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## JENKINS NO-HITS, ANTONELLI ONE-HITS KARDINALS

### Blue Devils Score 2 in Fourth, Top Kearny Baseballers, 2-0

By FRED LECOMTE  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
Sophomore fireballer Chris Jenkins tossed five innings of no-hit ball and reliever Peter Antonelli pitched a two-inning, one-hitter to lead the 4-1 Westfield High School baseball team to a 2-0 victory over Kearny in

Westfield on April 11. Antonelli and Evan Shapiro each contributed RBI singles.  
Jenkins faced 15 batters in 85 pitches, fanned eight, walked two and hit one batter. Antonelli earned a six-out save, giving up a two-out single to Matt Landl in the top of the sixth.

"They were fighting the whole time and they fouled balls off. My curve ball was working very well for me today and I was confident with my stuff," said Jenkins. "When you have guys behind you making plays, talking a lot, you can throw that three-two fastball, not worrying about kids hitting it because you know they will make the plays, so that's why I didn't walk too many people."

"It was a cold day and we did not want him to go too far so we had a pitch count on him," said Blue Devil Head Coach Bob Brewster. "He just did an outstanding job along with infielders (Mike) Venezia, (Tom) Bonard and catcher (Justin) Olsen. They did a nice job in keeping his mind on the game and focusing. He has unlimited potential. I think the kid has something special and all we have to do is bring it out and make him a great player. I'm not going to abuse him, that's not me, I'm going to make sure that he focuses and does his job as a pitcher."

Antonelli kept the Kearny batters off-balance with some his small stuff resulting in five ground balls. After the game Antonelli commented, "Chris throws really, really hard but

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THROWING THE BALL WITH EMPHASIS...Blue Devil sophomore pitcher Chris Jenkins fired no-hit ball through five innings to lead Westfield to a 2-0 victory over the Kearny Cardinals in Westfield on April 11.

## MINEO RIPS 3-RUN 3B; GOINES 2 SINGLES, SCORES 3

### Lady Raiders Plate 6 in First, Rout Softball Crusaders, 9-1

By DAVID B. CORBIN  
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Junior pitcher Brienne Mahoney permitted only one of four singles to make it to the outfield, while striking out four and allowing just one walk, to guide the Scotch Plains-Fanwood softball team to a 9-1 victory over A.L. Johnson in Scotch Plains on April 11. Although the Crusaders scored first, the 3-1 Raiders immediately set the course of the game with a six-run cruise in the bottom of the first inning.

The Crusaders got three of their hits in the first inning but not one entered the outfield. In fact, Mahoney kept her opponents so off-balance that only one ball made it to the outfield via air route and that was caught by leftfielder Rachel Parker in the fifth inning. The only single that made it to the outfield was a grounder over second in the same inning.

"She pitched well. We know that she has it. She knows that she has and she practices like crazy. We are always talking about pitches. Bre

(Brienne) has the fire. She threw her best today," said Raider Head Coach Kelly Covert.

The Raiders made good use of all eight of their hits. Sophomore catcher Nikki Mineo ripped a three-run triple and scored a run in the first inning. Stephanie Goines rapped two singles and scored three times and first baseman Jillian Lusk lashed a pair of RBI singles and scored a run. Parker drilled a two-run double. Mahoney tapped an RBI single and Jess Khan singled and scored. Katie Cornacchia and Saxony Neilsen each scored a run.

With Co-Captain/shortstop Nicole Colineri and centerfielder Kelly Ciacciotta out of the lineup due to injury, there may have been some concern with the Raiders' defense but the shift of Neilsen from third to short and the placement of Cornacchia in center proved to be fine.

"It was an easy decision who to put where. Katie was in center today and she did pretty well. She's quick. She's ready. She gets the job done and the

other girls, everyone stepped it up across the board," said Covert.

Crusader Casey Dunn tapped a leadoff, back-spinning infield single that was just out of reach of second

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PART OF A FORMIDABLE SQUAD...Third singles player James Chu is part of a very formidable Blue Devil boys tennis team that is currently ranked No. 1 in New Jersey.

## TEAM RANKED NO. 1 BUT FOCUSING ON EVERY STEP

### Blue Devil Net Boys Prepare For Bridgewater, Millburn

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Aware of being ranked No. 1 and despite shutting out all four of its opponents, 5-0, this season, the Westfield High School boys tennis team has been focusing on every step that it takes to be the No. 1 team in the state.

"Presently we are ranked number one but we can't let that go to our heads with Bridgewater and Millburn coming up," said junior first singles player Kevin Shallcross. "We are currently ranked number one but that is not what the focus is. The focus is playing tough in every match."

Two of the shutouts include J.P. Stevens, whom they played in last year's section semifinals, and Scotch Plains-Fanwood, that had returned Union County First Singles champion Ryan Krueger, but Blue Devil Head Coach George Kapner is keenly aware of what lies ahead.

"We are pretty good! It's going to be interesting coming up," he said. "We have Bridgewater on Tuesday (April

17). We have Millburn on Thursday (today). Bridgewater has been our nemesis in the section for the last few years. They had a great program. Millburn was the best team in the state. They graduated a few kids but those will be a great litmus test. Then we have the Delbarton Tournament, where there are a dozen of the best teams in the state and we are going to do some of that without Kevin. He is going into the national tournament, working on

his ranking. He will be with us some times and not with us some times until later in the year when we get to the states."

But the team depth and competition within the team has been intense. In the March tryouts, Shallcross initially lost to Ravi Netravali in the first of a best-of-three matches but he came back to win the next two matches to claim his first singles spot.

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