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Brendan Scheper, Evan Durham, Justin Bergerman, Zach Korr and Paul Shyposh with coaches Jay Cook, Steve Lynch and Matt Catanzaro.

Buckman started on the mound for the Cougars and was relieved by Riley with one out in the top of the first inning after he hit a batter and walked the next two. Riley went on to retire the next eight batters that he faced until the top of the fourth. Riley ended up yielding just one hit and a walk, while striking out three Blue Devils. Paris started on the mound for Westfield and was relieved by Korr with two outs in the third inning. Hyland relieved after Korr walked the first two batters in the fourth inning.

The Cougars totaled 15 hits

and leadoff hitter Baratta went 3-for-4 with four runs scored and an RBI. Monahan went 3-for-3 with a double and a walk, three RBI and four runs scored. Olear went 3-for-3 with three RBI and two runs scored. Carracino rapped an RBI single, a two-run double, walked, was hit by a pitch and scored once.

The top of the first inning looked promising for the Blue Devils when Lynch was hit by a pitch then Davis and Paris drew walks to load the bases with one out. But Riley entered, struck out Langhart then got Hyland to ground into a force out.

Baratta led off the Cougar first with a single to right then stole a pair of bases. Monahan walked, Carracino jolted an RBI single to

left then Kahney lofted an RBI sacrifice fly to left to give the Cougars a 2-0 lead. Both teams failed to score in the second and Riley sat the Blue Devils down 1-2-3 in the third.

But the real noise began in the Cranford third inning as 10 Cou-

gars scratched home plate and it all began with Baratta reaching on a throwing error. Monahan hammered an RBI double to center, McCaffery scribbled an infield RBI single and Carracino was hit by a pitch. Riley sizzled a two-run double down the third baseline, Chapman (2 runs) walked, Olear looped a two-run single and Bruckman singled to center. Baratta and Monahan added RBI singles then after McCaffery and Carracino both walked, Kahney lined an RBI single to left. More damage may have been done but Blue Devil leftfielder Evan Dunham made the catch of the evening with a diving snag inches from the ground.

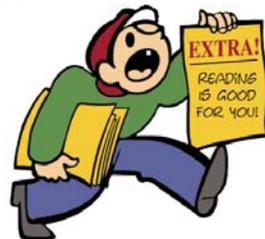
Westfield's only run came in

the fourth. Davis drilled a leadoff single to left and Shyposh walked. After Davis stole third, he scored on Hyland's looping force out into shallow right field.

The Cougars' "metal sticks" remained very active in the fourth. After Toy and Chapman drew free passes, Olear slashed an RBI single to right. Chapman scored on a wild pitch. Baratta hopped an infield single, Monahan tapped an RBI single to center, McCaffery drew another walk and Carracino ended the contest with his double to centerfield.

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