

Ross raps Malabar in tournament tilt

NORTH ROBINSON — Fremont Ross ended a five-game losing streak in the first game of the "AAA" Sectional Tournament by thrashing Mansfield Malabar, 13-3, on a three-hitter by Mike Reardon. The win was the second in nine games for the Little Giants.

Ross scored six runs on only two hits in the second inning to take the lead. Rick Paxson was hit by a pitch while Mark Lohrbach was safe on an error to start the outburst by Ross.

Keith Butdorf's sacrifice scored the first run while walks to Reardon and Keith Pettiford loaded the bases. Ross centerfielder Mike Matthes scored two with a double while a walk to Kerry Wingo loaded the bases for Dan Baker who also walked to force in the fourth run of the game.

Paxson came to the plate for the second time. A wild pitch scored Matthes while Paxson was at bat. Paxson stroked a single to score the final run of the inning.

Reardon, meanwhile, did not allow a hit until the third inning. Malabar scored two runs in the fourth on two hits and added the final run in the last inning but did not have Reardon in any serious trouble after spotting Ross the big lead.

The Little Giants wrapped up the game with two more runs in the fourth and five more in the sixth. Pettiford's

double drove in the two runs in the fourth.

A single by Wingo, walks to Baker and Paxson, and a single by Lohrbach and a double by Butdorf, clearing the bases accounted for the runs in the sixth.

Butdorf ended the day with three hits in three trips to the plate good for four runs-batted-in. Pettiford accounted for three RBI's for the day.

Reardon walked five batters and fanned six in the winning effort.

Ross 13, Malabar 3

MALABAR	AB	R	H	ROSS	AB	R	H
Magas, ss	4	0	0	Pettiford, 2b	3	1	1
Wolfe, cf	4	1	0	Marritt, 2b	1	0	0
Thompson, rf	0	0	0	Matthes, cf	5	1	1
Barton, 3b/p	2	1	0	Wingo, 3b	1	2	1
Donalson, c	2	0	0	Baker, c	2	1	0
Albert, 1b	2	0	0	R. Paxson, rf	2	2	1
Bayle, lf	3	0	1	Lohrbach, ss	4	2	1
Johnson, rf	2	1	1	Butdorf, 1b	3	2	3
Shaban, 2b	2	0	1	T. Carmack, lf	3	1	1
Miller, p	2	0	0	Reardon, p	2	1	0
Ryder, 3b	0	0	0				
Totals	23	3	3	Totals	26	13	9

Score by innings

	R	H	E
Malabar	000	200	1—332
Ross	062	005	x—1390
Doubles: Pettiford, Matthes, Butdorf, Ross			
RBI's: Bayle, Johnson, Magas, Malabar; Pettiford (3), Matthes (2), Baker, R. Paxson, Lohrbach, Butdorf (4), Reardon, Ross			

Pitching summary

	IP	R	ER	H	BB	SO
Miller	3	8	5	4	7	3
Barton	3	5	5	5	2	2
Reardon	7	3	0	3	5	6

Winning pitcher: Reardon

Losing pitcher: Miller