

MLB Scoreboard

WASHINGTON, Sept 13, (Agencies): Results from the MLB games on Tuesday. LA Dodgers 5 San Francisco 3 Houston 1 LA Angels 0 Colorado 2 Arizona 2 Cincinnati 13 Minnesota 16 San Diego 0 Chicago Cubs 8 NY Mets 3 Seattle 10 Texas 0 Milwaukee 5 Pittsburgh 2 Cleveland 2 Detroit 0 Tampa Bay 2 NY Yankees 1 Boston 11 Oakland 1 Toronto 3 Baltimore 2 Atlanta 8 Washington 0 Philadelphia 9 Miami 4 Chicago W Sox 3 K. City

MLB Standings American League Eastern Division W L PCT GB Boston 82 62 .569 - NY Yankees 78 66 .542 4 Tampa Bay 72 74 .493 11 Baltimore 71 74 .490 11-1/2 Toronto 68 77 .469 14-1/2 Central Division W L PCT GB Cleveland 89 56 .614 - Minnesota 75 69 .521 13-1/2 Kansas City 72 72 .500 16-1/2 Detroit 60 84 .417 28-1/2 Chicago Sox 57 87 .396 31-1/2 Western Division W L PCT GB Houston 87 57 .604 - LA Angels 73 71 .507 14 Texas 72 72 .500 15 Seattle 72 73 .497 15-1/2 Oakland 63 81 .438 24 National League Eastern Division W L PCT GB Washington 88 56 .611 - Miami 68 76 .472 20 Atlanta 65 78 .455 22-1/2 NY Mets 63 81 .438 25 Philadelphia 55 89 .382 33 Central Division W L PCT GB Chicago Cubs 78 66 .542 - St Louis 76 68 .528 2-1/2 Milwaukee 78 69 .524 2-1/2 Pittsburgh 68 78 .466 11 Cincinnati 62 83 .428 16-1/2 Western Division W L PCT GB LA Dodgers 93 52 .641 - Arizona 83 62 .572 10 Colorado 80 65 .552 13 San Diego 65 80 .448 28 San Francisco 57 90 .388 37

MLB Linescores American League Chicago 001 100 010-3 13 0 Kansas City 400 000 00x-4 4 0 Covey, Fry (6), Farquhar (6), Bummer (8) and Brantly, Narvaez; Gaviglio, Minor (6), Moylan (8), Alexander (9) and S. Perez; W-Gaviglio 4-5. L-Covey 0-5. Sv-Alexander (4). HRs-Kansas City, Moss. New York 100 000 000-1 3 0 Tampa Bay 100 000 01x-2 5 0 S. Gray and G. Sanchez; Snell, Cishek (6), Jennings (7), Hunter (8), Colome (9) and W. Ramos. W-Hunter 3-5. L-S. Gray 9-10. Sv-Colome (44). HRs-Tampa Bay, Kiermaier, Hechavarria. Baltimore 000 000 110-2 6 0 Toronto 001 000 002-3 10 0 Bundy, Givens (7), Brach (8), Britton (8) and C. Joseph; Biagini, Koehler (9), Mayza (9) and Maile. W-Mayza 4-0. L-Britton 2-1. HRs-Baltimore, Beckham. Detroit 000 000 000-0 5 0 Cleveland 100 001 00x-2 9 0 Boyd, Hardy (6), VerHagen (6), Stump (8) and Holaday; Kluber and Gomes. W-Kluber 16-4. L-Boyd 5-10. HRs-Cleveland, Lindor. Oakland 100 000 000-1 3 2 Boston 050 222 00x-11 16 0 Manaea, S. Castro (4), R. Alcántara (6), Brady (8) and Garneau; E. Rodriguez, Workman (7), C. Smith (8), Madrox (8) and Vazquez. W-E. Rodriguez 2-5. L-Manaea 10-10. HRs-Boston, Betts 2. Seattle 043 011 100-10 15 1 Texas 012 000 000-3 10 0 Gonzales, Pazos (6), Altavilla (7), S. Simmons (8), Lawrence (9) and Zunino; M. Gonzalez, Gardewine (3), Bibens-Dirkx (4), Leclerc (7), Espino (9) and Chirinos, Nicholas. W-Gonzales 1-1. L-M. Gonzalez 7-11. HRs-Seattle, Seager, Gamel. Houston 010 000 000-1 6 0 Los Angeles 000 000 000-0 2 0 Verlander, Giles (9) and McCann; Richards, B. Wood (6), Bedrosian (7), Middleton (8), Petit (9) and Maldonado. W-Verlander 12-8. L-Richards 0-1. Sv-Giles (30). Interleague San Diego 000 000 000-0 4 0 Minnesota 162 211 30x-16 18 1 T. Wood, Valdez (3), Mazzoni (6), McGrath (7) and Hedges, Torrens; Gibson, G. Perkins (7), Tonkin (8), Moya (9) and J. Castro, Garver. W-Gibson 10-10. L-T. Wood 3-6. HRs-Minnesota, Polanco, Escobar, Dozier, Vargas, Rosario, Castro 2. National League Atlanta 103 000 200-8 14 0 Washington 000 000 000-0 9 1 Teheran, L. Jackson (8) and K. Suzuki; G. Gonzalez, A. Cole (6), A. Adams (8), Romero (9) and Wieters, Severino. W-Teheran 11-11. L-G. Gonzalez 14-7. HRs-Atlanta, Albies, Freeman. Pittsburgh 002 000 000-2 6 1 Milwaukee 014 000 00x-5 8 0 G. Cole, E. Santana (7), Leathersich (8) and Stewart; Suter, Jeffers (4), Drake (5), Hughes (6), Swarzak (7), Hader (8), Knebel (9) and Vogt, Pina. W-Jeffers 4-2. L-G. Cole 11-10. Sv-Knebel (35). HRs-Milwaukee, Thames. Cincinnati 100 030 000-4 9 2 St Louis 231 202 30x-13 14 1 Stephenson, Chacin (4), R. Davis (5), A. Hernandez (7), McGuire (7) and A. Turner; Lynn, Cecil (6), Duke (8), S. Alcántara (9) and Molina, C. Kelly. W-Lynn 11-7. L-Stephenson 4-5. HRs-Cincinnati, Cozart. St Louis, DeJong. New York 000 110 001-3 7 0 Chicago 000 411 11x-8 11 0 Gsellman, Milone (5), Rhame (6), Smoker (7), Flexen (8) and d'Arnaud; Quintana, Edwards (8), Wilson (9), Srop (9) and Contreras, Rivera. W-Quintana 10-11. L-Gsellman 6-7. HRs-Chicago, Schwarber, Happ, Bryant. Miami 010 042 000 000-8 13 2 Philadelphia 001 000 131 001-9 17 0 (15 innings) Peters, McGowan (7), Steckenrider (8), Barraclough (9), Ellington (10), Tazawa (12), J. Garcia (14), Guerra (15) and Rea; Lynn, Miller (6), Arano (7), Siegrist (7), Pinto (8), Morgan (9), Neris (10), L. Garcia (12), E. Ramos (14) and Alfaro, Rupp, W-E.

