

## **JWS just miss out on Top 4**

The New Zealand Junior White Sox have ended their world championships after going down against Canada 5-6, just missing out on Top 4.

It was an evenly matched game with both teams fighting to stay in the competition. A strong start by the Kiwis saw them put up 3 runs in the 1st inning, capitalising on 2 hits and Canadian errors. But Canada answered straight away, scoring 4 runs.

The Kiwis came back to tie it up in the top of the 4th, with Pania Monk batting in the run. A passed ball gave Canada the go-ahead run in the bottom of the 4th and a safe hit put the score at 4-6.

Mikayla Werahiko batted in another run for New Zealand in the top of the 6th, with a line drive into right field. Canada managed to hold in the 7th to take the match 5-6 and advance into the Top 4.

Courtney Gettins, who has been crucial to the New Zealand line up, was solid on the mound again today. First baseman, Pania Monk, was impressive in the box with 3 hits and 2 RBIs. The Kiwis out hit Canada 10-8.