Mitchell Tops Watertown 11-7 For AA Majors Title

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For Mitchell head coach Dustin Wheeler, the toughest thing this season has likely been the coin toss. But his Black squad has even turned that into a positive.

Mitchell jumped out to an early 6-0 lead, then iced the victory with a four-run sixth in an 11-7 victory over the Watertown Black Sox in the championship of the South Dakota State VFW Teener Class AA 13-14 Majors baseball tournament, which concluded on Sunday at Yankton's Riverside Field.

"Our joke all season has been about the trouble we've had with the coin toss," Wheeler said after the victory. "But we've almost embraced it. It gives us a chance to score first and put the other team in a hole. It's a lot harder for a guy to pitch when his team is down."

Mitchell jumped on Watertown starter Brandon Florey early, pounding out three hits and taking advantage of two walks in a five-run first inning. Carson Max doubled, and Carter Max and Baley Miller had run-scoring hits in the frame.

Mitchell racked up three more singles, including a run-plating shot by Drew Kitchens, to stretch the lead to 6-0 after two innings. But Watertown batted around in the bottom of the third, with RBI singles by Brayden Schriver and Max Sonne providing the key blows, to cut the margin to 6-4.

"When we get down, we never stop," said Watertown head coach Blake Hult. "We kept a positive attitude the entire weekend.

Hult, who won a Class AA Minors title for Watertown in Yankton in 2009, said that the momentum from Saturday's come-from-behind victory over Pierre that sent the Black Sox to Sunday helped keep them going.

"Last night's comeback was huge for us," he said. "We brought a lot of momentum and confidence going in to today."

The Black Sox continued their rally in the fourth, plating a run on a Schriver groundout. After Mitchell added a run on a sacrifice fly by Miller in the top of the fifth, Watertown got that run back on a Colton McClemans grounder in the bottom of the inning to stay within a run, 7-6.

But Mitchell strung together another big inning, with RBI singles by Miller and Koby Larson providing the big blows, to stretch the lead to 11-6. Watertown scored on Schriver's RBI single in the bottom of the inning, but could not get closer.

"I'm extremely proud of these kids," Hult said. "We've had a tremendous season. I wouldn't change a thing about it."

Mitchell ended the season with a 41-11 record.

"We've got a great group of kids. It gets to be a long season, but they never quit working," Wheeler said. "And now they've reaped the rewards of that work."

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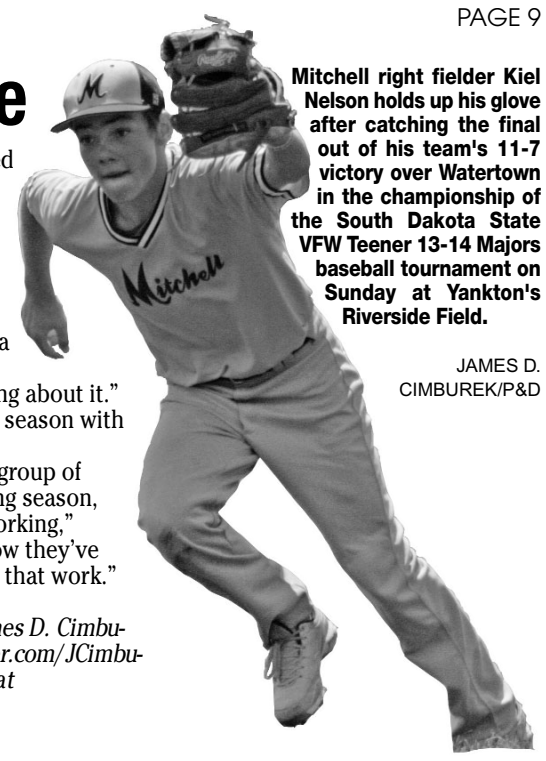

Mitchell right fielder Kiel Nelson holds up his glove after catching the final out of his team's 11-7 victory over Watertown in the championship of the South Dakota State VFW Teener 13-14 Majors baseball tournament on Sunday at Yankton's Riverside Field.

