

Men's softball schedule

The following is the schedule of games that will be observed in the Men's Softball League being sponsored by the Perquimans County Parks and Recreation Department. The first team listed will be the home team:

- THURSDAY, MAY 11**
 7 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. Willow Creek
 8 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. Belvidere
 9 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. 76'ers
- TUESDAY, MAY 16**
 7 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. Willow Creek
 8 p.m. — Belvidere vs. Albemarle Chemical
 9 p.m. — Untouchables vs. Farmer's Exchange
- THURSDAY, MAY 18**
 7 p.m. — 76'ers vs. Untouchables
 8 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. J & N Supply
 9 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. Albemarle Chemical
- TUESDAY, MAY 23**
 7 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. Belvidere
 8 p.m. — 76'ers vs. Farmer's Exchange
 9 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. Untouchables
- THURSDAY, MAY 25**
 7 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. 76'ers
 8 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. Willow Creek
 9 p.m. — Untouchables vs. Kilowatts
- TUESDAY, MAY 30**
 7 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. Belvidere
 8 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. 76'ers
 9 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. Kilowatts
- THURSDAY, JUNE 1**
 7 p.m. — Belvidere vs. Untouchables
 8 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. Kilowatts
 9 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. Albemarle Chemical
- TUESDAY, JUNE 6**
 7 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. J & N Supply
 8 p.m. — Belvidere vs. Farmer's Exchange
 9 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. Untouchables
- THURSDAY, JUNE 8**
 7 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. J & N Supply
 8 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. Untouchables
 9 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. 76'ers

- TUESDAY, JUNE 13**
 7 p.m. — 76'ers vs. Belvidere
 8 p.m. — Untouchables vs. Kilowatts
 9 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. Willow Creek
- THURSDAY, JUNE 15**
 7 p.m. — Belvidere vs. J & N Supply
 8 p.m. — Untouchables vs. Farmer's Exchange
 9 p.m. — 76'ers vs. Albemarle Chemical
- TUESDAY, JUNE 20**
 7 p.m. — Belvidere vs. Albemarle Chemical
 8 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. Willow Creek
 9 p.m. — 76'ers vs. J & N Supply
- THURSDAY, JUNE 22**
 7 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. Farmer's Exchange
 8 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. Kilowatts
 9 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. Untouchables
- TUESDAY, JUNE 27**
 7 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. Albemarle Chemical
 8 p.m. — Untouchables vs. J & N Supply
 9 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. 76'ers
- THURSDAY, JUNE 29**
 7 p.m. — Belvidere vs. Kilowatts
 8 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. Willow Creek
 9 p.m. — Untouchables vs. 76'ers
- TUESDAY, JULY 11**
 7 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. Kilowatts
 8 p.m. — Belvidere vs. Untouchables
 9 p.m. — 76'ers vs. Willow Creek
- THURSDAY, JULY 13**
 7 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. J & N Supply
 8 p.m. — 76'ers vs. Belvidere
 9 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. Untouchables
- TUESDAY, JULY 18**
 7 p.m. — J & N Supply vs. Albemarle Chemical
 8 p.m. — Farmer's Exchange vs. Belvidere
 9 p.m. — Kilowatts vs. 76'ers
- THURSDAY, JULY 20**
 7 p.m. — Willow Creek vs. Belvidere
 8 p.m. — Albemarle Chemical vs. Farmer's Exchange
- Rainouts, makeups, playoffs (if necessary) will be held on July 24, 25, 26, and 27. Double elimination tournament will start on one of the above dates.

Recreation Happenings

By BILLY WOOTEN



The following was found in the Babe Ruth Baseball publication, "Line Drives." Hope you baseball nuts enjoy it.

It is a game by which to measure the seasons. It begins in the child of April and ends in October frosts. The first game is always a surprise. It's hard, in the first week of April to digest the fact that another baseball season is starting.

Basketball, they say, is the native game because it was invented here. But baseball is the American game and it doesn't matter that one it was called "rounders" or "cricket" and that is was played in England.

Baseball is the American game — a game played in the cities by kids who learned it on the farms. That's the way it used to be, at least, before the suburban stadiums and organized youth baseball.

It is the game we learn as toddlers, trying to catch a ball rolled to us by our fathers, and there is almost no one, man or woman, who did not at some point in life catch a ball in a leather glove or hit one with a bat.

It is a slow game because it is played outdoors in hot weather. And it is measured. Six outs to an inning. Nine innings to a game, and if it is tied after that, you play until it isn't. If you lose, you lose to another team, never to a clock.

It is gentle enough to be played by the middle-aged at picnics but it is perhaps the most difficult of all games to play well. There are few players who can do it all. Hit, hit with power, run, throw, field.

