

Tomcats Are 7-0 In Inter-County

A story book ending gave the Huntington YMCA Tomcats a 7-6 win over Kings Park in the Junior Division of the Inter-County Boys Baseball Association. The win boosted the Toms to a 7-0 mark as the league's only undefeated club.

Joe Gazzini's wildness (11 walks) led to his downfall as Richie Mills bailed him out in the seventh with bases loaded and one out after Joe had walked in the tying and go ahead runs. The Toms had gotten a big bases loaded triple from George Capps earlier to build their first lead. Ed Flynn drove in KP's first three runs.

In the last of the seventh, Jim Graham and Mills walked, Steve Basil beat out a perfect bunt down third and then Bob Driscoll unloaded over the left fielder's head to win the game.

The Tomcats had beaten Bayville two days earlier, 11-6. Mills led the way with four hits.

The East Meadow Indians topped Greenville Baker Boys Club, 4-1, on a three-hitter by Don Macaluso. Fusszhein led EM with two hits. Commack North defeated the Smithtown YMCA, 6-5, in 10 innings. Pete Roe allowed six hits and whiffed 11. Key hits by Charlie Sheppard, Frank Muller and Bill Reardon paced Commack's attack. Triscella led Smithtown.

In the Peeewe Division, the Huntington Y Alleycats bopped the Smithtown YMCA Cards, 12-4. Bases loaded triples by Gary Lamberta and Ray Schaefer broke the game open. Marty Riccio led the attack with three hits. Livingstone and Riccio combined to pitch a one-hitter, Palermo getting the lone Card safety.

The Bobcats kept the Huntington Y's win streak alive as they won a pair in the Senior Division, 1-0, over Smithtown YMCA and 8-4 over Bayville PBC.

Rick Johnson won both games. He hurled a four-hitter at Smithtown, striking out 13 and a three-hitter at Bayville with 12 whiffs. Loser Tiernan for Smithtown gave up just three hits. The Bobcat run came in the fifth on a walk to Jim Mola, a bunt single by Mike Biello, a sacrifice by Bill Reed and Frank Driscoll's smack back to the mound that couldn't be handled.

John Ryder and Johnson led the way at Bayville as they both hit home runs and had three RBIs each.

Tomcats Increase Record to 8-1

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats upped their pre-league baseball mark to 8-1 with a pair of victories over Eastern Military Academy and Middleville. The lone loss came at the hands of Oldfield in a 5-4 contest.

The Y's 7th and 8th grade club will be playing in two leagues this summer—the Inter County Boys Baseball Association, Junior division and the LI Conference, Sandy Koufax division.

Gary Lamberta was the big gun in the Tomcat attack and defense. He hurled a no-hitter at EMA, whiffing 11 in a 21-0 win. He also had 3 hits, 4 rbi's including a home run. Mike Heiser added 3 hits; Chris Sanders, Tom Livingstone and Bill Conforti 2 each.

The other Eastern win was a 16-0 count as Livingstone, Heiser and Rich Lundgren combined on a 2-hitter.

The Middleville scores were 1-0 and 10-2. Lamberta and Tom Bozeman combined on a 2-hitter for the first win. The Y-guys didn't get a hit but the lone run came on bunts by Tom Smith and Kurt Sohn and a wild throw as Smith was hung up at 3rd.

The second Middleville game featured a six-run outburst by the Tomcats in the last inning to ice it. Lamberta had the big stick again with 2 hits including a triple and 4 rbi's.

Y Tomcats Grab County Loop Lead

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats forged to the top of the County Boys BASEBALL Association, Junior Division, as they won a pair of games. The Y-guys stand at 4-4-0 with 1 tie as runnerup billy Kings of Merrick is 3-0 with two ties.

The Toms edged Kings Park, 4-3, and Grenville Baker Boys Club, 5-4. Chris Sanders picked up the first win in relief as he set the Oarkers down with one hit and one run over the last four innings. Mike Heiser and Kurt Sohn paced the Tomcats at bat.

