

All-Star Baseball Team To Compete In Tournament

A lineup of the top baseball players in the Charlotte area has been put together to compete in the National Furniture City Invitational Tournament, starting Friday, August 3 in Lenoir.

The double elimination tournament will continue through August 12 where the annual championship team will be announced.

The Local team will represent the best athletes in the popular Triple County Baseball League under the management of Herman Thomas, the highly-successful skipper of the Queen City Rangers. Willie Alexander, manager of the Metro Phillies, and

David Broome, who heads the Charlotte Redbirds, will serve as the coaches.

"We have chosen a squad of players that we believe will be representative of our league as well as competitive in a field made up of some of the most outstanding teams in semi-pro baseball," Thomas said.

Thomas faces a tough decision in reducing the recently appointed squad of 25 players down to the 21 players the tournament required.

"It's a very difficult decision to make," Alexander stated, adding "however, we have scheduled some exhibition games and



Herman Thomas
To manage All-Stars

the players will be given an opportunity to show what they can do. They will cut themselves."

The 25-man squad is composed of two catchers, two first basemen, two second basemen, three short stops, three third basemen, two left fielders, three center fielders, three right fielders and five pitchers.

Catchers Sam Williams of the Charlotte Red Birds and Randy Pack of the Hoskins Giants were named to the squad as were first basemen Terry Hollyfield of Kings Mountain and Melvin Latta of the Charlotte Bombers; second basemen Ricky Grier of the Rangers and Alfred Thompson of the Metro Phillies; short stops

Wilbert Taylor of the Red Birds, Marcus Velesquez of the Rangers and Randy Falls of the Phillies; third basemen Larry Dye of Bowling Green, Patrick Robinson of the Phillies and Bob White of the Rangers; left fielders Darryl Berry of the Rangers and Ricky Carelock of the Phillies; center fielders Bobby Thompson of the Rangers, Darryl McCauley of the Red Birds and Grover Rovens of Hoskins; Michael Smith of the Phillies, Tim Funderburke of the Rangers and Ken Cuthbertson of the Rangers are the right fielders.

The pitchers are Darryl

Jackson of the Rangers, Mark Roberts and Archie Morris of the Phillies, James Young of the Bombers and Larry Henderson of the Red Birds.

Morris has posted a 3-0 record this season. Jackson is 3-1 for the year and Roberts and Henderson each has 2-1 records.

The Phillies will tune up for the tournament with contests to be played on weekends, beginning Friday night June 22 and continuing through July 27. Local games will be played at West Mecklenburg High School athletic field.

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The popular Triple County Baseball League will stage its 18th annual All-Star Contest Saturday night at Harding High School athletic field.

The contest, which begins at 8 o'clock, matches the North All-Stars against the South All-Stars. Herman Thomas will manage the northerners and Willie Alexander will serve as the manager of the southerners. Thomas will be assisted by coaches Harry Morrow, manager of the Hoskins Giants, and Willie Morrow, the West-side Eagles top decision maker.

David Broome, who manages the Charlotte Red Birds, will serve as Alexander's aide.

Both outfits are loaded with outstanding players. Neither Thomas nor Alexander would name a starting lineup. Both preferred to wait until "just before" game-time Saturday night.

Thomas will have Darryl Berry, star left fielder with the Queen City Rangers, along with catcher Randy



David Broome
Red Bird manager

Rack of Hoskins, Marcus Rivens of the Charlotte Red Birds among his top performers.

Alexander will counter with pitchers Lester Styles and Mark Roberts, two of

the most effective hurlers in the league. He will also have hard-hitting Patrick Robinson, study Andrea Crawford and long-ball hitting Alfred Thompson from his Metro Phillies

squad.

He will also benefit from the services of catcher Sam Williams, short stop Wilbert Taylor, third baseman Scottie Williams and center

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ORANGEBURG, SC -- For the second consecutive season, two Georgia

natives will captain the South Carolina State College football squad. The two were selected by fellow teammates, according to Bulldog head coach Bill Davis.

Myles Darling, a senior of Waynesboro, will captain the 1984 defensive unit, while Sylvester native Johnson Crutchfield will captain the Bulldog offensive for the second straight year.

Darling, a 6-3, 200 defensive back, was in on 58 tackles last season and was second in interceptions for S.C. State with three. A first team All-Conference performer, Darling is a physical education major.

Crutchfield, a senior accounting major, is a two time All-Conference

performer. The 6-3, 265 pound guard, has been a Bulldog starter since midway his freshman season.

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Crutchfield, who missed the 1982 season with an injury, was one of the keys to S.C. State's potent

running game which has averaged over 220 yards rushing the last three seasons.

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