

Local Sports

Pond Giants rally in ninth to beat Brewers

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The Winston-Salem Pond Giants ran their record to 3-0 with semi-pro baseball wins over Walnut Cove and Greensboro at Ernie Shore Field last weekend.

The Pond Giants routed the Walnut Cove Tigers 20-1 last Friday night. They came back with a 9-8 win over the Greensboro Brewers Sunday afternoon.

Against Walnut Cove, Winston-Salem scored seven times in the bottom of the first inning and never looked back. The biggest blow was Steve Hardister's two-run homer to left. Ron Jessup, Cedric Moss and Wes Patterson had doubles as the Pond Giants sent 11 batters to the plate.

Moss and Dave Marotta added doubles in Winston-Salem's six-run second.

Jeff Burton pitched three hitless innings before giving way to Chris Mackie. Marotta followed Mackie, who struck out four, and was given credit for the win. Burton supported his own cause with a home run.

As they had done a week before in Greensboro, Manager Nelson Petree's Giants put together back-to-back three-run rallies in the eighth and ninth to beat the Brewers.

In the ninth, Hardister doubled and took third when Jeff Stockton reached on a pitcher's fielding error. Mike Wilcox delivered Hardister on a fielder's choice and Stockton moved to second before Darryl Alexander singled to drive in Stockton for an 8-8 tie.

Ricky Broadstreet walked before two wild pitches brought Alexander home for the winning run.

"We played well, but our pitching isn't where I want it to be," Petree said. "You have to have good defense against good hitting teams like Greensboro and our defense played well."

The Pond Giants made valuable additions to their pitching staff in left-handers Mackie and Wake Forest's Mike Featherstone. Mackie is a former pitcher in the Chicago Cubs' organization. Featherstone posted a 6-4 record with a 4.50 earned run average. The Stanley product struck out 72 and walked 41.

The Pond Giants host Guilford College at Ernie Shore Field Sun-



Darryl Alexander draws a walk in the Pond Giants' 20-1 rout of Walnut Cove (photo by James Parker).

day at 3 p.m. They entertain the Indianapolis Clowns June 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Cropps Wins Race

Clarence Cropps won the 2.9-mile race around Winston Lake last Saturday.

Cropps finished the event sponsored by the Winston Lake Family YMCA in 15 minutes, 15 seconds. Ivan Mosley was second in 16:05 and Curtis Swisher took third in 16:23.

The first female finisher was Jackie Bowmar in 23:48, followed by Stephanie Frazier in 31:08 and Lennet Hill in 42:39. The first over-50 finisher was Luther Thompson in 18:49.

Top-three finishers in the age groups were Mosley, Swisher and Brant Armentrout in the 13-19 category; John Lapahn and Greg Bullins in the 20-29; Clarence Cropp, Skip Waderfield and Harold Holmes in the 30-39; Rick Klerma, Joe Clinton and Robert Gray in the 40-49, and Thompson, Tom Dust Rude and Carl Ayers in the 50-and-over.

Many of the participants walked the course. Top-three finishers were Terri Bullins, Patricia Stover and Harry James.

The Winston Lake Family Y has a walking club that meets at 8 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The running club meets Saturdays at 8:30. Participants of all levels of ability are invited to these activities.

In other running news:

Volvo 3.5 League		
TEAM	W	L
x-Grandslammers	7	0
x-Top Spinners	5	1
Backslammers	5	2
Our Ad	4	3
Lite Mode	2	5
Racquettes	2	5
Lotusers	1	6
Mooseville	1	6

NOTE: x-Champions and runner-up as of June 21-22.

• The Kernersville Family Y will hold three running events on the Fourth of July. Events include a four-miler, a one-mile fun run and a family fun run. Prizes include trophies to top-three male and female runners in the four-mile event and medals to the top-three finishers in all age categories. Ribbons will be given to all fun-run participants. Fees are \$3 for the fun run and \$6 for the four-miler and are payable to the Kernersville Family YMCA, 1113 W. Mountain St., Kernersville 27284

• The Twin City Track Club meets every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at the Central YMCA for its weekly "Biscuit" runs. Applications are available at the Winston Lake Family Y lobby

• The Stroh's Run For Liberty III will be held June 28, starting at Reynolds High School at 8 a.m. The race length is 8,000 meters and will be preceded by a 2,000-meter fun run. An \$8 entry fee postmarked June 22 can be sent to the race in care of Bob Rustad, 185 Kinloch Court, Winston-Salem 27104. Late registration is \$10. For more information, call Race Director Sandy Wetherhold at 777-0220.