Heiser won the GBBC game on a five-hitter. He also had the big blow for the Tomcats, a two-run triple. Mike Brooks and Gary Lamberta came through with other run producing safeties. Jim Rant's triple and Casey Callahan's double were the big blows for Grenville Baker.

Merrick defeated Grenville Baker, 4-1

on a five-hitter by Kevin Walsh. John Coffey and Brian Walsh led the King attack with two hits each. Valisenti had the same for GBBC. The same two teams played a 10 inning 2-2 tie.

The Huntington YMCA Polecats topped Kings Park twice, 5-4 and 7-4. Ron Dickey pitched both wins. Dickey, Steve Cacioppo and Larry Gottschalk led the Poles at bat. Jim Faron and John Dyole were tops for KP.

Grenville Baker Boys Club came back to win three, 8-0 and 8-1 over Kings Park and 13-6 over the Polecats. Jim Rant and Brian Loprius both pitched 4-hitters at KP. Big sticks were Jim Rant and Brian KP. Big sticks were Jim Finn, Paul Lucidi, Callahan and Rick Rydzewski. Trace and Ryan topped Kings Park. Finn's two triples and Joe LoPiccolo's relief hurling helped whip the Polecats.

Tomcats Win Pair From Kings Park

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats opened league play in the Long Island Conference-Sandy Koufax Division by sweeping a twin bill from the Kings Park Y.A.A., 9-4 and 2-0.

Gary Lamberta hurled a strong no-hitter in the opener, with wildness being his only problem. Lamberta struck out 10, but walked 11. Four walks and his own throwing error gave KP 3 runs in the first inning.

The game was iced in the fifth with five runs. Tommy Smith's squeeze bunt and Chuck Conforti's two-run single were the highlights. Marty Riccio doubled in another pair of runs in the seventh.

In the second game, Tom Bozeman pitched the shutout and held Kings Park hitless until the last inning. He struck out five and walked three and was helped by the fine defensive play of Tommy Smith and Lamberta.

The Tomcats' runs came in the first inning on a single by Sohn and a home run by Tom Livingstone. They managed only four hits off loser Harold Carter, who whiffed five and walked four. Riccio had two of the Tomcats' hits.

Tomcats Win 2 In Koufax Play

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats swept another twin bill in Sandy Koufax Division, LI Conference baseball action. That ran the Tom's streak to 11-3 and 29-4 overall.

Mike Heiser tossed his fourth shutout of the year and ninth win without a loss as he blanked billy Kings of Merrick, 6-0, in the nightcap. In the opener, the Toms outlasted Merrick, 11-8, as Billy King's came up with a 7-6 lead without benefit of a hit—lots of wildness by YMCA pitchers.

Heiser gave up three hits, all singles as only one man reached third base. Gary Lamberta had the big stick for the Tomcats on the day. He was four for four in the first game, three for three in the second including two walks. He scored four times, drove in eight runs and his hits included a home run and two doubles.

Jurt Sohn added two hits in the second game, Mike Brooks a pair in the opener. Heiser, Mark Abbate and Tom Livingstone all chimed in with doubles.

Tomcats Trounce No. Shore Twice

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats ran their season's record to 37-5 with a twin-win over North Shore, 16-1 and 13-4, in the Sandy Koufax Division of the LI Conference. The Toms are in Philadelphia this weekend with three other YMCA teams, for the annual Penn Academy Baseball Tourney. The locals won their title the past two summers in this Invitational for some of the best teams in the Northeast.

Gary Lamberta hurled a one-hitter in the opener, a single by Leposa in the first

inning barring a no-hit bid. Kurt Sohn had the big bat with three hits and two sacrifice flies. Marty Riccio and Bill Conforti added two hits apiece, with Riccio doubling.

In the second game, Tom Bozeman picked up his ninth win of the year to match Lamberta. He allowed just four hits, two by North Shore's ace, Leposa. Mike Brooks took charge of the attack with three hits including two triples and three rbl's. Richie Lundgren added a pair of hits including a double.

