

North Cinches Tie in Bay League

7-Game Streak Gives Baseball Title to Saxons

North High cinched a tie for the Bay League baseball championship Friday by defeating South, 3-1, at North Field.

A 4-3 win over Redondo Wednesday helped the cause.

The Saxons need a win in either next Wednesday or Friday's final outings at home against Inglewood or Santa Monica to sew it up.

Samohi lost to Mira Costa Friday, 7-4, and must defeat Redondo, (Monday), South (Wednesday) and North (Friday) to gain a tie.

Redondo was eliminated from winning its third straight title when blanked by Inglewood Friday, 1-0.

North won the Sky League title a year ago.

The Saxons have won seven straight Bay League games. Steve Sibley came back from his first inning failure against Redondo Wednesday to pitch a 5-hitter against South Friday. The lone run was a lead-off homer by Craig Moore.

Jerry Ball singled home Jim Bachis to tie the count in the second frame and Bruce Wade continued his heroics for North by slamming a roundtripper in the third.

North added an insurance run in the sixth on Mike Barnes' double to score Mike Tuffley.

In the Redondo game Sibley was rapped for three runs in the first inning, but Mike McCormick played fireman and doused the Seahawks in an eventual 9-inning thriller.

It was 3-all in the top of the ninth when Wade singled home Jerry Ball with the go-ahead run.

In the bottom of the ninth McCormick had to come out when a drive off Jerry Smith's bat carried off his finger to load the bases with no outs.

Wade, who pitched a shut-out against Mira Costa Monday and was scheduled to work against South Friday, was Coach Jim O'Brien's choice to fill in for McCormick.

He got Larry Gray to pop out and Dana Clyde to hit back to Tuffley at third. Mike went to the plate to first for a game inning double play.

The standings at a glance show North (13-3), Santa Monica (10-5) and Redondo (0-5). South has a 4-11 record.

Player	AB	R	H
South (1)	3	1	1
Moore, 3b	3	1	1
Mahon, 2b	3	0	1
Courtney, cf	3	0	1
Strawick, c	3	0	0
Holmes, ss	3	0	0
Wade, lf	3	0	1
McPherson, 1b	3	0	2
Adkins, if	3	0	0
Thompson, p	3	0	0
Totals	21	1	5

Player	AB	R	H
Ball, cf	3	0	1
Osborn, 1b	3	0	1
Ogden, rf	3	0	1
Stulter, ss	3	0	0
Parasopoulos, 2b	3	0	1
Tuffley, 3b	3	0	1
Schley, c	3	0	1
Barnes, c	3	0	1
Sibley, p	3	0	1
Totals	26	3	8

Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals
North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
South	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Player	AB	R	H
Ball, cf	4	2	1
Osborn, 1b	3	0	0
Ogden, rf	3	0	0
Beachy, 3b	3	0	0
Gonzalez, if	3	0	0
Wade, lf, rf, p	3	1	2
Stulter, ss	3	0	1
Parasopoulos, 2b	3	0	1
Tuffley, 3b	3	0	1
Barnes, c	3	0	0
Sibley, p	3	0	0
McCormick, p	4	0	1
Totals	34	4	7

Player	AB	R	H
Smith, cf	5	1	3
Gray, 2b	4	0	0
Clyde, 1b	5	1	1
B. Cook, rf, lf	4	1	2
W. Cook, 2b	2	0	0
Jones, c	4	0	1
Denhart, rf	2	0	1
R. Eno, ss	3	0	0
Garrett, p	2	0	0
Giddens, lf	1	0	0
Young, p	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	9

Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals
North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Redondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Game	Score
North vs. South	3-1
Redondo vs. Mira Costa	1-0
North vs. Redondo	4-3

Team	W	L	Pct.
North	13	3	.813
Santa Monica	10	5	.667
Redondo	0	5	.000
Inglewood	8	5	.615
Hawthorne	2	4	.333
South	4	11	.267
Mira Costa	1	12	.077

Game	Score
North vs. Redondo	4-3
Santa Monica vs. Hawthorne	1-0
Inglewood vs. Mira Costa	1-0

Game	Score
North vs. South	3-1
Inglewood vs. Redondo	1-0
Mira Costa vs. Santa Monica	4-1

Game	Score
Santa Monica at Redondo	1-0
North at Inglewood	3-1

Game	Score
Inglewood at North	1-0
Redondo at Hawthorne	1-0
South at Santa Monica	1-0
Santa Monica at North	1-0
South at Hawthorne	1-0
Mira Costa at Redondo	1-0



BRUCE WADE... North High's pitcher-outfielder has figured prominently in the Saxons' 7-game Bay League win streak. He pitched in two games and was the batting hero twice as the Saxons cinched a tie for the pennant Friday. (Press-Herald Photo)

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El Segundo Rules Again!

By HENRY BURKE Press-Herald Sports Editor

The Kemer Brett Fan Club is gloating over their favorite pitcher's second shutout over West High Thursday. The 1-0 El Segundo win put the Eagles in the driver's seat for the Pioneer League championship.

