

Elon Nine Entertains Pirates And Quakers This Weekend

Larry Bulla Top Hitter For Christian Regulars

With thirteen games gone through last weekend, ten of them in the victory column, the Elon baseballers were hitting for fine squad average of .287 in the early-season contests. The stickwork, in general, has been good, although there has been a couple of "cold" games at the plate.

Larry Bulla, veteran shortstop, is leading the regulars with a strong .391 average on 18 hits in 46 times at the plate. He is topped only by Marian Hargrove, who returned to the field last week after being shelved with an ankle injury throughout the games of March and early April. Hargrove is hitting even .500 in eight times at the plate.

There are six other Christians in the charmed circle of .300 hitters, although only Watts, Ellen and Shepperson have been on the regular list in early spring. Watts is hitting .365, Ellen .364 and Shepperson .350 after the thirteen-game records were completed.

Gilbert Watts, who has been one of the consistent hitters, is topping the runs-batted-in column with 18 RBI's to his credit. He is also topping the doubles with four and the homers with three. Others high in RBI's are Larry Bulla, Tony Carcaterra and Charlie Frye.

Watts is also tops among the pitchers with a 4-1 mark in games won and lost. Other pitchers with wins to their credit are Jimmy Scoggins 2 and Gary Henson, Arthur Thompson, Harold Ellen and Sam Simmons with one each.

The individual batting for 13 games follows:

Player	ab	r	h	ave.
Hargrove	8	3	4	.500
Bulla	46	16	18	.391
Watts	52	12	19	.365
Ellen	22	5	8	.364
Shepperson	40	12	14	.350
Teague	9	3	3	.333
Henderson	3	0	1	.333
Jones	13	4	4	.308
Frye	51	9	13	.255
Lichok	32	13	8	.250
Henson	4	0	1	.250
Scoggins	4	0	1	.250
Sharpe	19	4	4	.211
Clark	44	9	9	.204
Thompson	15	3	3	.200
Hall	11	3	2	.182
Eanes	15	3	2	.133
Allen	8	0	1	.125
Medley	3	0	0	.000
Watts	3	1	0	.000
Simmons	1	0	0	.000
Knapp	1	0	0	.000

ELON TOTALS	453	115	130	.287
OPPONENTS	461	61	111	.241
RUNS-BATTED-IN	— Watts 18, Bulla 14, Carcaterra 12, Frye 12, Clark 8, Shepperson 6, Ellen 4, Hargrove 4, Eanes 2, Jones 2, Teague 2, Hall 2, Allen 1, Henderson 1, Henson 1, Thompson 1, Sharpe 1.			
TWO-BAGGERS	— Watts 4, Carcaterra 2, Frye 2, Lichok 1, Bulla, Shepperson 1, Teague 1, Henderson 1.			

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Elon Golf Squad Has Even Mark

The Elon College golfers were all even for the year last weekend, their record showing three wins, three losses and one tie, with one match rained out, and Robby Loy was rolling along with a perfect record of seven straight medalist victories in dual meets. Bernice Proctor and Jimmy Fogleman had also chipped in some fine scores.

After being rained out in the opener and tying with High Point 9-9 in the first match played, the Christian linksmen have defeated Belmont Abbey 12 to 6, Appalachian 14 1-2 to 3-12 and Catawba 12 to 6. The losses were 1 Guilford twice by counts of 11 1-2 to 6 1-2 and 11 to 7 and 1 East Carolina by 10 1-2 to 6-5. Five matches and the Conference tourney remained on the schedule as this week opened.

Elon Downs Appalachian With Homers

Unleashing a heavy assault which included three homers against four Appalachian pitchers, the Elon Christians pounded out a 12 to 3 decision over the Mountaineer nine here last Thursday afternoon, April 17th, to run the Elon mark in North State Conference play to three wins against a single loss.

Larry Bulla, Harold Ellen and Eddie Clark were the long-distance clouters for the Christians, each of the trio riding the ball out of the park for round-trippers during the fray, which also saw Bulla turn in a perfect day at the plate with four singles and the homer in five tries.

The invading Mountaineers were away in front with two runs in the third and a singleton in the fourth, but that was the sum total of the Appalachian scoring, and the Christians began their own attack in the bottom of the fourth, going on to score in each of the next four frames.

The Christians broke the scoring ice with a single run in the fourth, but they really unlimbered in the next three rounds with four markers in the fifth and three each in the sixth and seventh innings.

