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## Lafayette Little League Scores, April 27 - May 9

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Majors Division, April 27 - May 9

Cardinals 11 Angels 8

The Cardinals knocked the Angels from the ranks of the unbeaten, as the two teams combined for 21 hits and 19 runs. Kyle Everly was perfect at the plate and on the mound, going 3 for 3 with a ground rule double that bounced over the fence in left, and pitching a shutout inning. Matt Stanners and Ben Lenz both slammed doubles and had multi-hit games for the Redbirds, and Jack Brydon got the save with a perfect sixth inning. Doug Nimura had two hits for the Angels.

A's 8 Cubs 6

The A's led 7-3 after one, then hung on as the Cubs battled back. Chris Hansen pitched 2 and a third solid innings for the winners, while Cameron Dunmire and Zach Kramer had two hits a piece. Eric Monasevitch made a circus catch in left center to rob Lexie Shurtz of extra bases, and Jake Bequette backed closer Jake Berry in the sixth with an over the shoulder catch. The Cubs were led by the slick fielding double play combination of Drew Ventrelle and Tommy Henderson. Both had two hit games, while teammates Ryan Leamy and Jake Rowley also contributed clutch hits for the Cubs.

Cubs 3 Giants 0

Alexie Shurtz, Drew Ventrelle, and Grant Jackson combined for a one hit shutout of the Giants. Shurtz and Ventrelle threw hitless innings, facing the minimum through 4, and both contributed hits for the Cubs. Jackson added a hit that drove in 2 runs. Will Price, Ryan Leamy and Jake Rowley all tallied hits for the Cubs, with Leamy and Rowley both crossing the plate for the winners. Trevor Martinho and Jack Cassidy threw scoreless innings for the Giants. Cassidy added a hit and Adam Remotto played great defense at shortstop and catcher for the Giants to keep the game close.

Yankees 1 Dodgers 0

In a game that featured tremendous pitching and defense, the Yankees edged the

Dodgers at Buckeye Field in miserable baseball weather. In the seminal moment, Yankee Joey Hewitt launched a base hit to knock in the game winner, but Dodger centerfielder Jared Finney gunned down another runner at the plate. The Yankee pitchers made the lone run stand up, striking out 10 batters and allowing only 4 runners to reach base. The Dodger pitching was nearly equal to the task, limiting the Yankees to 5 base runners for the game.

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#### Yankees 6 A's 0

Continuing their incredible run of pitching and defense, the pinstripers limited the A's to just two hits for the game. Yankee hurlers Ben Salquist, Johnny O'Malley, Ben Miller and Will Bruekner combined for the shutout. Bruekner was dominant, retiring 6 of the 7 batters he faced on strikes. A's pitchers Jake Berry and Cameron Dunmire limited the Yankees to two runs through four, but the Yanks rallied for four more in the 6th on a double by Charlie Rogers and hits by Ryan Cardiff, Bruekner, Nathan Ferreria and John Clark McLeod. Christian Linfoot and Dunmire collected the A's hits.

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#### Angels 7 Red Sox 1

Angels pitchers Tommy Nimura, Grant Young, Cole Gallagher and Doug Nimura held the Red Sox to 1 hit and struck out 13. Tommy Nimura led the Angels offense, slamming a double, a single and 2 RBI. Grant Young, Max Flower, Daniel Kim, Josh Goodell and Chad Johnson also chipped in with singles. Brady Aiello and Matt Jorgensen both had outstanding efforts on the mound for the Red Sox, and Jorgensen collected the lone Redsox hit.

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#### Dodgers 6 Cardinals 1

Jack Eisner and Jessie Longchamps clubbed homeruns for the Dodgers, who got great pitching from Longchamps, Alex Baldwin and Matt Bostwick to preserve the win. Cardinals hurler Matt Stanners held the Dodgers in check with three scoreless innings on the hill to open the game before the Dodger bats came to life with the long balls and a two run double by Jackson Taylor. The Cards pushed across a run in the fifth on successive hits by Ben Lenz, Casey Harrington, Jack Deveny and a walk to Trent Nemanic.

