

Pitchers Dominate Les Anders Action

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Prep pitchers took control of the Les Anders baseball quarterfinal tournament action with the victors winning by a total of six runs.

The 17-school field has been narrowed to four. Highly-favored Redford Union came from behind to tip Bishop Borgess, 6-4; Southfield Lathrup squeezed past North Farmington, 1-0; Thurston pushed across a run in the last of the ninth to upend Churchill, 2-1; and Westland John Glenn tipped Livonia Stevenson in the ninth, 2-0.

The semifinal action is slated for Monday, May 28 at Ford Field.

Redford Union goes against Southfield Lathrup at 6 p.m. with Thurston against John Glenn at 8:30 p.m.

The two survivors will clash Wednesday, May 30, at Ford in the 7:30 p.m. finale.

RU Upends Borgess

Bishop Borgess and Coach Jim Brisky were after the Les Anders trophy but knew they had a good team in RU in the way to the semifinals. Borgess jumped to a 4-0 lead in the second. Brisky was confident he had a winner in his ace hurler Reese Dobrick.

The Spartans started in the first when Dan Kelly singled, stole second and moved to third on Winfield's out. With two out, Kelly outsmarted RU hurler Tom Nippa and stole home.

Borgess made it 4-0 in the second. After Nippa had struck out the first two batters, Dominic Manzi unleashed a four-bagger.

Kelly followed with a single. Kevin Killeen was hit by a pitched ball and Mike Miosch singled to score Kelly and Killeen.

RU woke up in the third to come within one. With one out, Nippa doubled, Mike Kalil walked and Gary Fuks was hit by a Dobrick pitch to fill the sacks. Mark Yourcheck singled in one run and Glenn Richmond doubled and it was Borgess, 4, RU, 3.

RU took the lead in the fourth on a walk to Tom Forma. Tom Utch was safe on an error and with two out, Kalil doubled over the left fielder's head.

RU Coach Bob Atkins replaced Nippa with Gary Fuks in the fifth. He held Borgess to one hit, striking out six in picking up the save.

Gary Percha replaced Dobrick on the Borgess mound and RU tallied in the fifth. After two outs, Ron Campbell singled, Lupe Bravo walked and Forma singled in Campbell.



HEATED DISPUTE --Bishop Borgess Coach Jim Brisky went at it with the home plate umpire when he ruled a triple play against his team in a game with Redford Union Les Anders in the tourney. His heated words paid off, the triple play was reversed but his Spartans lost the game, 6-4. (Observer photo)



STOLEN BASE --Thurston's Gary Chapell slides past the outstretched glove of Churchill shortstop Brian Kelly in quarterfinal

Lathrup Nips North

Southfield Lathrup moved into the semifinals, squeezing across a run in the seventh to nip North Farmington, 1-0.

Lathrup hurler Ron Silverstein recorded his second win of the tourney, holding North to just one hit, walking three and striking out 10.

North's second batsman Mike Combes was the only thing between the Lathrup pitcher and a no-hitter. A double off the bat of Combes in the first inning was all North could muster.

North hurler Kim Parker had a two-hitter going into the seventh.

Jeff Watkins opened the stanza with a single and Lathrup second baseman Barry Brodsky singled to put runners on first and second.

Mike Kemper sacrificed the runners along. Jim Lechner followed with a bunt which North catcher Tom Hamilton booted and Watkins scampered in.

Churchill Falls, 2-1

A two out single by John Roy with runners on first and third in the ninth spelled the difference in a 2-1 victory for Thurston over Livonia Churchill.

Thurston lead tallied once in the fifth and Churchill managed to tie it up in the seventh to force it into extra innings.

Churchill Coach Roger Frayer started ace Ken Wood and the Eagle batsmen touched him for one in the fifth.

With one out, Gary D'Ascenzo singled and Tom Dowdy walked. D'Ascenzo went to third on a wild pitch and Dowdy stole second. A sacrifice fly by Roy made it 1-0 Thurston.

Les Anders Box Scores

RU 6, BORGESS 4

BISHOP BORGESS	REDFORD UNION
Kelly, 4-2-2-0	Kelly, 4-2-2-0
Manzi, 1-0-0-0	Manzi, 1-0-0-0
Dobrick, 1-0-0-0	Dobrick, 1-0-0-0
Percha, 1-0-0-0	Percha, 1-0-0-0
Forma, 1-0-0-0	Forma, 1-0-0-0
Utch, 1-0-0-0	Utch, 1-0-0-0
Kalil, 1-0-0-0	Kalil, 1-0-0-0
Fuks, 1-0-0-0	Fuks, 1-0-0-0
Richmond, 1-0-0-0	Richmond, 1-0-0-0
Nippa, 1-0-0-0	Nippa, 1-0-0-0
Brisky, 1-0-0-0	Brisky, 1-0-0-0
Totals, 25-7-7-7	Totals, 25-7-7-7

