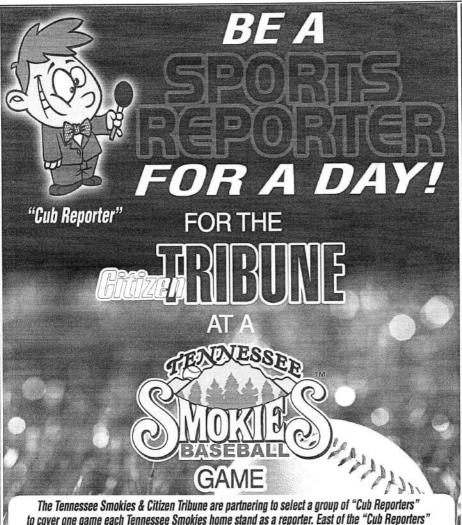
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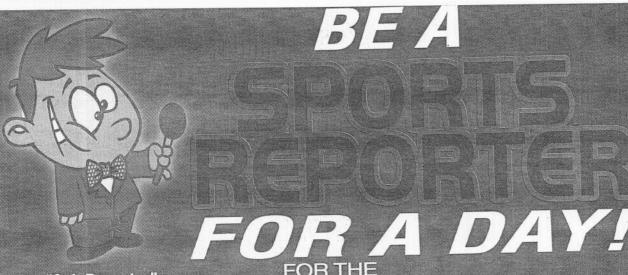


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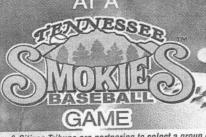
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## Cub Reporter: Smokies hang on for extra-inning win

BY ALEX MOWELL Tribune Cub Reporter

KODAK - As we began our night here at Smokies Park the first pitch made by Corey Black was a strike. After a strike out to the first batter, Corey walks the second batter for the Wahoo's.

The second out in the first inning was a leaping catch after the ball bounced off the ground... great play made by Stephen Bruno.

Bottom of the first with two outs and a 1-0 count Addison Russel knocks the ball over the left fielder, Kyle Waldrop, for the first and only homerun of the night.

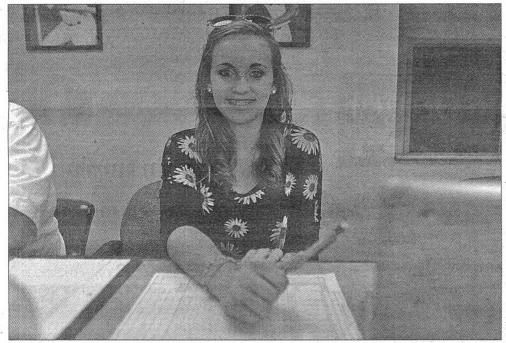
Smokies take the lead going into the second inning. With a Blue Wahoo on first and another up to bat, it's hit to Addison Russell he snags the balland makes a double play. Now in the top of the third. Ross Perez hits a double to right field hitting in Brodie Greene to make it a tied ball game 1-1.

Bottom of the third produces nothing for the Smokies. Pop fly for the first out in the top of the fourth, catch was made by Addison Russell.

Bottom of the fourth 1 out and one ball for his count Lars Anderson hits a hard ball to right, as the ball passes both right and center fielders Lars easily makes it to second.

But on the very next hit he is caught in a run down and is finally called out. Thus, making the second out in the bottom of the

Heading into the top of the 5th with two out and one man on first Corey



Shilante Simms/Citizen Tribune

Cherokee High School rising sophomore Alex Mowell served as the Citizen Tribune Cub Reporter on Friday night at Smokies Park. The Smokies defeated the Wahoos 2-1 in 10

ball to first for the third out.

With one out in the bottom of the 5th Dustin Gieger hits a fly ball to left and its down for a single, yet the Smokies still struggle to put any additional runs on the board. Heading into the top of the 6th Smokies make another amazing double

During the bottom of the 6th the Wahoo's pitcher and catcher were having a little trouble. While Addison Russell was on first a wild pitch goes by basically giving him second base, but it's to no avail. With the 3 outs made we go into the

Black turns and throws the 7th inning still a tied ball the Smokies in scoring game 1-1.

Smokies bring in Lendy Castilllo to pitch. Now with two outs in the top of the 7th, No. 31 Jaun Duran, for the Wahoo's, hits a deep ball to center where it hits the ground and bounces out of play leaving him on second.

Wahoo's now send in Ray Chang as a pinch hitter and Castillo shuts him down with a killer strike

In the bottom of the 7th the Wahoo's bring in Carlos Gonzalas to pitch. With Cutler on first the

position with no outs.

