



"The Road to the Little League World Series Starts Here"

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MARATHON FIRST NIGHT AS THE ROAD TO THE LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES STARTS

The "Road to the Little League World Series" in Williamsport, Pa. started with the opening night of the Little League Ontario District 1 Major Championship.

In the opening game of the tournament, held in Stoney Creek, High Park defeated Erindale by a final score of 10-1 after an hour and a half rain delay in the top of the fourth inning. For High Park, Nathan Arruda went 6 innings, allowed one earned run on three hits and struckout 12 batters. At the plate, Christopher Nolfi went 3 for 4, all singles, in High Park's win. For Dundas, Connor McCarthy had a single and a walk. Deep Desai was a special pinch runner for C. McCarthy in the third inning and scored Erindale's lone run on Joshua Slater's RBI single.

TEAM	INNINGS						TOTAL		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
High Park	2	0	0	0	0	8	10	13	1
Erindale	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	4

In the second game of the night Oakville and Stoney Creek had a classic game which went ten innings with Oakville coming out on top by a 2-1 score. Greg Barbuto, for Oakville, collected the win going four innings, allowing no runs on two hits and striking out four Stoney Creek batters. Mitch Over was the winning run when he was walked in on a bases loaded walk. For Stoney Creek, Nick Jambrosic went six innings, allowing one unearned run on three hits and struck out eight. At the plate, Kip Peragine, Matthew Frketich and Tyler Kamphuis each had singles for Stoney Creek.

TEAM	INNINGS										TOTAL		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	R	H	E
Stoney Creek	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3
Oakville	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	4	1

The final game of the night saw Ancaster defeat Dundas 12-1 in four innings. Nolan Roth had three singles and scored three times in three plate appearances for Ancaster. For Dundas, Aiden Kennah had an RBI double in the fourth inning.

TEAM	INNINGS						TOTAL		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
Dundas	0	0	0	1	X	X	1	1	6
Ancaster	4	3	5	X	X	X	12	10	2

The tournament now moves to Oakville for three games on Saturday July 18th, starting at 11 AM.

Teams will play five round robin games with the top four teams advancing on to the semi-finals. The semi-final winners will move on to the Championship game on Thursday, July 23rd at 7 PM, hosted by Erindale Lions Little League at Springfield Park in Mississauga.

The District 1 Champions will move on to the Little League Ontario Championship in Pembroke, Ontario hosted by Pembroke and Petawawa Little League. The Little League Ontario Champions will continue on to the Canadian Little League Championship in Val D'Or, Quebec with the winner advancing to the Little League World Series. The High Park Braves enters this year's District tournament as defending district champions.

Eleven divisions of play in Little League Baseball and Little League Softball culminate in World Series tournaments. In a 45-day period, more than 30,000 tournament games are played in more than 100 countries.

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