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This view from one of Sun City's sparkling fishing and boating lakes includes the new Walter O. Roosevelt Memorial Hospital and Lockout Point.



To The Wonderful People of Sun City

We wish to dedicate our '71 program to YOU in appreciation for making our efforts in your wonderful community such a success! This is our humble thanks to the greatest softball fans in the U.S.

This season marks our sixth year in Sun City. We pledge our best efforts to make this year The Big One!!

The "Saints"



WE'RE BACK !



Sun City Stadium
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Last Year
Was Great!

1971 Will Be
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MEN BEHIND THE SCENES:



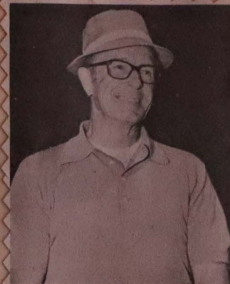
SAINTS BEST FRIEND!

Gaylen Bartlett: Gaylen has been an initial part of the Saints organization for the past five years. Although he has always been behind the scenes he has done much to assist with the administrative functioning of the team. His promotive advice and counsel have guided the Saints through five successful seasons in Sun City. Thanks Mr. Bartlett, you are a most welcome tradition to our organization!



SAINTS "ANGEL" AWARD

The '71 Saints are proud to announce that Del E. Webb has been chosen as the recipient of its third annual "Angel Award". This award gives recognition and honor to persons who have contributed outstanding support to the Saints organization. Mr. Webb, although always behind the scenes, has been an advocator of the teams success through his initial contribution of a softball park. This year marks a significant happening for the Saints with the completion of Sun City Stadium, engineered and constructed by the Del E. Webb Co. . . . A new stadium with major league facilities geared for the comfort and versatility of players and spectators alike. Sun City Stadium ranks with any field of World Tournament caliber. Our "halo" and a "hug" to you Mr. Webb. The "Saints" are proud to be a part of your stellar community!



WORLDS BEST GROUNDSKEEPER

Lloyd Liken: Lloyd has been a mainstay to the Saints since they first came to Sun City. He has given the Saints the reputation of having the best playing field in the nation. He has been instrumental in his efforts to contribute helpful suggestions for the betterment of playing conditions. Lloyd also finds time to be a top notch promoter for the Saints. His extra time and guidance are greatly appreciated! The Saints will always take off their halos to Lloyd!

Head Saints



MEET THE COACH: Beverly Dryer—Coach and franchise owner of the Saints. Bev is a native of Glendale, Arizona, and has been with the team since their arrival in Sun City. She took over the coaching responsibilities three years ago and has since brought the Saints to national recognition. Her best efforts were rewarded in 1969 when she guided the team to 5th place in the National Tournament. Bev has been re-vamping the Saints with her relentless desire to bring a National Championship back to the many enthusiastic fans in Sun City. She attributes the team's success to the sincere desire each and every Saint projects when they don their uniforms! Bev teaches physical education in Phoenix.



NEW SAINT MANAGER: Thelma Keith — Big "T", one of the original veterans of the Saints, has been the main-stay at first base, coordinating the youthful infield of the Saints for five years. Thelma hails from Dayton, Ohio, where she started her softball career. She also played three years with the now retired Phoenix Ramblers and was named to the All-American second team in 1964. She has been selected to the Cactus Regional All-Star team all of her 9 years in Arizona. Thelma also excels in basketball and was selected M.V.P. of the State Basketball tourney in 1966 and '69. Thelma teaches Physical Education and also coaches tennis at Maryvale High School. She is handling the Saints manager duties for the first time this year.

About our opposition:

Three full league members return to the 1971 PCWSL along with one associate member. The Orange "Lionettes", defending league champions, along with the Sun City "Saints" and the Fresno "Rockets" are the full league members. The Tucson, Arizona "Roadrunners" will be an associate member this year.

The Orange "Lionettes" defended their 1969 National title last year by defeating the Raybestos "Braketts" of Stratford, Conn. in a marathon performance. The "Lionettes", representing the U.S. traveled to Osaka, Japan to participate in the World Tournament Aug. 22-30, where they placed second.

The Fresno Rockets, returning for the second year after reorganizing, will be back as strong contenders in the PCWSL race. Ginny Busick, former Fresno pitching star was named to 1971 Softball Hall of Fame.

