

SPORTS

Angels' Cole & Pena combine for no-hitter against Mariners



Toronto Blue Jays second baseman Cavan Biggio (left), tags out New York Yankees' Aaron Hicks (right), during the seventh inning of a baseball game on July 12 in New York. (AP)

Red Sox rout Dodgers 8-1 in World Series rematch

ANAHEIM, California, July 13, (AP): Taylor Cole and Felix Pena of the Los Angeles Angels pitched the second combined no-hitter in franchise history, beating the Seattle Mariners 13-0 in the team's first home game since the death of pitcher Tyler Skaggs.

It is the second no-hitter in the majors this season. Oakland's Mike Fiers no-hit Cincinnati on May 7.

Mallix Smith ended the game with a sharp grounder to second baseman Luis Rengifo, who threw to Justin Bour for the final out and the 11th no-hitter in Angels franchise history.

The right-handers combined for eight strikeouts and retired the first 13 batters. The only Seattle player to reach base was designated hitter Omar Narvaez, who walked with one out in the fifth inning.

Red Sox 8, Dodgers 1

In Boston, Xander Bogaerts hit a three-run homer, Eduardo Rodriguez struck out 10 and Boston beat Los Angeles in the opener of a three-game rematch of the 2018 World Series.

Rafael Devers and Christian Vazquez also homered for the Red Sox, who

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broke the game open with a five-run rally that was interrupted by a one-hour rain delay in the seventh inning.

The Red Sox, who beat the Dodgers in five games to win their ninth World Series title, returned from the All-Star break with their fifth straight victory.

Rodriguez (10-4) tied his season-high for strikeouts and held the Dodgers to five hits in seven innings.

Alex Verdugo hit his 10th homer and Kenta Maeda struck out seven in 5-2/3 innings for the Dodgers.

The Dodgers fell to 1-6 at Fenway Park in the few regular-season meetings between the franchises.

Kenta Maeda (7-6) struck out seven in 5-2/3 innings for Los Angeles. He allowed three runs, two on solo homers by Devers and Vazquez, on four hits with one walk.

Twins 5, Indians 3

In Cleveland, Minnesota slowed Cleveland's charge in the AL Central as Jorge Polanco's two-run double in the seventh inning helped end the Indians' six-game winning streak.

The Twins took advantage of an error in the seventh by reliever Nick Goody before Polanco delivered his clutch, two-out hit off Oliver Perez (2-2).

Nelson Cruz and Mitch Garver homered for Minnesota.

Zack Littell (2-0) pitched a scoreless sixth, Ryne Harper worked the seventh and left-hander Taylor Rogers got six outs for his 13th save.

Carlos Santana connected for his 20th homer for Cleveland.

Indians starter Mike Clevinger allowed just one run — the homer to Nelson in the first — over five-plus innings and was in line to get the win before Cleveland's bullpen had a rare meltdown.

Rays 16, Orioles 4

In Baltimore, Tommy Pham and Nate Lowe homered and Tampa Bay emerged from the All-Star break by scoring seven runs in the first inning in the rout of Baltimore.

Lowie had a career-high four hits and three RBIs, and Kevin Kiermaier had three hits, scored three runs and drove in two.

Yonny Chirinos (8-4) had an easy time earning his first victory in six starts since June 7. He gave up two runs and four hits over seven innings with eight strikeouts.

The Rays sent 11 batters to the plate in the first inning against Dylan Bundy (4-11). After Pham homered, Tampa Bay added four doubles and three singles in an uprising that Bundy fueled with a wild pitch and a walk.

GOLF

The 18-year-old Saso finished at 14-under 266 at Keney Park Golf Course. She began the round a stroke behind 2017 winner Rose Zhang.



Los Angeles Angels starting pitcher Taylor Cole throws to a Seattle Mariners batter during the first inning of a baseball game on July 12 in Anaheim, California. (AP)

Renato Nunez hit his 21st home run, but the Orioles fell to 11-32 at home and 27-63 overall.

Yankees 4, Blue Jays 0

In New York, Domingo German cruised through six innings of three-hit ball, Edwin Encarnacion hit a three-run double and New York beat Toronto.

New York has won 17 of 21 and boasts the American League's best record at 58-31.

German (11-2) threw just 78 pitches, 54 for strikes, and retired 15 in a row following Eric Sogard's leadoff hit. He had seven strikeouts. Tommy Kahnle and Chad Green combined for three scoreless innings in relief.

Aaron Sanchez (3-13) allowed four runs on seven hits, two walks and a hit batter in five innings. He leads the majors in losses.

Brett Gardner was 2 for 4 and also threw out Vladimir Guerrero Jr trying to stretch a double to left in the seventh.

Marlins 8, Mets 4

In Miami, Garrett Cooper, Curtis Granderson and Brian Anderson all homered and drove in two runs to power Miami past New York.

The Marlins beat the Mets for the fourth straight time.

Miami's Caleb Smith (5-4) pitched six innings, allowing two unearned runs and three hits. He struck out six and worked around a season-high five walks.

Granderson and Cooper hit consecutive homers as part of a four-run third inning off Jason Vargas (3-5). The pair keyed another rally in the sixth. Starlin Castro added an RBI triple in the eighth.

The Mets took an early lead on a two-run single by Wilson Ramos, and Todd Frazier added a two-run homer.

Nationals 4, Phillies 0

In Philadelphia, Stephen Strasburg struck out six in six innings, Victor Robles hit a two-run single and Washington blanked Philadelphia.

Strasburg (11-4) allowed seven hits and walked one, extending his dominance over the Phillies. He's 13-2 against them, 6-0 in Philadelphia.

Phillies starter Nick Pivetta (4-4) allowed three runs and six hits in five innings.

Ryan Zimmerman drove in a run with a sacrifice fly in the third. Juan Soto made it 4-0 with a sacrifice fly off Ranger Suarez.

Cubs 4, Pirates 3

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