

# The Dallas Post Sports Week

## BMT Sr. Softball way too much for Northwest

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**DALLAS TWP.** - It was no contest when the Back Mountain Senior Girls Softball team met Northwest in Saturday's playoff game. The contest ended after five innings due to the 10-run rule, with the final score 29-2 in favor of the Back Mountain.

The game began with the Back Mt. All-Stars scoring 14 runs in the first inning. Nineteen batters approached the plate as run upon run was scored.

Amanda Stolarick's single drove in the first two runs of the game. In her second at-bat of the inning, Maria Wright singled to score two more runs, taking the score to 8-

*"We're like a family off the field, everyone's so close."*

Julia Chiampi

0. Several batters later, Melanie Sappe drove in two more runs with a single, and the score was 14-0.

Seven hits and six walks given up by Northwest pitchers allowed Back Mountain to jump to such an early lead.

The Back Mt. All-Stars scored in every inning. Four runs came in the second, with April Naugle's double driving in two of her team's

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Melanie Sappe slid home to score a run in Back Mountain's pasting of Northwest Saturday.

## All-Star roundup

### National stays unbeaten in playoffs

Back Mountain's Paul McCue belted a homer and a single and drove in four of National's ten runs in a 10-8 victory July 7 at Hanover. McCue put National up 4-3 with a two-run homer in the second before Tyler Droppers followed with one of his own to increase the lead to 5-3. Hanover responded with five more in the top of the third before Back Mountain came back with five more in the bottom of the inning to end the scoring at 10-8. Jordan Koslosky picked up the win after three innings worked giving up a run and fanning three.

to take a 17-4 victory from Plains July 5 in Beaumont. Julie Wetherbee was credited with the win after giving up only five hits in a game shortened by the ten-run rule. Tiffany Hettes and Cassie Mishanski each belted doubles and Traci Zacharias pumped two singles. The win keeps Horlacher alive in losers bracket action.

### Northwest 18, Harveys Lake 2

Harveys Lake was eliminated from further action after a trip to Northwest July 5 as Northwest battered Harveys Lake 18-2. Harveys Lake only managed one hit, a single by Jennifer Starosta. Susan Barber was tagged with the loss.

### Harveys Lake 11- Ashley/Newton 1

Dustin Kapson hurled a three hitter and fanned nine to lead Harveys Lake to victory July 2. Leading hitters were Ryan Besteder and Matt Ide who each had a single and triple. Jesse Turner and Willie Weber had doubles.

## SENIOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

### Back Mt. 23, Pittston Twp. 3

Ryan Sorber struck out five over three innings and Back Mountain played errorless ball to advance to the winner bracket finals in Senior League action July 7. Mike Faneck and Chuck Whitehead paced the 21 hit attack. Faneck added four singles and Whitehead added a home run, triple and double. Josh Katyl, Jesse Stolarczyk and Danny Fauerbach all had two hits including doubles. Matt Wycallis and Mike Sabol added two hits including triples. J.T. Wisniewski and Josh Lesinski added doubles.

### Back Mt. Nat. 5, Heights 2

Joel Lesinski's arm was on fire as he struck out 14 and gave up just two hits in Back Mountain's 5-2 victory over Heights in Wilkes-Barre July 2. Angelo Georgetti belted a double to keep National alive in losers bracket action.

### Duryea 16 - Harveys Lake 6

Duryea unleashed a 21 hit attack to eliminate Harveys Lake July 7. Phil Kasper led Harveys Lake with three hits including a double. Matt Stuart ripped a 3-run pinch hit homer. Ryan Besteder, Greg Kostrobala and Willie Weber all added singles.

## LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL

### Jenkins Twp. 12, Bob Horlacher 11

Horlacher held on to a 11-8 lead going into the bottom of the sixth before Jenkins Twp. twisted their fate with four runs of their own to take a 12-11 victory and drop Horlacher to the losers bracket July 3. Tiffany Hettes scattered two hits for Horlacher followed by Susan Barber and Traci Zacharias with one apiece.

### Harveys Lake 13, Avoca/Dupont 3

Lindsey Walkowiak hurled a two hit masterpiece striking out ten in Harveys Lake's 13-3 victory over Avoca July 3. Walkowiak also conducted a seminar at the plate with a perfect 4-for-4 performance. Megan Thorne went 3-for-4 and Susan Barber 2-for-3 each with a double.

### Bob Horlacher 17, Plains 4

Horlacher belted nine runs in the top of the fourth and held on

## SENIOR LEAGUE SOFTBALL

### Bob Horlacher 19, Mountaintop 13

Horlacher pitcher Carl Newberry blanked eight and went 4-for-5 at the plate to lead Horlacher to a wild 19-13 District 16 victory July 3 at Beaumont. Stephanie Case also went 4-for-5 in the victory. Laura Maslowski and Lindsay Faux added three hits apiece.

### Northwest 27, Harveys Lake 5

Northwest never looked back from an 11-run first inning to massacre Harveys Lake 27-5 July 3 in Shickshinny. Melissa Sutliff dropped two singles. Kelly Wagner was credited with the loss.

