. M. Sano injured himself the first AB of Game 3, and was virtually out the for the entire three games at CD. Justin Turner was basically out games 6 & 7, injuring himself in his first AB of game 6.

Frank's lineup hammered Greinke for two games. However, Greinke came up big in game 7.

Game 6 was insane. Grandal hit game tying HRs in the bottom of half of the 9th, and 11th, providing the opportunity for us to win in the bottom of the 12th.

Again, congratulations to Frank, twice he was a half inning away from winning the series. I got lucky.

Thanks, and good luck to the remaining playoff teams! -Glen