Jack Henderson drew the starting nod on the mound for Elon, but he was relieved by Jimmy Scoggins, who later gave way to Arthur Thompson. The three hurlers scattered nine Appalachian hits along the route, with only Grimes and Hovis able to hit more than once for the Mountaineer squad.

The score by innings follows:

	r	h	e
Appalachian	002	100	000—3 9 0
Elon	000	143	31x—15 15 4

Clark, Newton (4), Lee (7), Welborn (8) and Travis, Boyd (7); Henderson, Scoggins (4), Thompson (6) and Ellen, Hargrove (9).

Indian Nine Hands Elon Loop Loss

The Elon College Christians, starting a busy week in defense of their North State Conference championship which they won last year, ran into a snag at Salisbury on Monday, April 14th, as they dropped a close 3 to 2 decision to the Catawba Indians.

The Catawba nine gained its victory over Gilbert Watts, ace of the Elon mound staff, overcoming an early Christian lead and then squelching a late rally by Coach Jack Sanford's boys.

Don Lichok, Elon second baseman, gave the Christians a quick lead in the first inning when he tallied from second on a long double by Larry Bulla, but the Elon squad was unable to count again until the eighth.

The Indians grabbed the lead with two runs in the second and one in the third. Elon loaded the bases in the top of the eighth, but Bill Frazer took the mound for Catawba and halted the uprising with only one run.

The score by innings:

	r	h	e
Elon	000	000	010—2 6 1
Catawba	021	000	00x—3 10 1

Watts and Ellen; Schneider, Bender (8), Frazier (8) and Miller.

SENIOR CATCHERS HIT BY INJURIES



Apparently fortified behind the plate with two senior lettermen for catching duties, the Christian diamond squad has seen both those veterans sidelined with injuries this season. Bobby Sharpe, standing at left, who hit .421 last year, caught the early games and then went out with a shoulder injury sustained in a play at home plate. He has caught none in three weeks. Marion Hargrove, kneeling, went out in pre-season workouts with an ankle injury and just returned to the line-up last week. He had two homers and a single in the second win over Western Carolina last Saturday.

Christians Top Catamounts Twice In Weekend Invasion

The Christian baseballers kept themselves in the thick of the North State Conference baseball race when they swept a two-game series with the Western Carolina Catamounts at Cullowhee on Friday and Saturday of last week.

The Maroon and Gold outfit, after the long trek into the Carolina hill country, swamped the Catamounts 14 to 4 on Friday and then came back strong to grab the Saturday contest by an 11 to 5 score.

Win On Friday
Stacking thirteen hits with seven walks and taking advantage of nine Western Carolina errors, the Christians trampled the Catamounts 14 to 4 in the game last Friday, running the Elon mark in loop play to four wins and a single loss.

The Christians got to Harris Pryor in the fourth inning to break a scoreless deadlock with a pair of runs, and then came the deluge of Elon scores, which tallied five in the fifth, one in the sixth and six in a big ninth. The Catamounts had two counters in the fifth and singleton runs in the sixth and eighth.

Tony Carcaterra, with a homer and two singles, and Tom Shepperson, with three singles, were the heavy knockers for the winning Christians. Carcaterra's homer came in the ninth with two mates on the cushions. Carter with a homer and two singles led the Catamount stickwork.

The score by innings:

	r	h	e
Elon	000	251	006—14 13 0
West Car.	000	021	010—4 15 9

Henson and Hargrove; H. Pryor, Mashburn (4), Game (8), Bettingfield (6) and Hawkins.

Also On Saturday
The Christians made a clean sweep of the weekend series when they trampled the Catamounts 11 to 5 on the Cat field on Saturday afternoon.
The Elon outfit wasted no time in breaking out front in the Saturday tilt, scoring three times on a walk to Don Lichok, a single by Larry Bulla, and a double by Gil

Pfeiffer Outfit Comes For Tilt Next Monday

Baseballers Twice Lick Rensselaer

The Christian baseballers turned in a double win over the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute baseballers in a pair of games played here on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 1st and 2nd, chalking the victories by overwhelming scores of 12 to 6 and 12 to 5.

The Christians chalked their fourth straight win of the early season on April 1st by a 12 to 5 count as Gil Watts and Charlie Frye banged homers and towering Tony Carcaterra boomed a triple and single to claim top honors in the victorious Elon slugging show.

