

SportsWeek

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HOT ACTION ON THE DIAMOND

In Back Mountain Baseball Major League action Saturday, Ryan MacMillan of the Ranger took a turn on the mound against the Yankees (right). He also banged out a triple. Below, Phillip Engler took the throw at third, a little too late. Bottom, Elijah Miller, trying to hold on in a close play at second.

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Kuderka leads Dallas at, behind the plate

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DALLAS - Freshman aren't expected to contribute much to a high school varsity sports team. The first year is usually one for watching, learning and warming the bench.

The story is different for Dallas softball player, Sherri Kuderka. After the Mounds game Monday, in which she was 4-for-4, she led the team in average (.571 with 16 hits in 28 at bats) and RBI's.

"I receive a lot of support from my teammates and also give it back," said Kuderka. "We certainly have a team concept type atmosphere."

Desire and the sheer joy of playing the game are a couple of things that get Sherri motivated for games, as her team is 3-4 after the first half of the season.

Ever since she started playing tee-ball at the age of six, Kuderka has had a great love for the game. "I have always liked baseball," said Sherri, who is Dallas's starting catcher. "I try to get everything right and try my hardest every time."

"She really has been our most consistent offensive threat," head coach Jay Pope said. "She has certainly anchored a tough position defensively as a catcher."

Along with support from her teammates, Kuderka said she re-

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ceives a great deal of help from her family and coaches. "The coaches have been great and my family has kept me from being to cocky," the 16-year old said. "My parents have always told me not to think too much about what is said about me."

Although Kuderka has stepped up to face a higher level of pitching, her bat hasn't cooled. "Sherri has one of the quickest bats I have seen in all of the years I have coached," Pope said. "She hits the ball so hard that, sometimes, the fielders do not even have a chance to react. As she continues to hit, she becomes more and more confident," remarked Pope.

Javy Lopez, an all-star catcher for the Atlanta Braves, is her favorite player to watch. "I watch him and learn from him," Kuderka said.

In other seasons, Sherri plays field hockey as a centerback. She also loves to watch baseball on television and attend games.

BMT BASEBALL

Softball Majors Guntli k's 12 in win

White Sox 14 - Red Sox 5
Molly Guntli pitched 6 innings striking out 12 for the win on the mound. Hitting for the White Sox was provided by Katlin Ward with 3 hits, Sam Oschman 2 hits and Erin Swepston getting a Grand Slam home run.

Boys Majors Barbose, 4-for-4, leads Indian batters

Indians 14 - Rangers 9
The Indians hitting attack was the strength to a win over Rangers. Jon Barbose led the attack going 4-for-4 with a double and a triple. Also Mike Fehlinger and Mike Yenason had three hits a piece while Jim Jordan added 2 hits for the Indians. Ryan MacMillan had three hits for the Rangers.

Reds 11 - Pirates 5
Paul McCue was the winning pitcher with Luke Marchakitus getting the save. Mike English was 2 for 3 with a double and McCue went 2 for 4. For the Pirates John Neiman was 2 for 2.

Reds 16 - Giants 6
Paul McCue won another game for the Reds on the mound. Hitting for the Reds was Mike English going 3 for 4 with a two run homer, Neil Buchman with a three run homer while Kory Schultz and Ken Reagan each had 3 hits. Multiple hits for the Giants came from Kevin Domzalski, Tyler Karalunis and Charlie Stajewski.

Yankees 14 - Rangers 10
Matt Rondina pitched 5 innings with 6 strikeouts for a Yankees win. Aiding the winning team at the plate was Jeff Pace, Nate Yoh, Frank Buzzin and John Mancki. Ryan MacMillan had a triple while David Glacini had 3 singles for the Rangers.

Indians 8 - Dodgers 4
Jim Jordan and Pat Harmon combined to pitch a two hitter for the Indians while Jordan added a homer in the game. Mike Fehlinger and Mike Yenason also had multiple hits for the Indians.

Red Sox 1 - Yankees 10
Frank Buzin pitched 6 innings striking out 10 while only giving up 3 hits for the Yankees. Tim



Cecconi, Gauntlett win Irem Classic

The Irem Temple Spring Classic Golf tournament was held at Irem Temple April 25, 26 and 27, with the team of Ray Cecconi and Tom Gauntlett defeating Mark Kopeck and Kevin Kaminsky for the title. The championship match was decided on the 18th hole when Tom Gauntlett drained a 18-foot putt to close out their opponents one down. The other flight winners are as follows: The tournament highlight for the weekend was R.A. Jones' eagle on the par 4 No. 3 hole which was witnessed by Tex Toole, Ralph Brown and Mr. Riley. The field consisted of 54 two man teams and the format was Captain & Mate. Medalist - Ron Pieczynski-Carlyle Robinson (63) Closest to pin #7 - Russ Goodman Jr.-Russ Goodman Sr. Closest to pin #17 - Ron Pieczynski - Carlyle Robinson Championship Flight Winner - Ray Cecconi - Tom Gauntlett Runner up - Mark Kopeck - Kevin Kaminsky Semi Finalist - Jim Breck - Tim Holland, Burt Berrettini - Carl

