

This Week In Brunswick Sports

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- Whiteville Post 137 at Brunswick Shores Post 445, American Legion Baseball at Shallotte, 7:50 p.m.
- Brunswick County Men's Church Softball League at Waccamaw Park
- New Britian Baptist vs. Longwood Baptist, 7 p.m.
- Shallotte First Baptist vs. Letties Grove Pentecostal, 8 p.m.
- Friendship Baptist vs. Calvary Baptist, 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- Rotary Club Golf Tournament at Sea Trail Plantation (Willard Byrd Course), 12:30 p.m.
- Brunswick Baptist Association Co-Ed Softball League at Supply Park
- Antioch Baptist #2 vs. Faith Baptist, 1:40 p.m.
- Antioch Baptist #1 vs. Soldier Bay Baptist, 3:20 p.m.
- Sunset Harbor Baptist vs. Jennies Branch Baptist, 5 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 24

- West Brunswick Trojan Basketball Camp at high school gym, continues through Thursday
- Bladenboro Post 268 at Brunswick Shores Post 445, American Legion Baseball at Shallotte, 7:30 p.m.
- West Brunswick Trojan Baseball Camp at high school field, 9 a.m., continues through Friday
- Brunswick County Men's Church Softball League at Waccamaw Park
- Shallotte First Baptist vs. Ocean View Baptist, 7 p.m.
- Friendship Baptist vs. Camp Methodist, 8 p.m.
- Zion Baptist vs. Supply/Mount Olive Baptist, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

- Brunswick Shores Post 445 at Whiteville Post 137, American Legion Baseball, 7:30 p.m.
- This week's listings include events reported to the *Beacon*. To list your sporting contest call or write the *Beacon* with schedules and details.

Alderson, McBride Named To State Games

West Brunswick's Brian Alderson and North Brunswick's Chris McBride have been named to the Region III baseball team in the annual State Games of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.



B. ALDERSON McBRIE

West Brunswick head coach Mike Alderson has also been named to the region coaching staff as an assistant.

The county trio left for the state games Wednesday with the region's first game set for today (Thursday) at Bausamer Stadium on the University of North Carolina campus.

Prior to the opening round of play yesterday (Wednesday), all players were invited to a major league tryout session at 3 p.m.

All eight region teams in the baseball competition will play a minimum of three games continuing through Friday and Saturday.

The teams with the two best records will then meet Sunday in

the Gold Medal game while the third and fourth-best teams will square off in the Bronze Medal contest.

Rounding out the 20-member roster and their school are Patrick Perez (Hoggard), Josh Brinkley (Southern Wayne), Lamont Edwards (Clinton), Chuck Sutton (James Kenan), Rob Davis (Greene Central), Robbie Laster (West Carteret), Randy Barefoot (Clinton), James Yopp (Hoggard), Andre Humphrey (Laney), Brian Britt (Laney), Craig Mozelle (Pamlico), Tyree Robinson (Hoggard), Curtis Whitley (Rosewood), Trott Nixon (New Hanover), Anthony Warren (Midway), Curt Holton (Pamlico), Brad Matthews (C.B. Aycock) and Carl Lewis (East Carteret). Hobbton's Jimmy Byrd is the re-

gion head coach and will also be assisted by Tom McMahan (James Kenan) and Jerry Baldwin (Pamlico).

The region team includes players from Brunswick, New Hanover, Pender Onslow, Sampson, Wayne, Duplin, Greene, Lenoir, Jones, Craven, Carteret and Pamlico Counties.

Last year's Region III team captured the bronze medal while the 1989 squad captured the gold medal.

The Region IV team that includes players from Whiteville and St. Pauls will be favored to win the gold this year. The two schools sport five all-state players between them including three from the state 2-A champion Whiteville Wolfpack.

Student Athletes To Polish Skills As Good Role Models

Six Brunswick County High School students have been selected to attend the fifth annual Student Athlete Summer Institute (SASI) for Region 2 at Mount Olive College July 7-12.

They are Yates Gupton, Kristy Poulos and Mark Jensen from West Brunswick High School and George Beasley, James Sharod D'Juann and Dwain Waddell from North Brunswick High School. The students will develop leadership skills and learn ways to use their position as role models to have a positive influence on fellow students.

Sponsored by the N.C. Department of Public Instruction's Alcohol and Drug Defense Division, SASI was started in 1986.

Jeff Cumbie, substance abuse coordinator for the Brunswick County Schools, is co-director of this year's institute, and one of four county school system employees involved in the institute. Joining him as fellow co-director will be Marti Gillis, a teacher and tennis coach at West Brunswick High School Marti Gillis.

Faculty representatives from Brunswick County who will attend the institute are Brenda Council, extended day/women's basketball coach at West Brunswick, and Mike Dumas, ISS/men's wrestling coach at North Brunswick High School.

Cumbie said the summer programs are aimed at student athletes because of their unique position in school. "Student athletes are highly visible and are often the role models for other students in their school," he said. "The primary focus of the five-day institute is to bring high

school student athletes together to discuss leadership skills, learn drug refusal skills and promote a healthful, drug-free lifestyle."

For the athletes themselves, the institute serves another role, that of early prevention/intervention by encouraging and teaching good decision-making and communication skills, promoting care and respect for others and gaining an awareness of the risks of substance use and abuse.

All program activities focus on teaching the values of group interaction and discussion and developing group leadership skills.

