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JENKINS 'Ks' 11 CARDS, BONARD HITS GRAND SLAM

Blue Devil Baseballers Blank Cardinals in 5 Innings, 14-0

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Sophomore fireballer Chris Jenkins made things quite easy for his defense by striking out 11 batters in a five-inning, 14-0, Westfield High School baseball team victory over visiting Plainfield on April 25. Senior shortstop Tom Bonard added emphasis

with a grand slam home run in the bottom of the third inning, which resulted in eight Blue Devils crossing the plate.

The 6'6" Jenkins (3-0), who also recorded impressive victories over Newark East Side and Kearny, walked three Cardinals and permitted only one infield hit, a slow chopper that

second by Josh Reyes in the fourth inning. The 9-3 Blue Devils' first seven putouts came via Jenkins' strikeouts.

"His progress is coming along just how we want it to come. We want him to first establish a good pitching motion so his fundamentals are sound because he's got lightning in his arm," said Blue Devil Head Coach Bob Brewster. "We have to teach him how to corral it, how to get him to the point where he is not just a thrower but actually a pitcher. Today, we saw that

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BLUE DEVIL GRAND WELCOMING...Blue Devil Head Coach Bob Brewster welcomes Tom Bonard after he blasted a grand slam home run.

BLUE DEVIL BOYS LAST WIN OVER SPF WAS IN 1987

Blue Devils Stun SPF Raiders In Boys Track & Field, 71-69

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Senior Adam B ergo led a sweep in the long jump and added a first, second and a third place to help the Westfield High school boys track & field team stun Scotch Plains-Fanwood, 71-69, at Kehler Stadium in Westfield on April 24 to break the Raiders' two-decade long regular-season winning streak. Additionally, the 4-0 Blue Devils displayed strength in the 4x400, 100, 800 and 3,200-meter events and held their own in the pole vault, javelin and triple jump.

The Blue Devil boys last defeated the Raiders in 1987 and had also defeated them in 1983, 85 and 86. For some reason, the two teams did not meet (regular season) in 1984 and from 1988 through 1996 (According to WHS records). The Raiders had won every meeting from 1997 until this year.

Below are the documented results, as printed in past bound volumes of The Westfield Leader with the dates of the editions:

In 1983 (June 9), the Blue Devils nipped the Raiders, 68-63, on the last meet of the year to finish with a 4-1 regular-season record. In 1985, Westfield finished with a 9-1 record, losing to Union in the final meet of the season. (An April meet with the Raiders was rained out and rescheduled but the documented score had not been located in the Leader). In 1986 (April 24), the Blue Devils won big, 95-36, winning 12 of the 14 events, losing only the mile and the javelin. In 1987 (April 23), the Blue Devils won 72-59.

"I do not know when the last time was," commented Blue Devil Head

Coach Jack Martin, who humbly added, "Luck helped us a bit in big races and throws and jumps from all the 'fellas'."

B ergo soared a distance of 19'10" in the long jump followed by teammates Andy Brill at 18'11.5" and Malcolm Allen at 18'8.75. B ergo won the high jump with a height of 5'8", finished third in the 110-hurdles with a time of 15.7 and took second in the triple jump with a distance of 41'4.5" followed by Allen at 40'3.25".

Raider Kyle Rowbotham won all four of his events, the triple jump, the 200 meters (Blue Devil Ricardo Johnson at 22.7 was second and the Raider Kyle Grizzard was third), the 400 hurdles followed by teammate Tom Pennella and Blue Devil Craig Cognetti at 61.8, and the 110 hurdles followed by Pennella, who also took top honors in the pole vault and sec-

ond in the high jump followed by teammate Sharif Scott.

Blue Devils Alex Tarlow at 10:13.6 and Evan Friedman at 10:15.9 finished 1-2 in the 3,200 followed by Raider Dan Sapienza. Raider Adam Biner crossed first in the 1,600, Tarlow finished second with a time of 4:36.9 and Raider Pat Doliber finished third.

Blue Devils Patrick Gray at 2:02.1 and Connor Davis at 2:05.9 placed 1-3 in the 800. Raider Biner was second. Raiders Jason Zelesnik and Mike Katz took 1-3 in the 400 meters and Blue Devil Alex Forstenhausler crossed second in 52.7. Blue Devil Johnson crossed first in the 100 meters at 10.9 followed by Brill at 11.3 and Raider Grizzard.

