

Little League East Stars Beat West

The Little League's East All-Star team last night took the first game of a best two-out-of-three game series from the West's All-Stars 6-2.

The Western team, which was rated a slight pre-game favorite because of a hitting edge, was never able to figure out the left handed slants of Danny Cruhm who did his regular season playing for the Kiwanis. The youngster gave up only three hits, both singles.

Stephen DeWalt, who started on the mound for the West, was relieved in the sixth inning by Ramon Rodriguez.

The East's big inning was the sixth when they pushed across five runs. They had been trailing 2-1 before the splurge.

Lupe Cerda, the first man up, started the rally with a single. Walks to Rinaldo Gamboa and Praxedis Pina and singles by Roberto Rocha, Duane Anderson and Bobby Balmori plus a variety of overthrows at third base produced the five runs before Rodriguez came on to put out the fire.

The West got their two runs in the fourth inning. John Scanlon walked and was sacrificed to second base by Bobby Houde. Jerry Dorris walked and both runners scored when Felipe Abrego singled. Abrego went on to second and third on overthrows and was then thrown out at home trying to stretch an infield hit into a home run.

The East's first run was scored by Pina in the second inning.

The two teams go at it again tonight at Lion Park in the second game of the series. Game time is 8 p.m.

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