

HERALD SPORTS

Jays Slip In Batting But Hold To Sixth In Fielding Averages

The Jays tumbled down next to the bottom in team fielding as their leading hitters slacked up in the pace, according to statistics on the Coastal Plain League covering games through July 12 and released by the Howe News Bureau.

The Jays are barely three percentage points ahead of the Wilson Tobs in the matter of team batting and stand in seventh place with a .264 average. Val Gonzalez and Herb May, who have been leading the Jays at the plate most of the season, both slipped perceptibly during the period covered by the statistics. Gonzalez had been riding in fifth place in the standings, but now is listed in sixth place with a .381 average. Herb May dropped behind with a .333 average. John Pavlich pulled ahead of May in the batting standings and compiled a .338 mark.

Other Jay batting averages show Milt Bolick with .298; Stu Martin .262; Joe Ferra .250; Woody Gray .231; Shurley Ham-mack .230; Glenn Titus .224 and King .219.

In the matter of team fielding the Jays continued to hold on to sixth place in the standings with a percentage of .847.

Brown has the leading percentage for the Jay pitchers having won 6 and lost 5 for a percentage of .545; but Glenn Titus has worked in more ball games and has won nine while losing ten for .474 mark.

Brown has pitched a total of 68 innings; given up 71 hits good for 47 runs, 39 walks and struck out 21.

Titus on the other hand has pitched a total of 158 innings giving up 177 hits, 78 runs; 35 walks and struck out 49 men.

The leading pitcher in the league continues to be Eddie Neville of Tarboro, who now has a 10 victory, no defeat record. Hal Hussey of Goldsboro has taken over the individual batting lead with a .404 percentage.

Boy Scrambles History
BOSTON (U.P.)—Three grave-stones in Copp's Hill burying ground bear the death date 1625—five years before Boston was settled. The reason is that a lad named George Darnocott in early days thought it fun to change dates in the sandstone markers with his jack-knife.

Jays Lose One-Hitter To Kinston 3-0

Down Tars In Slugfest 15-7 Sunday

The Jays were the victims of a one-hit pitching job here last night, as Armond Porell twirled the performance to give the Kinston Eagles a 3 to 0 shutout victory over the local Coastal Plain League entry.

Jim Meyer, Jay rightfielder, was the only local batsman to nick Porell for a hit. He slapped a single to rob the Kinston flinger of a no-hit performance. The Jays didn't look like the same bunch of swatsmiths that had pounded three Tarboro hurlers for 17 hits Sunday afternoon.

King was on the mound for the Jays and went the full route giving up nine hits, including doubles by Richkus, Fabianich and Jeffries.

Collins and Peters led the winners with two hits in four trips each.

The Jays infield continued its sparkling play and marked up four double plays to extend their two game streak to seven double plays.

Four errors hurt the Jay cause considerably.

The line score:
Kinston 100 020 000 3 9 1
Jays 000 000 000 0 1 4
Porell and Pliska; King and Pavlich.

Friday
JAYS 7.
NEW BERN 2.

Glenn Titus walked the first two men to face him at Simmons Park Friday night and then got mad and settled down to turn back the New Bern Bears with a total of five hits and led the Jays to a 7 to 2 victory.

Jim Meyer provided the longest blow of the evening hitting for the circuit in the third after Val Gonzales and Herb May had walked.

Speedy Andrus, Meyer and Joe Ferra led the Jays in their 10 hit onslaught on the two New Bern tossers, Thompson and Michaels. Besides his homer, Meyer hit a double.

Big Glenn struck out six Bear batters and walked five in notching the victory. He was never in any serious trouble at-

38 on the outgoing nine, but ballooned to 52 for the final nine. . . . Dave Trynham, who just returned from a vacation at the beach, was showing the boys around the club an umbrella which he had won by getting third place in a blind bogey event. . . .

Keep those golf tourneys in mind and lets do some more talking and it won't be long before we get down to the final plans.

Legion Juniors Are Far Back In Playoffs

Hits Grand Slam Homer



Herb May, Jay leftfielder, walloped the first grand slam home run of the season for the Jays Sunday afternoon when the Jays beat the league-leading Tarboro Tars 15 to 7. Herb pounded one over the leftfield fence and the pellet hit a light pole to bounce back in the park. On base at the time were Tommy Pritchard, Stu Martin and Val Gonzales.

ter his shaky start.

The Jays had a big second inning tallying two runs and a still bigger third, when they came across with three more runs.

The line score:
New Bern 011 000 000 2 5 2
Jays 023 001 11x 7 10 3
Thompson and Michaels; Brooks; Titus and Pavlich.

Saturday
TARBORO 7.
JAYS 2.

Eddie Neville continued to hex the Jays Saturday night in Tarboro and chalked up his 12th victory against no defeats 7 to 2.

The Jays rapped Neville for 11 blows, but couldn't bunch them enough to score many runs. When the Jays got men on the sacks Eddie tightened up in the pinches.

