### **Sports**



#### **Tournament competitors**

The Back Mountain 13-vear-old All-Stars competed in the Ninth Annual Forty Fort Lions Club 13-year-old Baseball Tournament with the first round of action Sunday, July 27, at the Fort-Swoyer Teener field. Members of the team are, from left, first row, Pete Kerdesky, Brian Gouger, David Williams-batboy, Jamie Janosky; second row, Bill Adamski, Mark Stallard, Neil Kaiser, Ray Russin, Eric Paczewski, Emery Yatsko, Sam Gorgone; third row, left to right, Rich Gouger, coach; Fred Gosart, coach; Eric Pieczynski, Brett Gauntlett, Jim Chamberlain, Mike Sholtis, Mike Williams, manager. Absent at the time of the photo was John Gosart

### Gauntlett leads teeners past Kingston in FF tournament

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Correspondent

Brett Gauntlett hurled a twohitter and Ray Russin knocked out two hits and scored three runs as the Back Mountain 13-year-old Teeners downed Kingston, 10-4, Sunday afternoon in the Annual Forty Fort Lions 13-year-old Tournament at Fort-Swoyer Teener

Eric Paczewski also drove out two hits at four times at the plate, picked up three RBI's, and scored two runs. Jim Chamberlain, who did a stellar performance behind home plate, also scored three runs and

went 1-for-2 at the plate. Kingston took an early 1-0 lead int the top of the first inning while Gauntlett was struggling for control, giving up four walks to force in

The Back Mountain Teeners came right back in the bottom of the first, scoring runs. Ray Russin led off the inning with a double and stole third. Jim Chamberlain took first on a walk when Sam Gorgone hit an RBI single. Paczewski went to first on a fielder's choice and scored on a fly to right field. Runs scored in the inning were by Russin, Paczewski and Chamberlain as the local team went in front 3-1.

Gauntlett settled down in the second inning and retired the Kingston boys in order with three strikeouts. The Back Mountain boys went scoreless in the second inning and going into the third inning the score

remained at 3-1 In the third inning, Gerry Lepore, first man up, was hit by a pitched ball and took first but he was out trying to steal second. Mike Bianco hit an infield fly, then Brian Ringsdorf hit a grounder through the infield. The Kingston boys were able to score a run on the hit and three

walks before the side was retired and the score was 3-2.

Back Mountain increased their lead to 4-2 in the third inning on two hits before Kingston pitcher Gerry Toney retired the side on strikeouts.

Manager Mike Williams sent in Russin to relieve Gauntlett on the mound and after Jamie Innamorati struck out, Toney came up to the plate and drove a long one over the left field fence to give Kingston another run. The next two men were retired and the score moved to 4-3.

Toney retired the Back Mountain Teeners in 1-2-3 order, two on strike outs and one on a ground out to the infield

In the fifth inning, Gauntlett came back to the mound and gave up one walk before retiring the next three men. In the bottom of the fifth, the Back Mountain boys broke the game wide open with Russin going to first on a walk, Chamberlain hitting a single, then Paczewski rapping out an RBI single. Eric Pieczynski came in as a relief hitter for Mike Sholtis and hit out an RBI single and Neil Kaiser followed with another RBI hit. Pete Kerdesky and Jamie Janosky both came to the

Pizza Bar and the Rebels continue

to lead Division A in the Back

Mountain Slow Pitch League with

identical 18-1 records. Farmers Inn

falls behind at 15-5 while Hum-

Scores for this past week in Divi-

sion A action are: Pizza Bar 9, Fort

Pike 6; Humphrey's 13, Kandlelite

phrey's has a 14-5 slate.

plate and tapped out bunt singles to give the Back Mountain Teeners five runs on six hits and a walk in that inning

Gauntlett put the Kingston nine down in 1-2-3 order in the sixth inning and, in the seventh inning, Kingston managed one hit and one run to push the score to 10-4, the Back Mountain Teeners scoring a final run in the sixth when Russin singled, stole two bases and scored on Paczewski's RBI ground out.

Gauntlett fanned seven, walked eight and gave up only two hits. Russin struck out one, walked one and gave up only one hit in the one and one-third inning he pitched.

"The boys are All-Stars, picked from various teams, but they play together as though they have all season," said Manager Mike Wil-"They're a great group of boys and are very coachable. They play together as a team and not one tries to play the "prima donna". It's a pleasure to work with them. They all came through when we needed

The Back Mountain Teeners play Plains in the semi-finals, Thursday, 5:15 p.m. at Fort-Swoyer field. The winner of that game goes into the finals Sunday to play for the title.

