Inter-County loop launches 18th season

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The Inter-County Baseball Association, run by the Huntington AC, opened its 18th season of play with action in all three divisions. In the Peewees, Smithtown YMCA bumped St. Joseph's of Kings Park, 15-6, and the HAC Polecats beat Kings Park Youth, 10-6.

Steve Blagar, Brian Casazza and Neil Nickla led Smithtown with four hits each. Craig Biggio had the only two safeties garnered by St. Joe.

Bill Lansbury led the HAC attack with three hits. Dan Belus had two. Chris Ryder got the win, allowing just one hit by Givacianotti. Ryder struck out 10. Pinch hits by Joe Bianco and Frank Zecca & Ryder's triple turned the tide for the winners.

The HAC Alleycats defeated Kings Park Youth, 10-3, and Smithtown YMCA took St. Josephs', 12-3, in Midget (Peewee Reese) play.

Bobby Martilla and Danny Johnson led the HAC with two hits each. Home runs were smacked by Corey Miller, Tommy Staab, Pete Santomero and Johnson plus Nevitt of Kings Park. Brett Coulter was the winner, allowing seven hits while striking out 10.

John Hauf led the Smithtown attack with three hits, Frank Gilleran, Glen Levedz and Alex Smith all had two. Pete DeRosa and Levedz teamed up to pitch four-hit ball, and struck out 12 between them. Lebedz had the big blow, a grandslam homer, and added a double for six RBIs.

In Junior division play (Sandy Koufax), the HAC Tomcats stopped Smithtown YMCA 5-3, on Chris Duffy's six-hitter. Joey Heiser and Glenn Schwitter led the Tomcats with two hits each and Duffy Delivered a bases clearing triple. Joe Reilly led Smithtown with two hits.

Bay Shore won a pair of games, 2-0, over Half Hollow Hills and 21-0 over Northport. John Glennon hurled the first shutout, allowing three hits while whiffing 13.