A highlight of this year's institute will be students' contact with Brian Davis of the 1991 NCAA National Basketball Champions, the Duke Blue Devils. He will attend three days of the institute, sharing fellowship with students and promoting the value of an education, and "doing it without drugs," said Cumbie. Davis, who is president of Duke Students Against Drugs, will also be guest speaker at the banquet.

A new ropes course will be an integral part of the week. Cumbie said the course requires students to use cooperative learning and leadership skills. It also helps build confidence, by teaching students to identify, understand and overcome apprehensions and fears that limit development of their potential, he said.

While at the institute students will develop a personal action plan. The students will use the plans when they return to their respective schools to implement activities to promote a drug-free, healthful lifestyle in their school and community.

Supply/Mount Olive Remains Atop Men's Church League

Supply/Mount Olive Baptist romped past Longwood Baptist 12-2 last week to remain in first place in the Brunswick County Men's Church Softball League.

Supply/Mount Olive improved to 12-1 with the win to remain three games ahead of second-place Ocean View Baptist which took a 15-13 decision over Zion Baptist.

In other league play last week, Zion rebounded to win two games over Friendship Baptist 20-14 and Letties Grove Pentecostal 20-8.

Also, New Britian Baptist split a pair of games with a 20-9 win over Camp Methodist and a 13-10 loss to

Branch Still Tops In Baptist League

Jennies Branch won by forfeit Saturday, leaving it alone in first place with one game to play in the Brunswick Baptist Association Co-ed Softball League.

With the weekend victory, Jennies Branch improved its record to 7-2, while Faith dropped to 4-5.

In other action Saturday, Soldier Bay beat Antioch II by a score of 10-6, leaving both teams tied for second place at 6-3 going into the final week.

Antioch I crushed Sunset Harbor 16-1 Saturday to up its record to 3-6. Sunset Harbor dropped to 1-8.

Jennies Branch can win the league with a victory Saturday over Sunset Harbor. In other games this weekend, Antioch II plays Faith and Antioch I takes on Soldier Bay.

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'KING' Eddie Feigner brings his barnstormers to Southport June 26 for an exhibition game.

King And His Court Play In Southport

The King and His Court, one of the last "barnstorming" traveling softball teams, will play a local team known as The Patriots next week in Southport.

The game is set for Wednesday, June 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Smithville Park.

Eddie Feigner's four-man team has played in most major league baseball parks, including New York's Yankee Stadium and the Houston Astrodome. They recently appeared on ESPN.

Tickets are available at United Carolina Bank and First Citizens Bank. They cost \$4 for adults and \$2 for students in advance. Prices will be one dollar higher at the gate.

The game is sponsored by the N.C. Fourth of July Festival.

For more information, contact Mike Isenberg, 457-9506.

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Baseball Trivia Abounds In Brunswick County

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

What is the minimum number of pitches required by a pitcher to get credit for a win in a baseball game?

Can a winning pitcher also get credit for a save in the same game?

Attending a few games of Brunswick County's two American Legion baseball teams would likely provide the answer to these and other trivia questions.

In only the first-half of the local American Legion diamond season, a few strange and unusual situations have developed for both Brunswick Shores Post 445 and Brunswick County Post 68 teams.

The first came several weeks ago during the first-ever meeting of the county's two league teams.

Chris McBride, a recent graduate of North Brunswick and a UNC-Wilmington signee, started on the mound for Post 68 and hurled the first seven innings before moving to first base with his team out front 8-1.

Brunswick County manager Ed Lewis then called the services of relief pitchers Michael Hewett and Tori Bryant for the final 1.1 innings as Post 445 rallied to get within 10-5 in the bottom of the ninth inning with only one out.

In an effort to extinguish the Brunswick Shores rally, Lewis elected to move McBride from first base back to the pitching mound to record the final two outs and save the game for Post 68.

McBride was successful in getting two of the next three Post 445 batters out thus saving the game that he had already won.

The latest bit of Brunswick County baseball trivia occurred Monday in Brunswick Shores' Area II Eastern Division game at Jacksonville Post 265.

Prior to the regularly-scheduled game against Jacksonville, the two teams made up an earlier game postponed from several weeks ago that was ended with a lighting failure at the South Brunswick park.

The game resumed in the top of the 13th inning with Jacksonville at bat with two outs and the game tied at 8-8.

Brian Alderson started the game in relief and retired the first Post 265 batter he faced on one pitch on a grounder to third base.

Scott Phillips led off Brunswick Shores' bottom of the 13th frame with a single. Alderson then rapped a grounder back to the mound.

The Jacksonville pitcher fielded the ball and then threw wildly to second to get Phillips out on a force play. The ball sailed across the Jacksonville outfield and all the way to the centerfield fence.

Phillips scored easily making Alderson the winning pitcher after having thrown just one pitch.

Baseball record and trivia keepers might need to be put on alert—Brunswick Shores hosts Whiteville Post 137 on Friday at the West Brunswick park in next action. Who knows what might happen.

Baseball Camp Begins Monday

The annual West Brunswick summer baseball camp for ages 8-15 begins Monday at Trojan park under the guidance of head baseball coach Mike Alderson.

The camp will run daily from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. through Friday. Cost is \$25 per person.

Participants are asked to bring both cleats and sneakers along with gloves and bat if possible. Catchers are asked to bring their own equip-

ment as well.

Drinks and t-shirts will be provided to all registered.

The camp will teach defensive fundamentals, base running, hitting techniques as well as offer instruction on individual pitching, infield, outfield and catching instruction.

There will also be a session on offensive and defensive strategies.

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