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Wendy Cave, playing, shortstop had an outstanding play in the fourth inning to close down Guilford's scoring when she threw out Guilford's Amber Mellott at home

In Tuesday's game, the American girls collected 11 hits, four of them for extra bases in pickingup the 7-6 win. Wendy Cave did the mound

### Group to meet

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## **Back Mountain Juniors** beat Swoyersville for title

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Correspondent

The Back Mountain Junior All-Star team defeated Swoyersville All-Stars, 4-3, Monday night at the Exeter Little League field to capture the championship in the Fourth Annual Exeter Little League All-Star Tourna-

Swoyersville jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the first inning but Back Mountain tied it at 1-1 in the second inning. The Swoyersville boys then scored two runs in the third frame to take a 3-1 lead.

Jeff Kunkle did the mound work for the Back Mountain team, fanning six and walking four. Going into the fifth inning, behind 3-1, the local team scored three runs to take a 4-3 lead they never gave up. Hits by Kunkle, John Oliver and Marty Straigis supplied a powerful offense for the Back Mountain and good defensive playing by the locals held a strong Swoyers-

The Back Mountain 8 and 9 year olds advanced to

the finals Monday, by defeating Pittston, 7-1, in the semi-finals Sunday, after downing Dupont, 2-1 Saturday afternoon.

The juniors blasted Pittston behind the strong pitching of Mike Viglone, aided by the power hitting of Jerry Wysocki, who went 2-for-3 at the plate, and Rich Butcofski, who had 2-for-2, one of the hits a triple.

Outstanding defensive play was a key in the win when two Pittston runners were thrown out at home plate by Charlie Malpass and Randy Slaff.

In edging Dupont, Jeff Kunkle went all the way on the mount holding off the Dupont team.

Back Mountain's two runs were driven in by Wysocki who slammed out a long double. The locals outstanding defensive play cut off all rallies by their

A diving catch by Marty Straigis ended the game and advanced the Junior All Stars to the semi-finals against Pittston.

Manager of the team is Jim Bogdon, assisted by Coaches Rich Klick, Bob Kunkle, John Oliver and Charlie Malpass

loaded.

Canton girls refused to give up

and rallied for four runs before

relief hitter Wendy Cornell was out

trying to turn third base after driv-

ing out a triple with the bases

The American girls tried for another run in the sixth inning when

relief hitter Chris Kaleta hit an

infield single and went to second on

an error. Kris Moyer grounded out

to second and Kaleta went to third.

Labbate hit a single but Kaleta was

unable to score on it, then Karen

Wisnieski hit into a double play to

Hitting triples for the Back Moun-

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and giving up only eight hits. She helped win her own ballgame with a

fine defensive play in the fifth

inning when she caught Canton's

Jennifer Kerrick's line drive with

Back Mountain American scored

four runs in the top of the first

inning to take an early 4-0 lead.

Canton came back with one run in

the bottom of the first inning. In the

third inning the local girls scored

two runs to take a 6-1 lead but again

Canton came back with a run in the

Back Mountain went in front 7-2 in

the top of the fourth on Jennifer

Coon's RBI single, the run which

proved to be the winning score of

the game. There was one out and

runners at first and third base when

Coon hit a single to centerfield

scoring Alison Labbate who was on

base by a walk. Theresa Mathers

was on a baseby an error but she

was thrown out trying to cross home

plate. Coon went to third on the

throw home but Stephanie Krimer

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two out and a runner on first base.

After edging out District 15's work fanning two and walking four grounded out to second for the third canton team, 7-6, last Tuesday night and giving up only eight hits. She out. at the Back Mountain field, the Back Mountain American girls softball team gave up eight runs in the fifth inning Saturday at the local field and lost to Guilford of District 14, 10-6, to end their chance to compete for the junior girls title in the state tournament.

The local girls went into the fifth inning with a 6-2 lead but Guilford used five walks and a single to start their comeback. The eighth hitter. up in the inning was Jackie Bumbaugh, who hit an RBI single to give the Guilford team a 7-6 lead, all they needed to take the game.

Debbie Wysocki walked five of the first seven batters in the inning and Bumbaugh's single proved to be the winning run.

Guilford took a 1-0 lead in the first inning but the Back Mountain girls came back in the second with four runs when Carol Ewan walked six batters in the inning.

Guilford scored a second run in the top half of the fourth inning but the Back Mountain girls came back with two runs in their half of the fourth. Alison Labbate took base on a walk and Threse Mathers was safe on an error following Jennifer Goon's forceout at third base. Stephanie drew a walk to load the bases, Wendy Cave was out on a pop-fly, then Wysocki and Melanie Marino walked to make the score 6-

plate to retire the side.

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