Dymond
1st Flight
Winner - K. Fisher - Fisher
Runner up - R. Goodman Sr. - R. Goodman Jr.
Semi finalist - L. Gumari Jr. - J. Gumari, J. Mascioli - B. Lewis
2nd Flight
Winner - J. Kotis - J. Muench
Runner up - D. Evans - J. Bialek
Semi finalist - J. Allen - C. Heffron, B. Morgan - T. Peeler
3rd Flight
Winner - A. Choman - K. O'Donnell
Runner Up - B. Emery - C. Puckey
Semi finalist - A. Panelli - Adonizio, R. Roberts - Slusark
Beaten 12's
Championship Flight
1st - Bill Yoh - Jack Zarno (65)
2nd - Bob Valatka - Bob Nafus (66)
1st Flight
1st - Dave Dexter - A.J. Bittner (71)
2nd - Jim Gallagher - Williams (71)
2nd Flight
1st - Rich James - George Gurney (71)
2nd - Joe Killeen - Rich Holthouse (71)
3rd Flight
1st - Tex Toole - R.A. Jones (74)
2nd - Frank Santo-Kriedler (74)

STANDINGS as of 4/27/97			
Major League Baseball National League			
TEAM	W	L	Pct.
Astros	2	0	1.000
Phillies	2	0	1.000
Reds	2	2	.500
Dodgers	1	2	.333
Giants	1	2	.333
Pirates	1	2	.333
Cardinals	0	2	.000
American League			
TEAM	W	L	Pct.
Indians	6	0	1.000
Athletics	2	0	1.000
Red Sox	2	1	.667
Tigers	2	2	.500
Yankees	2	3	.400
Orioles	1	2	.333
Rangers	0	4	.000

Kerestes and Matt Rondina rung up multiple hits for the Yankees while David Lohin and Steve Salavantis had extra base hits for the Red Sox.

Additional Scores:
Indians 13 - Orioles 10
Tigers 6 - Yankees 7
Indians 16 - Tigers 1

SPORTS SHORTS

Soccer
Abington 3, Dallas 2
Christy Callahan scored one and assisted another in the third for the Mounds only tallies as Abington dropped Dallas 3-2 April 24 at Dallas. Nikki Nackley converted Callahan's assist. Adrienne Camp had four saves.

Lehman 4, Berwick 0
The Lady Knights kept the heat on Berwick's cage, pounding out 29 shots on goal as Lehman sandbagged Berwick 4-0 April 24. Kelly Spencer accounted for two of the Knights tallies, while Jess Elston scored one and assisted another.

Lehman 8, Abington 4
Sara Kasper and Kelly Spencer worked the net, each sinking three goals apiece as Lehman doubled up on Abington Heights 8-4 April 28 in Clarks Summit. Jess Elston and Adrienne Miroslaw booted the remaining goals. Trish Pilosi denied three in the Knights cage.

Lehman 12, O'Reilly 3
The Knights stockpiled seven runs in the first inning en route to a 12-3 victory over O'Reilly April 24. Jake Rambus slugged two hits for two RBI and two runs scored. Mike Woronko was 2-for-2 with 2 scored.

Coughlin 11, Dallas 1
Coughlin kept the Mounds sticks silent as Dallas acquired just one hit during a 11-1 loss April 24. Josh Dukas stroked the Mounds only hit in the fourth. Coughlin had six runs in the fifth to end the game by the ten run rule.

Lehman 16, Northwest 6
Jake Rambus belted a three-run first inning homer to lead the Knights to a 16-6 thrashing of Northwest April 25 at Northwest. Lehman capped the night with 11 runs in the final two innings. D.J. Kapson and Jason Perlis both went 2-for-5 with two runs scored and one RBI.

Lehman 6, Lehman 1
Andy Weaver was the bright spot on the courts for Lehman with the Knights only victory as Coughlin battered Lehman 6-1 April 24. Weaver won the no. 3 singles match 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.

Tennis
Dallas 5, Seton Cath. 2
Dallas swept the singles matches with victories by Brian Blase, Mike Cleary, Marcus Sowick and Brian Balutis as Dallas dropped Seton 5-2 April 24. Cleary and Blase also teamed up for a doubles victory 8-0.

Softball
Dallas 7, Coughlin 6
Sherri Kuderka and Mary Ann Selenski combined for seven hits as Dallas edged Coughlin 7-6 April 24. Kuderka went 4-for-4 while Selenski was 3-for-3 each with a

Volleyball
WW 2, Dallas 0
Pete Redmond slammed nine kills but didn't have the support as Valley West walked away with a 15-4, 15-13 victory from the Mounds April 23. Joe Dreier had a big day on defense with 16 digs followed by Erik Steltz with 12.

Irem Women open season with brunch, tourney

The Irem Women's Golf Association opened its 70th season with a brunch followed by a scramble tournament. Ann Nicholson and Jane Kopp were co-chairperson of the brunch. Winners of the tournament were:

First Place: Diane Kocik, Bok Choi, Jane Kopp and Theresa Balliet
Second Place: Corrine Sgarlat, Sun Hee Koo, Joann Berrettini and Julie Conklin
Third Place: Kay Goodman, Jane Boltz, Young Chang
The opening Locker Room meeting will be held on May 6 at 8:30 a.m. with golf following.

Golf schools at Four Seasons

Improve your golf game or learn to play golf at Four Seasons Golf Schools in Exeter. Mens and Ladies Golf Schools starting Thurs., April 24 or Fri., April 25, Juniors Golf Schools starting Sat., April 26. Each school will consist of four sessions each from 6-8 p.m. Instructor is Rick Rydzewski, PGA Golf Professional at Four Seasons Golf Club. Call Four Seasons Pro Shop now at 655-8869 to register.

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