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MONDAY'S RAIN POSTPONES ALL FOUR GAMES AT THE JUNIOR LEAGUE WORLD SERIES IN TAYLOR; GAMES SCHEDULED TO RESUME ON TUESDAY; MONDAY'S GAMES RESCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY

TAYLOR, MICHIGAN – For the second straight year, a Monday rain has created havoc with the games of the Junior League Baseball World Series at Taylor's Heritage Park.

Four games featuring the best baseball teams of 13- and 14-year-old players from around the world were postponed today and rescheduled for Thursday at the same times. Thursday's previously scheduled International and USA championship games have been moved to Friday.

Games will resume Tuesday, weather permitting. Heritage Park is located at 12111 Pardee Road, Taylor.

The Junior League World Series – in its 34th year in Taylor – is the older brother of the more famous Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. This is day three of the international tournament in Taylor.

Here is the schedule of Tuesday's games at World Series Field:

- Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico (1-1) vs. Brno, Czech Republic (0-2), 11 a.m.
- Manhattan Beach, California (1-0) vs. Midland, Michigan (0-2), 2 p.m.
- Rutherfordton, North Carolina (1-1) vs. Newark, Delaware (0-1), 5 p.m.
- Tai Chung, Chinese Taipei (1-0) vs. Willemstad, Curacao (0-1), 8 p.m.

The tournament's two teams with two wins each – Corpus Christi, Texas, and Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada – have the day off.

Everyone is welcome. Admission to games is just \$5 per carload per day or \$10 for the entire series. Both fees include parking.

Here are summaries of games played on Sunday:

Corpus Christi, Texas 6, Newark, Delaware 4

Dawson Mayrant's pinch-hit grand slam in the bottom of the fourth inning gave Corpus Christi, Texas, a 6-4 lead and the win over Newark, Delaware, in the first game Sunday at the Junior League Baseball World Series. The Southwest champions from Texas (2-0) were trailing 4-2 but had the bases loaded when Manager Bubba Broughton brought Mayrant in to hit. The four-bagger was the first home run of the World Series. Texas was limited to four hits, two by Brandon Broughton, who scored twice. Daniel Miller had two of Delaware's seven hits. The USA East champions scored their four runs in the top of the fourth. James Williams' two-run double was key to the rally. Newark is the first team from Delaware to compete in the Junior League World Series in 30 years.

Tai Chung, Chinese Taipei 13, Brno, Czech Republic 0

The all-stars from Tai Chung, Chinese Taipei, picked up where 2013 Junior League World Series champion Taoyuan, Chinese Taipei, left off. This year's Asia-Pacific champions defeated the European champions from Brno, Czech Republic, 13-0, in a game cut short after five innings by the 10-run rule. Chinese Taipei (1-0) led 7-0 before adding six runs in the top of the fifth. Cih-Heng Ciu went 3-for-4, scored two runs and knocked in two runs. Teammate Kun-Tai Lin was 2-for-4, scored twice and had four runs batted in. Chung-Fu Liu, Ruel-Yang Gu-Lin and Yen-An Lin combined on a one-hit shutout. Czech Republic fell to 0-2.

Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada 7, Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico 6

The Canadian national champions from Regina, Saskatchewan improved to 2-0 in the Junior League World Series with a thrilling 7-6 victory over the Mexican national champions from Mexicali, Baja California (1-1). Canada led 6-0 after two innings, but Mexico cut the lead to one, 6-5, with two runs in the second and three in the third. Canada scored once in the fourth and Mexico closed the gap again with one in the fifth. In the bottom of the seventh, Mexico had two runners on with one out when Gustavo Vizcarra lined to third baseman Marcus Roflik, who threw to first baseman Aaron Drimmie to double off Martin Rodriguez for a game-ending double play. Roflik had two of his team's six hits, scored twice and had three RBI. Leonardo Ahumada, Ramon Osete and Cesar Bernal had three hits apiece for Mexico. Dylan Bells pitched into the sixth inning and earned the victory.

Rutherfordton, North Carolina 4, Midland, Michigan 1

It took 34 years for a team from North Carolina to qualify for the Junior League Baseball World Series and just two games for the Rutherfordton all-stars to win a game. The USA Southeast champions defeated Midland, Michigan, 4-1, in the Sunday night game at Heritage Park in Taylor, Michigan. A two-run home run to deep left field by Joe Conner in the third inning broke open a 1-1 game and put North Carolina up to stay. Pitchers Levi Parks, Jace Crowe and Josh Searcy combined on a three-hitter. Parks was credited with the victory. Crowe earned the save. North Carolina is 1-1 in the USA Pool. Michigan fell to 0-2.

Here are the pool standings entering Tuesday's games:

USA Pool

Texas 2-0
California 1-0
North Carolina 1-1
Delaware 0-1
Michigan 0-2

International Pool

Canada 2-0
Chinese Taipei 1-0
Mexico 1-1
Curacao 0-1
Czech Republic 0-2

Four round-robin games will be played each day through Thursday. The top two teams in each pool play for the International (5 p.m.) and USA championships (8

p.m.) on Friday.

The International and USA champions meet for the world championship at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 16. The game will be televised live on ESPN3 and rebroadcast at 10 a.m. Monday, August 18, on ESPN2.

Streaming video with play by play of all other games can be found at www.vaughnlive.tv/jlws.

The 2014 World Series started a day earlier than usual. No games are scheduled for Friday, August 15, which is an "open day" in case makeup games are needed due to rain earlier in the week.

Here is the schedule of games for the rest of the week:

Wednesday, August 13

Newark, Delaware vs. Midland, Michigan, 11 a.m.

Brno, Czech Republic vs. Willemstad, Curacao, 2 p.m.

Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada vs. Tai Chung, Chinese Taipei, 5 p.m.

Corpus Christi, Texas vs. Manhattan Beach, California, 8 p.m.

Thursday, August 14 (Rescheduled from Monday)

Willemstad, Curacao vs. Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, 11 a.m.

Rutherfordton, North Carolina vs. Corpus Christi, Texas, 2 p.m.

Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico vs. Tai Chung, Chinese Taipei, 5 p.m.

Manhattan Beach, California vs. Newark, Delaware, 8 p.m.

Friday, August 15 (Rescheduled from Thursday)

International Championship Game, 5 p.m.

USA Championship Game, 8 p.m.

Saturday, August 16

World Championship Game, 2 p.m.

Home Run Derby, TBD

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