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Little League Teams Battle for Championship

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The Angels celebrate their victory Photo Andi Kohen

AAA Division, Championship

Redsox 4 Angels 3

The AAA Championship series saw the Angels, who had battled through the loser's bracket, take game one, but finally succumb to the Redsox in a nail biter at Buckeye. The Angels opened the scoring in the first on a single by Jules O'Donnell, but the Redsox answered in the second, plating three on doubles by Jerry Liu and Nathan Tarkoff, then adding another in the 5th on an RBI double by Robby Rowell. The Angels battled back with runs in the fifth and sixth on hits by Michael Green, Chase Wheeler and another RBI single by O'Donnell, but fell just short. The Sox were led on the mound by Matt Clark, Gareth Kwok, Nathan Tarkoff, and Robby Rowell, while Brian Merken, Will Rembac, Nick Price and Ryan Regan starred on the hill for the Angels.

Majors Division, Championship

Angels 3 Dodgers 1

The Angels pitchers continued their post season dominance as they gave up only 2 hits and struck out 13 to earn the right to represent Lafayette Little League in the District 4 Tournament of Champions. The Angels jumped out to a 2-0 lead on a single by Tommy Nimura, a double by Max Flower and a two-out double to the fence by Brian Stone. The Dodgers battled back in the fourth, as Jared Finney led off the inning with a single, and Jack Eisner drove him in with a double to right. The Halos got the run back in the bottom of the inning, as Flower singled and then stole 2 bases while Doug Nimura battled through a 12- pitch at bat. Bryan Stone then hit a shallow foul pop fly to left. Greg Genovese raced in and made a sparkling sliding catch, but the speedy Flower scampered home with the final run of the game. Fireballing lefty Grant Young closed out the Dodgers with two innings of hitless relief.



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