Brett went the route for a 3-0 win over West in the first round and going back to last year when he shut out West, 14-0, in a championship game, Kemer has blanked the Warriors three times.

The only blot on his record against West this year was a 2-1 loss in the second round. Brett's wild throw to home on a come-backer gave West the victory.

Inasmuch as both teams have lost two games, the final outings (Aviation at West and El Segundo at Palos Verdes) must be played before a champion is decided.

Should El Segundo beat P.V., the Eagles will represent the Pioneer League in the CIF playoffs for having won two-out-of-three from West.

Commissioner Ken Fagans issued a bulletin Friday morning announcing that by winning the championship, El Segundo will be allowed to compete in the CIF AAA playoffs.

Ordinarily, the Pioneer League is involved in Double-A playoffs, but permission for El Segundo to compete in the "AAA" baseball tournament was granted by the CIF board in the Fall.

El Segundo won the "AA" playoffs last year with Brett pitching the entire series.

The Eagles were a vicious hitting team last year, but they have had to rely on Brett's pitching to repeat as league champion.

To beat West on Thursday, Brett allowed three hits and had 12 strikeouts.

The Eagles pushed across a run in the first inning and made it hold up for seven innings.

Gary King led off the game with a base on balls off Bruce Cooke. He stole second and strolled home from third on Steve Hunley's two out single between third and short.

Cooke allowed five hits and had two on in the third and sixth innings. He survived both rallies with a double play and pair of strikeouts.

West's only threat was in the fourth inning after Brett retired nine in a row.

Gary Swanson walked and went to third on a passed ball and wild pitch. Dave LaRoche fanned after taking a 2-0 count. Jerry Turco looped a ball on the right field line out of the reach of first baseman Ed Hora.

Swanson held at third until the ball dropped, but trying to scoot home he was thrown out by the second baseman Bob Appleby.

Appleby had two of El Segundo's five hits. Cooke gave up only one hit in his last outing against El Segundo.

Despite a prior memorandum that El Segundo's participation in the CIF-AAA playoffs would allow for the Pioneer League's No. 2 team to take part in the AA-playoffs, this decree was rescinded during the season and West High now appears doomed pending the outcome of Tuesday's games.

Player	AB	R	H
Lennox (1)	3	0	0
McClure, c	3	0	1
Bovyer, 2b	3	0	0
Davison, 3b	3	0	0
Cecil, 3b	3	0	1
Breese, rf	3	0	0
Warner, 1b	3	0	0
Hawkins, if	3	0	0
Scapano, ss	3	0	0
Wilson, cf	3	0	0
Rambo, p	3	0	0
Totals	24	0	1

Player	AB	R	H
West (0)	3	0	0
Swanson, ss	3	0	0
LaRoche, 2b	3	0	0
Turco, cf	3	0	0
Gadbois, 3b	3	0	0
Sells, 1b	3	0	0
Cooke, p	3	0	0
Howard, c	3	0	0
Mentel, rf	3	0	0
Conard, lf	3	0	0
Hons, if	3	0	0
Barnes, rf	3	0	0
Totals	24	0	0

Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals
West	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Segundo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Game	Score
El Segundo vs. West	1-0
Lennox vs. Palos Verdes	3-0
Aviation vs. Lawndale	6-0



POLE VAULTER... Dave Cronk is congratulated by South Coach Dick Scully for winning the 100-yard dash at the Bay League track and field meet Friday night at South. Later in the evening he broke the league pole vault record with a vault of 14'4 3/4". Santa Monica won the meet with 56 points. The CIF competition is next week. (Press-Herald Photo)

Cronk Vaults 14-4 3/4

By HENRY BURKE watch Dave Cronk of South High set a new Bay League record of 14 feet, 4 3/4 inches in the event. The accomplishment overshadowed Santa Monica's team victory of 56 points for the track and field title.

South High was second with 44 and Inglewood was limited to 35 points for third.

Mira Costa won the Bees with 41 points and North took its first Class C track and field title with 38 points.

Cronk warmed up for his vaulting by winning the 100 yard dash in 10.2 and he was on the second leg of a second place in the 880 relay.

Dave stayed out of the pole vault competition until the bar was raised to 13-6. Only Tom Walker of Redondo was around to compete with him for the gold medal at this stage. It was 10 o'clock when their duel began and all running events were concluded.

Since it was completely breezeless and a perfect evening for pole vaulting, Cronk and Walker had only the excitement of a picnic atmosphere to endure during their match.

No one stirred as each conquered the 13-6 and 14-0 barriers in their first attempts. Their styles were similar except that Walker would takeoff, cough up a strong breath, and glide into the air with the greatest of ease.

Cronk would stroll to the start of the asphalt runway, smile and chat with schoolmates standing nearby. He took his time adjusting the bar.

In his second try at the 14-6 mark, he stumbled and retreated. A moment later he lifted the pole off the ground, headed into his spring and made a perfect arc over the crossbar. It did not stir and a new league record was certain.

