

Yellow Jacket's Swarm Stopped, 8-3

The Bulldog baseballers triumphed over the Yellow Jackets of Salisbury with a final score of 8-3, March 29. This gave the Bulldogs a 2-1 won-lost record so far in the 1968 season.

The winning pitcher, Ricky Russell, gave up only seven hits, while he struck out ten batters and walked seven.

In the first inning, Albemarle scored one run. The run was garnered on a walk, a stolen base, and an error.

A double by Loeb, singles by Doby and Hathcock, and a sacrifice fly gained three runs in the second frame for Albemarle.

The visiting Bulldogs made one run in the third inning.

During the sixth inning, three runs were scored by Albemarle. Doby hit a single, Whitley doubled, and Lanny Mabry knocked a home run over the left field fence, 375 feet from home plate.

The home team, Boyden, scored their only three runs in the seventh frame. They were the result of three hits, a walk and a sacrifice.

In the field, the Bulldogs played errorless ball; Boyden committed two miscues.

With three for three, Doby led Albemarle's seven-hit attack. Salisbury's seven-hit offense was topped by Swaim, with a two-for-three batting performance.



Coach Jo Bogle's girls' basketball team carried the Bulldog Spirit high as they garnered a second place in the South Piedmont Conference Tournament.

GREYHOUNDS COLLARED, 5-0

Junior Robert Lewis pitched an outstanding game Tuesday, April 9, as he twirled a no-hit, shut out game (5-0) against the Greyhounds of Statesville.

The win was good for making the Bulldogs' SPC diamond standing 4-1, which put Albemarle in a tie for second place.

No errors were committed by the hosting Bulldogs, and the Statesville squad made only one.

In the second inning, Russell, who reached base on an error, came in on a hit by Doby. Hits were made by Eric Mabry and Taylor in the third inning as the Bulldogs garnered a singleton.

A walk, a sacrifice, fielder's choice, and a hit made by Lanny Mabry gave the Albemarle team

two runs in the fourth inning.

In the fifth inning, the home team made a final run. Taylor came in on a hit by Doby after he got a hit and stole second base.

Bulldogs Redden Blue Comets

Coach Merritt's Bulldogs lost to Asheboro in their first diamond skirmish by a score of 10-1, Friday, March 15.

The losing pitcher for Albemarle was Robert Lewis, who pitched three innings. Ricky Russell took over for Lewis to pitch the remainder of the game.

Albemarle's lone run was driven in by Donny Davis in the top half of the fourth inning.

Johnny Little led the Bulldog attack with two hits for three times at bat. Eric Mabry got the only other hit for Albemarle.

The winning pitcher for the Blue Comets was Dawson, twirling a three hitter.

Kannaps Little Wonders Dogged

The Bulldogs scorched the visiting Kannapolis Little Wonders, Friday, March 22, by the final score of 6-3, in a baseball skirmish at Wiscasset Ball Park.

Albemarle smashed through with nine hits, as compared to the Little Wonders with three. Lanny Mabry started on the mound for the Bulldogs, and after three and one third innings, Robert Lewis took over. The resulting win was contributed to Mabry.

Eric Mabry went two for three for the Bulldogs, followed by Dick Loeb who went two for four.

Both Albemarle and Kannapolis made two errors as well as pulling off a double play each.

Bulldogs Repel Rebels, 4-0

Visiting South Rowan Rebels were shut out (4-0) by the Albemarle Bulldogs Tuesday, April 2.

The South Piedmont Conference victory was led by a left-hander, Robert Lewis, as he twirled a great game from the mound. Only three singles were given up to the Rebels, and Lewis struck out 10 batters while walking only three.

Losing pitcher, Carriker, was taken for nine blows, struck out four batters and didn't give up any walks.

One run was made by the home team in the first inning. Eric Mabry got a single, stole second, and came home on a hit by Johnny Little. The same thing was repeated by Mabry and Little in the third inning as Albemarle garnered another marker.

In the bottom half of the fourth inning, two Bulldogs came across the plate. Loeb got a hit and made it to second on the play. Doby brought in Loeb on a hit, and Russell got a triple to score Doby.

Albemarle's nine-hit offense was led by Little (double and single in three times-at-bat, including two R.B.I.'s); Loeb (two-for-three); and Mabry (two-for-four); and Russell (a triple in two-plate appearances).

Two bases were stolen by Eric Mabry for the Bulldogs; Little took one.

TRACKSTERS TRAVEL

The Bulldog tracksters have traveled to three meets thus far this year. Kannapolis hosted the first, which was a five-school affair, Friday, March 22.

Albemarle placed fourth at Kannapolis, scoring just under Thomasville. Mike Massey scored for the Bulldogs in the high jump. In the relays, the Bulldogs placed third. Also scoring for Albemarle was Gene Hearne, Mike Frick, and the late Billy Howell.

At North Rowan Friday, March 29, Albemarle suffered and placed seventh place with six points. The Bulldogs placed fourth in relay events, while Michael Manning placed fourth also in the discus throw.

North Rowan placed first with 48 points.

Albemarle captured third place at Concord, Tuesday, April 9, with a grand total of 37 markers.

Concord placed first with 72 points and Statesville followed up in second place with 58.

The Bulldogs placed second in the 440 yard relay and obtained third place in the mile-relay. In the discus throw Michael Manning captured a deserving first place.

Kenneth Kaiser also scored for the Bulldogs as he charged for second place in the 880 yard run.

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