Indians 'equal' AL record with 20th straight victory



St Louis Cardinals' Greg Garcia scores on a double by Matt Carpenter as Cincinnati Reds catcher Stuart Turner receives the throw during the seventh inning of a baseball game on Sept 12, at Busch Stadium in St. Louis. (AP)

Kershaw helps Dodgers end 11-game skid, clinch playoff spot

CLEVELAND, Sept 13, (AP): The Cleveland Indians share a record with a team celebrated by Hollywood.

“Moneyball” has its sequel. Following a familiar script of scoring first, playing strong defense and riding dominant pitching, the Indians extended their winning streak to 20 games and matched the AL mark held by the 2002 Oakland Athletics, beating the Detroit Tigers 2-0 on Tuesday night. Cleveland’s streak, which began on Aug 24 in Boston, is tied for the majors’ second-longest in 82 years and the Indians show no signs of stopping.

Corey Kluber (16-4) strengthened his Cy Young Award case with a four-hitter as Cleveland joined the 2002 A’s, 1935 Chicago Cubs (21) and 1916 New York Giants (26) as the only teams since 1900 to win at least 20 in a row. Francisco Lindor homered leading off the first inning against Matthew Boyd (5-10), and Kluber sealed win No. 20 and Cleveland’s seventh shut-out during the streak by getting Miguel Cabrera on an easy grounder to third.

Dodgers 5, Giants 3

In San Francisco, Clayton Kershaw pitched Los Angeles to its first win in nearly two weeks, helping the Dodgers clinch a playoff berth by beating San Francisco to snap an 11-game losing streak that was the club’s worst since moving to the West Coast in 1958. The Dodgers’ slide was their longest in 25 years, topping 10-game skids in Los Angeles during the 1961 and 1992 seasons. The 1944 Brooklyn team lost 16 straight games. Despite the recent tailspin, Los Angeles still owns the best record in the majors at 93-52. The NL West leaders won for only the second time in 18 games and secured at least the second NL wild card, joining the NL East champion Washington Nationals as the only teams to punch their post-season tickets so far.