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SCOREBOARD

GOLF

DAKOTAS TOUR

HILLCREST PRO-AM
Professional Division
Tim Kunick, $21,000 .66-70-68-66—270
Kent Eger, $10,000 ...67-72-69-64—272
Christopher Evans, $5,000 .....73-66-67-69—275
Nick Delio, $3,500 ....69-67-71-69—276
Zahkai Brown, $3,500 .....72-69-71-64—276
Jhared Hack, $1,800 .....72-68-70-68—278
Josh Esler, $1,800 ....69-68-65-76—278
Owen Mahaffey, $1,800 .....73-71-65-69—278
Richard Hearden III, $1,800 .....68-68-69-73—278
Ryan Dillon, $1,800 ..68-72-70-68—278
Brad Marek, $1,450 ..68-72-70-69—279
Jeffrey Kellen, $1,450 .....66-68-72-73—279
Tim Ailes, $1,450 .....67-71-70-71—279
Nate Barbee, $1,300 .....71-74-67-68—280
Thomas Campbell, $1,300 .....71-71-70-68—280
Tim Harris, $1,300 ....70-68-74-68—280
Bryan Kruse, $1,175 .....70-71-72-68—281
Tucker Weisman, $1,175 .....70-70-71-70—281
Mike Coatman, $1,100 .....69-73-71-71—284
Andre Metzger, $966.67 .....71-71-70-73—285
Doug Quinones, $966.67 .....69-72-67-77—285
Jeff Burton, $966.67 .....69-70-71-75—285
Kory Harrell, $966.67 .....69-71-72-73—285
Michael Wuertz, $966.67 .....69-74-70-72—285
Thomas Buran, $966.67 .....67-76-70-72—285
Kevin Rei, $250 .....70-69-72-75—286
Paul Peterson, $250 .....71-70-70-75—286
Chris Bruening, $250 .....71-74-68-76—289

Amateur Division

GROSS: Jason Merkel 291, Mitch Schlingman 293, Ryan Elwood 293, Jace Guthmiller 295, Todd Rose 301, Jason Tramp 307, Chris Schaefer 308, Steve Weiland 311, Larry Sock 312, Scott Hiltunen 313,

Scott O'Brien 313, Todd Sapp 314, James Grotenhuis 315, Lonnie Struckman 391, Brandon Frick 320, Joshua Mueller 320, Chris Fotopoulos 323, Mason Strahl 325, Jeff Nielson 326, Brent Adams 327,

Kyle Repp 327, Phillip Hagewood 329, Ron Talley 331, Denny Fokken 336, Justin Rhorer 336, Matthew Termansen 339, Troy Payne 339, Tim Carlson 356, Tim Eddie 370, Dan Lammers 408

NET: Pat McFate 284, Dan McFate 285, Todd Radigan 290, Trevor Boggs 291, Kevin Gilster 292, Heath Larson 293, Joe Vig 295, Preston Carda 295, David Neilson 296, Jae Koletzky 296,

Don Neukirch 298, Brian Strahl 299, Dan Megard 299, Jim Chesley 300, Matt Metzger 300, William Pierce 300, Scott Cavitt 301, Dennis Schmitz 302, Doug Roelle 302, Jon Nietzel 302,

Josh Weiland 302, Logan Megard 302, Larry Meyers 303, Steve Slowey 303, Diann Roos 305, Dave Ewald 306, Duffy Hennessy 307, Todd Chance 307, Todd Duncan 307

Team Event

FIRST: Dan McFate, Pat McFate, Darrin McFate 574

SECOND: Jon Nietzel, Diaan Roos, Sam Nietzel 587

THIRD: Pat King, Wayne Ibarolle, Greg Adamson 590

FOURTH: Ryan Elwood, Chris Schaefer, Jesse Kampshoff 593

TIE-FIFTH: James Grotenhuis, Dave Ewald, Dan Lammers 594

TIE-FIFTH: Jace Guthmiller, Mitch Schlingman, Mason Strahl 594

BASEBALL

S.D. CLASS A LEGION TOURN.

