

Trojans Top Hallsboro For First Diamond Win

West Brunswick defeated host Hallsboro 10-5 Monday for its first win of the prep baseball season. Sophomore catcher Bryan Fleming blasted a 420-foot home run and Adam Johnson drove in the winning runs to lead West Brunswick. The Trojans broke from a 5-4 deficit with six runs in the top of the seventh to gain the win. George Daniels was the winning

pitcher after entering the game in relief of starter Aldwin Lance in the second inning. Aaron Butler had two hits including a home run and scored three times for the Trojans. West Brunswick (1-2) opens Waccamaw 2-A Conference play Friday hosting Whiteville at 7 p.m. W. Brunswick 201 010 6-10-14-3 Hallsboro 040 001 0-5-5-2

Acme-Delco, Tabor City Top Diamond Trojans

West Brunswick opened the prep baseball season with a pair of non-conference home losses to Acme-Delco 11-1 last Tuesday and Tabor City 8-6 on Friday. Bill Lewis hurled a two-hitter and struck out eight to lead Acme-Delco to the win. Chuck Justice had three hits to lead Acme-Delco at the plate while Troy Webb had two and Kendall Kelly drove in four runs and belted a two-run homer. Acme-Delco chased two Trojan pitchers from the game with a barrage of 18 hits. West Brunswick yielded five runs in the sixth inning after scoring its lone run in the same frame. Tabor City overcame an early six-run Trojan lead with two runs in

the seventh and pushed across the winning run in the eighth to hand West Brunswick its second loss of the week. The Trojans (0-2) open Waccamaw 2-A Conference play Friday hosting Whiteville at 7 p.m. West Brunswick hosts three prep teams from South Carolina beginning next Wednesday in the opening round of the first Beach Diamond Classic Tournament at the Trojan park. West Brunswick faces Chapman (Inman, S.C.) in the tournament opener at 4 p.m. while Byrnes (Duncan, S.C.) meets Chesnee, S.C. in the second contest at 7 p.m. The championship and consolation games will be played next Friday.

Scorpions Split Doubleheader With Hoggard, Fall To Wildcats

North Brunswick opened the prep baseball season Saturday splitting a doubleheader with visiting Hoggard, losing the first game 10-5 before taking the second contest 5-4. The Scorpions also suffered a 5-0 blanking to visiting New Hanover on Friday. In the first game against Hoggard, the Vikings broke from a 4-3 lead with a six-run sixth inning to preserve the win. North Brunswick added two runs in the bottom of the sixth before Hoggard ended the rally. David McDowell's bases-loaded double in the bottom of the seventh sparked the Scorpions to their win in the second game.

Winning pitcher Mark Bordeaux fired a two-hitter and struck out 15 to lead New Hanover past the Scorpions 5-0. The Wildcats (1-1) scored three runs in the fourth inning to take a 4-0 lead and added a single tally in the seventh. Chris McBride was the losing pitcher while going the distance for the Scorpions. New Hanover also won the junior varsity game, 8-2. Mike Maley tossed a two-hitter to lead the Wildcat JV. New Hanover 001 300 1-5-5-1 N. Brunswick 000 000 0-0-2-1 North Brunswick visits New Hanover for a return matchup today (Thursday) at 4 p.m. before opening Waccamaw 2-A Conference play Friday at West Columbus at 7 p.m. The Scorpions continue league play next Tuesday when they travel to South Brunswick for a 7 p.m. contest.

Acme-Delco Tops Cougars

Kendall Kelly tossed a two-hitter and struck out 10 to lead Acme-Delco to a 6-1 prep baseball win over host South Brunswick last Friday. Kelly also had four hits to lead the Trojans' 12-hit attack. Chuck

Justice and Michael Hemminger both added doubles for Acme-Delco (2-0). South Brunswick (1-1) collected its two hits in the fourth inning. Acme-Delco 001 020 3-6-12-3 S. Brunswick 000 000 1-1-2-3

Monroe's Hit Leads South Over Acme-Delco

Jeron Monroe's two-run single in the seventh inning led South Brunswick to a 5-3 baseball win over host Acme-Delco on Monday. The win avenged an earlier loss to the Trojans as South Brunswick

picked up its second decision of the season. The Cougars host North Brunswick next Tuesday in a Waccamaw 2-A Conference contest. S. Brunswick 020 000 3-5-5-4 Acme-Delco 002 000 1-3-3-3

Lady Trojan Softball Team Wins Two Of Three In Opening Week

The West Brunswick girls' softball team opened play last week with a 16-3 romp over visiting New Hanover and a 9-3 triumph over host Nakina. Included in the opening week was an 18-9 home loss to Pender. Perry Culpepper led the way for the Lady Trojans with three hits against Pender including a grand slam home run and a double. The senior also drove in six runs against New Hanover and finished the week with eight hits. "Sirrenthia Daniels, a freshman power hitter, hit the ball very well

last week and we also received good play from Becky Buffkin and Tonya Long," said West Brunswick softball coach Tracy James. "Sophomore pitcher Jenny Judah has also been very consistent for us in the early going," added James. The Lady Trojans are averaging 14.3 hits per game. West Brunswick (2-1) opens Waccamaw 2-A Conference play Friday visiting Whiteville and returns to nonleague action Monday at New Hanover. The Lady Trojans also travel to Fairmont next Tuesday. All games begin at 4 p.m.