Van Hoose was the losing tosser being relieved by Brown with no one out in the sixth inning. He gave the Tars all ten of their hits and all of their runs, Brown pitching three hitless innings.

Joe Ferra blasted a home run for the Jays and John Pavlich hit a triple. Van Hoose and Ferra each hit doubles.

Ken Andrewsh slammed a homer for the Tars.

The line score:
Tarboro 300 013 00x 7 10 2
Jays 010 100 000 2 11 4
Neville and Marko; Van Hoose, Brown and Pavlich.

Sunday
JAYS 15.
TARBORO 7.

Our Jays looked like anything besides cellar dwellers here Sunday afternoon as they pounded out a 17 hit attack to notch a 15 to 7 victory over the league-leading Tarboro Tars.

The Jays went to work on Joe Currin in the first inning and tallied four runs on three hits and an error and then in the second added six more runs on six hits and an error and then tapered off in the third inning with three runs on as many hits. Mr. Currin wasn't around very long, but Ray Dietrich was the victim of some of the pasting before he finally settled down.

Grand Slam Homer

The big blow of the game was Herb May's grand slam home run in the second inning. That was the inning in which the Jays batted around. Tommy Pritchard, who went the route on the mound for the Jays in the blazing hot sun was safe on an error to open the inning. Milt Bolick took a third strike called, before Stu Martin rapped his second straight single. Val Gonzalez singled to left and the bases were loaded. That brought up Herb. He pounded a long.

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Batting Averages Given For Scout League Leaders

Batting average for members of Baseball team of Boy Scout Troop 141, Boy Scout League leaders with 5 games won and none lost.

	AB	H	Pct.
R. Burton	4	2	500
R. Joyner	21	9	428
Lynch	12	5	417
W. Carter	21	7	333
B. Carter	19	6	315
W. Hargrove	13	4	307
M. Joyner	18	5	277
R. Acree	8	2	225
S. Welch	4	1	225
R. Babb	13	2	154
W. Polston	7	1	143
C. Whitby	12	0	000
T. Babb	6	0	000

Drop 7 To 3 Decision To Wake Forest

The Roanoke Rapids America Legion Junior baseball team is far back in the Area One, League Two, elimination play.

Yesterday the local juniors journeyed to Wake Forest and dropped their fourth game in five starts in the playoffs losing to the Wake Juniors, 7 to 3.

Bernard Walters, Wake ace, handcuffed the local juniors with six hits during the ball game, while the home team was getting eight including a home run by Frazier.

Messer and Matthews led the losers with two hits in three times at the bat.

The line score:
R. Rapids 100 000 011 3 6 1
Wake Forest 000 400 30x 7 8 4
Edwards, Spence and Wheeler; Walters, Hawks and White.

Thursday
JUNIORS 5.
WAKE FOREST 2.

Raymond Edwards pitched the Roanoke Rapids American Legion Juniors to a 5-2 three-hit triumph here Thursday in an Area One League playoff contest.

For eight innings, Edwards had a no-hit shutout, but First Baseman Davis of the Wake Forest nine lined out the first pitch in the top of the ninth for a clean single and the Wake Forest outfit went on to score two runs in a lively rally that ended short by three runs.

Harold Messer and Hubert

under way about two o'clock over the local nine hole course. So far this season the local golfers have played eight matches and have won six. They lost two matches away from home, one to Henderson last week and one to Warrenton.

Merchants Win Warrenton Loop Softball Title For First Half

Warrenton — The Merchants softball team is the first half champion of the Warrenton City Softball League.

The Merchants and the Veterans tied in the regular season played for the top position, necessitating a playoff game.

In the playoff, which was held last Tuesday night, the Merchants defeated the Vets 13 to 10.

The game was close and hard-fought all the way, with the Veterans getting 18 hits to 11 for the Merchants.

Duke Miles with a triple and double and Tom Roberts with a single and a double led the winners. Dick Miles was the big gun in the losers' attack, getting three straight singles.

Steve Daniel was the winning pitcher and Bill Read was the losing chunker.

Play in the league will continue throughout the summer and the winner of the second half title will tangle with the Merchants for the city championship.

Lower led the local Juniors at the plate in the eighth hit attack. Messer and Lower each had two hits in as many official appearances to spark the local attack.

The victory was the first in the playoffs for the local juniors.

The line score:
Wake Forest 000 000 002 2 3 4
R. Rapids 000 220 01x 5 8 2
Watson and White; Edwards and Wheeler.

Friday
WILSON 6.
JUNIORS 4.

The Roanoke Rapids American Legion Juniors took one on the (Continued on page 15)

Troop 141 Beats Troop 142 7-4

Troop 141 defeated Troop 142, both of Roanoke Rapids Saturday, July 10th by a score of 7-4, and thereby reached the halfway point in the Boy Scout League games with a perfect score of 5 games won and none lost.

R. Joyner hit safely twice in four tries to pace Troop 141's attack. Davenport got the only hit for Troop 142.

Score by innings
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Troop 141 014 002x 7 4 3

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