July 30-Aug. 3 at Huron
Wednesday, July 30
Yankton 11, Brookings 1, 8 innings
S.F. West 12, Pierre 2, 7 innings
R.C. Post 22 18, Watertown 5, 7 innings
Brandon Valley 7, Huron 1
Thursday, July 31
Brookings 8, Watertown 7, Watertown eliminated
Pierre 8, Huron 3, Huron eliminated
R.C. Post 22 6, Yankton 4
Brandon Valley 4, S.F. West 3
Friday, August 1
Yankton 7, Pierre 5, Pierre eliminated
Brookings 11, S.F. West 6, S.F. West eliminated
R.C. Post 22 3, Brandon Valley 2, 11 innings
Saturday, August 2
Yankton 13, Brandon Valley 5, Brandon Valley eliminated
R.C. Post 22 11, Brookings 1, Brookings eliminated
Sunday, August 3
CHAMPIONSHIP: R.C. Post 22 8, Yankton 1

S.D. VFW 13-14 MAJORS

August 1-3 at Yankton and Crofton
NOTE: All games are at Riverside Field in Yankton, unless otherwisde noted
Friday, August 1
First team listed in games 1-4 is the designated home team
Mitchell 7, Pierre 2
R.C. Kings 4, Brandon Valley 3
Aberdeen 10, R.C. Sportsters 5
Watertown 10, Yankton Lakers 2
Mitchell 13, R.C. Kings 5
Watertown 9, Aberdeen 7
Pierre 11, Brandon Valley 4, Brandon Valley eliminated
R.C. Sportsters vs. Yankton Lakers, suspended due to electrical issues
Saturday, August 2
Yankton 13, R.C. Sportsters 11, completion of suspended game, R.C. Sportsters eliminated
Mitchell 6, Watertown 4
Pierre 8, Aberdeen 3, Aberdeen eliminated
Yankton 5, R.C. Kings 4, R.C. Kings eliminated
Watertown 12, Pierre 11, Pierre eliminated
Mitchell 9, Yankton 1, Yankton eliminated
Sunday, August 3
CHAMPIONSHIP: Mitchell 11, Watertown 7

S.D. CLASS B AM. TOURN.

Aug. 6-17 at Mitchell
FIRST ROUND
Wednesday, Aug. 6
Tabor vs. Clear Lake, 6 p.m.
Groton vs. Winner-Colome, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 7
Plankinton vs. Beresford, 11 a.m.
Northville vs. Clark, 1 p.m.
Milbank vs. Akron, 5:30 p.m.
Wynot vs. Lennox Only One, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 8
Irene vs. Madison, 11 a.m.
Dimock-Emery vs. Larchwood, 1 p.m.
Harrisburg vs. Garretson, 5:30 p.m.
Parkston Mudcats vs. Redfield DQ, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 9
Wessington Springs vs. Lake Norden, 11 a.m.
Corsica-Stickney vs. Crofton, 1 p.m.
Chamberlain vs. Redfield Pheasants, 5:30 p.m.
Avon vs. Alexandria, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 10
Canova vs. Platte, 11 a.m.
Flandreau vs. Miller, 1 p.m.

S.D. CLASS A AM. TOURN.

Aug. 8-10 at Renner, Aug. 15-17 at Mitchell
Friday, Aug. 8
GAME 1: Renner vs. Castlewood, 5:30 p.m.
GAME 2: Vermillion Red Sox vs. S.F. Saints, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 9
GAME 3: Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 11 a.m.
GAME 4: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 1:30 p.m.
GAME 5: Rapid City A's vs. Yankton, 5 p.m.
GAME 6: Sioux Falls Brewers vs. Sioux Falls Squirrels, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 10
GAME 7: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 11 a.m.
GAME 8: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 1:30 p.m.