Blue Devil Brandon Heroux took top honors in the javelin with a heave of 162'7" followed by Raiders Jason

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TWO-TIME UCT FIRST SINGLES CHAMP...Raider junior Ryan Krueger successfully defended his UCT first singles crown with a 6-3, 6-1, victory over Blue Devil Ravi Netravali.

RAIDER KRUEGER WINS 2ND UCT 1ST SINGLES TITLE, CHU WINS SECOND

Blue Devil Boys Capture Third Straight Union County Tennis Tourney Crown

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Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School junior Ryan Krueger captured his second straight first singles title and the Westfield High School boys tennis team claimed four championships

to win its third straight crown at the Union County Tournament (UCT) at Donald Van Blake Courts in Plainfield on April 30. The Blue Devils entered all five flights into the championship round and finished with a team total of 96. Summit was second at 63, followed by New Providence (NP) at 50. Scotch Plains-Fanwood at 42, Governor Livingston (GL) at 36 and Dayton at 25.

Krueger shutout Linden's Stephen Leitch in the first round and topped Dayton's Dan Karlin, 6-1, 7-5, in the quarters to advance to the semis where he beat Plainfield's Adedotun Osho, 6-1, 6-4. He faced Blue Devil Ravi Netravali in a rematch of last year's championship match and was hitting on all cylinders, especially his lightning serve, to seize a 6-3, 6-1, victory.

"He put up a great fight. He's got some good all around slices so I knew that I had to bring my A game. My serve was awesome today. I was serving very high percentage first serves," said Krueger. "It's always nerve racking playing against the top players in the state like Ravi. I know I have to focus and dig down deeper. Everyone is out to get me because I am the defending champion. I just had to gut it out."

Netravali began his march for a first singles showdown with Krueger by blanking Rahway's Dan Woodrow in the first round and stopping Dylan Glendenning (NP), 6-2, 6-3, in the quarterfinals. He reached the finals by defeating Greg Chilson (GL), 6-1, 6-2.

"Chilson is very consistent, very fast. He was able to keep it in the

backcourt, stay all day. That's what he wants to do," said Netravali. "I tried to up my game just to be a little bit more aggressive. I tried to focus on each point rather than to see what the score was because, against such people, it becomes very easy to get lazy and to stop."

Looking ahead to Krueger, he said, "Since the beginning of the season, everybody was talking about it. We all play together. We all practice together. Both of us have improved our game. Both of us are more aggressive.

We both know each other's game pretty well so, strategy wise, same as last year, both are going to be aggressive, try to be the first one to make the winner. Should be a tough one!"

After experiencing Krueger's "A" game, Netravali commented, "His serve was going in all the time. It was nasty! He was attacking the ball from the back. He was hitting very hard flat balls and they were all going in. The wind was a pretty big issue for both. My mental game wasn't there at all!"

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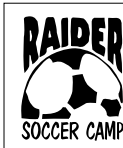
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U13 BOYS	DOB 8/1/94-7/31/95	
MAY 10 th	6:30-8:00pm	HOULIHAN TURF COMPLEX
MAY 15 th	6:30-8:00pm	HOULIHAN TURF COMPLEX
U13 GIRLS	DOB 8/1/94-7/31/95	
May 5 th	5:00-6:30pm	Kehler Turf Stadium
U14 BOYS	DOB 8/1/93-7/31/94	
MAY 10 th	8-9:30pm	HOULIHAN TURF COMPLEX
UNDER THE LIGHTS		
MAY 15 th	8-9:30pm	HOULIHAN TURF COMPLEX
UNDER THE LIGHTS		
U14 girls	DOB 8/1/93-7/31/94	
May 10 th	8:00-9:30pm	HOULIHAN TURF COMPLEX
UNDER THE LIGHTS		
May 15 th	8:00-9:30pm	HOULIHAN TURF COMPLEX
UNDER THE LIGHTS		

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- Attendance to at least one tryout is required
- No part of any travel uniform may be worn to a tryout

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10 YEAR OLDS - 9:00 A.M. GUMBERT #3
11 YEAR OLDS - 9:00 A.M. GUMBERT #1
12 YEAR OLDS - 9:00 A.M. GUMBERT #2
13 YEAR OLDS - 9:00 A.M. TAMAQUES #4

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