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Potomac pounded in first game of three series weekend

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Every starter hits in YHC twelve hits aggressive offense.

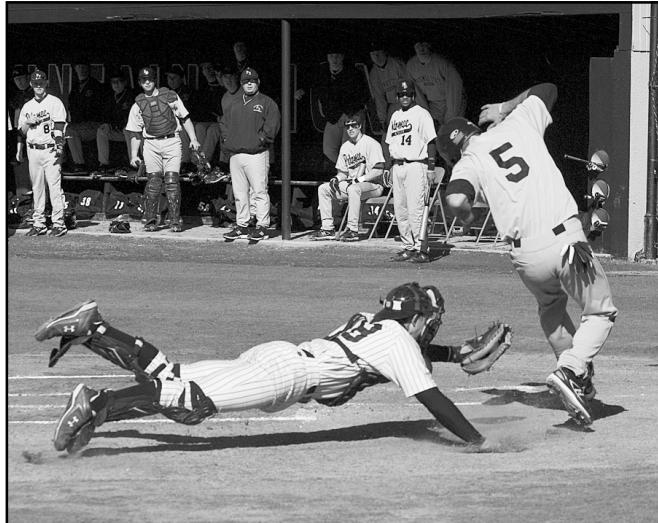
It was like Martha Stewart meets Paula Deen, just no comparison. The Potomac State Catamounts from West Virginia went through three pitchers but to no avail as the YHC Mountain Lions pummeled them 14-1 in the first of a three game series. The Mountain Lions turned to catcher, Shane Hammond for the best play of the first inning when he put the rawhide on a sliding Catamount at home. Walks by Bryson Smith and Derrick Lowery plus a stand-up "D" by Kenny Swab loaded for Daniel Warzon who smacked a 2-RBI double. Both he and Derrick Lowery scored on consecutive passed balls and after one inning, it was 4-0. In the second, the first Catamount up took an Eric Swegman pitch and sent it for a 4-1 ride over the fence. Swegman then pitched his way out of the inning.

For the next inning and a half the Cats were quiet but in the bottom of the fourth they

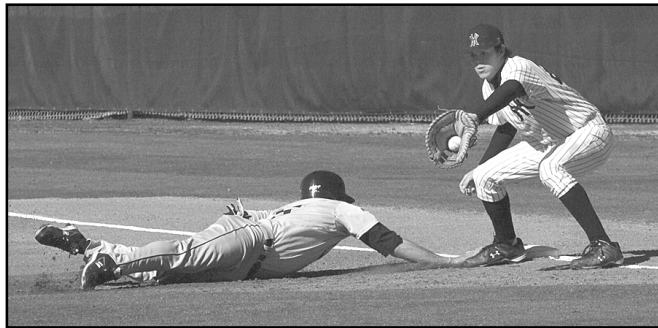
came alive at the plate again. Matt Lowery out-legged a throw to first, slide his way to second and Austin Schultz put him across home, 5-1 off a 2-out RBI single. Schultz then raced to second when the first baseman botched a pick attempt. With two outs still on the scoreboard, Bryson Smith made a colossal statement by rattling the 365' scoreboard in center field to make it 7-1, Cats. Before the inning ended, Derrick Lowery hit an RBI double to make it 8-1 after four innings. The Cats added three more runs in the fifth off a 2-RBI double by Bryson Smith and an RBI grounder to left by Kenny Swab. Another Cat run in the sixth came when Clay Remole hit a worm burner double then scored when Shame Hammond sliced a ball to right just over a Catamount. The final 14-1 score came when Scoop Pharr scored after nailing a stand-up double to center and was sent home off an RBI single by Travis Echols. Andrew Chilcoat went in relief in the seventh after Eric Swegman took the win, going seven and a half innings while allowing only four hits. Big stick at the plate was freshman Bryson Smith going 2-4, one homerun and five RBIs in the twelve hit game.



With two outs, Bryson Smith belts a 365' homerun off the scoreboard in center field.

