

CHAMP'S CHATTER

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It was a great day at the ball park as the winds and smoke kept the sun from heating things up too much. And maintaining comfortable conditions for fastball. There was some outstanding action and some good crowds. The event “officially” got underway with Opening Ceremonies starting at 5:58.



Almost all the favorites came out on top today with the only upset being Alberta 2 beating the Saskatchewan provincial champions Chetty's Pretty Boys. Sask 1 looks to be in a bit of trouble after losing a pair. The Saskatoon Angels and Sooke Loggers look like the 2 teams beat in the Black Division as they finished the day with 2 wins each. They meet at 10: AM. The Irma Tigers won both of their games and are also undefeated in the Black division. In the Red Division, Galway Hitmen and East Hans Mastodons secured a pair of victories and will play each other at noon tomorrow. Perhaps the surprise team so far is the Grande Prairie Pirates whose wins over 2 tough Saskatchewan teams has them even with Nova Scotia and the Defending Champs.

GAMES OF THE DAY

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK4 Rustlers	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	7	0
NS Mastodons	2	0	0	0	3	0	x	5	5	1

WP Justin Scholfield LP Joran Graham

A close game broke open in B5 were last year's bronze medalist from Nova Scotia scored the deciding 3 runs. Rustler pitcher **Joran Graham** got the first 2 outs of the inning and even looked to get the get the 3rd, when **Jay Duffy** was able to stretch a single to double when the ball was dislodged on a close play at second base. The

Rustlers then intentionally walked powerful **Nick Shailes**. **Donnelly Archibald** made them pay for that decision as he hit a 3 run dinger leading the Mastodons to the all-important first win. Although they out hit Nova Scotia, Sask 4 could not outscore them.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
HOST	0	1	1	0	1	2	3	8	11	0
Angels	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	4	6	1

WP- Devon McCullough LP- Jeff Farion HR Angels: Derek Arsenie, Patrick Burns, Jesse Osika HR Delisle: Mike Lawton, Trevor Ethier

This was an exciting affair, featuring 5 home runs, 3 by the Angles and pair by Delisle. Despite the 12 runs scored this game saw 2 high profile starters as the Angel's **Devon McCullough** faced off against **Kyle Linton**. McCullough got the win but gave up 4 earned runs, Linton gave up only 2 runs- 1 earned, but was replaced in B4 by **Jeff Farion** who got the loss, giving up 6 runs in 3 1/3 innings. The Angels blew the game wide open with 3 runs on 4 hits in T7. In the inning, the first 3 hitters reached: **Kayln Robinson** with a double and **Patrick Burns** and **Devon McCullough** singled.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SK1 Chettys	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	9	1
AB2 Pirates	0	0	0	3	1	0	3	7	7	0

WP Rich Haldane, LP Dustin Keshane. Pirates HR: Bryn Redhead, Keagan Archand, Cory Jones. Chetty's HR Anthony Sparvier

The Saskatchewan provincial champions led off this back and forth affair, with 3 runs in T1 thanks mostly to a 2-run dinger by **Tony Sparvier**. Grande Prairie evened things up in T4 as a result of **Cory Jones's** 3 run homer. They later took a one-run lead in B5 when **Bryn Redhead** hit in **Jaret Lambert**. The action was fast and furious in the 7th inning. Chetty's knocked out starter **Bryn Redhead** with a 2 runs on 2 hits. **Kyle Rivet** then welcomed **Rich Haldane** with an RBI single before Haldane could get the 3rd out. The game was looking like it was in the bag for the favored Chetty's with 2 outs, one on and **Dustin Keshane** looking good in the circle. That is when the wheels fell off as the Pirates blasted 2 consecutive homers. Redhead hit a 2 run dinger and was immediately followed by **Keagan Arcand** with the walk off.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
MB La Salle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	4	4
BC Sooke	0	4	1	0	0	0	x	5	6	0
WP Aaron Emery LP Doug Hoffman										

	1	2	3	4	R	H	E
SK5 Hawks	0	0	2	0	2	2	2
DC Hitmen	4	2	4	2	12	12	0
WP Blair Ezekiel LP Les George HR DC: Mathieu Roy, Shane Boland							

