

SportsWeek

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White Sox repeat as softball champs

The White Sox captured the Major League Softball championship with an exciting 8-7 win over the A's.

The White Sox took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first with a single by Sam Lloyd and a long home run by Lisa Wasser. Both teams scored two runs in the second to make it 4-2 in favor of the White Sox.

In the bottom of the third the A's came up with the defensive play of the game. With the bases loaded and no outs, Kelly Dougherty caught a line drive off the bat of Molly Guntli and relayed the ball home where Lauren Patton tagged out Sam Oschman. This kept the game close and when the A's exploded for five runs in the top of the fourth they led by a score of 7-4.

The White Sox regained the lead in the bottom of the fifth. The big hit was a single with two outs by Elise Persico which knocked in the tying and leading runs and the White Sox led 8-7.

The A's had a chance in the sixth with Cory Patton on second base with one out but pitcher Molly Guntli got the last two outs to preserve the victory.

Molly Guntli was the complete



POST PHOTOS/JIM PHILLIPS
The White Sox Sam Lloyd (10) avoided a tag by Jamie Sulewski, above. Top right, Sam Oschman put a tag on Kelly Dougherty. Heather Smith slid into third under Jaime Sickler's tag in the lower right photo. Cory Patton was at short.

game winning pitcher with 12 strikeouts while allowing only a single hit by Jamie Sulewski. Crystal Oley pitched well for the A's in defeat.

The White Sox were also regu-

lar season champs with a 12-0 record in the league and a 19-1 record overall. This is the second year in a row that the White Sox have won the Major League Softball championship.



Little League All-Stars

Lesinski's grand slam saves Nat'l

BMT Nat'l. 15, Miners Mills 10

Joel Lesinski belted a grand slam in the top of the sixth to give Back Mt. the lead for good to take a 15-10 victory from Miners Mills June 30 in Wilkes-Barre. Charlie Stajewski kept the momentum alive with a round tripper of his own, one of two that Stajewski had for the night. Jordan Kosloski was credited with the win. National advances to face Heights Wed. July 2 in Wilkes-Barre.

Avoca/Dupont 7, Back Mt. Amer. 3

Avoca scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth to break a five run tie and drop Back Mt. 7-5 in Dallas. Jeff Dixon belted a home run and a single in the setback. Ryan Gryskiewicz also had two hits. The loss ends the season for Back Mountain.

Hanover 6, Back Mt. Nat. 5

Back Mountain's Joel Lesinski tossed a three-hit game with 12 strikeouts but didn't have the defense's support in the opening round of District 16 all-star action June 28 at Hanover. Lesinski

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Dallas summer rec ball starts on a fast note

Play was fast and furious last week in the Dallas Borough Summer Basketball League.

In a shocker Oliver Cafe dumped Dinosaur Jr. 61-47 behind Sean Bell's 19 points. Jay Van Orden added 14 for the victors. Derrick Johnson led the losers with 14.

Wyoming Quality Beverage got their first win of the season with a 70-51 win over Ziemba

Insurance. Brian Ford's 16 points led the way. Jason Pieczynski led the losers with 25.

Camp Orchard Hill stayed unbeaten by blasting Argo's 81-52. Jay McGovern had 23 in a winning effort and Tom Stambaugh added 20.

Play continues each Monday and Wednesday at 5:15 with three games at the Dallas Rec Center.

Box scores from June 25

Oliver Cafe - 61

	FG	FT	Total
Bell**	7	3	19
Burns	1	0	2
Gerlock	1	6	8
Straigas*	3	0	7
Durkin	1	0	2
J.VanOrden*	5	3	14
C.VanOrden**	3	0	9
	21	12	61

Dinosaur Jr. - 47

	FG	FT	Total
Jordan	1	0	2
Johnson	6	2	14
Kozar	1	0	2
Jones*	2	0	5
Lazzari*	1	0	3
D. Hage**	4	0	10
N. Hage	5	1	11
	20	3	47

Wyoming Quality Bev. - 70

	FG	FT	Total
Luksic	4	0	8
Cuff*	3	2	9
Ford****	5	0	16
McGovern****	5	0	14
Siglin	7	0	14
Finarelli	3	3	9
	27	5	70

Ziemba Ins. - 51

	FG	FT	Total
Ziemba	2	3	7
Dolan	1	2	4
Sutliff	4	0	8
Debona	3	0	7
Pieczynski***	9	4	25
	19	9	51

Camp Orchard Hill - 81

	FG	FT	Total
S. Smith	7	0	14
Stambaugh	8	4	20
Nichol	4	0	8
Perlis+	3	0	8
Mihalik	4	0	8
McGovern	11	1	23
Heister	0	0	0
	37	5	81

Argo's - 52

	FG	FT	Total
Argo	2	2	6
Godri***	3	0	9
Bullions*	5	0	11
Besteder	12	2	26
Franz	0	0	0
	32	4	52

* Denotes 3 pt. goal + Denotes 4 pt. goal

Davis resigns as Clarion wrestling coach

Jack Davis, a 1970 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School, recently stepped down as Clarion University's head wrestling coach. During his tenure Davis compiled a five-year dual meet record of 43-34-4 and captured the Eastern Wrestling League titles in 1994 and 1995, a PSCA crown in 1994 and was named EWL Coach of the year in 1994. Davis will continue at the university as an assistant professor in the Department of Health and Physical Education. He lives in Clarion with his wife, Jackie, and sons Scott and Rocky. Davis is the son of Myra and Woody Davis, Harveys Lake.

