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Lafayette Little League

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Majors Division

Giants 6 Mets 5

The Giants and Mets opened the regular season with a bar burner. The New Yorkers erased an early 2-0 deficit when Seppi Ortman's crushed a three-run homer in the third inning. Then, in the top of the fifth, after Dylan DeCool led off with a triple, Kyle Mizell's slammed a towering three-run blast to put the Giants ahead to stay. In the field for the Mets, Connor Schultz made several clutch plays on defense, while Carter Lom and Cole Christensen each had strong outings on the mound. The Giants pulled it out with eight hits by six different players, including pivotal base knocks by Joshua Matz, Michael Williams, and Julian O'Donnell.

Giants 11 Cardinals 4

The Giant bats were awake from the start as they tallied eight runs in the first two innings of the game, led by key hits from Ross Ney and Jack Wickline. On the mound, DeCool held the Cards to a single run in the early innings, before Nicholas Broback and Justin Bocks came in to pitch in relief. Kevin Tuholski and Brian Merken starred at the plate for the Redbirds, and Ben Ross notched a scoreless inning of relief. Jared Kolsut's double in the alley gave the Cardinals late hope, but Giants preserved the win.

Phillies 5 Indians 0

Matty Vicensio and Tyler Ewing pitched and hit the Phils to victory at Buckeye Field. Each pitched three shutout innings and had run-scoring hits for the winners. With a slim 1-0 lead in the fifth, Robby Goldman gave his fellow Phillies some breathing room with a two-run double. For the Indians, Tyler Schenone pitched two shutout innings and Matt Burns went two-for-two against the flame throwing Philly pitchers.

White Sox 5 Giants 3

The White Sox cooled off the Giants' hot bats behind the clutch pitching of Jake Finegold and Nicki Wixom. Wixsom also drove in two runs at the plate. Ryan Dougerty and Colin Kirbach had run-scoring hits for the winners.

Indians 6 Cubs 0

Nicholas Shirmer, Simon Oh and Schenone combined to shutout the Cubbies in both teams' opener at Buckeye Field. Henry Rogers, Josh Thuma, Ethan Frigon and Aidan Allagappan all had key hits for the Indians, who scored in every inning. William Grace and Jordan Goodfriend pitched well for the Cubs, keeping their team in the game.

AAA Division

Orioles 11 Red Sox 2

The Orioles rode the strong arms of David Sniderman, Cole Murgia and Sam Heyman to victory. Drew Campillo and Heyman provided the offense for the O's, slamming two hits apiece. Spencer Tompkins and Sam Hagel also had hits for the Orioles. For the Red Sox, Tyler Smith pitched two scoreless innings, and Thomas Hunt and Brendan Tyholski rapped out key hits in a losing effort.

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