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Bee Jays Survive and Advance to Semi Finals

Both the Liberal Bee Jays and Santa Barbara (CA) Foresters had opportunities Thursday night and early Friday, but it was the Bee Jays who capitalized last as they pushed across a run in the bottom half of the 14th inning to defeat Santa Barbara 3-2 advancing the Bee Jays to the semi finals of the NBC World Series in Wichita.

The Foresters had a 2-0 lead until the sixth inning when Tanner Rindels hit a 2 RBI double to tie the game. There would be no more scoring until the Bee Jays won it in the 14th on a ground ball to short as Kevin Carby slid hard into second breaking up the double play possibility and allowing Steven Tucker to score from third for the victory.

Bret Davis earned a no decision despite pitching well. Davis went 6 and 2/3 innings giving up just two runs off of seven hits. Blake Thomas pitched 4 and 1/3 scoreless innings out of the bullpen. Don Lisi earned the win in relief going three innings improving his record to 6-4 on the season.

Santa Barbara is the defending NBC World Series Champs and are now eliminated from the NBC. The Bee Jays improve to 5-1 at the world series and will play the Anchorage (AK) Glacier Pilots on Friday at 6 p.m. The winner will advance on to the Championship Game which will take place on Saturday evening. The winner will have to beat El Dorado twice to win the championship.

Friday's game can be heard on 1270 AM and kscb.net. First pitch is set for 6 p.m. The Dugout Show will begin at 5:45.

Thursday's Other NBC Scores:

Anchorage (AK) Glacier Pilots 7, Conejo (CA) Oaks 3

El Dorado (KS) Broncos 5, Hays (KS) Larks 2

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