

North Zone Champions Bay County, Michigan, knocked off South Zone Champs Crowley, Louisiana 7-5 in Game 14 of the Colt World Series. Branden Brown threw four solid innings in his second start of the series, as he gave up just two runs and got the win, pushing his record to 2-0 in the tournament.

Bay County got their offense in motion right away as Garrett Glysz drew a walk to open the inning and advanced to second on Carson Kwapiszewski's sacrifice bunt. John Dorman followed with single to center, moving Glysz to third. Cooper Kauffold came up with the RBI when he hit a sharp grounder to second, and Nicholas Zeman's only play was to first, allowing Glysz to come home with the game's opening run, giving Bay County a 1-0 lead after the first inning.

Bay County's offense exploded in the bottom of the third and Garrett Glysz got them started yet again with an infield single to short. Carson Kwapiszewski laid down another sacrifice bunt, and John Dorman followed with a sharp single to center. Cooper Kauffold then drew a walk, and the bases were loaded with no one out. Mason Schumacher singled to center, bringing home Glysz and moving the Bay County lead to 2-0. Branden Brown followed with a single of his own, and the lead was 3-0. Nick Birdsall continued the hit parade with an infield single to short to extend the lead to 4-0. Jacob Morse came through with yet another single, scoring Schumacher, and Brown came home when Austyn Benoit tried to catch him off guard at third, making the score 6-0. Alec Prokopenko drew a walk and Glysz followed with a sacrifice fly that scored Birdsall, and Bay County led 7-0 after the third inning.

Crowley was able to generate an immediate response in the top of the fourth, as Austyn Benoit drew a leadoff walk, and Hunter Wriborg followed with a double to deep center, scoring Benoit and closing the gap to 7-1. After back-to-back flyouts, Landon Lafleur singled to right, allowing Wriborg to score, making the score 7-2 after four innings.

Crowley went to the bottom of the fifth needing at least five runs to keep their tournament dreams alive, and Kamran Richard led off the inning with a single to right. Wyatt Verret followed with another single, putting runners at first and second with no one out. Jacob Bernard came up with the goods when he came to the plate and launched a triple off the wall in right center, scoring both Richard and Verret, narrowing the deficit to 7-4. Nicholas Zeman then singled to right, scoring Bernard and cutting the lead to 7-5 and bringing the tying run to the plate in the form of Austyn Benoit. However, Benoit popped out to short, and Garrett Glysz made the heads up play to throw over to first and catch Zeman sleeping for an incredible double play. Hunter Wriborg was retired on a routine fly ball to right, and Bay County held on for a 7-5 win.

Bay County will take on Upland, California tomorrow at 5:00 PM. Crowley, Louisiana was eliminated from the tournament.