

Champ's Chatter

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The Gordie Howe Sports Complex was hopping yesterday with 24 games being played in 3 different divisions. The day also saw the opening ceremonies for the U23 Men's' and U16 Boy's as well as the closing ceremonies for the U14 Boy's.

Napanee Express win U14 national title

The highlight of the day had to be the performance of the U14 Napanee Express. They battled through a very tough playoff schedule to win the U14 Boy's Canadian Fastpitch Championship. After losing Tuesday they had to win 4 straight playoff games. On Wednesday they faced their 3 toughest opponents and beat them all.



Gavin Brooks was named playoff round MVP. He recorded 9 hits and scored 8 runs in 4 playoff games and pitched 11 innings giving up only 4 earned runs

U14 Playoff Summary

Tuesday, July 30th					
GR4	CC1	12:00	SK2 7 9th	vs	NL 21 10th
GR3	C1	10:00	ON2 7 1 st	vs	ON1 1 4th
GR3	C2	12:00	ON3 7 2 nd	vs	HOST 0 3rd
JGF	C3	2:00	BC 3 5 TH	vs	NS 10 8th
JGF	C4	4:00	SK3 4 6th	vs	SK2 14 7th
JGF	C5	6:30	NS 1 WC3	vs	ON1 8 LC1
JGF	C6	8:30	SK2 4 WC4	vs	HOST 5 LC2
Wednesday, July 31st					
GR3	C7	9:00AM	ON2 1 WC1	vs	ON3 6 WC2
GR3	C8	11:00	ON1 11 WC5	vs	HOST 3 WC6
JGF	C9	1:30	ON1 6 WC8	vs	ON2 4 LC7
JGF	C10	3:30	ON3 4 WC7	vs	ON1 8 WC9

U23 Wrap up

Only one team remains unbeaten. On1 New Hamburg Mustangs take their 4-0 record into today's play following an exciting 3-1 win over Quebec last night.

The Saskatoon Jr. Diamondbacks were not as fortunate in their evening game. They were knocked off the perch of the unbeaten by Owen Sound. The Selects scored 5 runs in the top of the 7th to claw back from a 5-0 deficit and bring the game to extras. In the 8th they won it the hard way getting a two out hit by **Brady Hogg** to bring the runner who was still on second. Saskatoon moved the runner to third on a bunt but could not execute when they really needed to. Thus, they ended the day tied at 3-1 with Owen Sound.

Quebec and Newfoundland stand at 2-2 Newfoundland got a huge 6-1 win over the defending champs, while Quebec beat PA but lost a close one to unbeaten New Hamburg. Quebec will play Newfoundland today in what should be a real interesting affair. Conquest and Tavistock are sitting at 1 win and Prince Albert close out the field at 0-4.

U16 Wrap up

Six teams stand at 2-0 after the first day of competition. Nova Scotia, the four Ontario teams as well as Saskatchewan's Rosebud Jr. Royals.

The Ontario teams looked dominant as they easily walked through their opponents. Of the six unbeaten teams Saskatchewan had the toughest battles. They squeaked out 2-0 win over Manitoba thanks to **Austin Paquachan** 1 hitter and then got by Newfoundland in a thrilling 8-7 extra inning affair. **Carter McLean** hit the walk off single in the 8th to secure the win. BC and Host Selects split their games. Alberta and Manitoba are still looking for their first win.

Wednesday's Stars



Jack Madden of Napanee Express, had 6 RBI in his team's win against the Host. He went 3 for 4 with a homer and scored 2 runs.

Riley Good of the U16 Simcoe Braves went 2 for three in his team's win over

Irma. He hit 2 homeruns and recorded 4 RBI

Connor Brooks of the U16 Napanee Express threw a no hitter against BC. He struck out 19 and was a walk away from a perfect game.

Aidan Yarde of the U16 Shallow Lake Sting went 3 for 4 with a homerun against Shellbrook. He also recorded 4 RBI and scored 2 runs

Austin Paquachan of the U16 Rosebud Jr. Royals threw a one hitter with 9 strikeouts in his team's win versus Pimicikamak thunder.

Noah Peters of U16 Nova Scotia's East Hants Mastodons went 4 for 4 with a homer against Fredericton Twins. He also had 4 RBI and scored 4 runs

Taylor Baht of the U16 Saskatoon Selects went 3 for 3 and just missed hitting a homerun for the cycle. He was responsible for 8 of his team's runs versus Newfoundland as he recorded 6 RBI and scored a pair.

Matt Wardrop of U23 Owen sound Selects had 6 RBI in his game against Quebec on Tuesday. He went 3 for 3.