

Nine wins for Villa Clara in the Under-23 Baseball Series

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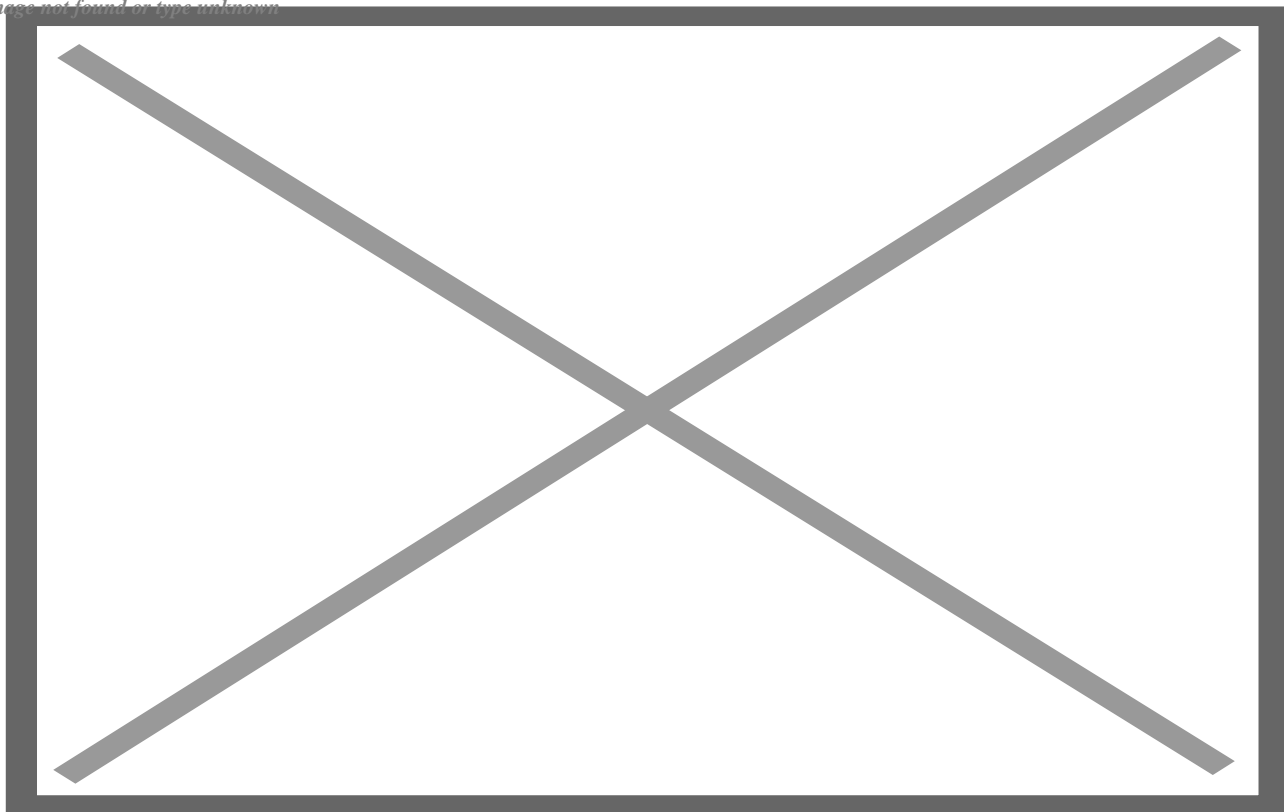


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Havana, August 17 (RHC)-- Villa Clara's ninth victory in group B and the fourth individual credit for Tunero pitcher Anier Pérez Gonzalvo were the highlights of Tuesday's day in the VII National Under-23 Baseball Series.

The Azucareros defeated Mayabeque 4x2 at the Nelson Fernandez Stadium, supported by the third win of left-hander Oscar Hernandez, the second save of Edwing Cabrera and Yuri Fernandez's home run. Also hitting the ball out of the park, but in favor of the locals, was Kevin Perez.

At José Ramón Cepero Park in Ciego de Ávila, pitcher Osvaldo Cárdenas threw a complete game with only three hits, but could not defeat the visiting Tuneros (2x3).

In this game, the eastern reliever Pérez Gonzalvo, who scored his fourth win with a 2.1 inning work in which he did not tolerate any runs or hits, smiled. He was supported by Yasel Pérez's home run.

Another interesting challenge took place at 5 de Septiembre Park, where the visitors from Matanzas won 1x0 against the Cienfuegos team. Both pitchers threw a complete game, with positive credit and a shutout for Andy Quesada (6H, 2K) and negative for Abel José Campos (7H, 1CL, 2K, 1BB).

Another 1x0 game took place at the Guillermón Moncada colossus in Santiago de Cuba, where the locals overcame the Holguineros with the third victory for Wilber Reyna and a new home run by Harold Vázquez.

In the other challenge of the day, Pinar del Río defeated Artemisa 5x1, with the "detail" of another four errors for the losers.

The scheduled matches between Havana and Isla de la Juventud, Camagüey and Sancti Spíritus, and Guantánamo and Granma did not take place. This Wednesday they will play a double bill.

At this moment the leaders of the event are Havana (group A), Villa Clara (B), Las Tunas (C) and Santiago de Cuba (D). Only the winners of each group will advance to the semifinals of the western and eastern regions.

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