Chipola finishes third in state baseball tournament

The Chipola Indians finished third in the FCSAA State Tournament after a 3-2, 12-inning loss to State College of Florida.

State College scored one in the first and another in the third. Chipola struck first in the top of seventh, when Daniel Mars led off with a single. Ian Rice doubled to advance Mars to third. Christian Correa reached first on a fielder’s choice, scoring Mars.

The Indians scored again in the top of the eighth, when Tunon reached on a walk and advanced to second on a wild pitch. Cameron Gibson bunted and reached on a base hit. Tunon advanced to third. Mars hit a sacrifice fly to score Tunon.

Mars was 1 for 5 and scored a run. Luis Tunon was 1 for 3 with a run. Christian Correa was 1 for 5 with an RBI. Scott Chase also had one hit for the Indians. The Indians combined for six hits. State College had 11 hits.

Chipola starter Carlos Misell struck out 7 and allowed 7 hits and two runs in 7 innings. Taylor Lewis gave up only one hit in 1.2 innings and was charged with the loss.

Over the course of the tournament, Chipola also recorded wins over top-ranked Tallahassee, Miami-Dade and eventual state champion Palm Beach.

The Indians whipped top-ranked Tallahassee 10-2 eliminating the Eagles. Chipola was leading 7-2 and scored three in the bottom of the seventh to finish the game and Tallahassee’s season by the mercy rule. The game ended on Cameron Gibson’s two-run single.

He went 3-for-4 with four RBI. After managing only 12 hits in its first two games, the Indians exploded for 16 on Sunday. Chipola starter and winning pitcher Taylor Lewis held Tallahassee to just five hits.

The Indians trounced eventual state champion Palm Beach 9-1 on May 13. Preston Johnson earned the win in a complete run-rule game for Chipola with 9 strikeouts in 7 innings.

Ian Rice was 3 for 4 with two runs. Luis Tunon was 2 for 3 with 2 RBI. Bert Givens was 1 for 2 with 2 runs and 2 RBI.

Chipola opened the tournament with a 6-3 win over Miami-Dade on Friday. Carlos Misell earned the pitching win in 6 innings of work. Taylor Lewis picked up the save. Ian Rice was 3 for 5 with 3 RBI. Scott Chase was 2 for 4.

Chipola lost to Seminole, 8-1, on Saturday. Panhandle Pitcher of the Year Michael Mader gave up five runs in the first two innings and was charged with the loss. Bert Givens scored the Indians only run after singling in the top of the seventh.


Chipola students earn computer certification

Four students in Chipola College’s Computer Information Technology program recently earned industry certifications. Pictured from left, are: Patrick Collins of Bascom (A+), instructor Marcus Dubai, Earwin Robinson of Marianna (A+), Susan Burns of Chipley (A+) and Adrian Staley of Marianna (Network + and A+). Chipola offers programs in Computer Information Technology and Network Services Technology which prepare students to earn industry certifications in: CompTIA A+, Security+, Network+, Microsoft (MTA, MCITP). For information, call 718-2441.
Marianna High wins Chipola Brain Bowl Tournament

Marianna High School Purple defeated Graceville High Orange (220-95) to win the championship round of Chipola College’s annual High School Brain Bowl Tournament on May 2.

Marianna Purple members include Blake Benton, Jamie McCoy and Jacob Leff. Graceville Orange members are: Rebecca Delgado, David Cluff, Caroline Nichols and Katelyn Padgett.

Two additional teams—Marianna Gold and Cottondale Orange—made the semi-final round. Marianna Gold includes Maddie Craven, Chance Pender and Masha Yaroshenko. Cottondale Orange members are Grace White, Patrick Fortunato and Alex Tharp.

A total of 15 teams from seven area high schools competed in the annual tournament, including: Blountstown, Chipola, Cottondale, Graceville, Holmes County, Marianna and Malone.

Summer children’s programs set at Chipola

Chipola College will offer programs for children of all ages this summer.

Children’s swimming lessons for ages four and up are scheduled on the following dates: Session 1: June 3-13 with a registration deadline of May 30; Session 2: June 17-27, with a registration deadline of June 13. Classes are available at 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. Sessions include eight 45 minute classes which meet Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Cost of regular swimming lessons is $55. Pre-registration is required, with a $5 late registration fee. For information, call 718-2473. July and August sessions will be announced at a later date.

Chipola Baseball Coach Jeff Johnson will offer three camps. A Pitching Camp for ages 7-18 will meet June 10-11. Cost is $100. A Hitting Camp for ages 7-18 will meet June 12-13. Cost is $100. A Skills Camp for ages 7-18 will meet June 17-18. Cost is $100. A Grand Slam Special rate for all three camps is $250. All baseball camps meet from 9 a.m. to noon. For information, call 850-718-2243.

Chipola softball wins first round in national tournament

The Chipola Lady Indians defeated Santa Fe, 8-5, to win the Florida FCSAA/Region VIII Softball Tournament on May 5. Chipola made it to the championship game by winning the Gulf District bracket. Chipola scored a 10-2 win over State College of Florida on May 3. Chipola beat Pensacola 11-6 also on May 3. Chipola beat Polk, 11-0, on May 4. Chipola also beat Polk again on May 5, 7-1.