Grandslammers Wins

The Grandslammers captured the Volvo 3.5 Women's Tennis League and earned a berth in the state tournament in two weeks at Asheville.

The Grandslammers finished with an unblemished 7-0 record. They will be followed to the state tournament by the runner-up Top Spinners, who posted a 6-1 record.

Correction

Last week, the *Chronicle* incorrectly identified William Butler as Glenn's assistant track coach. Butler is in fact the head coach and Steve Whicker serves as his assistant.

Tiny Indians

The Tiny Indians football program will hold fund-raising car washes each Saturday in June, according to League Spokesman Eddie "Ghost" Reese.

The car washes will be held at the Gulf Service Station on the corner of New Walkerton and Carver School roads beginning this Saturday. Times will be 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

NYSP Begins

Final physical examinations will be given Saturday and Sunday at Winston-Salem State for the the National Youth Sports Program.

The physicals will be given from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday and from 1 until 3 on Sunday afternoon.

NYSP, open to Forsyth County youngsters ages 10-16, begins Monday morning. The free program includes sessions on health, hygiene, sports and recreation. Participants will be served breakfast and lunch, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

For more information, call Al Roseboro at 761-2109.

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Y-HAPPENINGS

Y-ACTIVITIES

Beginner Photography

This class is designed to teach the basics of photography. There will be instruction in developing your own black-and-white pictures. Participants must bring their own cameras. Class meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members. For more information contact Paulette Evans.

Macrame

Come and learn the basics of macrame. Learn the many different knots and begin to make the many lovely projects that you have seen in many craft shows. Class meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$10 for members and \$20 for non-members. For more information contact Paulette Evans.

MEET ... JAMES R. CALDWELL

James Caldwell is the swimming instructor at the Winston Lake Family YMCA. A native of Winston-Salem, he attended Livingstone College, where he majored in physical education. He worked at the Patterson Avenue YMCA for one year before the new facility was opened. Caldwell enjoys teaching people of all ages. One of his goals while at the Winston Lake facility is to involve as many East Winston children in swimming as he can. He would like to start a swim team at this branch in the future. Caldwell invites all to come to the Winston Lake Family YMCA to learn not only to swim but how to be physically fit.

MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Lila Hickerson is a constant sight at the Winston Lake facility. She can be seen coming to work out or picking up her son from basketball every day. Ms. Hickerson spent many years living in New York and has now returned to her native Winston-Salem. She says that she enjoys coming to the YMCA because it helps her to get in shape and to meet many people. Ms. Hickerson can be seen working out in the health service area or participating in an exercise class. Her son, Charles, plays basketball at the YMCA. We are happy to announce Lila Hickerson as our Member of the Week.

Y-TIP

"Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear -- not absence of fear."
-- Mark Twain

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Golf

Armstrong founded NNPA Tourney

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When the National Newspaper Publishers Association convenes in Winston-Salem in two weeks, one of the featured sideights will occur on the Winston Lake Golf Course.

The Charles B. Armstrong Memorial Golf Tournament, formerly the NNPA Tournament, will give convention goers the opportunity to get away from speeches and seminars for a relaxing round of golf.

The tournament is named in honor of the late Charles B. Armstrong, founder and publisher of the *Chicago Metro News*. Armstrong was murdered two years ago at his Chicago office.

"He was one of the most colorful publishers in the history of the black press," said Ernest H. Pitt, publisher of the *Chronicle* and co-champion of the tournament each of the last two years. "He was very intelligent and perceptive, and he also loved to play golf. We often looked to him to put the tournament together. In naming this tournament in his honor, we wanted to make a commitment to his wife (Ruth B. Armstrong, now the publisher of the *Metro News*)."

