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West Haven Twilight League Weekly Recap: July 23-28

Columbus Auto Body 5, Baybrook Remodelers 2

In an important game in determining playoff position, Columbus got the best of Baybrook thanks to the combined pitching efforts of Will Hill, Vin Daurio, and Joe Smeraglino. Hill was forced to leave the game after giving up one hit through four innings. Hill was injured stealing second base and came around to score. Mark Potocsky scored three runs for Columbus reaching base on walks each time to lead an offense that had just two hits in the game. Baybrook came close in the seventh inning scoring two runs and loading the bases before Smeraglino shut the door getting the final two outs.

Columbus Auto Body 4, O'Keefe's Academy 0

Joe Smeraglino continued his fine form on the mound for Columbus pitching his fourth complete-game shutout of the season. Columbus got offensive support from an unlikely source, pitcher Vin Daurio. Playing in right field, Daurio reached base three times and drove in two runs.

Zingaro and Cretella 2, Bank of Southern CT 1

The Bank's Mike Minter opened up the scoring leading off the second inning with a solo homerun. Zingaro and Cretella tied the game in the sixth inning when Brett Warner drove in Dave Magani. Warner also knocked in the eventual game winner bringing Jon Close-Reilly home from third base. That was just enough to give Zingaro and Cretella pitcher Steve Kubik a well deserved win. The Bank's Dan Martin and Sean Foreman pitched well enough to win, but offensive rallies were cut short by double plays in both the third and fifth innings.

O'Keefe's Academy 11, Baybrook Remodelers 3

Baybrook's bats could not keep up with O'Keefe's offense or the fine pitching of Chris Barthel and Bill Paulson. The O'Keefe's attack was balanced with eight different players crossing the plate. Paulson, Jeff Bradanini, and Rick Hudson each scored twice. Mike Torello and Sean Chacho each had three runs batted in for the victors.

A-Plus Plumbing 4, Columbus Auto Body 3

This game came down to the third inning in which all of the runs were scored. A-Plus scored four in the top of the inning with slugger Henry Lee driving in two with a double. Columbus' bats warmed up in the bottom of the inning with Mark Scarinzi driving in two of the team's three runs, but it was not enough to catch A-Plus. Lee came on to pitch in the fourth and shut down Columbus allowing just one hit over the final four innings.

Zingaro and Cretella 2, O'Keefe's Academy 1

O'Keefe's Academy squandered opportunities leaving the bases loaded in the first inning after Zingaro and Cretella scored two in the top of the inning. Zingaro and Cretella scored twice without a hit in the opening frame including Dave Jermine stealing home for the second run.

Bryan Irving did his part for O'Keefe's by allowing just two hits and striking out 14 on his way to pitching a complete game. Donnie White equaled the effort for Zingaro and Cretella also going the distance and allowing two hits while striking out nine.

Baybrook Remodelers 3, Bank of Southern CT 0

Baybrook jumped out to a two-run lead in the first inning as Brett Conner drove in a run and scored another. That was plenty of support for Baybrook starter Kyle Befus who scattered four hits over six innings to earn the win. Befus helped extend his team's lead singling and scoring in the fourth inning. Brian Lazor came on in the seventh to close the door on an important win for Baybrook.

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