

Bear Grass Tightens Hold On Top Position In County League

Four Clubs Are Tied For Second Position

Close Scores Are Reported In Two Games Wednesday

Milton Loses To Hassell To Maintain Long Losing Streak

Bear Grass tightened its hold on top position in the Martin County Baseball League when it edged back Cross Roads at Bear Grass. While the league leaders were holding their position, a hot scrap developed for second position in the league stand-off with four teams, Oak City, Williamston and Robersonville, bidding for the spot. Milton lost to Hassell to maintain a long losing streak. Close scores were reported in several of the contests Wednesday when large crowds turned out most of the scheduled contests. Emphasizing the difficulties of the County League are being, was the report from Bear Grass that local club officials are not sure until the last minute that they could "field their" and thus avoid a forfeit to visiting Cross Roads team. Other teams found it necessary to see all the players they could to make out their teams, and the case a manager who does generally play, was called on to hold down an infield job. Errors continued few.

FIELD DAY

Boy Scout troops and individual Scouts are planning to make strong bids for honors in the Memorial Day field meet to be held here on Friday, May 30. The youths are said to be training for the special events, and individual Scouts are planning to enter the open competition in the marble tournament, roller skating, bicycle racing and other events.

It was announced that from six to eight entries had been signed for each of the classifications.

Cross Roads 8, Bear Grass 14

Bear Grass assured itself of the lead in the Martin County League by turning back Cross Roads 14 to 8 at Bear Grass Wednesday afternoon. Being short of players, Bear Grass was afraid it might have to forfeit the game but exactly nine players showed up at the last minute.

Cross Roads took the lead at the beginning with two runs in the first, two in the second, one in the third and a homer by the pitcher, G. Clark in the fourth, while Bear Grass scored one in the first, one in the second, two in the third, and came up in the lead in the fourth when Popen doubled, Rogerson was out with a caught ball in centerfield, Smith singled to turn in Bowen, L. H. Rawls singled, Smith was put out stealing

STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.
Bear Grass	7	2	.778
Oak City	6	4	.600
Williamston	4	4	.500
Hassell	6	4	.600
Robersonville	4	4	.500
Cross Roads	2	8	.200
Hamilton	1	8	.111

Williamston 18, Robersonville 16
The Williamston Martins won a "track meet" from Robersonville's Rams in the Martin County League Wednesday afternoon, 18 to 16. Basehits were a dime a dozen as the two teams banged out two score safeties including 8 doubles by Williamston's heavy artillery and four doubles and a triple by Robersonville's big guns.

Both teams used three pitchers in the free-scoring game and two dozen players saw action in the contest.

Behind 13 to 3 going into the fifth inning Williamston scored eight times in that frame to pull within sight of the opposition and caught up with them in the seventh inning with three tallies to take care of the two run deficit and the extra run Robersonville had added in the fifth. Both teams counted twice in the eighth. Tied at 16-all as the final inning opened Williamston pulled ahead with two runs and squelched a last-ditch rally by Robersonville in the last of the ninth when the Rams had the tying and winning runs on base. Bullock, pinch hitting for Ayers, grounded out to end the inning and the game.

George Wynn started the game for Williamston, Garland Wynn followed him and Billy Peel came in to hurl the late innings. Harrison, recently traded from Bear Grass, played a good game for Williamston, getting a double. Haywood Wynn with 4 for 5 Billy Peel with 3 for 4, and Gurganus with 2 for 3 were the leading batsmen for Williamston. Getting doubles for the Martins were Roberson, Garland Wynn, Haywood Wynn (2), Geo. Wynn (2), Harrison, Peel.

Leading the Rams attack were Ross with 3 for 5, P. Johnson with 2 for 3 and Wynn, 3 for 4. Johnson got a three bagger for the Rams while doubles were hit by Warren, Brown, Ross and Croom.

The winning pitcher was Garland Wynn while Ross was charged with the loss.