DISTRICT 6B AM. TOURN.

July 24-Aug. 2 at Freeman
Thursday, July 24
Lesterville 10, Scotland 4
Friday, July 25
Wynot 3, Menno 2
Freeman 6, Avon 5, 11 innings
Saturday, July 26
Menno 6, Scotland 3, Scotland eliminated
Crofton 3, Lesterville 0
Irene 4, Tabor 3
Sunday, July 27
Tabor 10, Lesterville 9, Lesterville eliminated
Avon 12, Menno 11
Tuesday, July 29
Crofton 7, Irene 0
Wynot 7, Freeman 5
Thursday, July 31
Tabor 5, Freeman 3 (Tabor is Rep. #3)
Irene 10, Avon 0, 7 innings (Irene is Rep. #2)
Saturday, Aug. 2
Avon 5, Freeman 4 (Avon is Rep #4)
CHAMPIONSHIP: Crofton 5, Wynot 3 (Wynot is Rep #1)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	62	48	.564	—
Toronto	60	53	.531	3 1/2
New York	56	53	.514	5 1/2
Tampa Bay	54	57	.486	8 1/2
Boston	49	61	.445	13
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	61	47	.565	—
Kansas City	57	53	.518	5
Cleveland	56	55	.505	6 1/2
Chicago	54	58	.482	9
Minnesota	50	60	.455	12
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	67	43	.609	—
Los Angeles	66	44	.600	1
Seattle	57	54	.514	10 1/2
Houston	47	65	.420	21
Texas	43	68	.387	24 1/2

Friday's Games
Baltimore 2, Seattle 1
Cleveland 12, Texas 2
Detroit 4, Colorado 2
L.A. Angels 5, Tampa Bay 3
Boston 4, N.Y. Yankees 3
Chicago White Sox 10, Minnesota 8
Houston 3, Toronto 1
Kansas City 1, Oakland 0
Saturday's Games
Oakland 8, Kansas City 3
N.Y. Yankees 6, Boston 4
Seattle 6, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 2, Texas 0
Detroit 11, Colorado 5
Tampa Bay 10, L.A. Angels 3
Minnesota 8, Chicago White Sox 6
Houston 8, Toronto 2
Sunday's Games
Cleveland 4, Texas 3, 12 innings
Detroit 4, Colorado 0
Baltimore 1, Seattle 0
L.A. Angels 7, Tampa Bay 5
Minnesota 16, Chicago White Sox 3
Houston 6, Toronto 1
Kansas City 4, Oakland 2
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 8 p.m.
Monday's Games
Baltimore (Gausman 5-3) at Washington (Roark 11-6), 6:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Simon 12-6) at Cleveland (Kluber 11-6), 6:05 p.m.
Detroit (Scherzer 13-3) at N.Y. Yankees (McCarthy 3-0), 6:05 p.m.
Texas (N.Martinez 1-7) at Chicago White Sox (Noesi 5-8), 7:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Cobb 7-6) at Oakland (Samardzija 2-1), 9:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 11-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Greinke 12-6), 9:10 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
Cincinnati at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m.
Houston at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Toronto, 6:07 p.m.
San Diego at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
Texas at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.
Boston at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m.
Kansas City at Arizona, 8:40 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 9:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	60	49	.550	—
Atlanta	58	54	.518	3 1/2
Miami	54	57	.486	7
New York	53	58	.477	8
Philadelphia	49	63	.438	12 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	61	51	.545	—
St. Louis	59	51	.536	1
Pittsburgh	59	52	.532	1 1/2
Cincinnati	56	55	.505	4 1/2
Chicago	47	63	.427	13
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	63	49	.563	—
San Francisco	60	51	.541	2 1/2
San Diego	51	60	.459	11 1/2
Arizona	49	63	.438	14
Colorado	44	67	.396	18 1/2