Perry Culpepper Named First Trojan Spring Sports Athlete Of The Week

Lady Trojan softball standout Perry Culpepper was named recipient of the first West Brunswick/Burger King springs sport athlete of the week award Monday after opening the girls' diamond season with impressive numbers.

The senior multi-sports and academic standout collected three hits in the Lady Trojans' 18-9 season-opening loss to Pender last Monday including a grand slam home run and a double.

In a 16-3 romp over New Hanover last Tuesday, Culpepper drove in eight runs. Culpepper finished the week with eight hits after also helping her team to a 9-3 win over Nakina.

"Perry is a very coachable young lady and a real top-of-the-line student," said West Brunswick softball coach Tracy James. "Her numbers from last week really speak for themselves."

Trojan athletic director Marshall Seay added, "Perry is a fine example of all our student/athletes here at West Brunswick. We really appreciate her dedication to our athletic program and to our school."

"Despite the young age and inexperience of our team, I feel we have the excitement, desire and raw talent to have a winning season," said Culpepper on her view of the Lady Trojan softball team.

The West girls are currently 2-1 overall and open Waccamaw Conference play Friday at Whiteville.

Culpepper has received numerous athletic awards at West Brunswick including all-Waccamaw Conference honors the last two years in both softball and volleyball. She was named the most valuable player on last year's softball team and won the coaches award last fall in volleyball in addition to picking up MVP honors in softball as a junior. She is currently ranked second in her senior class and was voted most



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK—Senior softball standout Perry Culpepper (center) received the first Trojan spring sports athlete of the week award Monday from West Brunswick athletic director Marshall Seay (left) and softball coach Tracy James (right). Culpepper helped the Lady Trojan softball team to wins in two of their first three games of the season last week.

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talented by her classmates earlier this year. Culpepper has also received North Carolina High School Athletic Association student/athlete academic awards the past two years and served as vice-president of the National Honor Society as a junior. She is a member of the Future

Business Leaders of American (FBLA), Interact and Latin Clubs along with the National Honor Society. The spring sports athlete of the week program will continue throughout the school year with a Trojan player selected from the baseball, softball, track, golf and

tennis teams. "To qualify for the award the springs sports athlete must receive the recommendation from his/her head coach," explained Seay. "A committee comprised of the principal, athletic director, two teachers and the previous week's winner will then make the selection."

SPORTING SCENE

Earlier Kickoff Times Set For Conference Football Games

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

The Waccamaw 2-A Conference made a good choice at the league's winter meeting at Fairmont last week by moving up the starting time of loop football games to 7:30 p.m.

Most prep leagues across the state, including the Waccamaw Conference, have traditionally begun football games at 8 p.m.

However, a handful of altercations among fans at prep games in the state during the last few seasons have made the North Carolina High School Athletic Association consider moving all gridiron contests to 7:30 p.m.

The Mideastern 4-A Conference, which includes all three Wilmington high schools, has begun its football games at 7:30 p.m. for many years.

While prep football fans are well-behaved in this area considering crowd behavior in other parts of the state, the Waccamaw Conference has made a good move to act on the matter rather than react.

Look for most other conferences throughout the state to voice similar opinions as the WC during the remaining months of the current school years.

Another football proposal was adopted at the league meeting concerning the change of possession. With the new rule, the game clock will stop on the change of possession and will start with the next snap of the ball. In previous years the clock has started as soon as possession took place and before the ball was snapped.

In other business, the league unanimously voiced concern with officiating.

The Waccamaw Conference will be sending a letter to NCHSAA su-

pervisor of officials Dick Knox with recent problems league members have encountered. Among the problems are attitude of the officials' booking agent on telephone calls and confidentiality. For example, a school calls with an officiating complaint, the game official knows about the call immediately.

Also, the league feels that officials are sent too often to the same school and that officials are asked to call too many local games.

Easter Tourney Returns To West

West Brunswick will host its own Easter holiday baseball tournament beginning next Wednesday when three prep teams from South Carolina visit the Trojan park.

Participating in the four-team tourney will be Chapman (Inman, S.C.), Byrnes (Duncan, S.C.) and Chesnee, S.C. along with the host Trojans.

West Brunswick will meet Chapman in the tournament opener at 4 p.m. followed by the Byrnes vs Chesnee matchup at 7 p.m.

The tournament championship and consolation games will be held on Friday.

Between the two days of tournament play, West Brunswick will travel to South Robeson for a Waccamaw 2-A Conference game with the Mustangs on Thursday.

This year marks the first time West Brunswick has hosted its own Easter baseball tournament since the early 1980s.

The Trojans have participated in a number of other spring tourneys since then including the eight-team Sea Shell Invitational held during the Easter break at UNC-Wilmington.

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