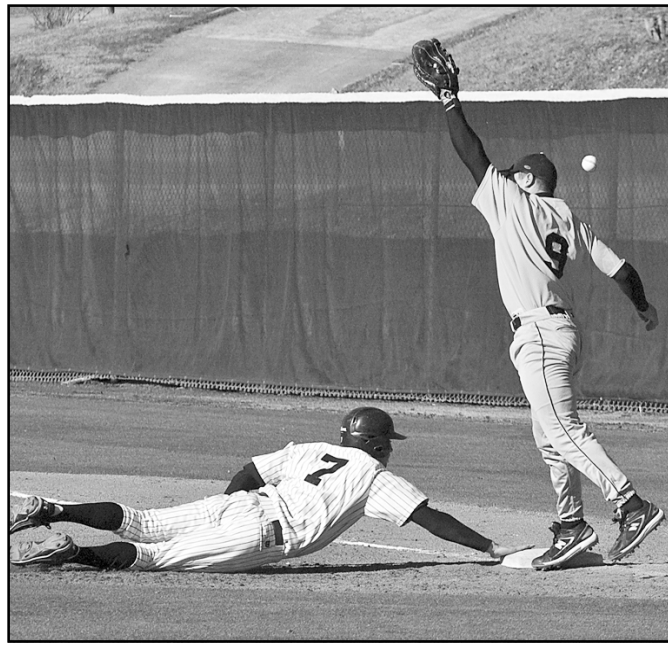


Shane Hammond makes the play at home in 14-1 rout of the Catamounts.



Clay Remole almost picks a Potomac State Catamount at first base in 14-1 win.

Photos by Jim and Lisa Bryant



Austin Schultz dives back to first then scampers to second after an over-throw.

Cougars spoil Cat home opener at Young Harris

Cats redeem themselves 8-7 in game two

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It was not a good home opener for the YHC Lady Mountain Lions, a photographer or one student. Not only did the purple Cats take a beating, one of the local photographers and a student sitting on the third base side, outside the fence were hit by the same line-drive ball, resulting in blood and EMT personnel everywhere. The Mountain Lions looked good in the first inning but the wheels fell off the wagon and the Lady Cougars pounced on the opportunities. The Cats scored first when Jamie Chapman singled in Jennifer Watford, 1-0. The Mountain Lion bats then went into hibernation until the sixth inning.

The Cougars came clawing back in the second and posted four runs. The Cats had a couple of outs but two boots sent the Cougars on a merry-go-round on the diamond. Finally, with the bases loaded, the Cats worked their way out of the inning, down 4-1. The score moved to 5-1 in the third after the Cats stranded their only base runner. After setting the Cougars down 1-2-3 in the fourth, Brittany Allen singled over third but again died on base.

After a good infield pop fly catch in the fifth by Brittany McDade, the Cats returned the favor by going down

1-2-3 as they had trouble trying to crack the Cougar defense. The visiting Cats punched

across three more runs, 9-1 in the top of the sixth, but the Mountain Lions came back in the bottom when Jamie Chapman again singled, then scored off an RBI by the DH, Brittany Allen to make it 9-2. The M'Lions quickly got in trouble in the final inning but pitcher, Whitney Robinson singled for the final hooray before Jamie Chapman flied out to left as the Cats fell 9-2 in their home opener. The Cats redeemed themselves in game two with an 8-7 win.



Brittany Allen and the Cleveland State player collide at first base.



Emily Wilson has the ball bounce off her glove deep in the outfield but the Cats squeezed out an 8-7 win in game two.



Katie Shields tags the base and throws to first in 9-2 loss to Cleveland State.

YHC netters drop first of season

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After trouncing their first two foes, the YHC Lady Mountain Lions dropped their first match of the early season. The Cats fell 5-4 to a strong internationally laced team from Georgia Perimeter in metro Atlanta. The Cats salvaged only one victory on the court while picking up three wins via default to keep the contest close.

Doubles Results: GP Nam/Bagnati (W) YHC Rodgers/Dixon 8-3; GP Truong/Milosoje (W) YHC Vaughters/Tannenbaum 8-5; YHC Mililli/Richardson (W) Georgia Perimeter by Default.

Singles Results: GP Yooha Nam (W) YHC Sara Rodgers 6-0, 6-0; GP Bich Vi Truong (W) YHC Carrie Dixon 6-0, 6-1; GP Maria Bagnati (W)

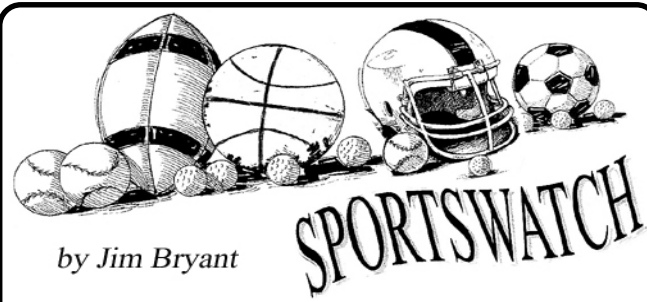
YHC Sara Vaughters 6-1, 6-1; YHC Jade Ringhoffer (W) GP Voyka Milosoje 6-0, 6-2; YHC Megan Wheatley (W) Georgia Perimeter by Default; YHC Victoria Mililli (W) Georgia Perimeter by Default.