— PCWSL ALL-STARS 1970 —

Outfielders:	
CEC PONCE	Orange
SHELIA PATTERSON	Fresno
MICKEY DAVIS	Orange
Infielders:	
CAROL SPANKS	Orange
GERRY MURPHY	Fresno
NANCE ITO	Orange
MARILYN RAU	Sun City
SHIRLEY TOPLEY	Orange
SANDY KELLEY	Sun City
Utility:	
BETTY McILVAIN	Sun City
Pitcher:	
NANCY WELBORN	Orange
Top Hitter:	
CAROL SPANKS .321	Orange
Top Pitcher:	
NANCY WELBORN .913	Orange

— PCWSL OFFICERS 1971 —

President	CAROL SPANKS (Orange)
Vice-President	BEV DRYER (Sun City)
Secretary-Treasurer	GERRY MURPHY (Fresno)



GINNY BUSICK recently enshrined in the National Softball Hall of Fame played 10 years with the Fresno "Rockets". She coached the 1968 "Rockets" to third place in the nation.

Saints In Action



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"Betty Mac" Retires



Betty McIlvain, one of the original Saints, has decided to end her softball career. She started playing in 1952 in Indiana. In 1957 she joined the Indianapolis "Anchoresses" at first base. She was selected on the All Regional team twice at this position. Betty participated in four National Tournaments while with the Anchoresses. In 1966 she moved West and joined the newly formed Saints, moving to the outfield.

Since then Betty has won many awards and honors. Among these were being selected to the 1969 and '70 Pacific Coast League All-Star Team. Also in 1969 she was the top hitter in the Cactus Regional Tournament. Betty became the Saints business manager in 1969. She also performed the duties of PCWSL secretary during '69 and '70. She has been a consistent mainstay to the Saints organization both on and off the field. Her determination and drive to help promote softball in Sun City will be remembered for a long time. Betty's many hours spent keeping the team going deserve much credit and will be missed tremendously by every Saint player and fan!

The Saints wish to thank you "Betty Mac" for the many things you have done to make their organization run smoothly these past five seasons! GOOD LUCK TO YOU!

"Iron Arm" Calls It Quits



Lou was known as "Iron Arm" by her team mates and to many fans. She ranks as one of the top hurlers in Arizona and in the nation. The nickname "Iron Arm" was given to Lou representing the many continuous innings she served on the mound night after night, including double headers. Lou, one of our ace hurlers for the past five years and assistant coach for the past three years has chosen to hang up her glove and build youngsters for the future as coach of the Lil' Saints.

Lou hailed from Avilla, Indiana, before joining the first year Saints team. She was always a valuable asset to the team both off and on the field, with her experience and dedication. In 1969 Lou was selected as the Most Valuable Player on the team by her team mates. She was also a Cactus Regional All-Star four times. The time, effort and energy Lou has put into the Saints team is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered by her team mates and fans alike.

We are losing a player and assistant coach, but we will gain her products . . . the future Saints.

Thanks Lou!



Lou Kostielney

On The Mound



PAULA MILLER -- Native of Phoenix, Arizona. Paula's great potential and desire to pitch and her long hours of practice through the off-season have developed this young Saint into a welcome asset to the Saints pitching staff. Her ability to play any position adds depth to the team. She enjoys fishing, playing the guitar and most sports. Paula earned the Saints "Spark Plug" award in 1969 with her radiant disposition and warmth to all, on and off the field.



MARILYN RAU - Catcher -- Born in Oak Park, Illinois. Marilyn, a senior physical education major at ASU, is an original Saint in her sixth season. This is her third season behind the plate. She is a constant threat whenever she is at bat. Marilyn's strong arm and quickness ranks her as one of the top catchers in the nation. She was the first recipient of the PCWSL "Youth Award" in 1969. Marilyn has earned PCWSL All-Star honors in 1969 and '70. She has been selected on the Cactus Regional All-Star team for the past three seasons. She has also excelled in basketball and badminton as an Arizona State Champion. Marilyn is truly considered one of the Saints Mainstays.



BILLIE HARRIS: Pitcher -- This is "Rages" second year with the Saints. She works as a Mental Health Assistant at the State Hospital. She also works for the City Parks and Recreation as a Recreation Leader. Billie has received many awards during her softball career. She has been selected five times to National All-American team plus being named M.V.P. of 1969 National Tournament. Billie's constant hustle and team spirit have gained her a permanent place in the hearts of her team mates. She won additional honors from her team by obtaining the most booster signatures which appear elsewhere in this program.



