

# Little leaguers battle for top in NF-WB play

**AMERICAN MINORS**

This week's action in the NF-WB American Minors saw the Red Sox come from behind in the bottom of the sixth to cap a thrilling 14-13 win over the Twins. The Twins, sparked by the bats of Rob Shapiro and Billy Dahl, scored seven runs in the top of the sixth inning to go ahead 13 to 10. The Sox's Tom Zimmerman had three hits, including the game-winning three-run homer in the bottom of the sixth. Teammate David Miller pitched a no-hitter with Allen Hoss starting in the hitting and Scott Knott and John Crowley in fielding. Dean Temple came through in the mound for the Twins.

Twins snapped their losing streak by beating the Indians 8-7. Huston David Mark did a fine job at baserunning and Mike Morganstien at fielding. Teammate Peter May starred in defense. The Indians saw super pitching from Mike Rasmus and strong defensive moves from Mark Carner and Mike Haffel.

The Indians bounced back to retake out a 7-6 victory over the Twins in a make-up game. Gordy LaFontaine smashed a run and stole home to score the winning run in the sixth inning. Indian Mark Ruskak had a big day in fielding and hitting.

The Yankees got an all-important 9-4 win over the Angels, including a double in the sixth by Mike Kotler to start the winning rally. Teammate Gregg Klenke had two homers and three RBIs.

**AMERICAN PONY**

The Tigers remain in first place in NF-WB's Pony American League. Mike Schupp scored four runs to aid in the 18-4 victory of the Orioles. Andrew Griffin hit a single and a home run for the Orioles.

Jerry Scanlan struck out 16 batters as the Yankees defeated the Athletics 9 to 4. A seven-inning double play with the bases loaded secured a 6-0 win for the Indians over the Senators. Jon Sweland stole home twice.

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Although Wayne Nostad pitched a strong game, the Red Sox won 3-2 Matt Pokryski had two RBIs.

**FEDERAL T-BALL**

The NF-WB Federal T-Ball got off to a good start in the second half of the season with the Mets and Brewers tied for first place, each with 2 and 6 records after Wednesday night's games. The two teams were to meet and determine the league champion Saturday at Ely North, but Friday night's rain forced a postponement. The Brewers are undefeated since opening day, and the Mets only lost was at the bat of the first-half champion Brewers. The make-up game must still be rescheduled.

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**NATIONAL MINORS**

In the NF-WB National Minors, the Dodgers won both their games this week, getting off to a strong start in the second half of the season. The Dodgers first beat the Phillies 3-0. Matt Shepard of the Dodgers hit four for four, including a single, double, triple and a home run. Vince Jananus pitched a tough three innings, allowing only three runs. For the Phillies, Jeff Romagen got a home run and pitched one strong inning.

The Dodgers next faced the Pirates, who ended the first half in a tie for first place. The Dodgers posted a 4-1 win. Manager Yale Shepard's Dodger pitchers, Matt Shepard and Vince Jananus, came through allowing only three hits and one run.

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**SENIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL**

Liz Rambon pitched her first shut out of the season for the undefeated Fireflies to give them a 12-0 win against the Gold-diggers. Claire Duvysters hit a home run for the Fireflies, and Carolyn Rambon had two doubles and a triple.

The Streakers beat the Angels 12-7, with Pat Doherty pitching for the Streakers and Dena Gelazyd hitting two doubles.

In addition to pitching a shut out against the Ragamuffins, Liz Lynn Linsche had two home runs for the Chargers. Lyni Mendel added a home run for the Chargers' 17-0 win against the Ragamuffins.

The Honeybees defeated the Butterflies 22-11. Wendy Cohen pitched the win with the constant backing of her infielders. Megan Sanders, Cindy Spohn and Pam Jackson.

Thursday at Ward Eagle, the Gold-diggers lost to Angels 2-3. The Angels drove in 13 runs in the first inning, including one by Lynn Gerber. While warming up before the game, Angels player Kath Keeler broke her jaw.

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