

# thursday's results

## Pool A

### Long Island Astros 12, Heritage 3

L.I. Astros 141 202 2 — 12 9 1  
Heritage 100 200 0 — 3 5 9

L.I.'s Vinny Carminati triples to lead off a four-run second and goes 2-for-4 with 3 runs. Heritage struggles defensively, committing errors in all but the 4th and 7th.

### Salisbury (N.C.) 2, Troy Bombers 1

Salisbury's Brandon Wyrick pitches a three-hitter.

### Long Island Astros 9, Salisbury 2

### Troy Bombers 7, Heritage 2

Heritage 010 001 0 — 2 9 3  
Troy (Ohio) 101 500 x — 7 9 1

Highlights: Troy's leadoff hitter Ryan Pearson and ninth batter Derek Harmon each collect two hits and score twice and southpaw starter Drew Hargrove leaves the bases loaded in the first and second, fanning 6 in 6 IP. Heritage strands 12 runners in the game, scattering its 9 singles.

## Pool B

### Baseball U 1, Long Island Sting 0

### Rustburg 1, Oak Ridge-Lenoir City 0

Highlights: R—Pitchers Dustin Arrowood and Brandon West combine on a two-hit shutout; Kerry Cofer drives in Sam Calohan with RBI single in the fourth.

### Baseball U 21, Rustburg 0

Baseball U 630 080 4 — 21 14 0  
Rustburg 000 000 0 — 0 4 5

### L.I. Sting 6, Oak Ridge-Lenoir 0

Oakridge 000 000 0 — 0 2 1  
L.I. Sting 003 201 x — 6 8 1

WP—Brett Schreiber  
Schreiber overcomes some wildness (6 walks) to record shutout. Twin brother Ryan Schreiber scores two runs.

## Pool C

### MacCombs Storm 14, Bedford 0

MacCombs 060 700 1 — 14 12 0  
Bedford 000 000 0 — 0 8 8

WP—Alex Pierson  
Highlights: Aaron Lafon 2-3, SB; Bryan Sanderson 2-4; Brett Dietrich 2-4, Zach Folger 2-2.

### Brookville 8, Satchel Paige A-S 6

Brookville 031 011 2 — 8 8 x  
Satch. Paige 102 300 0 — 6 5 x

WP—Jay Graham  
Highlights: Graham is hero on mound and at the plate. He allows one hit in final three IP and hits GW 2-run single.

### Bedford 18, Satchel Paige A-S 0

Satch. Paige 000 000 0 — 0 0 7  
Bedford 002 615 4 — 18 14 1

Highlights: Bedford's Zach Folger tossed a no-hitter with 9 Ks and 1 BB. Aaron Lafon was the offensive leader, batting 3-for-4 with a 2B, 2 RBI and four runs. Bedford plays Brookville today at 10 a.m., needing to win by four runs or more to advance to the championship bracket.

### Brookville 5, MacCombs Storm 1

## Pool D

### FC Panthers 4, Bassett 1

### Delco Diamonds 4, East Cobb 3

### Delco Diamonds 7, Bassett 2

### FC Panthers 8, East Cobb 1

FC Panthers 100 221 2 — 8 8 0  
East Cobb 100 000 0 — 1 3 2

WP—Ryan Ward  
Highlights: Panthers pour it on in final four innings to support Ward, who yields only three hits and strikes out nine.

## Pool E

### Frederick Jr. Legion 1, LCA 0

Frederick 000 001 0 — 1 5 1  
LCA 000 000 0 — 0 2 1

WP—Brian Black, LP—Scott Bailey.  
Highlights: F—Black complete game 2-hitter and worked out of a bases-loaded, no-out situation in the bottom of the seventh; Mikey Burks, game-winning sac fly that scored Eddie Shelton. L—Dylan Sligh 2-3, Bailey 5.1 scoreless innings.

### L.I. Titans Blue 2, Ontario 0

### Ontario Blue Jays 9, LCA 1

LCA 000 001 0 — 1 6 4  
Ontario 207 000 x — 9 6 0

WP—Mike Figueiredo  
Highlights: L—Sligh 2B; Vito Pesce 2-4. O—Figueiredo 5 scoreless innings.

### Frederick Jr. Legion 10, L.I. Titans 2

Frederick 007 000 3 — 10 9 0  
L.I. Titans 100 010 0 — 2 1 0

WP—Joey Zuniga.  
Highlights: F—Zuniga, Jake Smith and Sean Pellitter combine for one-hitter; Mikey Burks 2 hits; Dougie Simms 2B, 2 RBIs.

## Pool F

### L.I. Junior Ducks 4, Blacksburg 2

L.I. Ducks 102 010 0 — 4 9 2  
Blacksburg 010 001 0 — 2 3 1

WP—Tom Glazer, HR: Dave Hall (L) one on in the third.  
Highlights: Hall goes 2-4 with 2B, HR and 3 RBIs to spark the Junior Ducks. Pat Chaputian goes 3-4 with RBI and run.