A pair of walks to Don Lichok and Charlie Frye, plus a wild pitch and a single by Carcaterra netted Elon two counters in the first for an early margin, and then a big Christian rally in the third that produced seven runs was enough to ice the game completely.

Watts, patrolling center field for the Christians, opened the big third with a homer over the left field wall, setting the tempo for an assault that produced six hits and seven runs. Climax of the rally came when Charlie Frye rocketed the ball over the wall to score Lichok and Bulla ahead of him.

The New York Staters rebounded in the fourth when they got to Arthur Thompson for four hits and five runs, but the rally fell short and left the Rensselaer lads still trailing by a 9-5 count. They later added another run in the eighth, but Elon got two in the seventh and one in the eighth to post the final margin.

A pair of Alamance County freshmen paired on the mound for Elon to turn back the Rensselaer outfit. Thompson, who started the contest, had to give way in the face of Rensselaer's third-inning rally, but Jimmy Scoggins, Mebane southpaw, took over there and went the rest of the way in fine style.

The score by innings:

	r	h	e
Rensselaer	000	500	010—6 8 3
Elon	207	000	21x—12 11 4

Laskowski, Satterle (3), Franks (7) and Brown, Wittig (6), Moyer (8); Thompson, Scoggins (4) and Sharpe, Ellen (8).

Fifth Straight Win
Hitting well behind the mound efforts of three Christian pitchers, the Elon College baseballers chalked their fifth straight win of the 1958 season when they turned back the Rensselaer Polytechnic outfit 12 to 5 here on April 2nd.

The Christian mound duties were divided in equal 3-inning stints by Sam Simmons, Karl Knapp and Gary Henson, who scattered a dozen Rensselaer hits fairly well along the route. It was only in the third rack that the visiting New Yorkers were able to stage any major rally.

The Elon outfit broke away to a big lead in the first inning when the Christians tallied five runs on a pair of walks and singles by Joe Teague, Arthur Thompson, Gil Watts and Ted Eanes. They stretched that lead with three more runs in the second, added three in the fifth and a singleton marker in the eighth.

Teague with a double and single and Watts and Eanes with a pair of singles each proved the top knockers for the winning Christians.

The score by innings:

	r	h	e
Rensselaer	031	000	010—5 12 0
Elon	530	030	01x—12 11 3

Madden, Hulse (6) and Wittig, Pelligrini (6); Simmons, Knapp (4), Henson (7) and Sharpe, Ellen

In the midst of another stretch of home baseball games, the Christian nine will play host to the East Carolina Pirates here Friday and Guilford on Saturday in a pair of important North State Conference contests this weekend, and Pfeiffer comes to Elon Monday to run out a string of four consecutive home tilts.

The Christians were at home for a long string of diamond contests to open the season and were then on the road for a number of battles before returning to the local field on Tuesday of this week to face Catawba. The schedule will then take the Elon outfit on the road for several consecutive contests before a final home tilt to close the season.

The two games here this weekend with Guilford and East Carolina could go far toward settling the Elon hopes for the North State Conference championship. The East Carolina outfit, which is always a threat for the loop honors, was leading the Conference standings as this week got underway, and Coach Jim Mallory can be counted on to bring a strong combo to the Christian lair for the Friday tilt.

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Track Team Turns Back High Point

The Elon track team kept its undefeated mark and chalked its second win of the year when the Christians turned back the High Point Panthers 77 1-3 to 52 2-3 in a North State Conference meet at High Point on Wednesday, April 2nd. The track was very slow due to the recent rains.

The Christians won eight firsts in the fifteen events, Eddie Burke and Stuart Toms as double winners for the Elon outfit. Burke won the high hurdles and the high jump, while Toms grabbed firsts in both sprints. Elon swept all three places in the broad jump and copped first and second in shotput, the hundred and both hurdles.

The summary follows:
100 YARD DASH — Toms (E), Gregg (E), Pomyduvall (HP). TIME — 11 seconds.
220 YARD DASH — Toms (E), Pomyduvall (HP), Foust (E). TIME — 25 seconds.
440 YARD RUN — Hanaar (HP), Bergman (E), Pennewell (HP). TIME — 55.6 seconds.
880 YARD RUN — Hart (HP), Stuckey (E), Smith (HP). TIME — 2 minutes 13 seconds.
ONE MILE RUN — Dean (HP), Vert (HP), Plaster (E). TIME — 4 minutes 56.5 seconds.
TWO MILE RUN — Dean (HP), Vert (HP), Bergman (E). TIME — 11 minutes 27.5 seconds.