The professionals play it 162 times a season, not counting playoffs and World Series, and it doesn't pale. Who could bear a 162-football, basketball or hockey season? Baseball runs for six months, it works because they change the pitcher every day, and that single change alters the very nature of a team.

It was better when there were only 154 games and just 16 teams because it was manageable then. It was possible to know all the teams and all the players, the batting and earned-run averages. It was better when all the stadiums were different and each, like Fenway Park in Boston and Wrigley Field in Chicago, had a personality.

Musical and Mantle, Williams and DiMaggio, Mays and Cogg, Feller and Ott weren't superstars, they were heroes. America never has had nor ever will have another hero of the magnitude of Babe Ruth.

The dimensions of the infield are as they always were. Ninety feet down the baselines. Sixty feet, six inches from the pitching mound to home plate. Perfect and immutable. The running and the hitting and the throwing haven't changed either, or the feel of the air in the stands on a warm June night.

And the kids still dream of being players, not free agents. They dream of hitting the home run that wins the playoffs, not of signing some unreadable contract. Men dream too. If you ask them what they would be if they could be anything they wanted; they will tell you; like it or not, that they would be ballplayers.

"You gotta be a man to play this game for a living, but you gotta have a lot of little boy in you, too," said Roy Campanella, the great Dodger catcher. And so it is with baseball fans.

"When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put childish things away." Paul wrote to the Corinthians.

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Pirates add a win

The Pirates of Perquimans High enjoyed another win last week as they defeated Gates 16-9. Phil Woodell was the winning pitcher allowing 10 hits, nine runs, five strikeouts, and six walks. Perquimans scored two runs in the second, one in the third, six in the fifth, three in the sixth and four in the seventh.

game were Phil Woodell four for five, Jerry white three for four, Howard Williams two for five, Marvin Hunter two for five, Mark Winslow one for three, Mike Winslow one for three and Gary Hunter one for five.

Individual batting averages thus far in the season are looking good:

Jerry White-555, Marvin Hunter-555, Phil Woodell-450, Charlie White-400, Howard Williams-385, Tosh Towe-333, Mike Winslow-333, Tim Perry-333, Gary Hunter-285, Mark Winslow-250, Russell Lassiter-167, and Scott Williams-167.

Name the Park contest to end

The "Name the Park" contest ends tomorrow, Friday, April 28 at 5 p.m. According to Recreation Director Billy Wooten, interest has been very good with several hundred people having entered. Anyone having entries not yet turned in

should bring them to the Town Office or the Recreation Department before the 5 p.m. deadline tomorrow.

A \$25 savings bond will go to the person submitting the winning name.

Local people in the news

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Broughton and son, David, of Southern Pines and Harry Broughton of Raeford will arrive Friday to spend the weekend with Miss Louise Chalk.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cole and daughter of Chapel Hill spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Simpson at Snug Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Chesson and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hurdle and son, Bryan, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Chesson at Raleigh on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Rosson of Churchland, Va. spent last weekend here with friends.

Dr. and Mrs. G.R. Tudker Jr. of Henderson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Tucker Sr. on Sunday.

T.J. Nixon III of Nags Head spent several days last week with Mrs. T.J. Nixon Jr. and Miss Helene Nixon.

Miss Sara Winslow, student at UNC-Wilmington, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Winslow.

Mrs. Audrey Goodman was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Goodman in Washington.

Mrs. Maurice Rivet of New Orleans, La. will arrive Friday to spend the weekend with Miss Louise Chalk.

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Biggers attended the 11th Annual Library Trustee-Librarian Conference held at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill on Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Whedbee were guests of Miss Helen Taylor at Virginia Beach, Va. on Sunday.

Miss Judy Long of Raleigh was a weekend guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dick Long.

Mrs. Bill Nixon and son of Wilmington spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Hudson and attended the funeral of Mrs. Ilda Matthews on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Biggers attended the Chapin-Dickerson wedding at Lake Norman on Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Benton spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Raleigh with Mr. and Mrs. Doug Benton. Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Newby

spent the weekend at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Long, Miss Judy Long and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Matthews were guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Clifton Hollowell at Robersonville on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Powell of Hampton, Va. spent the weekend at the Rogers Cottage at White Hat.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Latham and daughter, Emily, of Greenville were

weekend guests of Mrs. Reba Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Teague and family of Winston-Salem spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Tarkenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cone of Alexandria, Va. were weekend guests of Mrs. Phillip Jackson.

Mrs. Fred Matthews spent the weekend at Virginia Beach with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Matthews Jr. and visited Busch Gardens on Sunday.

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