Mountain Lion netters drop first of season Photo by Jim & Lisa Bryant



Chapman slides in safely when the Cougar bobbles the ball.



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Collegiate Baseball

YHC 14/28 Potomac State 1/1
Andrew 9 East Central CC 5
Andrew 16 Baton Rouge CC 6
Darton 3 Northwest Florida State 6
Darton 6 Middle Georgia 4
Ga Perimeter 8 Chattanooga Valley 5
Ga Perimeter 4/3 Jefferson State CC 2/6
Ga Perimeter 3/6 Piedmont 1/3
Middle Georgia 3 Delgado CC 4
Middle Georgia 4 Alabama Southern 8
South Georgia 10 Southwestern Illinois 0
Truett McConnell 1/1 Spartanburg Methodist 4/8
Cleveland State 4/7 Vincennes 1/6
Walters State 12/9/9 Chattanooga State 2/8/1
Walters State 11 Wilkes CC 15
Wallace State 2 East Central CC 1
Wallace State 14 Cleveland State 2
Wallace State 10/10/10 Bevil State 0/2/0

Collegiate Softball

YHC 2/8 Cleveland State 9/7
YHC 7 Broward 3
Gordon 1 Cleveland State 2
Gordon 1/1 Wallace State 10/5
Aiken Tech 4 Palm Beach CC 5
Aiken Tech 4 Indian River State 3
Aiken Tech 9 Cleveland State 1
Ga Perimeter 4 USC Salkehatchie 0
Ga Perimeter 11 Patrick Henry CC 1
Ga Perimeter 7 Chipola 4
Ga Perimeter 11 Coastal Georgia 3
Coastal Georgia 4 Walters State 8
South Georgia 7 Cleveland State 9

Collegiate Tennis

YHC 4 Georgia Perimeter 5
Brenau 9 NGCSU 0

Region A Boys Basketball Tournament

Towns County 35 Lakeview Academy 73
Tallahul Falls 45 Prince Avenue 38
Athens Academy 71 Hebron Academy 54
Athens Academy 71 Lakeview Academy 70
Athens Academy 59 Athens Christian 62
Athens Christian 66 Tallulah Falls 20
Athens Christian 66 Commerce 47
Social Circle 35 Commerce 38
Commerce 60 Lakeview 54

Region A Girls Basketball Tournament

Towns County 58 Hebron Academy 48
Towns County 46 Athens Christian 42
Towns County 56 Social Circle 46
Athens Christian 30 Lakeview Academy 37
Athens Academy 34 Lakeview Academy 38
(Lady Indians Win Region 8-A Championship)
Tallahul Falls 34 Hebron Academy 53
Athens Academy 34 Lakeview Academy 38
Athens Academy 23 Lakeview Academy 32
Athens Christian 41 Prince Avenue 25
Social Circle 54 Commerce 25
Social Circle 39 Lakeview Academy 31

Region AA Boys Basketball Tournament

Union County 44 Fannin County 43
Union County 60 Jefferson 55
Union County 36 Dawson County 49
Union County 45 East Jackson 57
Banks County 47 Dawson County 58
East Jackson 52 Riverside Academy 59
East Jackson 63 Rabun County 43
Dawson County 34 Riverside Academy 64

Region AA Girls Basketball Tournament

Union County 46 Jefferson 38
Union County 57 Rabun County 51
Union County 57 Fannin County 45

(UC Lady Panthers Win Region 8-A Championship)

Banks County 27 Fannin County 52
Banks County 47 Dawson County 58
Dawson County 27 North Oconee 55
Rabun County 55 East Jackson 35

Region AAA Boys Basketball Tournament

Pickens County 63 East Hall 81
Pickens County 52 Johnson 33
White County 30 Flowery Branch 50
Gilmer County 30 West Hall 100
Gilmer County 51 West Forsyth 48
Gilmer County 46 East Hall 59
Gilmer County 67 Chestatee 48
Lumpkin County 46 Flowery Branch 62
Johnson 80 Creekview 74
West Forsyth 58 Chestatee 48
Gainesville 54 Johnson 49
Gainesville 55 Flowery Branch 38
Gainesville 57 West Hall 46
North Hall 65 East Hall 55
North Hall 56 West Hall 43