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Tomcats and Kings In Assn. Showdown

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats ran their County Baseball Association record to 9-0-1 while runnerup Billy King of Merrick stands at 5-0-3. The two teams meet in a twin-bill this week which might settle things in the Junior Division race.

The Tomcats bombed the Polecats, Mike Heiser and Tom Bozeman combined on one-hitter. Gary Lamberta led the attack, as usual, with 3 hits including a triple and a home run for four rbi's. Kurt Sohn, Chris Sanders, Mike Brooks and Heiser all added two hits each.

Merrick topped Greenville Baker Boys Club of Locust Valley, 8-1 on Kevin Walsh's four hitter. Walsh also led the hitters with three. Bill Lee and John Coffey added two each for the winners, Frank Lucidi had two for GBBC.

King's made it two straight over Greenville, 3-1, on another four-hitter by Walsh. Coffey's triple was the big blow as Merrick also had just four hits off loser Joe LoPiccolo. Rick Rydzewski led GBBC with two Coffey had three for Merrick.

Merrick made it three straight with a 15-2 win over the Polecats. Lee had three hits, Walsh, Coffey and Hatch all had two. Brian Uvena had two for the Poles.

Greenville Baker topped Kings Park, 11-1. Jim Finn had two triples, Casey Callahan and George Bongiorno three hits each with Callahan adding five rbis. Elscher and Farron had the lone KP hits off Lo Piccolo who whiffed seven.

Tomcats and Kings Stay Tied for Lead

The Huntington YMCA Tomcats won three in a row to continue in a first place deadlock with Billy King's of Merrick in the County Boys Baseball association, Junior Division. The Tomcats are now 8-0-1 in league play and 33-5 overall.

Mike Heiser pitched a six hitter as the Tomcats topped Greenville Baker Boys Club, 5-2 Gary Lamberta supplied the punch with four hits including a home run and two doubles. Heiser also got a clutch hit, driving in the first two Tomcat runs. Bongiorno and LoPiccolo has back-to-back triple and double for GBC's biggest attack.

The Tomcats then swept a twin-bill from Kings Park, 9-2 and 4-0. Lamberta hurled two-hit ball in the opener through the first six innings. Kurt Sohn finished up. He walked two and whiffed eight in his winning stint. Mark Abbate and Lamberta had two hits each for the Y.

In the nightcap, Tom Bozeman pitched a two-hit shut-out, the hits by Farron and Doyle coming in the first two frames. Loser Gary Stevens gave up just five hits, three of them doubles by Lamberta, Sohn and Abbate. Rich Lundgren and Marty Riccio also came through with run-producing singles.

Merrick defeated Greenville Baker, 3-1, and the YMCA Polecats, 15-2. They also played a 4-4 tie with Kings Park. In the GBBC game, Kevin Walsh tossed a four hitter. Confin led the winners with three hits. They only had four off loser Joe LoPiccolo. Rick Rydzewski led GBBC with two.

Bill Lee's three hits led Merrick against the Polecats. Walsh Coffey and Hatch all added two apiece. Brian Uvena had two of the Polecats three hits off Hatch.

Greenville came back to rap Kings Park, 11-1. LoPiccolo had a two hitter and whiffed seven. Jim Finn led the attack with two triples. George Bongiorno and Casey Callahan had three hits each with Callahan adding five RBIs.

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2 Huntington Y Teams Win In Penn Tourney

The Huntington YMCA took four teams to Philadelphia for the Penn Academy Baseball Tourney and came home with two titles. The Alleycats captured the Peewee Division and the Bobcats won the Intermediate crown.

The Bobcats drew a first round bye. They topped Norristown, the defending champs in the next round, 6-0, as John Ryder hurled a no-hitter. He whiffed 13, walked none and was one batter away from a perfect game when an error by the first baseman gave Norristown a runner. Jim Mola was the big batter with a double and single and three rbi's. Rick Johnson also had two hits.

In the final, the Bobs shutout Our Lady of Calvary, 5-0, as Johnson hurled a five-hitter. He struck out 10 and walked none as the Y hurling was superb. Mola drove in the first run again and then hits by Henry Coons and Gary Wennberg clinched it in the fourth.

