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District 52 breakdown

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Majors division gets most of the publicity as the face of Little League, but the players vying for a spot in South Williamsport, Pennsylvania, the home of the Little League World Series, aren't the only game in town, so to speak.

We at the Daily Journal try our best to make sure we cover all four divisions District 52 offers — 9-10, 10-11, Majors (11-13) and Intermediate (50/70, 11-13). So while Monday's edition may have been Majors heavy, rest assured we will get out there for the other District 52 tournaments.

In the interim, I can give a rundown how the first weekend went in the 9-10 and 10-11 tournaments.

9-10, Ortega School and Fairway Park, Pacifica

Foster City, Pacifica American, Hillsborough and Belmont-Redwood Shores all won their first two games to advance to the winner's division semifinals.

Pacifica American and Hillsborough bashed their way to a pair of wins. Pacifica hammered Palo Alto American 17-0 in the opener and advanced to the semifinals with an 8-0 victory over San Carlos National.

Hillsborough cruised to an 11-1 win over Redwood City East in the first round and hung 14 runs on San Mateo American in Game 2.

Belmont-Redwood Shores slipped past Menlo-Atherton in the first round, 8-7, but were firing on all cylinders in Game 2, an 11-7 victory over San Carlos American. Foster City allowed only four runs in its first two games, a 13-1 win over Redwood City West and 7-3 over San Mateo National.

The good news for those four two-game winners is they are off until Thursday. The eight teams in the consolation bracket, on the other hand, have to win six straight games to win the district title. San Carlos American-Half Moon Bay and San Mateo American-Pacifica National play at 5:30 p.m. today at Ortega Field, while San Carlos National-Alpine-West Menlo and San Mateo-National-Palo Alto National go at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at Fairway Park. Those winners will play again Friday.

Redwood City West, Palo Alto American, Redwood City East and Menlo-Atherton all lost their first two games and were eliminated.

10-11, Ford Field and La Entrada School, Portola Valley

San Mateo National, Half Moon Bay, Belmont-Redwood Shores and San Carlos National were all victorious in their first two tournament games and will face off in the winner's bracket semifinals, which begin Thursday.

Half Moon Bay slugged its way into the semifinals, scoring 30 runs in its first two games — a 16-3 win over Pacifica National and 16-10 decision over Menlo-Atherton.

HMB will face a San Mateo National squad that sent a message of its own with a shutout, 10-0 win over Foster City in the second round. SMN opened with a solid 5-1 victory over Palo Alto National.

Belmont-Redwood Shores showed off its hitting and pitching in a pair of wins. BRS opened the tournament with a 10-0 win over San Carlos American. In the second round, RBS squeezed past Alpine-West Menlo, 1-0.

San Carlos National, if nothing else, should be battle tested following a pair of one-run wins. It outslugged Hillsborough, 10-9, before posting a 2-1 win over Pacifica American.

In the consolation bracket, Hillsborough-Menlo-Atherton and Foster City-San Mateo American will face off at 5:30 p.m. today at Ford Field, while Pacifica American-Palo Alto American and Palo Alto National-Alpine-West Menlo will play at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at La Entrada School.

Those winners will advance to games Friday.

San Carlos American and Palo Alto American have been eliminated.

Intermediate, Smith Field, Half Moon Bay

Half Moon Bay hosts the Intermediate (AKA 50/70 to describe the pitching and basepaths dimensions) Section 3 tournament beginning Saturday at 11 a.m. with the second game slated for 2 p.m. Second-round action continues Sunday at the same times. The first game of the championship series begins at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. If necessary, a winner-take-all finale will be at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday.

For all brackets and times, go to www.cadistrict52.org.

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