Billy Rowe, a syndicated columnist from New York, was the author of the idea to name the tourney in honor of Armstrong. Rowe remembers Armstrong as a flamboyant golfer.

"He was an avid golfer and organized many golf tournaments," Rowe said. "He was active in organizing the NNPA Tournament and some tournaments in Chicago. He had a group of friends in Chicago and he'd go to the Caribbean Islands with them each year to play golf."

"It was fun to play a round with Charlie. I played against him and he was better than me, so he always gave me a few strokes."

Armstrong also talked a good game of golf, which made a round more interesting.

"He might say something to you if you hit a ball in the rough," Rowe said. "He was very funny."

Rowe and Armstrong were responsible for starting the NNPA Tournament back in 1982, when the organization's Mid-Winter Meeting was held in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Although the inaugural tourney was rained out, Rowe and Armstrong saw that there was enough interest to continue it the next year.

In the past the NNPA Tournament has been open only to members of the association. This year the tournament field will come from the association and the community.

"This is an opportunity for local people to get a little closer to the black press of America," Pitt said. "The black press is a viable industry in this country. People ought to get to know it and what makes it tick."

Rowe added that the tournament is geared to amateurs and its purpose is to expose the potential of advertising golf equipment in black newspapers.

"We want to call attention to the millions of blacks who golf," Rowe said. "We want to say, 'Hey, Spaulding, here's a market.'"

"There's no reason to focus on the pros because they use equipment that's too expensive for your average golfer. We're talking about the equipment weekend golfers buy at places like J.C. Penney."

Most golf equipment retailers advertise in dailies or magazines. Rowe would like to see those retailers advertise in black newspapers.

The 18-hole tournament, sponsored by the Adolph Coors Co., will have three flights. Trophies will be awarded to each flight winner, and prizes also will be given for the longest drive and closest to the pin on the par-3 holes.

The \$25 entry fee is due Saturday and can be brought by the *Chronicle* offices at 617 N. Liberty St.

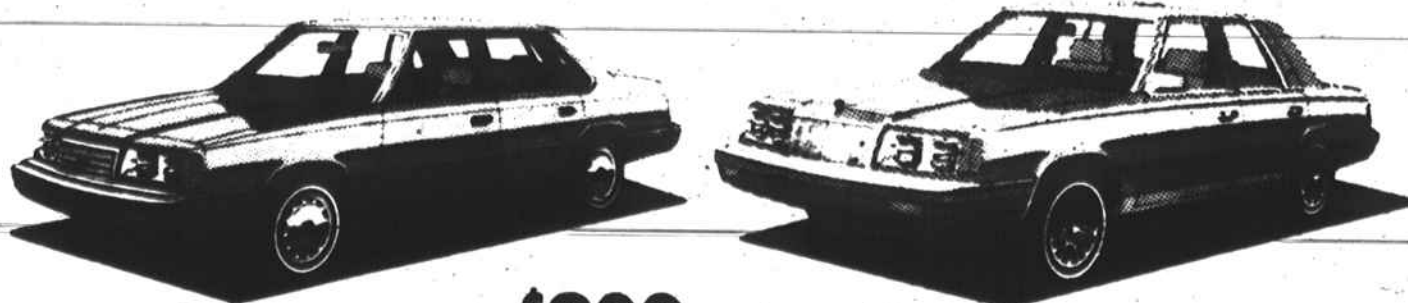
Last year's co-champions were Pitt and Sam Logan of the *Detroit Michigan Chronicle*.

For more information on the tournament, call Winston Lake Pro Ernest Morris at 727-2703.

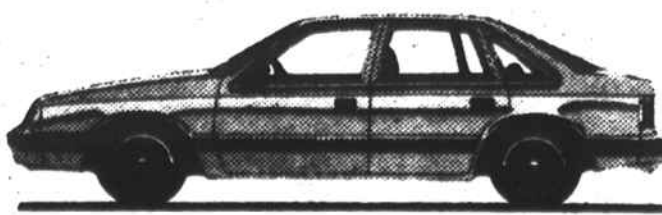
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