The Alleycats had to win three in a row to capture their title and they did by topping Mayfair Boys Club, 5-1; Penn Academy, 10-1, and Rhawnhurst, 9-5, in a thriller.

Tom Livingstone hurled a one-hitter in the first game as Gary Lamberta with three hits and Kurt Sohn with two led the attack. Marty Riccio had a three-hitter in the second win with 11 K's. Lamberta again stroked three hits as did Brian Kammerer. Riccio, and Livingstone had two each.

Four runs in the last inning broke a 5-5 tie in the championship game. A batch of walks, a squeeze bunt by Chris Sanders and hits by Tom Bozeman and Tom Smith gave the Alleys the game. Livingstone, Sohn and Sanders had two hits each and Riccio picked up the win in relief.

The Tomcats lost a 3-2 heartbreaker in their opener to the eventual champ, Penn Academy. Leading 2-1 on Jim Graham's two-run single, going into the last of the seventh, a walk, a miscalculated fielder's choice, a steal, a dropped throw and only the second hit of the game of loser Joe Gazzini, drove in the two runs to win for PA. The only other hit off Gazzini came in the first frame as the Tomcats outhit the winners 8-2. Graham's two hits led the Toms.

The Y's peanut all-stars won their opener against Smithtown YMCA, 1-0, and then was eliminated by Feltonville in the Semis, 15-1.

Billy Kings leading in Inter-County loop

Billy Kings' of Merrick remained in first place in the Senior Division of the Inter-County Boys Baseball Association as they split a doubleheader with Glenwood Landing.

Kings won the first game, 1-0, and then lost, 6-5. Kevin Walsh hurled a five-hitter for the shutout. Rob Commando took the loss. Pete Menna's three hits paced Kings, Walsh added a pair. Don Cassano led Glenwood with two. In the second game Armstrong pitched a three-hitter for the Glenwood win. Boehm led the attack with two.

Glenwood also topped Kings Park YAA, 2-1, as winner Johnson and loser Massaro both tossed four-hitters. Commando's triple and Ken Rieger's single produced two runs in the sixth for the win.

Kings Park came back to stop Commack Boys Club, 5-2, as Jerry Newman pitched a six-hitter, striking out 13. Loser Pete Purazella allowed just three hits. Gary Lamberta of Commack had the top stick with three for four.

In other Senior games, Kings Park and Billy Kings played a 1-1 tie as did St. James Cardinals and Glenwood Landing.

Grenville Baker Boys Club jumped into contention in the Junior Division as they moved into second place just a game behind St. Joseph of Kings Park. They nipped New Hyde Park, 3-2, and VFW of KP, 4-3.

Auggie Garrett hurled a one-hitter as did loser Scott Schiell in the NHP game. Garrett whiffed 10 and Schiell eight. Pete Linden had the lone GBBC hit; Schiell for NHP. Gary Valeo outpitched Ray Lang in the VFW game as both allowed four hits. Dan Oliya had two hits and Bob Plumb a two run double for GBBC.

In other Junior games, New Hyde Park beat VFW, 7-3, and the Vets came back to take Hempstead Percy Jackson Center, 12-2. John Condon led NHP with three hits, Kevin Condon added two. Tony Cantasano led VFW with three. Greg Giunta and John Verba had two hits each against Hempstead as Nick Giovannello hurled a no-hitter.

In the Peewee Division, Kings Park YAA clinched second place on a come-from behind 15-14 win over the HAC Kittens. The Kittens led 10-0 in the first inning and carried a 14-9 lead going into the seventh. Hits by Bob Flood, Mike Metzinger, Matt Ruggiero and Steve Wagner sparked KP. Tim Popko added a home run as did Wagner and Flood. Billy DeCandido led the Kittens with four hits, Frank Basil had three and Mike Butkevich two.

KP had defeated Merrick Colts 7-5, on Mike Popko's seven-hitter. Loser Dave Kass allowed four hits, two by Wagner. Kass and Mike Ward had two each for Merrick.