BETTY BARR -- Betty was late joining the Saints last season but was still able to assist the Saints as a pinch hitter. This year she has been working for a starting place in the lineup as a pitcher. Great accomplishments on the mound are expected from this young prospect. Betty, with her hitting power, will be a constant threat at bat. Born in Vancouver, Washington, she has lived 13 of her 19 years in Arizona. Now attending Glendale Community College she plans to get her degree at ASU. She also excels in basketball, volleyball and was runner-up last year in the State Tennis Tournament.





BARBARA QUIJADA - Outfield -- "Barbie", in her second year with the Saints, has more than demonstrated that she is capable of holding down a position in the outfield. She was voted the Saints "Rookie of the Year" last season. Born in Whittier, California, she will graduate from Maryvale High School this year. Last year Barbie represented Maryvale at the state Badminton Tournament and came off with high honors of first place. This speedy youngster is always eager to learn new skills and shows promise as a future All-American.



CHRIS MINER - Infield-Outfield -- Chris was born in Westfrankfort, Illinois. She joined the Saints this year bringing with her a powerful background in softball. At 16 Chris was named to the National All-Star team in the outfield while playing in her first year in major league ball with the Erv Lind "Florists" of Portland, Oregon. She has since been selected three times to the All-American team. Her latest award came after two years of inactivity. Chris came back at shortstop and with her desire and determination was named to the 1970 All-Star team. This veteran will add much speed and depth to the Saints team and has become a most welcomed "Saint". Chris enjoys basketball, water skiing and painting away from the softball field.



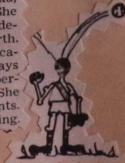
KONNI ALLEN -- A native of Arizona is in her second season with the Saints. Konni, the youngest member of the team at 16, shows great potential and is continually improving in the outfield. This speedy youngster attends Glendale High School as a sophomore. She enjoys hunting and fishing along with tennis and badminton. Konni cites as her most thrilling experience in softball, the flying to and participating in her first National Tournament held in Connecticut last year. Let's hope that Konni's thrilling experiences continue as she improves from year to year!



BECKY RICE -- Born in Warsaw, Indiana. This talented rookie is a freshman Physical Education major at Glendale Community College. This is Becky's first season with the Saints. Her speed, throwing arm and desire to improve won her a Saints uniform. Becky enjoys the outdoors and likes to play tennis and basketball. We are happy to have Becky join the Saints and bring added depth to the infield and outfield.

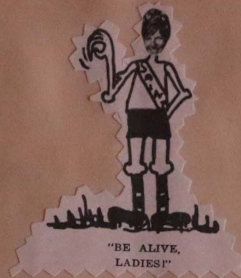


GEORGIA BUELOW -- Born in Alliance, Nebraska, Georgia is in her third season with the Saints. She started late in the season her first year but with determination and work has earned an outfield berth. While now a senior at ASU majoring in physical education, she holds down a full time job making her days quite full. Georgia's skills are improving with experience with her greatest asset being her speed. She shows much promise for the future with the Saints. Georgia likes all sports and is interested in painting.





GINGER KURTZ - Shortstop -- Born in Altoona, Penn. Ginger has attended high schools in Arizona. She is now a senior majoring in physical education at Arizona State University. This is Ginger's fourth season with the Saints and her third year as shortstop. Her ability to get on base and her quickness on the basepaths makes her a continuous threat to any opponent. Ginger's drive has earned her numerous awards in softball. Among these were making the All-Star Regional Team and the Most Valuable Player of last season's Regional Tournament. Ginger also enjoys playing the guitar and skiing.



LYNN MOONEY -- Lynn holds down the "hot corner" at third base. Because of her tight defense and the ease with which she executes the tough plays, Lynn's team mates have nicknamed her the "Gobbler". When at bat she changes from the gobbler to the "clobberer". With this talent Lynn earned an All-Star Regional berth and the distinction of being selected as the second Saint to receive the Pacific Coast League "Youth Award". This is awarded by opposing players in the PCWSL league. Lynn, born in Minneapolis, has lived most of her life in Arizona. She will be attending ASU as a junior majoring in physical education this fall.