Brewers 5, Pirates 2

In Milwaukee, Eric Thames hit his 29th home run, Domingo Santana went 3 for 4 with two RBIs and Milwaukee beat Pittsburgh. The Brewers pulled within two games of the NL Central-leading Chicago Cubs who were playing the New York Mets. Gerrit Cole (11-10) took his first loss in 10 road starts since the Atlanta Braves beat him 5-2 on May 22. He slipped to 8-1 away from PNC Park over that stretch after allowing five runs and seven hits in six innings. He tied his season-high with 10 strikeouts in his fifth start against Milwaukee this season.

Red Sox 11, Athletics 1

In Boston, Mookie Betts hit two home runs and a two-run triple, and Boston rolled past Oakland.

The Red Sox, winners of five of their last six, pushed their American League East lead back to four games over the Yankees following New York’s loss to 2-1 loss to Tampa Bay. Betts went 3 for 5 with six RBIs. He’s driven in three runs or more in a team-high 11 games. The loss snaps a five-game win streak for the A’s. They managed just one run and one hit off Eduardo Rodriguez (5-5), who struck out nine over six innings.

Braves 8, Nationals 0

In Washington, Freddie Freeman hit a three-run home run off Gio Gonzalez and Julio Teheran threw seven shutout innings as Atlanta cruised past Washington. Gonzalez (14-7) allowed five earned runs and seven hits in five innings and struck out eight. The left-hander did guarantee his \$12 million option for next season with his first out of the game as he reached 180 innings this season.

The Nationals, who clinched the division Sunday when the Braves came back to beat the Miami in extra innings, lost for just the second time in eight games. This loss kept them from closing the gap on the Los Angeles Dodgers for the best record in baseball and home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

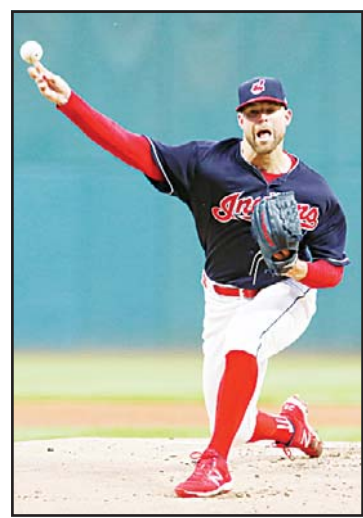
Blue Jays 3, Orioles 2

In Toronto, Richard Urena singled home the winning run in the ninth inning and Toronto handed slumping Baltimore its sixth straight loss. Facing Orioles closer Zach Britton (2-1), who had recorded the final out of the eighth, Kevin Pillar drew a lead-off walk in the ninth and went to third on Teoscar Hernandez’s single. One out later, Pillar scored when Luke Maile singled off the glove of third baseman Manny Machado. Urena followed with a single to center. Darwin Barney raced around from second and slid home safely ahead of the throw from Adam Jones.

Rays 2, Yankees 1

In New York, Adeiny Hechavarria hit a tiebreaking home run in the eighth inning off Sonny Gray and Tampa Bay, playing as the home team in a series relocated to Citi Field because of Hurricane Irma, beat the Yankees.

Tampa Bay has split the first two games of the set held at the home of the New York Mets. The Rays will fly back to Florida immediately after Wednesday afternoon’s game for firsthand looks at the storm damage. No word yet from MLB if Boston and Tampa Bay will



Cleveland Indians starting pitcher Corey Kluber delivers against the Detroit Tigers during the first inning in a baseball game on Sept 12, in Cleveland. (AP)

play at Tropicana Field on Friday night as scheduled the Rays expect to host the three-game set, but it could be reconfigured to give them an extra day off to handle personal matters.

Royals 4, White Sox 3

In Kansas City, Missouri, Brandon Moss hit a grand slam in the first inning for his third consecutive game with a homer, powering Kansas City past Chicago.

Scott Alexander worked out of a ninth-inning jam for his fourth save in six chances. He yielded a double to Adam Engel and a single to Yolmer Sanchez to lead off the ninth. He struck out Yoan Moncada, retired Jose Abreu on a pop to Whit Merrifield and got pinch hitter Matt Davidson on a grounder to end the game.

White Sox rookie Dylan Covey (0-5) walked the bases loaded before Moss drove a full-count fastball to right-center. It was Moss’s fourth career grand slam and his first since July 24, 2014. He has nine RBIs in his past three games.

Astros 1, Angels 0

In Anaheim, California, Justin Verlander pitched eight innings of one-hit ball in a stellar second start for Houston, and the Astros snapped their four-game skid. Yuli Gurriel’s second-inning single drove in the only run for the Astros (87-57), who lowered their magic number for clinching the AL West title to five by blanking the second-place Angels (73-71).

Verlander (12-8) struck out nine and walked one in another overpowering performance for his new team. The star right-hander held the Angels without a hit after Brandon Phillips’ lead-off double in the first, allowing only two more baserunners.

