

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

# WW-P crushes Princeton

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PRINCETON — In visiting a town which had its Fourth of July fireworks planned for last night, the West Windsor-Plainsboro American Legion team brought their own.

There were not many rockets, but plenty of lares as WW-P lit up Princeton Post 218 for 16 hits in a 13-1 win over the home team at Barbara Smoyer Park.

Leading the way for WW-P (7-7) were Taylor Titch and Ryan Phelan, who were 3-for-4.

Titch, whose average has been skyrocketing of late, drove in four runs and scored once, while Phelan scored three times and drove in two.

"I play my high school ball at the Pennington School, and the long layoff between that season and the Legion season was tough," Titch said.

In WW-P's first 13 games, Titch went 6-for-31 and drove in five runs. He had half as many hits and almost as many RBIs in one game yesterday.

"It's ashame the break comes now," Titch said. "We played (league-leading) Bordentown Post 26 tough twice (in three days) last week, then had some time off to work the kinks out. We came back to beat Princeton (for the second time in 10 days). Now we've got to go back and do it again."

West Windsor-Plainsboro went into the Mercer County American Legion League's upcoming four-day holiday break in style. Only two players who swung the bats went hitless. Six of the nine had multiple hits.

"That was bad news for Post 218 pitcher Mark Madden, who kept putting the ball over the plate where the WW-P players shot his pitches just out of the reach of the Princeton fielders. "I was struggling early on this season," said Post 218 pitcher Mark Madden, a Princeton Day School graduate who will head to the University of Redlands in California in the

fall. "Recently, around the third inning, I get into a groove, but, by then, I've gotten in trouble we can't get out of."

After giving up three unearned runs in the top of the first inning, Madden saw his teammates get one run back on Will Mooney's RBI single before Princeton (3-11) stranded five runners in the first two innings versus West Windsor-Plainsboro starting pitcher Greyson Van Dyke.

Then WW-P's hit parade began. The visitors strung together five consecutive hits to start the third inning. RBI singles by Titch and Sughit Murali and a two-run single by Alex Campbell led the four-run explosion.

Phelan drove in another run in the fourth before Madden and reliever Colby Haring were stung for six consecutive hits in the fifth to put the 10-run rule in effect.

"We're scrappy and we're expected at times," Titch said. "But everyone behaves there's not a soft spot in our lineup."

Van Dyke kept Post 218 from lighting up the skies after the home team smacked five hits in the first two innings, led by Jim Fuhman's 2-for-2 performance. Fuhman was the only other safety allowed by Van Dyke, who left the game in the fourth inning because of an elbow problem, and reliever Kyle Reed.

Princeton might not have been happy about it, but WW-P had brought enough fireworks for both of them.

**TRENTON** — James Lauer and Kris Agron scattered six hits, while Brad Raynor went 3-for-4 to lead Broad St. Park Post 313's 12-hit attack in its win over Mitchell Davis Post 182 at Trenton High.

Lauer, Joe Leone and Kevin Kocsak added two hits apiece, while Leone and Anthony Verdere each drove in two runs.

## WW-P 13, PRINCETON 1

WW-P	ab	r	h	bi	PRINCETON	ab	r	h	bi
Leibowitz cf	3	2	2	0	Andrews ss	2	1	0	0
Aucora ss	4	2	2	1	Fuhman rf	2	0	2	0
Markovitz lf	4	3	3	2	Etherton d	3	0	1	0
Oris lf	0	0	0	0	Moyses c	3	0	0	0
Phelan c	4	3	3	2	Moorey 3b	2	0	1	0
Titch rf	4	1	3	0	Barsamian lf	3	0	0	0
Srinani lf	4	0	0	0	Madden p	2	0	0	0
Murali dh	3	1	1	2	Haring p	1	0	0	0
Dorovon dh	1	0	0	0	Siegel lf	1	0	0	0
Campbell 2b	3	0	0	0	Baxendale 2b	2	0	0	0
Block 1b	3	0	0	0					
Male 3b	3	1	2	0					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>

BSP 313	ab	r	h	bi	MD 182	ab	r	h	bi
Vandevia cf	5	1	1	2	F. Armstrong cf	4	1	1	0
Drahgell lf 2b	3	2	0	0	DeUmberio ss	3	1	2	1
Fayrol lf 2b	4	0	0	0	Owens c	4	1	1	0
Fanna lf	4	0	0	0	T. Miller lf-p	3	0	0	0
Leone 3b	4	1	2	1	B. Gorzias 3b-p	2	1	0	0
Lauer lf-ss	4	1	2	1	J. Armstrong p	1	0	0	0
Kocsak ss 2b	4	1	2	1	Spiegel lf	1	0	0	0
Sepler c	4	0	1	0	Tabb lf	1	0	0	0
Archer 2b	2	0	0	0	Thompson lf-1b	3	0	0	0
Agron lf-p	2	0	0	0	Ocasio 2b	1	0	0	0
Pugh lf	4	1	1	1	Coivin lf	3	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>

WEST WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Van Dyke	3.2	6	0	0	1	2
Reed WJ-2-1	1.1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>PRINCETON POST 218</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
Madden L-0-4	4.2	13	11	2	1	4
Haring	0.1	3	2	2	0	1
HBF-by Van Dyke (Fuhman), WP-Haring						

BROAD ST. PARK POST 313	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Lauer W-2-0	5.0	5	0	0	4	4
Agron	2.0	6	5	0	0	3
<b>MITCHELL DAVIS POST 182</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
J. Armstrong L-0-4	1.1	7	6	6	1	2
T. Miller	2.2	3	3	1	1	1
B. Gorzias	3.0	2	3	3	1	1
WP-J. Armstrong, B. Gorzias, BK-J. Armstrong						

Game ended by 10-run tide.  
E-Kocsak, Ocasio, B. Gorzias; DeUmberio, LOB-Broad Street Park 8; Mitchell Davis 5, 2B-Vandevia, Agron; Bush, Leone, Coivin, 3B-Lauer, J. Armstrong, SBF-Armstrong, CS-Archer.

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