SANDY KELLEY -- Born in Chanute, Kansas. A senior at Grand Canyon College, "Sparky" enjoys camping, swimming and many other sports activities. Another original Saint in her 6th season Sandy has contributed much to the team. Her quickness at second base and hitting ability earned her a position on the '69 and '70 PCWSL All-Star team. Sparky's sure hands add much to the team. Hustle and desire describe this talented veteran!



A SAINT IS

A lady first, a ball player second . . .
Proud of her team mates . . .
Proud to be a "Saint" . . .
Respectful to her opposition . . .
Not afraid of hard work . . .
Thankful to have such wonderful fans!
Eager to practice daily to improve . . .
Determined and dedicated . . .





Some More About The Saints

1971 Saints Roster

Name	Bats	Throws	Occupation
KONNI ALLEN	R	R	Student Glendale High School
BETTY BARR	R	R	Student Glendale Community College
GEORGIA BUELOW	R	R	Student ASU
BILLIE HARRIS	L	L	Rec. Leader - Mental Health Asst.
THELMA KEITH	R	R	Teacher Maryvale High School
SANDY KELLEY	R	R	Teacher
GINGER KURTZ	R	R	Student ASU
PAULA MILLER	R	R	Student ASU
CHRIS MINER	R	R	Student Glendale Community College
LYNN MOONEY	R	R	Student NAU
BARBARA QUIJADA	R	R	Student Glendale Community College
MARILYN RAU	R	R	Student ASU
BECKY RICE	R	R	Student Glendale Community College

SUN CITY SAINTS — FINAL STATISTICS - 1970

PLAYER	G	AB	R	H	2b	3b	HR	RBI	SAC
Allen	3	6	1	0					
Barr	21	32	1	7					
Buelow	28	68	3	6				2	3
Harris	19	50	3	12				1	3
Keith	23	72	3	16		3		4	
Kelly	22	58	5	14	2	1		2	
Kostelney	11	26		2				2	
Kurtz	23	62	2	11	1			1	3
Marshall	12	30		5				1	
Miller	24	58	3	6				1	1
Mooney	32	96	7	14	1	1		1	2
Mellvain	31	94	2	16				1	8
Quijada	32	81	1	10	1			2	1
Rau	32	105	7	29	3	2		8	1
	32	832	38	143	8	7		29	22

	W	SO	SB	AVG.	PO	A	E	AVG.
Allen				.000				1.000
Barr	2	8		.219	17	10	3	.500
Buelow	1	27	1	.089	35	1	1	.900
Harris	2			.240	7	80	4	.956
Keith	2	9		.223	155	16	6	.966
Kelly	3	13		.241	77	17	4	.959
Kostelney				.077	3	13		1.000
Kurtz	1	6		.178	33	50	10	.896
Marshall		10		.167	30	1		.968
Miller	2	13		.163	47	10	2	.966
Mooney	3	10		.146	59	84	14	.911
Mellvain	1	7	1	.170	92	3	6	.941
Quijada	7	15	3	.123	49	3	8	.866
Rau	4	11		.276	106	31	6	.965
	27	129	5	.172	680	348	67	.925

PITCHERS	IP	ER	H	W	SO	W	L	Pct
Harris	117 2/3	13	69	10	38	5	12	.294
Kostelney	43 2/3	11	42	9	11	1	4	.200
Marshall	61 1/3	13	60	31	24	1	6	.400
	222 2/3	37	171	50	73	7	22	.315

The 1970 All American Team

1st Base—Donna Lopiano, Stratford
2nd Base—Pat Adams, Atlanta
3rd Base—Eva Johnson, San Antonio
**Shortstop—Chris Miner, Portland
Outfield—Pat Harrison, Stratford
Outfield—Marlene Piper, Portland
Outfield—Cec Ponce, Orange
Outfield—Sandra June Wells, Atlanta
Utility—Cathy Benedetto, Portland
Catcher—Ann Mullins, Pekin
Catcher—Nancy Ito, Orange
Pitcher—Joan Joyce, Stratford
Pitcher—Jean Davies, Orlando
Most Valuable Player—Nancy Welborn, Orange