### Bob Horlacher 17, Harveys Lake 2

Horlacher's defense held Harveys Lake silent allowing their hosts to just two hits as Horlacher flattened Harveys Lake 17-2 July 5 at the Lake. Stephanie Case picked up the win. Nicole Parsons smacked a double and Jessie Keefe stretched a triple. Horlacher advances while Harveys Lake is eliminated from further action.



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## Softball stars topple Plains on road to finals

The Back Mountain Major League Softball All-Stars advanced to the finals of the winners' bracket of the District 16 Tournament with three victories last week. The team started with a 22-6 win over Plains. Four pitchers, Rachel Kukosky, Molly Guntli, Lisa Wasser and Carla Chiampi combined on a one-hitter over four innings. Hitting stars were Rachel Kukosky with a home run, and Carla Chiampi, Sammy Oschman and Jaime Sickler with two hits each.

On Thursday, the All-Stars traveled to Mountaintop where they won again in four innings by a score of 14-4. Rachel Kukosky pitched a strong game for three and two third innings and Lisa Wasser finished the pitching for BMT. Mountaintop was not able to get a hit off of the two pitchers. Hitting for BMT was led by Lisa

Wasser with two hits, including a double, and Sam Lloyd with two hits. Sammy Oschman had a big first inning single and three RBIs and Molly Guntli had a single and two RBIs.

On Saturday the All-Stars beat Jenkins Township by a score of 11-1, again in four innings. Carla Chiampi and Molly Guntli were the pitchers, combining for a no-hitter. Lisa Wasser led the 10 hit attack with two hits and three RBIs. Molly Guntli had a home run and three RBIs and Sam Lloyd had two hits. Rachel Kukosky, Lauren Patton, Carla Chiampi, Jaime Sickler and Meredith Lacey all had singles.

The All-Stars are playing great defense behind strong pitching and all 14 girls have contributed to the wins. BMT played at Nanticoke on Tuesday in a battle of undefeated teams.

Back Mt. Major League Softball all stars surround coach Rick Guntli after the team beat Plains 22-6 Saturday. From left, Molly Guntli, Rachel Kukosky, Sam Oschman, Lisa Wasser and Carla Chiampi. Below, Meredith Lacey slides into home to score one of BMT's runs.



## Katie Austin will attend top basketball camp

Dallas Junior, Katie Austin will attend the Blue Star Invitational Basketball Camp at Lehigh University July 11-14. Blue Star is known for having the best female high school athletes in the country experience top competition. Last year, over 1,500 players from 42 states and seven foreign countries competed before 600 different college and university coaches from 50 schools.



## 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.

## Balliet wins Irem chairman's prize

The Irem Women's Golf Association held one of their major tournaments recently competing for the chairman's prize which was won by Theresa Balliet.

Weekly prize winners were: First Flight, Diane Kosik; Second Flight, Louise Moore; Third Flight, Jane Boltz; Fourth Flight, Nona Libenson. Putting prizes were won by Sandy Valenti, Louise Moore, Connie Lizdas, Theresa Balliet. Chip-In: Jane Kopp.

## Pirates wear Sr. League crown

### Back Mt. Pirates 8 - Back Mt. Blue Jays 7

The Pirates scored two runs in the last frame to pull out a thrilling victory. Josh Lesinski led the Pirate hitters with two hits including a double. Ryan Sorber and Josh Katyl added two hits apiece. Matt Loftus doubled for the Blue Jays. Josh Katyl and Matt Wycallis combined for 10 strikeouts with Wycallis getting the win. Mike Fanneck pitched well in a losing effort striking out six Pirates.

### BMT Pirates 13 - Pittston 0

Matt Wycallis, Ryan Sorber and Adam Clay combined, throwing a three hitter, striking out seven Pittston batters. Josh Katyl led Pirate hitters with three hits including a triple and double. Sorber added three hits, Clay and Wycallis

added two hits apiece.

### Back Mt. 25 - Pittston 0

Matt Wycallis and Chuck Whitehead led the Back Mt. attack, Wycallis going 5-for-5 and Whitehead banging out two home runs. Mike Sabol had three hits including a double followed by Josh Katyl with three hits. Danny Fauerbach, Darrel Evans and Josh Lesinski all added two hits. Ryan Sorber added a double. In all Back Mt. banged out 25 hits. Joel Whipple pitched four innings allowing only one hit while striking out two hitters. Al Pisaneschi closed out the pitching striking out two in one inning of work.

The Pirates closed out the season finishing first place in the Senior League division, with a 14-2 record.

## Sports items at auction

Joyce Gebhardt, who doubles as chairperson of the sand art booth, has arranged to have a soccer ball signed by Brian Kelly and a card autographed by Jimmy Spencer that will be sold during the Library Auction. When this issue went to press she was hoping to gather other sports or celebrity items as well.

The auction takes place July 10-13 at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, Huntsville Rd., Dallas. See special section in this issue for full details.

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