THURSTON 2, CHURCHILL 1

CHURCHILL	THURSTON
Wood, 1-0-0-0	Wood, 1-0-0-0
Frayer, 1-0-0-0	Frayer, 1-0-0-0
Chapell, 1-0-0-0	Chapell, 1-0-0-0
Kelly, 1-0-0-0	Kelly, 1-0-0-0
Manzi, 1-0-0-0	Manzi, 1-0-0-0
Dobrick, 1-0-0-0	Dobrick, 1-0-0-0
Percha, 1-0-0-0	Percha, 1-0-0-0
Forma, 1-0-0-0	Forma, 1-0-0-0
Utch, 1-0-0-0	Utch, 1-0-0-0
Kalil, 1-0-0-0	Kalil, 1-0-0-0
Fuks, 1-0-0-0	Fuks, 1-0-0-0
Richmond, 1-0-0-0	Richmond, 1-0-0-0
Nippa, 1-0-0-0	Nippa, 1-0-0-0
Brisky, 1-0-0-0	Brisky, 1-0-0-0
Totals, 25-7-7-7	Totals, 25-7-7-7

LATHRUP 1, N. FARM. 0

NORTH FARMINGTON	LATHRUP
Dobrick, 1-0-0-0	Dobrick, 1-0-0-0
Percha, 1-0-0-0	Percha, 1-0-0-0
Forma, 1-0-0-0	Forma, 1-0-0-0
Utch, 1-0-0-0	Utch, 1-0-0-0
Kalil, 1-0-0-0	Kalil, 1-0-0-0
Fuks, 1-0-0-0	Fuks, 1-0-0-0
Richmond, 1-0-0-0	Richmond, 1-0-0-0
Nippa, 1-0-0-0	Nippa, 1-0-0-0
Brisky, 1-0-0-0	Brisky, 1-0-0-0
Totals, 25-7-7-7	Totals, 25-7-7-7

GLENN 2, STEVENSON 0

JOHN GLENN	STEVENSON
Wood, 1-0-0-0	Wood, 1-0-0-0
Frayer, 1-0-0-0	Frayer, 1-0-0-0
Chapell, 1-0-0-0	Chapell, 1-0-0-0
Kelly, 1-0-0-0	Kelly, 1-0-0-0
Manzi, 1-0-0-0	Manzi, 1-0-0-0
Dobrick, 1-0-0-0	Dobrick, 1-0-0-0
Percha, 1-0-0-0	Percha, 1-0-0-0
Forma, 1-0-0-0	Forma, 1-0-0-0
Utch, 1-0-0-0	Utch, 1-0-0-0
Kalil, 1-0-0-0	Kalil, 1-0-0-0
Fuks, 1-0-0-0	Fuks, 1-0-0-0
Richmond, 1-0-0-0	Richmond, 1-0-0-0
Nippa, 1-0-0-0	Nippa, 1-0-0-0
Brisky, 1-0-0-0	Brisky, 1-0-0-0
Totals, 25-7-7-7	Totals, 25-7-7-7

FALCON NETMEN JAR WATERFORD

Farmington High netters won first and third singles and all doubles to upend Waterford in an Inter-Lakes Conference match, 5-4.

It was the Falcons' second win in the league against one defeat and third overall in eight outings.

The results:

SHOLES
NO. 1 - Miles Bentley (F) defeated Steve

June (W), 6-2, 6-3

NO. 2 - Barb Archambeau (W) defeated Tom Benson (F), 6-1, 6-2

NO. 3 - John Hombie (F) defeated Tom Riggs (W), 6-4, 2-6, 6-4

NO. 4 - Valerie Traylor (W) defeated Greg Larson (F), 6-2, 6-2

NO. 1 - Dave Zelenak and Bob Williams (F) defeated Dave Hegarty and Jeff Hays (W), 3-6, 6-3, 6-1

NO. 2 - Mark Gray and Bob Boston (F) defeated Warren Weberman and Pat Daly (W), 6-4, 6-4

NO. 3 - Brad Skutumpah and Greg Yauich (F) defeated Bob Ayotte and Tom Riggs (W), 3-6, 6-4

action of the Les Anders baseball tourney. Thurston slipped by Churchill in nine innings, 2-1. (Observer photo by Tom Donoghue)

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Churchill was having its troubles against Eagle hurler Ray Ivey.

The Chargers did manage to load the bases in the fourth with one out. Ivey got Brian Kelly to strike out and Phil Skender to pop out to second and the rally was halted.

With two gone in the seventh and two strikes on Mike Gottshall, the Chargers came to life.

Gottshall singled, stole second and dashed in to tie in up on a single by Bobby Blaies.

Churchill then went down 1-2-3 in both the eighth and ninth innings.

Thurston was facing Charger reliever Dale Panzoff in the ninth. With one out, Mike Robinson singled, stole second and D'Ascenzo was safe on an error.

Dowdy tapped a roller to Skender at second, who

tagged out D'Ascenzo. The relay to first was a second too late, putting runners on first and third with two out.

Roy laced a single between short and third and it was all over.

Rockets Win In 9th

It took John Glenn nine innings, but it managed to push across two runs in the top of the ninth to out Livonia Stevenson, 2-0.

It was a pitcher's battle all the way with Glenn's Jeff Hodgkins giving up three hits in the nine innings, walking none and striking out 13.

Stevenson's Tom Centers pitched equally as well, giving up seven hits, walking three and striking out 13.

Glenn's biggest scoring threat came in the first when it had two runners on and one out. Centers bore down and struck out the next two Rockets to stop that threat.

Stevenson also had two baserunners in the first with Hodgkins striking out Don Finn to end that rally.

It came down to the top of the ninth.

Hodgkins went down swinging for out No. 1 but Centers lost his mark and walked Jeff Brittain. Craig Linton singled and Ken Sampson drew a walk to fill the sacks.

Centers got Steve Kaufman on strikes for out No. 2 but Jack Peet laced a hit into right, two runners scoring.

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