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#### Cubs 3 Cardinals 0

Tommy Henderson, Drew Ventrelle, and Alexie Shurtz combined to pitch a 3-hit shutout for the Cubs, who moved in to a 3-way tie atop the Majors standings. The

close game was in doubt until Kaj Simonsen drove in the game winning run with a single in the 4th inning. Alexander Grace and Will Price added run-scoring singles for the winners, and Leo Barakos chipped in with a hit. Ventrelle threw 2 2/3 hitless innings, had a hit, and scored a run. Behind the plate for the Cubs, Henderson gunned down 4 would-be base stealers. For the Cardinals, Matt Stanners was dominant on the mound, throwing 3 hitless innings to open the game. Casey Harrington, Kyle Everly, and Max Burdock banged out hits for the Redbirds.

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#### Yankees 4 Redsox 2

Nathan Ferreira slugged a two-run homer to deep center to give the Yanks a dramatic victory at Buckeye Field. The Red Sox jumped out to an early lead with hits from Matt Jorgensen, Mike Fink and an RBI by Grant Goepel. Meanwhile, Redsox ace, Brady Aiello, kept the Yankees scoreless for three innings. But the Yankees offense tied the game with hits from Joey Hewitt, Jack Thoren and Devin Regan, setting the stage for Ferreira's heroics. With the win, the Yankees staked claim to a tie for first with the Angels and Cubs.

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#### A's 8 Angels 6

The A's knocked off the 1st-place Angels in a game that saw both teams dig deep into their bullpens. Jake Berry, doing his best Roy Hobbs impersonation, opened the scoring in the 1st with a three-run homer that banged off the scoreboard behind the centerfield fence. The Angels answered with three in the first and one in the second on two hits a piece by Grant Young and Max Flower and a run-scoring single by Doug Nimura. The A's took the lead on the strength of clutch hits by Chris Hansen, Eric Monasevitch and Cameron Dunmire, then withstood an Angels rally that had the tying run at the plate in the sixth. Ryan Levy and Joey Layshock each pitched scoreless innings for the A's, and Tommy Nimura pitched a perfect 6th for the Halos.

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#### AAA Division, April 27 – May 9

##### A's 13 Giants 2

The Athletics got two hits a piece from Paul Griessel and Gordon Kerns to down their cross-bay rivals at Cheney Field. Brad Robison was dominant on the hill for the A's, pitching two shutout innings with 5 strikeouts. Tom Caprio scored three runs for the winners, and Cam Burrill and Robison both added hits and scored twice. For the Giants, Matthew Moorehead made 3 great plays in the infield, and Sam Stack made an unassisted double play. Tom Shin also contributed for the Giants with several great plays at second base.

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### Dodgers 6 Cubs 4

In the deciding rally, the Dodgers played little ball, then big ball, with Bradford Zamanian setting up the inning with a clutch bunt, and Dexter Varrelmann and Tyler Ewing ripping back to back doubles. Zamanian and Anthony Schatz both pitched scoreless innings for the winners. The Cubs were led by the clutch hitting of Justin Pratt and Tyler Whelehan.

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### Yankees 7 Cardinals 6

The undefeated Yankees overcame the weather and a tough Cardinals squad to win a closely contested ballgame. Tomas Martinho and Ben Ross each drove in two with clutch singles in the 4th inning as the Bronx Bombers climbed back from a 6 to 1 deficit to tie the game. Nicky Henderson ripped a double to start the fifth, and eventually scored on a safety squeeze by Colin Fogarty to put the Yankees up for good 7 to 6. Kyle Bunting pitched well for the Yanks, and Fogarty notched a two-inning save. For the Cardinals, David Severet lashed two singles and Kyle Ashburn scored twice.

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### Marlins 8 Giants 4

For the Fish, pitchers Jack Lewerenz and Troy Ganter held the Giants to 4 runs and combined for 11 strikeouts. At the plate, the Marlins were led by Jonathan Barnes' clutch double and timely hits from Lewerenz and Harley Mckee. The Giants mounted a comeback in the 5th behind a single by Sean Ortlieb and Mathew Moorehead's double that drove in two. The Marlins hung on for the win, thanks to a game-ending gem at third by Bobby Stearns.

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### Angels 10 A's 10-

In a back and forth contest that settled nothing, the Giants and A's staged multiple rallies in an exciting game at Cheney Field. The Angels rallied to tie late in the game and took the lead behind 3 RBI from Jules O'Donnell, and key hits by Brian Merken, Michael Green, and Jake Kisabeth. Back came the A's, behind key hits by Aidan McNamara, Paul Griessel, Wayle Hawkins and Brian Hemmenway, who cracked a clutch single to knock in the tying run. Tom Caprio starred on the mound for the A's, notching four strikeouts in his two innings of work. The game was not over until the final out settled into the glove of Chase Maderious, who made a nice running catch.

