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Majors Division

Cubs 5 Redsox 2

Jack Thoren's bases loaded double put the game out of reach, as the Cubs held off the Redsox. Matthew Moorehead pitched a scoreless inning, had a hit, and scored two runs for the Cubs. The Cubs also had solid hitting from Michael Fink and Wayne Hawkins. The Redsox were led by Zach D'Amante, who pitched a shutout inning and drove in a run. Brian Maiken also pitched a strong inning for the Sox, and Elliot May scored a run.

Reds 9 Giants 4

The Big Red Machine got their season started on a winning note as Danny Padilla and Brad Robison each drove in three runs with key hits. Teammates Chris Nelson and the aptly named Cannon Armistead starred on the mound. The Giants were led by John Connor Ogro's perfect day at the plate and speedy Dexter Varrellman's two stolen bases. Michael Bone kept the Reds scoreless in his inning of work on the mound.

Cubs 9 Phillies 7

Nine different Cubs scored in the team's 9-7 victory over the Phillies. Jonathan Barnes' two RBI singles put the Cubs ahead to stay in the fourth inning. Drew Ventrelle was 3-for-3 with two doubles, Michael Fink doubled and scored, and Jack Avery had an RBI single for the Cubs. Zach Kramer went 2-for-3 scoring two runs and Connor Yee and Adrian Guzman each had a hit and scored a run for the Phillies.

Cubs 7 Yankees 2

Ryan Cardiff had two hits and scored two runs while Joey Berzins and Wayne Hawkins each had a hit and scored a run as the Cubs continued their hot start to the season. Drew Ventrelle, Ty Whelehan, Evan Levy, and Jack Avery combined to limit the Yankees to only one hit, a single by Kevin Hanan. Ryan Levy and Kyle Ashburn scored the Yankee runs, and Charlie Rosenthal turned in a shutout inning on the mound.

Reds 4 Giants 0

The Reds stayed hot behind the stellar pitching of John Bindi and the torrid hitting of Cannon Armistead and Jake Rowley. Both Reds batters went 2-for-3, with Rowley striking the game's big blow, a bases loaded double in the third. The Redsox got strong pitching performances from Will Rembac and Andrew McKendell, and a perfect day at the plate from Marcell Meuller.

AAA Division

Cubs 12 Giants 4

The Cubs pounded out eight hits, including a triple by James Park and a two-bagger by Enzo Sereno. The winners got an inning each of shutout pitching from Cole Christensen, Colin Kirbach, Travis Aristead, and Ryan Nagle. The Giants were led by Brandon Hitchcock's two runs batted in, and Dylan Decool's shutout inning on the hill. Alex Wahl also notched his first career RBI.

Athletics 7 Rangers 3

The A's got dominating pitching performances from Nathan Tarkoff, Ethan Fox and Ryan Summerlin, all three striking out the side in their one-inning stints on the mound. Cameran Price was perfect at the plate and Tyler Schenone scored two runs for the winners. For the Rangers, Rory Miller turned in a perfect inning while striking out two, and Brian Merken and Casey Conrad each drove in a run with a hit. Ryan Nall chipped in with a hit and a run scored.

Yankees 8 Angels 8

A great game was played until nighfall, as the Yankees and Angels fought to a flat-footed tie. The pin-strippers got two hits apiece from Michael Williams and Grant Malmquist and a triple to deep center by Cole Lauritzen. Garrett Dunn pounded a double and a single to lead the Angel attack. Halo hurlers Timmy Wong, Jake Lilienstein and Ian Archer each turned in gems on the mound.

Reds 2 Padres 1

Pitching was the storyline in season opener for both teams. Padres hurlers Travis Brainerd, Michael D'Amant, Justin Bocks and Michael Ferreira allowed only 3 hits over the four-inning, darkness-shortened game. The Reds' staff was even more stingy, as Sam Stack, Cole Goddard, Aidan Alagappan and Scott Brydon combined for a no-hitter. Jordan Goodfriend led the Reds offense, scoring twice and doubling down the right field line.

Reds 6 Giants 5

Down 5-1 in the bottom of the sixth, the Reds stormed back for the win. Ben Stoddard, Rajiv Govindjee and Sam Stack all scored runs in the rally on the strength of run-scoring hits by Aidan McNamara and Nick Wilson. Scott Brydon capped the comeback with a two run double to tie it, and then stole home for the game-winner. Jordan Goodfriend threw two shutout innings for the Reds. Giant pitchers Brandon Hitchcock, Nick Schirmer, Drake Fettig, Daniel Dinerman and Dylan DeCool silenced the Reds' bats through five, allowing only one run while recording eight strikeouts. Alex Wahl and Fettig each went 3 for 3 for the Giants.

Rangers 11 Yankees 10

In a barnburner at Cheney Field, the Yankees scored five to tie the game in the sixth, only to see the Rangers push across the game winner in the bottom of the inning. Reider Martinsen led the Yankee attack with a double and a

triple, and Mason Larrick was on base three times, and scored three runs. Michael Wheeler and John Feddersen made great running catches in the outfield for the Yankees. For the Rangers, Ryan Pellegrini banged out three hits and Justin Pratt, Rory Miller and Andy Hyatt each chipped in with two. Ryan Nall and Casey Conrad each pitched a shutout inning for the Texans.

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The Cubs got solid pitching and strong defense in the win. Bobby Poole, Ben Lauer, and Connor McCarthy each threw shutout innings for the Cubs. In the field, James Park turned in several fine plays at second base, and Jake Stone made a sparkler in centerfield. Travis Armistead spearheaded the Cubbies offense with a two-run triple.

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