Tomcats Win Philly Title

The Huntington YMca brought three baseball teams to Philadelphia for the annual Penn Academy Baseball Tourney. They came back with one title and one runnerup.

The Tomcasts won their second title in the last three years' in the Junior Division: the Toms met Lady of Calvary, the North East Philly champs, in the rain-delayed final. Keith Congo held a 2-0 lead going into the sixth. He tired and was relieved by Mike Russell with one out, one run in and a runner on third. Mike tried to pick the runner off and the ball bounced into left field to tie the score. Russell then struck out the next two.

In the bottom of the seventh with one out, Jim McIntire walked. He stole second and was bunted to third by Kurt Sohn. tom Martilla then dropped a single into left for the game and the championship.

The first Tomcat run was acilieved by heads up baserunning on the part of ray Schaefer and a squeeze bunt by Sohn. the second run came on Gary Labberta's solid hit and three walks.

To reach the finals, the Tomcats beat Kensington 6-0, on a four-hitter by Russell the day before. He whiffed nine and didn't walk a man. Russell also led the hitter with two and three rbis. He was selectec to the Tourney all-star team.

Huntington Y Wins 2 Trophies In Penn Academy Tournament

The Huntington YMCA traveled to Philadelphia for the annual Penn Academy tourney. Four Y teams made the trip and they came home with two trophies. The Seniors, Joe Brunet's Connie Mack-Sr. Babe Ruth club won three straight to win their division title.

Rick McDonough pitched a two-hitter for the first win, 9-0 over the Yankee Rebels from Baltimore. He whiffed 10 and walked one and this performance earned McDonough all-tourney honors. Leading the attack was Steve Sorvoid with three hits. Steve Jacknuff and Red Dolan added two apiece with Dolan smacking a 3-run home run.

The next win was a squeaker, 2-1, over Pennypack. Rich Bruns was the winner, allowing three hits. He struck out seven and walked three. The YMCA had only four hits, a double by George Bauer and singles by Jacknuff, Tony Muschera and Gary Wonnberg.

Jerry Scarcella hurled the Y to a 7-2 win in the final over Juniata Park, he gave up three hits, struck out 12 and walked two. Wonnberg led the 15-hit attack with a four for four including a home run. Muschera added three hits, Eric Rostin, Jacknuff and Scarcella all had two each. Muschera had two doubles and a triple.

The Tomcats won three games and lost one. They were runnerups in the under-16 division and champs of the under 15 as the tourney was divided into double categories. The lone loss was a 7-1 count to Kelly Post of Baltimore. The Tomcats came back to top Smithtown YMCA, 0-5, in their next game. Gary Lamberta and Kurt Sohn combined to hold Smithtown to seven hits. Mike Brooks smacked

a three-run home run, Richtie Lundg added two doubles and Tom Livingst two hits.

The Y-guys then nipped Kensingt 2-1, as they scored in the last inning. Gt Lamberta led off with his third hit of t game. He reached third on an error ai fielders choice. Tommy Smith th squeezed him in wit htthe tie-breaker run. Livingstone relieved Sohn and Milk Helser in the fifth and shut down Kensing ton with two hits, and seven strikeouts over the last three frames.

The last game was another thriller as the run count ended at 3-3 with the Yankee Rebels of Baltimore, but by special tourney rules, the Tomcats won with six hits to the Rob's three. The Y scored twice in the third on a triple by Sohn and a home run by Lamberta. Livingstone, Lundgren and Tommy Smith combined on the mound to hold the Rebels to the three hits.

The Alleycats failed to win a game in the Midget Division. They were edged 12-10, by Smithtown and then dumped, 22-14, by Fox Rock of Philly. Dave Harris was the brightest spot in the opener with four hits and five RBIs. Dave Simonetti, Myron Bell and Brian McKay all added two hits each.

In the second game, McKay and Simonetti led the Y with three apiece. Harris, Buddy Livingstone and Jim Helser all added two each.

The Peewees also dropped two straight the second one a real heartbreaker. The Y was leading, 6-0, was tied at 6-6, led 10-6 in the last inning and lost 11-10, to Liberty Bell of Philly.