



## 2024 Fall Kernersville Parks and Recreation Independent League Softball Post-Season Write-Up

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**Kernersville, N.C.** – The 2024 Fall Independent League did not disappoint when it came to close matches and down-to-the-wire action. The Independent League showcased 5 teams, all competing against each other in multiple showdowns to take the top spot in regular season and in post-season play. All games were hosted at the Ivey Redmon Sports Complex in Kernersville.

In regular season play, *Century Park Tavern*, captained by Joran Shipley, made a strong case as to why they should be the #1 seed. *Century Park* started off with a 4-1 record, only falling to *Triad Auto Works* in a 14-13 game. *Century Park* continued their reign as they won 3 out of their last 4 games in the regular season.

*Stay Alert Safety Services* tabbed a few key wins throughout the year. Administrated by Ben Babcock, *Stay Alert* found themselves winning a big matchup against *Krusty Krew* late in the season in a 18-13 game. *Stay Alert* also bested the *Hubergroup Inkies* twice in the regular season.

The wildcard team of the season goes to *Krusty Krew*, steered by Blake Winebarger, as they captured 3 wins in 4 games during the back half of the season. On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, they were in a low-scoring, defensive game against *Stay Alert*. *Krusty Krew* topped their opponent by 1 run, 6 to 5, to keep themselves in the contention for the #1 seed.

Team *Hubergroup Inkies* exchanged blows with teams heavily, especially in the back half of the year. On the last night of the regular season, they put up an impressive 20 runs. Led by Seth Horniak, the *Inkies* hung around in many of their games, but ended up falling short against their competition.

*Triad Auto Works*, ushered by Zach Ransom, made little mistakes throughout the year. *Triad Auto* dominated throughout, only falling in one game to *Century Park Tavern* during the last game of the regular season. Their 9-1 record placed them at the top of the totem pole heading into post-season play.

*Century Park Tavern* stumbled early in the tournament, losing their first-round game against *Krusty Krew* 19 to 15. They quickly found their footing and went on a 3-win-run to stay alive in the double-elimination tournament. Both the *Inkies* and *Stay Alert* competed well, but *Century Park* was too much for either team. *Century Park* eventually lost in the championship game.

*Triad Auto's* commanding performance didn't stop in post-season play, as they were the eventual champions, tabbing "top-dog" notches in both regular season and tournament play. Knocking off *Krusty Krew* in the semi-finals, they just needed one win in the championship series to win the tournament. They found their win in a close 25 to 20 game against *Century Park*.

Kernersville Parks and Recreation plans to host an Independent League season in the Spring of 2025, starting in March.

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