### The Hitmen 8, New York 9 5

New York 9 401 000 0 — 5 4 1  
The Hitmen 011 015 x — 8 9 0

WP—John Sepede  
Highlights: Hitmen overcome sloppy first inning to take first of two wins in opening round. Mike Janson has 3 RBIs.

### L.I. Junior Ducks 10, N.Y. Nine 0

L.I. Jr. Ducks 002 431 0 — 10 12 1  
New York 9 000 000 0 — 0 3 3

Highlights: L.I. pitcher Pat Chaputian fans 7 in 7 IP, allowing just 3 singles, delivering 2 hits and 2 SFs for 3 RBI. Leadoff batter Bryan Mistretta goes 3-for-5 with 3 runs and ninth batter Joey Nagel bats 2-for-3 with a walk and 3 runs.

### The Hitmen 2, Blacksburg 1

The Hitmen 000 101 0 — 2 3 x  
Blacksburg 001 000 0 — 1 1 x

WP—James Farrington  
Highlights: Hitmen come out on top in pitcher's duel. Farrington Ks seven and allows one hit and two walks.

## Pool G

### Crystal Lake 5, Ohio Extreme 1

### L.I. Tigers 5, Stembridge River Bats 3

### L.I. Tigers 4, Ohio Extreme 2

### Crystal Lake 7, Stembridge 4

## Pool H

### North Roanoke 4, Amherst 3

### Franklin Co. 4, Appomattox 3

### Franklin County 4, Amherst 3



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## CHAMPIONS



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The Long Island Tigers celebrate their NABF championship win over the Delco Diamonds on Sunday at City Stadium.

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A trio of Long Island Tigers pitchers combined on the team's first no-hitter in 40-plus games this summer, Sunday at City Stadium.

And they couldn't have saved the feat for a better time — in the championship game of the National Amateur Baseball Federation 17-under World Series, a dominating 9-1 triumph over the previously undefeated Delco Diamonds.

Ryan O'Kelly, who started a 5-3 10-inning victory over consolation champion Stenbridge (Md.) in Thursday's tournament opener at Heritage, pitched the first three innings. He gave up an unearned run in the first when leadoff batter Rob Benedict reached second on an error and scored on two wild pitches by O'Kelly. Second-game starter Josh Laufer relieved him to begin the fourth, walking six, but striking out four and not allowing a hit over the next 3 1/3 innings.

"I didn't approach it as a championship game," Laufer said. "I wanted to just go out there, relax and

focus on what I do every game.”

Third-game starter Sean Apuzzo, who threw an effective slow curveball, came on in the seventh and recorded the final two outs to complete the no-hitter.

“Our pitching coach worked them to be ready to throw three innings each,” Tigers manager Ken Auer said, noting each was fatigued from their previous starts. “They gave us three different looks — medium, fast and slow.”

“Their pitching was outstanding,” Delco manager Rich Merchant added. “You’re not going to win when you get no-hit.”

After leaving the bases loaded in the second, Long Island struck for the tying run with two outs in the third when Matt Reistetter singled to right to score Will Carmona, who had reached on the first of Delco’s three errors. Then in the fourth, after Anthony Mucchio walked and ninth batter Mike Angelo singled solidly to center, championship game MVP Casey McKay drove in the go-ahead runs with his two-out double over the head of Diamonds center fielder Mike Raimo.

Leading 3-1, the Tigers broke the game wide open with a six-run bottom of the sixth when Angelo and Brett Roeske reached on bunt hits up the third-base line, McKay walked and Carmona cleared the bases with his single to left, which turned into a triple when it bounced past a diving Evan Cline and rolled to the warning track.

Three batters later, Mucchio tripled to right to drive in the final two runs.

Auer said the dramatic opening win over Stenbridge set the stage for the Tigers’ 7-0 World Series run.

“That fired up the team and got us ready for tournament baseball and showed us what it’s going to be about,” Auer said. “We didn’t just want to win games, we wanted to beat teams.”

That’s precisely what they did to the Diamonds on Sunday, powered by their pitching.

“We wanted to win the game and pitching a no-hitter was just gravy on it,” Auer said. “It was a bonus.”

Long Island Tigers 9, Delco (Pa.) Diamonds 1

Delco Diamonds 100 000 0 – 1 0 3

Long Island Tigers 001 206 x – 9 11 2

W: Ryan O’Kelley. Records: Long Island 7-0, Delco 6-1.

Highlights: LI – Matt Reistetter 2-4; Anthony Mucchio 2-3, walk, run, 3B; Mike Angelo 2-3, run; Ryan O’Kelly 3 IP, 0 hits, 1 run, 0 ER, 1 K; Josh Laufer 3.1 IP, 4 Ks, 6 BBs, 0 hits, 0 runs; Sean Apuzzo 0.2 IP, 0 hits, 1 BB.