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# West's Fleming, Gore Share County Player Of Year Honors

BY DOUG RUTTER

West Brunswick rising seniors Bryan Fleming and Scott Gore share 1992 Brunswick County Prep Baseball Player of the Year honors after leading the Trojans to one of their best seasons in school history.

The powerful catcher and crafty pitcher got the job done in the field and at the plate this spring as West advanced to the eastern finals of the state 2-A playoffs.



GORE FLEMING

Fleming and Gore both play American Legion ball for Brunswick Shores Post 445 and are competing on the Region 2 baseball team at the N.C. State Games this week in Chapel Hill.

Fleming, a catcher who has played on the varsity level since his freshman year, led the team in hitting, home runs and RBI this year and displayed strong leadership qualities.

"Bryan runs the show out there," said West Brunswick Coach Mike Alderson, who was chosen county coach of the year after guiding his

club to a 17-7 record in his third year at the helm.

"I'd say he's one of the top three catchers in this region, and the best catcher in the Waccamaw 2-A Conference," Alderson said.

Fleming, an all-county selection his freshman and sophomore years, posted impressive numbers at the plate this spring. He batted .354 with five home runs and 23 RBI.

"He had a great season," Alderson said. "When he hits it, he hits it. He doesn't get cheated up there. He gets his money's worth."

Gore, who was named most improved player on the West Brunswick squad, was Fleming's battery mate for about half of the Trojans' games this season.

The right-handed pitcher posted an 8-3 record on the mound this season, leading the team with an ERA of 1.14 and 95 strike outs.

Gore also hit .318 for West Brunswick, while throwing a pair of two-hitters, one one-hitter and one no-hitter.

Mixing fastballs and curves all season, Gore won state playoff games over Ayden-Grifton and C.B. Aycock.

"He had a really big year on the mound for us," Alderson said. "Scott was one of the big reasons we went as far as we did in the playoffs."

**Pitchers**

Joining Gore on the all-county

**1992 ALL-BRUNSWICK COUNTY BASEBALL TEAM**

Player	School
<b>PITCHERS</b>	
Scott Gore	West
Brian Alderson	West
Jared McGee	North
Brett Tabor	South
Rodney Willoughby	South
<b>INFELDERS</b>	
Bryan Fleming	West
Keane Bellamy	West
Mike Clewis	South
Mike Brogan	South
Eric McMahan	South
<b>OUTFIELDERS</b>	
Aldwin Lance	West
Aaron Butler	West
Demetrius Bell	North
Adrian Black	North
Jason Bracey	South
<b>PLAYERS OF THE YEAR</b>	
Bryan Fleming	West
Scott Gore	West
<b>COACH OF THE YEAR</b>	
Mike Alderson	West

high school baseball team pitching staff is another West Brunswick right-hander who went 8-3 in 1992.

Brian Alderson, son of Coach Mike Alderson, also recorded five saves his senior year and had an ERA of 2.25.

Alderson played shortstop when he wasn't pitching and had a fielding average of 86 percent. He won

the team's Gold Glove Award and hit .288.

Other pitchers include Jared McGee of North Brunswick, a versatile player who started, relieved and played shortstop for Coach Keith Moore's Scorpions.

McGee was 4-3 as a pitcher with a 1.49 ERA. He hit .290 with three home runs and 24 RBI.

Representing South Brunswick on the all-county pitching staff are Brett Tabor and Rodney Willoughby, who fired a no-hitter early in the season.

**Infielders**

Infielders other than Fleming named to the all-county team include three players from South Brunswick who hit over .300 this spring.

Second baseman Mike Brogan, shortstop Eric McMahan and catcher Mike Clewis each hit around .330 for the Cougars.

Also named to the team was West Brunswick junior Keane Bellamy, who alternated at second base and shortstop for the Trojans.

Despite a tough year in the field, Bellamy had some key hits for the Trojans, including the game-winner in the third round of the state playoffs against East Bladen.

The smallest Bellamy hit .320 for the year and surprisingly led West Brunswick in extra base hits with three doubles and four triples.

**Outfielders**

Outfielders selected for the all-county team include two young men that made up the West Brunswick football team's offensive backfield last fall.

Aldwin Lance, a two-time county player of the year in football, earned his second straight selection to the all-county baseball team.

The speedy center fielder was the lead-off hitter for West Brunswick all spring, batting .322 and stealing 21 bases.

West Brunswick's Aaron Butler, who played fullback and linebacker on the football team, is a newcomer to the all-county baseball team. The junior left fielder hit .308 for the season.

North Brunswick additions to the all-Brunswick County outfield are Adrian Black and Demetrius Bell.

Black led the Scorpions in hitting in 1992 with a .292 average. Bell was a .289 hitter with five doubles and one triple. He also stole eight bases for the Scorpions.

Rounding out the all-county outfield is South Brunswick's Jason Bracey, who was a .320 hitter for the Cougars.

Selections to the all-county team are made by sports writers for *The Brunswick Beacon* and *State Post Pilot* newspapers, with nominations from coaches.



STAFF PHOTO BY DOUG RUTTER  
**WEST BRUNSWICK'S MIKE ALDERSON** was named Brunswick County high school baseball coach of the year after leading the Trojans to the eastern 2-A finals.

**Sabiston Leads In Woodmen League**

Rhonda Sabiston rolled a 219 game and 516 scratch series to lead the women in the Woodmen of the World Bowling League Friday at Brunswick County Bowling Center in Shallotte.

Other high rollers among the women were Ellen Benton with a 174 game and Cindy Clemmons with a 161.

Thurgood Grissett had the men's high game with 196. Runners-up were Bruce Mitchell with 182 and Jim Ramsey with 181. Tom Haley had the high scratch series with 492.

Top finishers on June 5 included Lois Ramsey with a 191 game and 465 series, Mary Russ with a 176 game and Sis Howell with a 167 game.

For the men, Mike Williams had a 594 series and 199 game. Other high games were Bill Shoemaker with 225 and Ervin Stanley with 222.

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