Friday's Games
Philadelphia 2, Washington 1
Detroit 4, Colorado 2
Cincinnati 5, Miami 2
San Francisco 5, N.Y. Mets 1
Milwaukee 7, St. Louis 4
Pittsburgh 9, Arizona 4
San Diego 10, Atlanta 1
Chicago Cubs 8, L.A. Dodgers 2
Saturday's Games
Washington 11, Philadelphia 0
Detroit 11, Colorado 5
Miami 2, Cincinnati 1, 10 innings
N.Y. Mets 4, San Francisco 2
St. Louis 9, Milwaukee 7
Pittsburgh 8, Arizona 3
San Diego 3, Atlanta 2, 12 innings
L.A. Dodgers 5, Chicago Cubs 2, 12 innings
Sunday's Games
Detroit 4, Colorado 0
Cincinnati 7, Miami 3
San Francisco 9, N.Y. Mets 0
Washington 4, Philadelphia 0
St. Louis 3, Milwaukee 2
San Diego 4, Atlanta 3, 10 innings
Chicago Cubs 7, L.A. Dodgers 3
Arizona 3, Pittsburgh 2, 10 innings
Monday's Games
San Francisco (Hudson 8-8) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 4-4), 11:10 a.m.
Baltimore (Gausman 5-3) at Washington (Roark 11-6), 6:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Simon 12-6) at Cleveland (Kluber 11-6), 6:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 11-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Greinke 12-6), 9:10 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
Cincinnati at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.
Houston at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.
Miami at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
San Diego at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Milwaukee, 7:10 p.m.
Boston at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Colorado, 7:40 p.m.
Kansas City at Arizona, 8:40 p.m.
Atlanta at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

AREA CALENDAR

Monday, August 4
ARCHERY IFAA World Field Archery Championships at Yankton
Tuesday, August 5
ARCHERY IFAA World Field Archery Championships at Yankton
GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Prairie Club Open At Valentine, Neb.

Wednesday, August 6
ARCHERY IFAA World Field Archery Championships at Yankton
BASEBALL, AMATEUR State Tourn. at Mitchell (Tabor vs. Clear Lake, 6 p.m., KVHT-FM)
GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Prairie Club Open At Valentine, Neb.

Amateurs

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bottom of the first. Losing later came in on a throwing error, giving the Bluejays a 3-0 lead headed to the second.

Wynot took advantage of some wildness by Zimmerman to tie the game. The Expos took advantage of two walks, a hit batter, two wild pitches, an error and Danny Melena's RBI single to knot the game at 3-3 in the second.

Crofton took the lead for good in the third on Losing's sacrifice fly, then added a run in the sixth on Carl Schieffer's RBI single.

Thygeson had three hits and Schieffer two hits for Crofton. Donner, Losing and Kyle Mueller also had hits, with Mueller reaching base in all four plate appearances (two walks, hit by pitch).

"We're leaving a few too many stranded," Schieffer said. "Hopefully we'll come back and clean some of that up."

Donner was named the tournament MVP.

Besides Melena's RBI single, Wynot also got hits from Kyle Wiepen, Clif Kephart and Lance Heine.

Brett Wiebelhaus took the loss for Wynot.

Wynot not only juggled its pitchers, it juggled its lineup to get ready for state.

"We played a lot of guys in this tournament. We almost played everyone we have, and we have a lot of guys on our roster," said Expos manager Lee Heimes. "We got them exposed to post-season play so that they're ready when they're asked to step up. It takes a lot of players to make a run at state."

Avon Claims Final Spot In State

FREEMAN — Avon scored four runs in the final two innings, plating the go-ahead run on a Jeff Sand single in the top of the ninth of a 5-4 victory over Freeman on Saturday for the final state tournament berth out of District 6B.

Freeman led 4-1 after three innings, but the Bards tied the game with three runs in the eighth.

Sand and Josh Cihak, who scored the winning run, had two hits each for Avon.

Lee Scherschligt, Kyle Weier and Jake Weier had two hits each for Freeman.

Nick Honke went the distance for the win. Brett Scherschligt took the loss.