	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
AB1 Irma	0	0	1	2	0	6	9	11	0
MB La Salle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3
WP Steven Normand, LP Andrew Kutnikoff HR: Brett Larson, Michael Legace-Roote									

	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
SK5 Hawks	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	2
NS Mastodons	0	1	1	0	3	3	8	9	2
WP Donnelly Archibald, LP Les George Nova Scotia HR: Jay. Duffy Donnelly Archibald, Joel Isenor. HR Hawks Terrel Walker									

	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
SK2 Merchants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
BC Sooke	1	0	0	0	1	5	7	11	0
WP Tyler Randerson LP Justin Dauvin									

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
SK4 Rustlers	0	0	0	3	0	3	7	2
AB2 Pirates	1	1	2	6	x	10	12	2
WP Rich Haldane LP Clayton Mckenzie Bulyea HR Michael Jordan Pirates HR Brayden Arcand								

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
HOST Angels	0	1	2	1	0	2	9	15	11	0
SK2 Merchants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
WP Patrick Burns LP Brock Perry. Angles HR: Jesse Osika, Bryan Evanochko										

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
DC Hitmen	1	0	1	4	6	12	12	0
SK1 Chettys	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
WP Jason Hill LP Anthony Sparvier Galway HR Nick Pitman, Brad Ezekiel								

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
AB1 Irma	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	4	8	2
SK3 Delisle	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	4
WP Caleb Keeshig LP Trevor Ethier Delisle HR Mike Lawton										

The Stars of the Day



Donnelly Archibald from Nova Scotia earned a 4-hit win over NB Petro Hawks and also went 2 for 6 at the plate with a homerun and a championship leading 6RBI.

Blair Ezekiel from the defending champs also excelled in and out of the circle. He pitched his team to a 12-2 win giving up only 2 hits. In that game, he was also 2 for

2 with a pair of RBI. He followed that up with a walk and a sac fly in 3 appearances against Chetty's

Nick Shailes from Nova Scotia reached base 6 times today. He walked 3 times had 2 triples and a single. He was put out only once in 7 plate appearances and scored 3 runs.

Patrick Burns pitched a 7-inning shutout versus the Bruno Merchants. He gave up only 4 hits while striking out 10. He also went 3 for 7 at the plate in 2 games, scoring 3 runs and hitting in 3.

This event is loaded with national Team athletes, see the charts below indicating the those who won a bronze medal in the Men's World championship this summer as well those who have been chosen to compete in the Pan Am Games trials in the Dominican Republic this fall.

Members of the Men's national team who played in the 2017 World championship in Whitehorse.

First	Last Name	Men's National	Hometown
Ryan	Boland	Galway Hitmen	St. John's,
Shane	Boland	Galway Hitmen	St. John's,
Sean	Cleary	Galway Hitmen	Harbour
Brad	Ezekiel	Galway Hitmen	Harbour
Blake	Hunter	Sooke Loggers	Nanaimo,
Devon	McCullough	Saskatoon Angels	Saskatoon,
Steve	Mullaley	Galway Hitmen	Freshwater,
Mathieu	Roy	Galway Hitmen	Saint-
Justin	Schofield	East Hants	Grand Pré,
Colin	Walsh	Galway Hitmen	Petty
Kris	Walushka	Sooke Loggers	Victoria,

Athletes who will represent Canada at the 2017 Pan American Men's Softball Championship that will be held September 15-24 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

First Name	Last Name	Men's National Championship Team	Hometown
Patrick	Burns	Saskatoon Angels	Saskatoon, Sask.
Kyle	Cowick	Sooke Loggers	Sooke, B.C.
Kyle	Ezekiel	Galway Hitmen	Holyrood, N.L.
Jason	Hill	Galway Hitmen	St. John's, N.L.
Scott	Lieph	Sooke Loggers	Sooke, B.C.
Devon	McCullough	Saskatoon Angels	Saskatoon, Sask.
Steve	Mullaley	Galway Hitmen	Freshwater, N.L.
Bryn	Redhead	Grande Prairie Pirates	Leduc, Alta.
Kris	Walushka	Sooke Loggers	Victoria, B.C.