	Ab	R	H	E
Williamston				
Roberson, 3b	5	3	2	2
Garland Wynn, 1b, p	5	2	2	1
Haywood Wynn, c	5	2	4	0
Davenport, rf	5	1	1	0
Geo. Wynn, p, 1b, 2b	6	2	3	0
Harrison, ss	6	1	1	1
Peel, lf, p	4	2	3	0
Griffin, cf, 2b, lf	5	2	2	0
Taylor, 2b	1	0	1	0
Gurganus, cf	3	3	2	0
Totals	45	18	21	4

	Ab	R	H	E
Robersonville				
Warren, rf	6	2	3	0
McClaren, 3b	6	1	1	1
Brown, lf	6	2	3	0
W. Johnson, c	5	1	0	0
C. Forbes, c	1	0	0	0
Ross, cf, p	5	3	3	0
Taylor, 1b	2	2	2	2
P. Johnson, 1b	3	0	2	0
Croom, ss	6	2	3	0
Wynn, 2b	4	2	3	1
Forbes, p	3	1	1	0
Whitfield, p	1	0	0	0
Ayers, lf	1	0	0	0
xBullock	1	0	0	0
Totals	50	16	19	4

xbatted for Ayers in 9th.

Score by innings: Williamston 120 080 322-18 Robersonville 373 010 020-16

LAST RITES FOR DYING BANDIT



LYING BESIDE THE RAIL of a barroom which he, and a companion, had attempted to stick-up, one of two bandits, killed in a gun battle with New York police, is administered the last rites by Rev. John Rooney. Identified from fingerprints as Joseph Maglio, the man died before an ambulance arrived. His unidentified partner was shot down as he tried to run from the place. Patrolman Philip Fitzpatrick, who was off duty and sitting with a fellow officer, was wounded during the exchange of bullets that followed the holdup attempt. (International Exclusive)

County Team First To File For Semi-Pro Tournament

Cross Roads of the Martin County League was the first team to file for a position in the semi-pro baseball tournament to be held here and in Washington, June 21 to the 29th. Entries are expected from over a wide area, the sponsors stated. The winner of the tournament in this section of the State will meet the western winners at Asheboro on July 15 in a State Championship series, the winners going on to compete for national honors at Wichita, Kansas, in August.

With between 20 and thirty teams tentatively scheduled to participate in the eastern preliminaries, the tournament is scheduled to open in Williamston on Saturday, June 21. A second round will be played here the following day, and play will then move to Washington for a five-night run through Friday, June 27. The semi-finals will be played here on June 28 and the finals on Sunday, June 29.

At least two and possibly three games will be played here on opening day, June 21 and possibly two will be on the schedule for the second day here. Two games are tentatively scheduled for the night sessions in Washington, it was announced. The tournament here is being sponsored by the Lions Club and the local baseball club. Play is open to any club, and interested parties are directed to contact Lyn Taylor, manager of the Williamston Baseball Club or the president of the Lions Club.

WHERE THEY PLAY

Sunday, May 25
Williamston at Cross Roads
Everetts at Hassell.
Oak City at Hamilton.
Robersonville at Bear Grass.
Wednesday, May 28
Cross Roads at Oak City.
Hamilton at Everetts.
Bear Grass at Williamston.
Robersonville at Hassell.

moved out front 8 to 3 with four tallies in the fourth. Oak City counted five times in the sixth inning to tie the count at 8-all and send a chill through the local fans who had just about put the game in their pocket. J. M. Stalls moved to the mound from right field and blanked the visitors the rest of the way.

The box:

	Ab	R	H	E
Oak City				
Ross, J. C., 3b	4	2	3	1
Hassell, ss	4	0	1	2
Tyson, R., rf	5	0	2	0
Johnson, J. C., c	3	0	1	0
Bellflower, c	2	0	1	0
Scott, p, 1b	5	0	0	0
Tyson, G., 1b, p	5	1	3	2
Worsley, F., lf	5	2	3	0

RESULTS

Cross Roads 8, Bear Grass 14.
Hassell defeated Hamilton.
Williamston 18, Robersonville 16.
Oak City 7, Everetts 8.

Receiving Applications For June Pioneer Camp

Crisp, cf	5	2	3	0
Matthews, 2b	2	0	0	0
Bennett, 2b	2	1	1	0
Totals	42	8	13	5

The Pioneer Camp for the Albemarle Area will be held at this will be one of two camps for the eastern section of the state. The second eastern camp will be at the same place on June 23-28 with Rev. Newton J. Robison of Raleigh as director. Applications for the two camps must be in the hands of the state director of conferences and camps by June 2. Boys and girls of the Albemarle area between the ages of 12 and 14 years are asked to send their applications to Mr. Thomas P. Inabinett, Wilson, North Carolina. The first camp will be under the direction of Rev. John L. Goff of Williamston.

BASEBALL

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vs.

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vs.

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Pitchers:

Williamston—Billy Peele

Raleigh—Doody Lindsay of Piedmont League

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