State 'B' Pairings, Pickup Players

Crofton, which will play Corsica-Stickney on Saturday at 1 p.m., picked up Menno's Macon Oplinger for the state tournament.

Wynot, which plays Thursday at 7:30 against Lennox Only One, will add Brett Scherschligt of Freeman and Jay Thaler of Menno to its post-season roster.

Irene plays Friday at 11 a.m., facing Madison. The Cardinals picked up Lesterville's Tyler Edler for state.

Tabor is the first District 6B team to play, facing Clear Lake in the tournament's opening game, a 6 p.m. start on Wednesday. The Bluebirds added Menno's Josh Berndt and Doug Hall, and Freeman's Jake Weier for state.

Avon opens with a tough draw, facing defending state champion Alexandria on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. The Bards picked up Menno's Tate Bruckner and Lesterville's Cody Ulmer for state.

Yankton Advances To State 'A'

MITCHELL — Trey Krier tossed eight strong innings as the Yankton Tappers advanced to state with a 6-3 victory over Pierre in an elimination game on Sunday in Mitchell

Five different Yankton players had two hits each. Jason Miller had three RBI and a run scored to go with his two hits. Jared Miller doubled and singled, scoring a run. Nik Davis had two hits, a RBI and a run scored. Derrik Nelson and Devin Gullikson added two hits each.

Krier allowed six hits, striking out one. Jason Miller pitched a scoreless ninth for the save. Former Mount Marty College pitcher Justin Siemonsma took the loss for Pierre.

Yankton will face the Rapid City A's in the opening round of state, Aug. 9 in Renner. Start time is set for 5:30 p.m.

Yankton had been dropped into the elimination game with a 5-3 loss to the Vermillion Red Sox on Saturday. Vermillion, which advanced to state with that victory, will face the Sioux Falls Saints on Friday at 8 p.m.

YANKTON 11, MITCHELL 4: MITCHELL — The Yankton Tappers opened district play with an 11-4 victory over Mitchell in the opening round of Class A district play on Friday in Mitchell.

Mitchell rallied from an early deficit to tie the game at 3-3, but Yankton scored eight unanswered runs to take control.

Jared Miller went 3-5 with two doubles and two runs scored to lead Yankton. Ross Heine had two hits, two RBI and a run scored. Mike Janish also had two hits. Jason Miller doubled and scored in the win.

Jesse Bailey picked up the win.

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Legion

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and a base hit bunt, Yankton again went to the bullpen, sending Termansen to the mound in the ninth.

Post 22 added another five insurance runs in the ninth inning, which pushed the lead to eight to one.

"We have been operating on adrenaline since about Friday," Krier said. "I don't want to say we got tired, because you don't do that in a state tournament, but Post 22 is really good. I think they executed a game plan, like we tried to do to teams all weekend, they finally broke through. Hats off to them for doing that, and our guys competed, we kept trying to stay in striking distance."

Post 12 went down in the order in the ninth, to end their season.

Sawatzke took the loss for Yankton. Gullikson lead Post 12 on the offensive side with two hits and an RBI.

Melendez earned the nine inning victory, going the distance for the Hardhats. Solano added three hits and five RBI's in the contest.

Yankton was awarded the Sportsmanship Award, selected by the umpires, to the team who played honorable.

"I think we showed that once we got in between those lines we gave it everything we got," Krier said. "We showed it today and all summer."

Looking forward, Sawatzke thinks this season sets the foundation for what could be a special next couple years.

"These younger guys have been winning titles their whole lives," he said. "I see nothing but progress and great things for Yankton Post 12 in the future."

Krier likes what he saw from his younger guys, who will have more cracks at a state title, starting next summer.

"I think this program is heading in the right direction," he said. "We lose some key guys to our group in Sawatzke, Termansen, Withrow, and Gullikson. But, we have a lot of guys coming up. Mason is a great example, we threw him in the fire this weekend, and he excelled. I think our young guys got great experience this weekend and will be able to build off of it."

