The Lafayette Little League All-Stars began tournament play Saturday night June 30th in the Area Tournament. It is being hosted by the Portland Little League.
The 11 & 12 year old team played their first game against Portland. The final score was 11 to 2 in favor of Lafayette. Portland not only had to battle the high temperatures that Mother Nature provided, but also the heat that Logan Thompson and Aaron Colter were throwing at them. Thompson struck out 10 of the 15 batters that he faced and Colter struck out 5 of the 6 batters that he faced. The offense was led by Trent Boles, who scored 3 times, including one home run. He was followed by Joshua Hauskin, Thompson, Quentin Owen with 2 runs scored each. Bret Sloan and Trent Cook each scored one run. They had a lot of runners on base and got some timely hitting. The 9 & 10 year old team also played Portland, with Lafayette winning 17 to 12.
The Lafayette All-Stars were back in action on Tuesday, July 3 facing the All-Stars from Hartsville.
In 11 & 12 Year Old action, southpaw Trent Cook was called on and he brought his “A” game. Cook faced 17 batters and recorded 11 strikeouts. He threw a no-hitter and missed a perfect game by issuing two walks, leading the team to an 11 to 1 win. The only run came on an error by the defense. The offense was lead by Logan Thompson and Aaron Colter, with each scoring three runs each. They were followed by Kelton Ballou and Trent Boles with two runs scored, Boles also hit a home run, and Quentin Owen scored one run. The 9 & 10’s held on in the last inning to win 6 to 5 against Hartsville as well.
Lafayette’s All-Star teams faced the best from Westmoreland on Independence Day.
The 11 & 12’s used three pitchers to get the win. Aaron Colter took the mound first and faced 5 batters, striking out three of them. Trent Boles followed and faced 6 batters, striking out 4. Logan Thompson came in to finish the game, facing the final 12 batters, striking out 5. Offensively the team was lead by Colter with two runs scored, including a home run. Also

scoring were Joshua Hauskin, Bret Sloan, Quentin Owen, Brian Swindle and Kelton Ballou, with one each, for a final score of 7 to 0. The 9 & 10 team came back in the bottom of the 6 inning to win 7 to 6 over Westmoreland.
Both of Lafayette's All-Star teams faced the All-Stars from Gallatin in a couple of "Battle of the Unbeatens".
The 11 & 12's sent Bret Sloan to the hill and he pitched three innings, facing 17 batters, striking out 3. He left the game after walking the first batter in the fourth inning, giving up 4 runs. Trent Boles followed by Aaron Colter came on in relief to finish the fourth inning. The offense was only able to produce one run, which was scored by Kelton Ballou on a single by Sloan. Final score was 13 to 1. The 9 & 10's, looking to extend their win streak, were beaten 15 to 5.
Both teams finished the Area Tournament in second place with 3 wins and 1 loss. They will continue to the District Tournament in Hartsville. It starts Saturday, July 7. Teams competing will be Lafayette, Gallatin, Lebanon and Smith County. This will be a double elimination for a berth in the State Tournament.
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The 11 & 12's burst out to an early 6 to 0 lead, but couldn't hold on and dropped this one to Lebanon 12 to 8. Bret Sloan faced 21 batters, striking out 6 and giving up 8 runs. Trent Cook followed, faced five hitters, giving up 2 runs. Logan Thompson came on in relief and faced four batters, struck on 2 and surrendered no runs. Owen Goodman finished on the mound. He faced five batters, striking out one and giving up two runs. The offense was led by Goodman who scored two times, including a home run. Cook also scored twice. Josh Hauskin, Thompson, Sloan and Brian Swindle each touched home one time. The loss ended the season for the team.
The 9 & 10's fared better in their game. They held on for a 2 to 0 win over Lebanon. The win pushed the team into another game on Tuesday night when they will face Gallatin in a "loser go home game".
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