

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

North Stays Unbeaten In TRC

North Brunswick's baseball team picked up two wins last week to remain undefeated in the Three Rivers Conference, thanks in large part to a pair of bona fide college pitching prospects.

Senior Paul Mintz fired a complete-game, four-hitter last Thursday at Red Springs, two nights after junior Casey McBride hurled a no-hitter against Bladenboro.

In Thursday's game, Mintz struck out 12 batters in the 8-4 victory over the Red Devils. The left-hander improved his pitching mark to 4-0 as the Scorpions ran their record to 5-0 in the conference and 9-5 overall.

Jeff Clark and John Sweeney had two hits each for North Brunswick, which scored five runs in the fourth inning.

Despite the fine outing by Mintz, it wasn't the best pitching performance of the week for the Scorpions.

Last Tuesday, McBride tossed a no-hitter and North Brunswick defeated Bladenboro 4-0 in a Three Rivers Conference game in Leland.

The right-handed McBride, who is 5-2 on the season, recorded 13 strikeouts against the visiting Bulldogs. He had a perfect game going until he walked a batter in the sixth inning.

McBride also sparked the Scorpion offense. He led off the fourth inning with a triple and came home on Robert Hewett's RBI single. The Scorpions added three runs in the sixth.

After losing four of its first six games this season,

North Brunswick has won seven of its last eight games and carries a four-game winning streak into this week.

In five conference games this season, Mintz and McBride have allowed a total of 10 hits and five runs.

In addition to last week's no-hitter, McBride has hurled a two-hit shutout and Mintz has pitched a one-hit shutout in conference play.

North Brunswick was scheduled to continue league play Tuesday with a home game against South Robeson. The Scorpions will begin the second round of conference play Friday night at Fairmont.

Calabash EMTs Answer 77 Calls In March

Calabash Volunteer Emergency Medical Services answered 77 calls in March, working 313 hours and traveling 2,898 miles, according to the squad's monthly report.

Forty-four calls were in Calabash, nine in Sunset Beach and 24 elsewhere. Of those, 11 were mutual aid for Waccamaw, five for Shallotte and one for Leland.

At the April 21 board meeting, the chief reported that progress is being made on communications between the Calabash squad and the 911 headquarters in Bolivia. A new antenna has been installed by the Calabash group, and five radios have been purchased to enhance the project.



STAFF PHOTO BY DOUG RUTTER
PITCHER JENNY CROWDER has helped lead North Brunswick to a 5-0 record in the Three Rivers Conference and an overall mark of 11-3. Also pictured is third baseman Patricia Dunn.

Lady Scorpions Win Fifth Straight

North Brunswick's softball team recorded its fifth straight win last Thursday with an 8-0 victory over visiting Red Springs.

Michelle Bennett had two hits and three RBI and Ashley Burton two hits and two RBI to lead the Lady Scorpions.

Wendy Ganey and Karen Messer also had two hits each as North Brunswick improved to 5-0 in the Three Rivers Conference and 11-3 overall.

Last Tuesday, Cassandra Pierce went 2-for-3 and knocked in three runs as North Brunswick edged conference foe Bladenboro 7-6.

Tifni McBride went 2-for-2 for the Lady Scorpions, and Jenny Crowder was the winning pitcher.

North Brunswick was scheduled to play at South Robeson Tuesday. The Lady Scorpions will host a doubleheader against Fairmont on Thursday afternoon.

New Britton Off To 4-0 Start

New Britton notched a pair of victories last week to put its league-best record at 4-0 in the Brunswick

County Men's Church Softball League.

New Britton, which is the early leader in the B Division, pounded Old Shallotte 22-6 last Friday. The win came one night after a 10-2 victory over previously-undefeated Zion Baptist.

Other church league teams off to good starts include Supply Baptist and Friendship Baptist, both of which entered the week 3-0 and tied for first place in the A Division.

At Waccamaw Township Park last Thursday, Supply picked up a 23-10 win over Letties Grove and Friendship was a 22-9 winner over Jennies Branch.

Seaside Methodist improved to 3-1 on Monday with a 16-13 victory over Old Shallotte. Seaside also defeated Camp Methodist 21-12 last Tuesday.

Emanuel Outreach also ran its record to 3-1 Monday night with a 20-4 victory over Letties Grove. Emanuel Outreach defeated Shallotte First 20-5 last Friday.

Eastside Fellowship recorded its first two wins of the season last week, beating Dixon Chapel 18-13

on Tuesday and taking a forfeit win over Camp Methodist Friday. Eastside lost a 17-2 decision to Soldier Bay on Monday.

In other church league games last week, Shallotte First defeated Letties Grove 19-8.

Brunswick County Men's Church Softball League Standings Through April 25

A DIVISION		
TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
Supply Baptist	3	0
Friendship Baptist	3	0
Emanuel Outreach	3	1
Ocean View	1	1
Mount Olive	1	2
Shallotte First	1	2
Jennies Branch	0	2
Letties Grove	0	4
B DIVISION		
TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
New Britton	4	0
Seaside Methodist	3	1
Zion Baptist	2	1
Soldier Bay	2	1
Eastside Fellowship	2	2
Old Shallotte	1	3
Dixon Chapel	0	2
Camp Methodist	0	4

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