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Archery

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"I had to talk my mom into it," Oaks said, of her mother who is back home. "It cost money to switch our flights around, but I'm glad I can stay."

Shooting at the international tournament could be a memorable experience, Crook said.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to see how I shoot against girls across the world," she said.

Shooters Of The Year

Following their professional titles at the Outdoor Nationals, Erika Jones and Jesse Broadwater were named 2014 NFAA Shooters of the Year.

Jones, who lives in Grand Island, Nebraska, had to leave for a flight to Poland, so a brief ceremony was held while both her and Broadwater were present.

"It's an honor to get this," Jones said before leaving. "It means that I shot the most consistent."

That, she added, is the key to an award that takes into account scores from five NFAA events — the Vegas Shoot, Indoor Nationals, First Dakota Classic, 3D Nationals and Outdoor Nationals.

Broadwater, who lives near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, agreed, pointing out that competing for the Shooter of the Year award involves scores from February through August.

"With the variety, you have to stay on top of your game for a long time," Broadwater said.

Professional scores tend to be rather equal over the first event or two, but by the time of the Outdoor Nationals, the drama thickens, Broadwater added.

"The last couple (events) are the deciding factor," he said.

Of the events, Yankton — particularly this year with the new NFAA ranges — holds a special place, Jones said.

"I always love shooting here; it's a great facility," she said. "They did a great job with the ranges, you can tell they put a lot of work into them."

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SPORTS DIGEST

Mingo, Getz Win SDGA Title

PIERRE — Megan Mingo of Yankton teamed with her former rival turned South Dakota State teammate Hallie Getz of Pierre to win the open division title of the South Dakota Golf Association's Two-Woman Team Championship, held Saturday and Sunday at Hillsview Golf Course in Pierre.

Mingo and Getz posted a two-day score of 135 to take an eight-stroke victory over the Fitts sisters from Brookings, Morgan and Lauren. University of South Dakota golfers Jordan Rearick and Kylie Gaughenbaugh finished third at 148.

Ann and Lexi Pierson won the first flight with a net score of 129. Marie Fawcett and Jan Jaqua of Huron won the second net flight.

In the senior division, Dixie Lecy and Jean Nash won the overall title out of flight two with a two-day net score of 126. Sharla Van Wettering and Jean Casey of Sioux Falls won the first flight at 130. Karla Baus and Sherry Martin of Pierre claimed the third senior flight at 137.

YHS Soccer Meeting Aug. 6

The Yankton High School soccer teams will hold preseason meetings on Wednesday, Aug. 6, at the YHS Theater. The girls' meeting will be at 6 p.m., with the boys' meeting at 7 p.m.

Any Yankton students grade eight and up interested in playing high school soccer is invited to attend. If he or she attended the first meeting, the second meeting is not mandatory.

Dakotaman Triathlon Rescheduled For Aug. 16

The ninth annual Dakotaman Triathlon has been rescheduled for Saturday, Aug. 16, at Lake Alvin, eight miles southeast of Sioux Falls, four miles east of Harrisburg.

Registration will go until race day. For more information, go online to www.allsportcentral.com or email habich@sio.midco.net

Amateur Baseball Old Timers Game Wednesday In Mitchell

MITCHELL — The annual South Dakota Amateur Baseball Association Old Timers Game will be held Wednesday, Aug. 6, at 1:30 p.m. at Mitchell's Cadwell Park.

All former players 55 years and older are welcome to play in the game. Players can register at the field, and should arrive by noon. For more information, contact Jim Johnston at 605-999-1961.

The event kicks off the South Dakota Amateur Baseball Tournament, Aug. 6-17 in Mitchell.

Teeners

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the final day of the South Dakota State VFW Teener Class AA 13-14 Majors Tournament on Saturday.

Stacey had two hits, two runs scored and four RBI for Watertown. Cade Cummings went 4-5 with a RBI and two runs scored in the win.

Kyle Stover had three hits, including a triple, three RBI and two runs scored for Pierre. Austin Hoss added two hits and a run scored.