Attempting to bunt the other runners around, the bunt was popped up and caught by the Wahoo's catcher.

Next up to bat Jae-Hoon Ha. also walked. With bases now loaded. Wahoo's send in Ben Kilmesh to pitch. Albert Almora now up to bat, bases loaded with two outs.

The first two pitches are strikes and the third pitch comes in and it is a grounded to short, it is thrown to first where the third out was made. Wahoo's pitcher walks Smokies did not score, Stephen Bruno, leaving game still tied 1-1. In the

8th inning Smokies send in Hunter Cervenka.

There is a tremendous play made by Christian Villanueva, the ball was hit straight down the third base side called fair and he fires the ball to first to make the out. Entering the bottom of the 8th Lars Anderson hits a single into the hole near center.

Two back to back wild pitches allow Anderson to advance from first to third. Two outs and another walk for Cutler.

Wahoo's Pitcher with his 3rd wild pitch advancing Cutler to second. But their pitcher comes back and strikes out Bruno for their Smokies!

third out in the bottom of the 8th. In the bottom of ! the 9th Wahoo's send in their closing pitcher, James ; Walczack. Also now pinch hitting for the Smokies is: Jonathan Mota.

With Mota striking out and Taylor's grounder the Smokies stand at two outs: bottom of the ninth. Ha is '

It's a grounder to short; for the third out. Heading' into extra inning Smokies: decide to send in Frank Batista. Now playing left; field for the Smokies is: Pin-Chieh Chen, and he: delivers an amazing diving: catch.

There is a nice base hit by Almora in the bottom of the 10th. Another base hit puts runners in scoring position with one and Villanueva up to bat.

He hits a hard grounder straight past second base driving in Almora for the winning run.

In honor of Star Wars night at Smokies Park the: boys played an out of this. world game!

Tennessee manager Buddy Bailey said was excited to get the victory.

"I told the guys after the game that I was proud of their effort," said Bailey. "Tonight was one of those games that could: have gone either way. Our defense and pitching played extremely well. You also have to give tip your hat to Addison Russell, he gave us the early run we needed."

Final sums for tonight's game Smokies: 2 runs, 7 hits, 0 errors, and 20 left on base. For the Wahoo's; 1 run, 8 hits, 0 errors, and 11 left on base. Great game

## Timely hitting keys Greeneville's 4-1 win over Cardinals

BY MARLIN CURNUTT

Tribune Correspondent

GREENEVILLE - The Greeneville Astros got a strong showing from their starting pitcher and had a big hit at an opportune time in the second inning as they defeated the Johnson City Cardinals 4-1 Friday night at Pioneers Park.

starting Greeneville Nicely pitcher Austin turned in a masterful

mound for the Astros. The Grottoes, Va. native threw six strong innings, gave up no earned runs, only three hits and three walks. His defense was solid behind him as Greeneville turned two double plays while Nicely was on the mound.

"Austin did a good job after the first inning when he struggled with command just a little bit," Astros manager Josh Bonifay said of Nicely's outing on the bump against the Cardinals. "He really picked us up because we really needed some innings out of our starter and we got it. As the game went on, he got more effective in the zone. He mixed his change-up and his breaking ball and overall, it was a big start when we needed

The Cardinals turned a double play in the second and seemed to be headed toward uneventful an inning but that was about to and then back to back walks to Kristian Trompiz and Jeffry Santos loaded the bags.

Jason Martin needed only one swing to quickly unload the bases as he smacked a three-run double to right center field. Martin scored on a wild pitch by starting hurler Dailyn Martinez to make it 4-0.

"That was big for us," Bonifay said of Martin's three-run hit. "Their pitcher a single and two walks. Jason got to a 3-1 count. He didn't miss the fast ball and drove it to center field. Two-out hits usually break the back of the opponent."

The Cardinals' first run of the contest came in the sixth inning. Carlos Torres singled to lead things off and an error by the Astros put Casey Grayson on board and allowed Torres to score.

In addition to Nicely,

change. Hector Roa singled was struggling as we had Zach Davis and Eric Peterson each saw action on the mound for the Davis Astros. pitched two innings and had two strikeouts and Peterson notched his third save of the season as he pitched a perfect ninth inning.

Martinez took the loss for the Cards to fall to 3-2: on the season. The Astros: keep pace in the Western: Division by improving." 23-20 overall. The Cardinals fall to 19-21.