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POST PHOTO/JIM PHILLIPS
Mike Woronko pitched the first two innings of BMT Legion's game Saturday against Nanticoke. He took the loss, but had two hits including a double. Joe Halowich and Jason Perlis had two hits each, both of Halowich's being two-baggers.

Legion team can score, but held back by pitching

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BACK MOUNTAIN - This season's Back Mountain American Legion team can score runs, but is thin on pitching. The team, for which 18 players are selected from a tryout, has a 3-9 record as of June 28 and many of the losses have come in the later innings.

"We will get back Mike Woronko, who will add some stability to our pitching," said first-year manager Tom Evans, who has managed for many years at the Little League and Teener level. "He (Woronko) had missed three games due to UNICO practices. We lost two games this past week in the late innings because we just have not had enough pitchers to come into the game. It is hard to believe we scored 25 runs the past two games and we did not win."

BMT Legion dropped a 12-9 game to Nanticoke Saturday, as they again scored a bunch of runs but couldn't stop their opponents. Joe Halowich, Mike Woronko and Jason Perlis had two hits each, and Chad Sorber drove in two. Woronko took the loss, allowing eight runs in only two innings.

Aside from the pitching weakness, the team has some great baseball talent.

Ed Piekara, who will be a senior at Dallas this fall, is having a great summer thus far. "Eddie has hit the ball well and played tremendous defensively," said Evans. "He is one of our key pitchers and he also plays several other positions."

A trio of underclassmen — Chad Sorber, D.J. Kapson, and Jake Rambus — who should have Lake-Lehman back in contention next year, also have played well this summer. "Sorber has played well as a middle infielder," remarked Evans, who is assisted by Lake-Lehman head baseball coach Chip Sorber. "Kapson has great natural talent and he is a smart player and stays focused," Evans said. "Rambus has hit the ball well too."

Another player Evans pointed out is Shippensburg-bound center fielder Joe Halowich. Halowich, who was one of the key players in Lake-Lehman's playoff team this season, is hitting in the leadoff spot for the Legion team. "He is an excellent leadoff hitter," Evans said. "He is a very smart base runner and steals bases with a great success rate."

Aaron Getz of Dallas is on the team for another season, and he is hitting well over .300 and holding down the hot corner. He will continue playing baseball at Alderson-Brodlus College.

Evans feels that American Legion baseball puts players at an advantage when it comes to the high school season next spring. "Obviously, the more you play the better you are going to be," he said.

The team plays a 20-game season in a league which includes 11 teams and each team plays each other twice. Making up the area where the team is selected are the Dallas and Lake-Lehman school districts and the age range of the players is 15-18.

Bus trip to LL World Series

There will be a bus trip to the Little League World Series in Williamsport on Mon., Aug. 18. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. from the Back Mountain field. Price is \$12. For more information, call George Gracely at 639-1467.

Wilkes U. golf tournament Aug. 11

The Wilkes University Colonel Club, the fund-raising arm of the Wilkes Athletic Department, will hold its second annual golf tournament on Mon., Aug. 11 at Edgewood in the Pines golf course in Drums.

The golf tournament, a captain and crew format, will have a shotgun start at noon. The cost of the tournament will be \$55 and will include the cart and green fees, a hot picnic buffet, a hot dog lunch special and men's women's and mixed crew winners.

To obtain a registration form or to get more information call the Wilkes Athletic Office at 831-4024 or 831-4020. Registration is limited to the first 120 golfers. All proceeds from the golf tournament will benefit the Wilkes Athletic Department and the Colonel Club.

Harveys Lake Yacht Club race results

Sunday, June 29 was a perfect sailboat racing day at Harveys Lake. White cotton-like cumulus clouds and blue skies greeted the Sunday series sailors. The steady win was out of the west at 12 to 15 knots. A Modified Gold Cup course was plotted by race chairman Frank Wadas. The course was five miles in length and was sailed in record time of 56 minutes. First place in the Comet race was taken by Dr. John Alaimo and Ellen as crew. Second place was garnered by Joan Williams and Dr. Lane Giddings, crew. First place in the Handicap Division was Bob Hall and Barbara Aston, crew sailing a Lightning sailboat. Second place went to Henry Steuben in a Phantom. Third place, Rep. Kevin and Beth Blaum, Dr. John Alaimo and Ellen came in fourth and Williams and Giddings fifth.

U-14 boys travel soccer tryouts

The Back Mountain Blast boys U-14 travel soccer team will hold open tryouts for all boys born between 8/1/83 and 7/31/84 on Thurs., July 3 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman. Call Hank Walters at 477-5139 for more information.