120 YARD HIGH HURDLES — Burke (E), Gregg (E). TIME — 16.7 seconds.
220 YARD LOW HURDLES — Gregg (E), Burke (E), Hackney (HP). TIME — 28 seconds.
HIGH JUMP — Burke (E), three-way tie for second by Gregg (E), Black (HP) and Skidmore (HP). HEIGHT — 5 feet 6 inches.

BROAD JUMP — Bradham (E) and Gregg (E) tied for first; Benthal (E). DISTANCE — 19 feet 1 1-2 inches.
POLE VAULT — Short (HP), tie for second by Bennett (E) and Stuckey (E). HEIGHT — 10 feet 6 inches.
SHOT PUT — Newcombe (E), Stauffenberg (E), Sykes (HP). DISTANCE — 40 feet 9 inches.

DISCUS — Sykes (HP), Newcomb (E), Sisler (HP). DISTANCE — 120 feet 5 1-2 inches.
JAVELIN — Bennett (E), Murray (E), Ross (HP). DISTANCE — 142 feet.
MILE RELAY — High Point. TIME — 3 minutes 50.8 seconds.

Baseball Schedule

Elon 14, Williams 4.
Elon-Williams (Rain)
Elon 2, Lenoir Rhyne 1.
Elon 5, High Point 0.
Elon 12, Rensselaer 6.
Elon 12, Rensselaer 5.
Elon 5, Hampden-Sidney 14.
Elon-Ohio Univ. (Rain).
Elon 16, Fort Lee 7.
Elon 4, Fort Lee 10.
Elon 6, Fort Lee 1.
Elon 2, Catawba 3.
Elon-Lenoir Rhyne (Rain).
Elon 12, Appalachian 3.
Elon 14, West Carolina 4.
Elon 11, West Carolina 5.
Elon 7, High Point 3.
(Remaining Games)
Apr. 22—Catawba, home.
Apr. 25—East Carolina, home.
Apr. 26—Guilford, home.
Apr. 28—Pfeiffer, home.
Apr. 30—Guilford, away.
May 2—Pfeiffer, away.
May 7—Appalachian, away.
May 9—A.C.C., away.
May 10—East Carolina, away.
May 12—A.C.C. home.

Hamp-Sidney Nine Grabs 14-5 Victory

Erratic play afield proved costly for the Elon Christians as they suffered their first defeat of the new baseball season on Thursday, April 3rd, going before the Hampden Sidney Tigers by a 14 to 5 count in a non-conference contest. The defeat came after five consecutive victories in early season.

The Christians were off to a good start in the game, for they counted all their five runs in the first three innings, but after that point their bats lost their effectiveness, and the usually steady infield defenses collapsed to allow the invading Tigers eleven runs between the fifth and eighth.

A picture of things to come defensively appeared in the first inning when the Hampden Sidney outfit gained two runs without a hit, using two walks, an error and a wild pitch to push the runners home. Elon rebounded for two runs herself on a walk and singles by Charlie Frye and Tony Carcaterra, and the Christians added two more in the second on two walks, an error and Jack Henderson's double.

The Tigers gained the lead with four runs on three hits in the fifth, but the big Hampden Sidney inning came in the seventh when six markers scored on five hits and a brace of Elon errors. Two Elon pitchers saw duty in this one inning, which saw twelve Tiger batters go to the plate.

Larry Bulla and Tony Carcaterra were the top hitters for the Elon squad, each of them getting two singles in five tries. Bill Hawkers with a double and single and Johnny Coleman with two singles led the attack for Hampden Sidney.

The score by innings:

	r	h	e
H-Sidney	251	040	610—14 10 1
Elon	221	000	000—5 8 6

Pierce and McLean; Henderson, Thompson (7), Scoggins (7), Simmons (9) and Sharpe, Ellen (3).

Netters Having Rugged Season

Still struggling with the bugaboo of inexperience, the Elon tennis team has been playing them close in many individual matches, but Coach Bill Blackstone's netters have salvaged only one win in seven dual meets, turning back Belmont Abbey by a 7 to 2 count.

Their losses have included two to Guilford by 7-0 counts, two to High Point by 6-1 counts, one to Atlantic Christian by a 4-1 margin, and one to Appalachian by a 5-2 score. Ten matches remain on the schedule in addition to the Conference tournament.