

Playing the Field

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In the second bout, the B-Dazzlers got off to a strong start, going up by 20 points early. But, that lead was chiseled away by Kannapolis and by halftime the B-Dazzlers held a slim one point advantage, 62-61. The lead switched hands many times in the second half and was even tied late in the bout at 93 all. But Charlotte was able to finish strong and pull away for a 137-105 victory, remaining undefeated at home this year. This game also marked the retirement of two exceptional athletes from the B-Dazzlers squad, Tasty Murder and Addie Finitum. The Charlotte teams wish them the best of luck as they step away from the sport they love.

MVPs for the All-Stars:

MVP Jammer — Do U Juana

MVP Blocker — Drew FearMEore

MVPS for the B-Dazzlers:

MVP Jammer — Addie Finitum

MVP Blocker — Mustang Stella

Charlotte next takes on the Chemical Valley Roller Girls, at home, July 21. Go to their website for ticket information at charlotterollergirls.com.

Also in June, the Gastonia G*Force roller derby team traveled down to South Carolina to take on the Spartanburg Deadly Dolls. This bout started similarly to that of the Charlotte All-Stars, with Gastonia taking a commanding 112-44 lead into halftime, but unlike the Sirens, The Deadly Dolls showed renewed fight and heart when they returned from the break. They were able to get within 20 points at one point in the second half with back to back scoring jams. However, the deficit from the first half was too great and Spartanburg was unable to dig itself

out its hole, losing to the G*Force 153-130.

Next up for Gastonia is a trip to Fayetteville, N.C., on July 13 to take on The Rogue Roller Girls. For information on bout schedules or if you are curious about participating, check them out on Facebook at facebook.com/gforcederby.

Softball

The Carolina Softball Association will be concluding their season on July 21 with their end-of-the-season tournament. It will be held

at Revolution Park starting at 2 p.m. Come out and watch as the six-team league crowns their city champion.

Also taking place in July is the K-Town Classic from July 27-28. Knoxville, Tenn., hosts this two-day tournament which brings in teams from across the Southeast to compete in C, D and women's divisions. If you are interested in taking part or taking a team to this event, go to their webpage at ktownclassic.com and register! :

