

# *Elite League: Leader Agricultores hosts slumping Ganaderos*

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The Agricultores, led by the Gran Martiense mentor Carlos Martí, who collectively lead the batting department (293) and are second in defense (978) behind Centrales (981), have a record of 24-15, while Ganaderos (18-20) occupies the fourth and last place for the post-season scheduled to begin on January 4.

For the stricken Ganaderos, who are second in pitching (2.92) behind Centrales (2.81) and are last in batting (248) and defense (969), will pitch the right-hander José Eduardo Santo of El Espiritu.

Meanwhile, runner-up Centrales traveled to the Calixto García park in Holguín to face Cafetaleros. Alain Sanchez will take the mound for Centrales and left-hander Uberley Estevez will do the same for Cafetaleros.

Finally, at the Nelson Fernández stadium in Mayabequense, the local team of Portuarios, immersed in an excellent end of the season and occupying fifth place (18-22), will receive the visit of Tabacaleros (20-19), located in third place.

For Portuarios, right-hander Yadián Martínez will pitch, while Vladimir Baños will be in charge of throwing the serpentines for Tabacalero.

Pavel Quesada (CEN) is the leading hitter with an average of 336, while young right-hander José Ignacio Bermúdez (POR) leads the pitchers in clean runs (0.69), something uncommon in current baseball on the island.

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