Officials climbed a step ladder to get the measurement. It was 14 feet, 4 and 7/8 inches and officially ruled as 14-4 3/4.

Cronk later missed three tries at 14-10. In practice earlier in the week he made 15-1. He'll have a chance to do it in the CIF competition next week.

Montgomery Suffers 2nd League Loss

Crespi pulled one game ahead of Bishop Montgomery in the Camino Real League baseball race by blanking Fermin Lasuen, 8-0, Friday.

Montgomery was beaten by St. Bernard's, 2-0 for its second loss.

The season ends at Montgomery next Friday against Crespi. Since Montgomery holds a 4-3 win over Crespi, the Knights can win first place with a repeat victory at home.

Irl Davis was victim of his second league defeat. He was touched for three hits, including a fourth inning home run by Jim Maffilia with a man aboard.

Player	AB	R	H
Montgomery	3	0	0
Bongard, 3b	3	0	0
Maffilia, rf	3	0	0
Graham, ss	3	0	0
Davis, p	3	0	0
Totals	15	0	0

Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals
St. Bernard's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Montgomery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ONE GAME TO GO

Nothing Decided In Sky League

The race for the Sky League baseball title is a horse race.

Every inch of the way the top four teams creep along nose-to-nose and toe-to-toe in what looks like a possible photo finish.

Torrance remained a length behind Rolling Hills going into the final link of the season Tuesday. Both were held up in the pack last Thursday as Torrance bowed to Morningside, 7-4, and Rolling Hills was upset by Culver City, 3-2.

Beverly Hills and Morningside are mathematical hopefuls in the stretch drive.

Coming down to the line of finish Tuesday are Torrance at Beverly Hills, and Morningside at Rolling Hills.

Rolling Hills can win the crown if Torrance loses, but any other combination can result in a potential playoff.

The Torrance Tartars forgot to remove their blinkers until the seventh inning of the Morningside game and trailed 7-1 before Mark Intermitt hit a 3-run home run to close the gap.

Bob Sharpe of Torrance was derailed in the fifth inning as the Monarchs paraded for five runs.

Torrance collected seven hits. Fred Kendall and Bart Johnson each had a pair. The game was played at Morningside.

Rolling Hills has a 9-4 record, followed by Torrance (8-5), and Beverly Hills (8-6). Not counted is a scoreless 15-inning game between Torrance and Rolling Hills.

Event	Winner	Time
100-Cronk (SM), Fraquilillo (N), Thomas (SM), Eton (R), 10.2		
220-Verry (MC), J. Colick (I), Moore (SM), 59.94		
440-Wood-Taylor (SM), Nugent (R), McInnes (SM), Ellington (R), Bartelson (H), 50.4		
880-Rine (SM), Burns (R), Folger (N), Platt (R), Albert (N), 1:57.8		
1 Mile-Roberts (I), Marsee (S), Duley (R), Pickett (SM), Sandell (H), 4:24.4		
2 Mile-Jay (S), Heath (I), Hall (M), Kaplan (S), Walker (S), Bralley (MC), 9:41.4		
120 HI-See (I), Bouman (SM), Platt (R), Albert (N), Watkins (S), 14.7		
150 LH-Bouman (SM), Purvis (I), See (I), Platt (R), Albert (N), 59.94		
300-LJ-Thomas (SM), Siffert (SM), Bouman (SM), Guppli (I), Norris (R), 2:05.8		
450-Cronk (S), Walker (R), Wozniak (S), Proctor (S), Magruder (SM), 1:44.4 (new Bay League record)		
600-SF-T Colick (I), Colmer (MC), Verry (MC), J. Colick (I), Moore (SM), 59.94		
800-HJ-Hobert (I), Kenney (MC), Bray (N), Allen (SM), Chest (SM), 2:28.5		
1100-Baker (MC), McGovern (S), Hubert (SM), Hernandez (S), Ma-her (R), 3:15.4		
1400-LH-Dillard (N), Weisel (MC), Dillard (N), Hopkins (R), 4:22		
1700-LH-Dillard (N), Weisel (MC), Bohaty (MC), Kaufman (R), 5:20		
2000-LH-Dillard (N), Weisel (MC), Bohaty (MC), Kaufman (R), 6:20		

Player	AB	R	H
Torrance (4)	4	1	1
Kling, ss	3	0	0
Zemke, cf	3	0	0
Kendall, c	3	1	2
Johnson, 1b	4	1	2
Intermitt, rf	3	0	0
McKenzie, 2b	4	0	0
Cano, 2b	0	0	0
Smith, 3b	0	0	0
Sharpe, p	3	0	0
Kesley, p	1	0	0
Totals	28	4	3

Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals
Morningside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
Torrance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4

Game	Score
Torrance vs. Beverly Hills	7-4
Morningside vs. Rolling Hills	3-2
Culver City vs. Beverly Hills	3-2

Game	Score
El Segundo vs. West	1-0
Lennox vs. Palos Verdes	3-0
Aviation vs. Lawndale	6-0