

Lady Rams sweep defending champ Fayetteville State

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Winston-Salem State scored 10 runs on 11 hits en route to capture the first game of a softball double-header, then held off a late-inning rally to defeat Fayetteville State at South Park Field Saturday.

With Dana Smith, a junior left fielder leading the way, the Rams (13-7-1, 12-2 CIAA) scored four runs in the second inning to provide all the runs they needed in the first game against the defending conference champion.

Smith, who drove in four runs in the game, blasted her

second home run of the season, a two-run shot to left-center field in the second inning rally. She followed that with a two-run double in the fifth.

Shannon Smith, her sister, got into the act also, going 2-for-3 and scoring two runs in the victory.

Heather Davis went the distance on the mound to improve her record to 6-4 on the season. She gave up only two hits and struck out three.

Fayetteville State came back in the second game after falling behind by 10-4 heading into the final inning. The Lady Broncos drove in four runs on

four hits to tighten the game.

Kashemi Henry, who played her high school softball at R.J. Reynolds in Winston-Salem, led the way for the Broncos, going 3-for-4 with four RBIs, including a two-run single in the top of the seventh that helped the Broncos pull to within 10-8.

However, the Rams got out of the jam when Erica Allen lined into a double-play with runners on first and second with one out. Amber Nance (3-2) recorded the victory for the Rams on the mound despite giving up 10 hits and all eight runs.

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All-Conference honors as a senior. Ashford retired from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

Bailey, who serves as the assistant general manager of the New Orleans Saints in the NFL, was an All-City/County selection at defensive end at Reynolds in 1968. He was also a member of the Shrine Bowl and was runner-up for the Lineman of the Year award.

He earned a B.S. degree from N.C. Central in 1974 and an M.S. degree in guidance and counseling from N.C. A&T in 1980.

Bennett, who retired from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.,

graduated from Kernersville High in 1957. While there he was named to the All-County baseball team, All-Northwest basketball team and All-County football team. He earned a scholarship to attend Oak Ridge Military Academy, where he lettered in basketball and baseball. Denning graduated from West Forsyth in 1977. He was named All-Conference and All-City/County in basketball in both 1975-76. He led his team in steals, assists and slam dunks each season at West. Denning is employed in the department of physiology/pharmacology at Wake Forest University School of Medicine.

Gary, who is a supervisor for the City of Winston-Salem Parks and Recreation Depart-

ment, played at Columbia Heights and Anderson high schools. He was captain of both the football and basketball teams in 1963. As a quarterback, he led the Bulldogs to Western Conference 3-A championships in 1962 and 1963. He was named All-City/County in 1963 and was the starting quarterback in the Negro West Shrine Bowl.

Plemmons is employed as a supervisor and shop steward for UPS. He was All-City/County in basketball in 1972 and 1973. He earned a scholarship to Gardner-Webb and later transferred to Appalachian, where he started for three seasons at second base. He holds the on-base percentage record and earned all-conference honors as a senior.

made an immediate impact, averaging more than 18 points per game and helping the Bobcats finish the season strong.

"If we had had him for the entire season he would have average more than 20 points per game," said Glenn coach John Fowler. "Derek really stepped in and did a great job for us. That's one of the reasons why we finished the season so strong."

Rowdy was Parkland's most consistent scorer throughout the season. His skills helped compensate for many offensive weaknesses in Parkland's team.

"He was the guy we looked to for our points," said coach Dwain Aikens. "He really did a good job of putting the ball in the basket. He has to work on his defense, but I expect him to be able to do well on the next level."

The same can be said of Mitchell of Carver. He has the ability to score on slashing moves to the basket and pull up for the jumper.

"Antwoine is a very talented guy who did a good job for us during the season," said Carver coach Greg Scales. "He's the type of guy who doesn't look like he's really putting up big numbers but before you realize it he's got 20 points."

Mitchell led the Yellow-jackets with an 18.3 scoring average. He was one of the reasons why the young Yellow-jacket team posted a 13-8 overall record and 10-6 mark in the Piedmont Triad 3-A Conference.

The remaining players on the All-City/County Team were all key contributors to their teams. Charles Jackson's inside scoring (12) and rebounding (9.1) were important to the Titans' attack.

Danny Harris was the floor leader for a Reynolds team that was 16-6 overall and 8-2 in the Central Piedmont Conference.

"Danny is the type of player that every coach wants," said Overby. "He understands what we want to do on both ends of the court and he does his best to execute it."

"His leadership was really important to us," Overby added. "He sacrificed some scoring to help with the ball-handling and making sure we stayed within our game plan."

Terrance Ingram helped lead a resurgent East Forsyth team under the direction of first-year coach Doug Lakis. Elliott Kimball's overall play was also a major reason Mount Tabor was one of the top teams in the Metro 4-A Conference in the first year under coach William Gray.

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valuable minutes.

Jeff Overby, RJR's coach, believes Fulp will be able to help the Demons' varsity next year.

"He's got all the tools," Overby said. "He's a coach's dream. He's only going to get better and better."

The same could be said of Ray Edmond, North Forsyth's leading scorer. Edmond, a 6-2 swing man, averaged 18.5 points per game for the Vikings, who finished their season with a 14-6 overall record and 9-3 mark in the Metro 4-A Conference. In most seasons Edmond might have been the JV Player of the Year.

Tyler Boardman was another strong candidate for Player of the Year. The 6-2 freshman averaged 14.9 points per game to help lead West Forsyth to a Central Piedmont 4-A Conference championship. The Titans finished 18-4 overall and 9-1 in the conference.

Derek Griffin of Glenn, Perry Rowdy of Parkland and Antwoine Mitchell of Carver also put up lofty numbers during the season.

Griffin spent the first part of the season on the Bobcats' varsity but when he came down to the junior varsity he

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