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### Angels 8 Dodgers 4

The Halos topped the previously undefeated Dodgers behind the stellar pitching of Brian Merkin, Ryan Regan and Nick Price, and game saving catches by Connor Ogro, Will Rembac, and Michael "Stretch" Green, at first base. The Dodgers were led by the lights out pitching of Jason Cornell and Tyler Ewing, who combined to strike out 9 of the 16 batters faced. Michael Everton scored 3 times for big blue, who got key hits from Dexter Varrelman, Anthony Schatz and Connor McCarthy.

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### A's 14 Cardinals 12

The A's edged the Cards in a barn burner, backed by Will Grace and Ryan Burnett's multi-hit games, and a clutch triple by Tim Sears that plated two. Brad Robison starred on the mound for the green and gold, and Paul Griessel earned the save. The Cardinals were led by Kyle Ashburns 3 hits, and their slick fielding shortstop, Seppi Ortman.

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### Yankees 11 Mets 6

The Yankees tallied 15 hits in the win against its cross town rivals. Nico Martinsen led the Yankee attack, going 2 for 3 at the plate with an RBI triple to right-center. Ben Ross, Colin Fogarty, Nicky Henderson and Bryan Bamford all had 2 hits a piece, while pitchers Matty Vicencio and Henderson combined to hold the Mets scoreless in their 4 innings of work. The Mets were lead by Daniel Kim who was 2 for 4 on the night including a big 2 RBI double and 2 runs scored. Kim also started on the mound and held the potent Yankee offense to just 1 run on no hits.

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### Dodgers 8 Redsox 1

Tyler Ewing's RBI triple broke open a close game and supported his own cause on the mound. Dodger hurlers Ewing and Bradford Zamanian threw two scoreless innings each, and Michael Everton ripped a clutch hit for the Dodgers. The Redsox got a shutout inning from Dylan DeCool and an RBI double from Robby Rowell.

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### Angels 13 Giants 5

Elliot May ushered in his favorite month with a homerun over the left field fence to power the Angels to victory. The Halos got great pitching from Brian Merken, Jules O'Donnell, Mitchell Smith and Ryan Regan, while Michael Green, Will Rembac, Connor Ogro and Chase Maderious contributed with the gloves. For the Giants, Michael Nelsen pitched two shutout innings, and Cameron Price banged out two

hits.

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### Cubs 5 Marlins 3

The Cubs and Marlins made up their recent rain out with a classic pitchers' duel. Solid pitching performances were turned in by Cubs Bradley Altbaum, Michael Bone and Ty Whelehan, and Marlins Harley McKee and Troy Ganter. Timely hitting by Justin Pratt, Adrian Guzman and Connor Yee was the difference for the Cubs.

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### Dodgers 15 Giants 8

The Dodgers bats remained hot in their victory at Cheney Field. Tyler Ewing and Michael Everton both had multi-hit games for the winners, and Dexter Varrelmann scored 3 times. On the mound, Ewing struck out the side in his inning of work. The Giants got two solid innings from Michael Nelson, who struck out four.

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### Yankees 10 Redsox 8

The Yankees raced to a 6-0 lead on the strength of Kevin McConnell's 2 strong innings and Matty Vicencio's lead off triple in the first. Vicencio added another single later in the game and scored 3 times. Justin Plummer ripped 2 singles and 2 RBIs for the Bronx Bombers, and Ben Ross reached base all 3 times. The Red Sox battled back to pull within a run of their rivals behind the clutch hitting of Robby Rowell who had 2 of the Red Sox 3 hits on the day. Yankee closer Colin Fogarty earned the save, retiring the Redsox in order to end the game.

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### A's 7 Cubs 5

Brad Robison's perfect day at the plate led the A's to a tight win. Tim Sears, Gordon Kerns, Paul Griessel, Brian Hemmenway, Wayne Hawkins and Aidan McNamara all had key hits for the A's. Robison had 3 strikeouts in his two innings on the mound and combined with William Grace and Tim Sears to surrender only 2 walks for the game.

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