Colton McClemans earned the win. Stover took the loss.

MITCHELL 6, WATERTOWN 4: Mitchell earned a spot as the final unbeaten team with a 6-4 victory over Watertown on Saturday morning.

Briggs Havlik, Kiel Nelson and Jordan Dierks each had three hits for Mitchell, which had a 10-9 edge in hits.

Alex Ortmeyer and Max Sonne had two hits each for Watertown.

Baley Miller earned the win. Brennen Gabriel took the loss.

YANKTON 5, R.C. KINGS 4: Four different players had two hits for Yankton as the Lakers downed the Rapid City Kings in an elimination game on Saturday afternoon.

Trey Bakke had two hits, a run scored and a RBI to lead Yankton. Jackson Somsen had two hits and a RBI. Garrett Tennant had two hits and a run scored. Jack Schoenfelder also had two hits.

Dylan Dettman doubled and singled for Rapid City.

Oakley Palmer picked up the win. Zane Salley took the loss.

PIERRE 8, ABERDEEN 3: Pierre's Dawson Puepke tossed a complete game one-hitter in an 8-3 victory over Aberdeen in an elimination game on Saturday afternoon.

Austin Hoss had three hits and two RBI to lead Pierre. Dan Magee had a triple, two RBI and two runs scored in the win.

Jacob Moore had the lone Aberdeen hit.

Jackson Rohlfs took the loss.

YANKTON 13, R.C. SPORTSTERS 11, COMPLETION OF SUSPENDED GAME: The Yankton Lakers stayed alive with a 13-11 victory over the Rapid City Sportsters on Saturday morning.

Yankton led 6-1 when the game was stopped in the fourth inning.

Garrett Tennant had two hits, two runs scored, two stolen bases and a RBI to lead Yankton. Caid Koletzky, Trey Bakke, Oakley Palmer and Jackson Somsen added hits.

Tanner Good had a double and two singles to lead Rapid City. Carter Demming, K.J. Walker, Tyler McKnight and Mathies Thompson added hits.

Jack Schoenfelder earned the victory in relief. Keegan Kast took the loss, going the distance.

FRIDAY — WATERTOWN 9, ABERDEEN 7: CROFTON, Neb. — Watertown had three different players record two hits or more in a 9-7 victory over Aberdeen in the second round on Friday evening in Crofton.

Ben Deville had three hits, including a triple, and Brennan Gabriel had a double and two singles to lead Watertown. Brayden Shriver doubled and singled, and Alex Ortmeier added two hits in the victory.

Brendan Fauth doubled and singled, and Christian Getz had two hits for Aberdeen.

Cade Cummings picked up the win in relief. Getz went the distance, taking the loss.

Region 6A

CHAMPIONSHIP — TYNDALL 17, PARKSTON 12: TABOR — Tyndall overcame an early 8-3 deficit with a pair of six-run innings, beating Parkston 17-12 in the championship of the Region 6A VFW Teener Baseball Tournament on Friday in Tabor.

Cole Uecker had three hits and Chase Kortan tripled and doubled, scoring three times, to lead Tyndall. Alex Caba added two hits.

Alex Scott doubled for Parkston, which was outhit 12-6.

Zach Sutera allowed two runs in 3 2/3 innings of relief to pick up the victory. Uecker, who entered a one-run game in the sixth and kept Parkston at bay, earned the save. Jesse Grossdidier took the loss.

Tyndall advances to the state tournament, Aug. 8-10 in Volga. It will play in Game 3, a 5 p.m. contest on Friday, against an opponent to be determined.

PARKSTON 8, IRENE 7: TABOR — Parkston saw a 7-2 lead evaporate, then scored in the seventh to edge Irene 8-7 earlier on Friday to advance to the championship game.

Kellen Culbert had three hits to lead Parkston. Matt Munkvold had three hits for Irene.

Blake Mokey picked up the win. Tate Gale took the loss.

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