Phillies 9, Marlins 8, 15 Innings

In Philadelphia, Nick Williams hit a walk-off, two-out double in the bottom of the 15th inning, scoring Aaron Altherr as Philadelphia rallied for the win.

Innings-wise, it was the longest game of the season for the Phillies and second-longest for the Marlins.

Williams had three hits and reached base five times in the marathon game. He has 47 RBIs since being called up the week before the All-Star break.

The Phillies celebrated with Williams, but thought they actually had a walk-off win in the bottom of the ninth on an RBI single by pinch-hitter Hyun-Soo Kim, but while the Phillies mobbed Kim at first base, ripping off his jersey and dousing him with water, Gatorade and sunflower seeds, the Marlins challenged the play at the

Twins 16, Padres 0

In Minneapolis, Jason Castro homered twice and Brian Dozier was a double from the cycle as Minnesota routed San Diego.

The Twins hit a season-high seven home runs, setting a Target Field record for most homers in a game, to back another strong start from Kyle Gibson. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, the Twins set a major league record by homering in each of the first seven innings with Jorge Polanco, Eddie Rosario, Eduardo Escobar and Kennys Vargas adding to the total.

Gibson (10-10) pitched six innings with four hits and six strikeouts. He has allowed two runs or fewer in five straight starts for Minnesota, which maintained its hold on the second wild card spot in the American League.

Mariners 10, Rangers 3

In Arlington, Texas, Ben Gamel and Kyle Seager both hit three-run homers to lead Seattle past Texas in a matchup of wild card hopefuls.

Texas (72-72) and Seattle (72-73) have split the first two games of their four-game series. The Rangers dropped three games behind Minnesota for the American League’s second wild card, while the Mariners remained 3-1/2 back after the Twins also won.

Seager’s homer in the third made it 7-1 and chased Miguel Gonzalez (7-11), who made his second start overall and first at home for the Rangers since they acquired him in an Aug 31 trade with the Chicago White Sox. Gonzalez allowed seven runs and seven hits while recording only seven outs.

Cardinals 13, Reds 4

In St. Louis, Paul DeJong homered, Yadier Molina drove in three runs and streaking St. Louis outslugged Cincinnati.

The Cardinals have won four straight and six of their last seven to stay two games behind the first-place Chicago Cubs in the NL Central.

Molina’s two-out, two-run double in the bottom of the first gave the Cardinals a 2-1 lead. He drove in his 10th run over his past three games with a single in the sixth. Molina leads the team with 75 RBIs.

Cubs 8, Mets 3

In Chicago, Kris Bryant hit a three-run homer, Jose Quintana pitched seven effective innings and Chicago got a sorely needed victory. Quintana (10-11) also helped himself at the plate with a pair of sacrifices, including a perfectly placed safety squeeze that drove in Kyle Schwarber in the fourth. Quintana got another bunt down in the sixth, sending Javier Baez to third ahead of Ben Zobrist’s RBI single.

Chicago had lost three in a row and six of eight, making for a crowded race at the top of the NL Central. St. Louis and Milwaukee also won Tuesday night, so the Cubs remained two games ahead of the Cardinals and 2-1/2 games better than the third-place Brewers.

Rockies 4, Diamondbacks 2

In Phoenix, Carlos Gonzalez, heating up for the stretch run after a subpar season at the plate, homered twice and Colorado won its sixth in a row.

Gonzalez drove in all four Colorado runs in his first multihomer game since Aug. 16 last year and is batting .451 (14 for 31) in September.

Jon Gray (8-4) gave up two runs and scattered seven hits over seven solid innings, striking out 10 with no walks and a hit batter for the Rockies, who won their eighth straight road game to pull within three games of Arizona for the first NL wild card.

LPGA’s October Shanghai event cancelled

MIAMI, Sept 13, (AFP): The Alisports LPGA tournament scheduled to be played in Shanghai Oct 5-8 has been cancelled due to local permitting problems in China, the LPGA announced on Tuesday.

“It is with deep regret that I need to announce that we will not be playing the event in Shanghai this year,” LPGA Commissioner Mike Whan said in a statement issued in Daytona Beach, Florida.

“Unfortunately, we have just received word that the tournament was unsuccessful in obtaining approval from the local district gov-

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ernment.

“The hardest part about this news is that we have a title sponsor, a tournament operator, a TV production

group and a host venue all set to go. However, in China, sporting events of this nature cannot take place without approvals at multiple levels – and the local approval was denied.”

The LPGA announced in October of last year that it was partnering with Alisports of Shanghai, a division of Alibaba Group, to own an LPGA tournament hosted annually in mainland China for the next 10 years.



Chicago Cubs' Kris Bryant hits a three run home run against the New York Mets during the fourth inning of a baseball game in Chicago on Sept 12. (AP)