1970 ASA National Standings

1. Orange, California "Lionettes"
2. Stratford, Connecticut "Reybestos Brakettes"
3. Portland, Oregon "Dr. Bernards"
4. Orlando, Florida "Rebels"
5. Pekin, Illinois "Pekinettes"
6. Salt Lake City, Utah "Shamrocks"
7. Atlanta, Georgia "Lorelei Ladies"
8. San Antonio, Texas "Texas Beverage Canning"
9. SUN CITY, ARIZONA "SAINTS"
10. Bridgeport, Connecticut "Co-Eds"
11. Telford, Pennsylvania "Wanderers"
12. Celina, Ohio "Celinas"
13. Tulsa, Oklahoma "Dixie Belles"
14. Bloomington, Minnesota "Gulfettes"
15. Topeka, Kansas "Teamsterettes"
16. Plainfield, New Jersey "Schaeferettes"
17. Los Alamitos, California "Superior Express"
18. Santa Clara, California "Laurels"

1970 National Tournament

Individual Batting Record

(.250 Average or More)

Player - Team	AB	R	H	REB	PCT
**Barr, Sun City	1	0	1	0	1.000
Keith, Atlanta	1	0	1	0	1.000
Paulson, Bloomington	4	1	3	0	.750
Shoopman, Los Alamitos	5	0	3	0	.600
Coursen, Bridgeport	10	1	5	2	.500
Kalliam, Santa Clara	8	2	4	0	.500
**Harris, Sun City	6	1	3	1	.500
Pinto, Bridgeport	6	1	3	0	.500
H. Piper, Portland	2	1	1	0	.500
Zavala, Orange	2	0	1	2	.500
Graves, Topeka	2	0	1	0	.500
Wells, Atlanta	12	1	5	1	.417
Benedetto, Portland	17	2	7	2	.412
M. Piper, Portland	22	6	9	5	.409
Holderbaum, Celina	10	2	4	0	.400
**Keith, Sun City	10	1	4	1	.400
Bradley, Pekin	16	2	6	0	.375
Ponce, Orange	27	2	9	2	.333
Mullins, Pekin	21	1	7	3	.333
Veroni, Pekin	15	2	5	1	.333
Schwick, Salt Lake City	12	0	4	1	.333
Monerreal, San Antonio	9	2	3	1	.333
**Rau, Sun City	9	1	3	1	.333
Lillock, Santa Clara	6	0	2	1	.333
**Quijada, Sun City	6	0	2	1	.333
Dunkle, Los Alamitos	6	0	2	0	.333
Harris, Topeka	6	0	2	0	.333
Jungwirth, Bloomington	3	1	1	0	.333
Kelley, Bridgeport	3	1	1	0	.333
Schmitz, Selina	3	1	1	0	.333
Kohlrieser, Celina	3	0	1	0	.333
**Miner, Portland	19	2	6	0	.316
Lewis, Atlanta	13	2	4	1	.308
Ball, Salt Lake City	13	0	4	0	.308
Aardema, Salt Lake City	10	1	3	0	.300
Davis, Orange	21	3	6	2	.286
Adams, Atlanta	14	2	4	0	.286
Dobie, Portland	14	1	4	1	.286
**Kurtz, Sun City	7	3	2	0	.286

This 'N That

Fourteen times PCWSL teams have won the National Softball title.
The Orange Lionettes have been National Champions 9 times.
The Tucson Roadrunners will host the 1972 National Softball Tournament.
The Sun City Saints have been Cactus Regional Champions the last 5 years.

The National All-Star Series will be played in Orange, California, July 16 and 17.



TRIPLE POWER HOUSE -- "Big Bats" for the Saints! Thelma, Lynn and Marilyn are looking forward to a successful season!



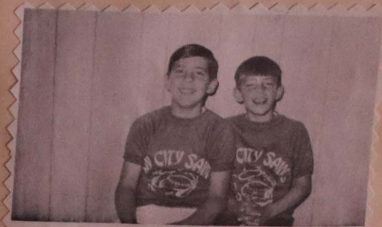
SAINT ROOKIE PITCHERS -- Betty and Paula face their first season of pitching competition.



KATHY RANDL -- New bat girl for the Saints this year, receives her first bat from Coach Bev.



SAINT OUTFIELD -- Koni, Pam, Georgia and Barb ready for action in long season ahead.



NEW SAINT BALL BOYS -- Earl and Olen Petznick have a busy job retrieving all foul balls!



NEW SAINTS DISCUSS THE SEASON AHEAD!
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SAINT AWARDS 1970
"Spark Plug" -- Sandy Kelly
"Rookie of Year" -- Barb Quijada
"M.V.P." -- Lynn Mooney



PCWSL ALL-STARS 1970
Sandy Kelly
Betty McIlvain
Marilyn Rau



"THE GOOD SHEPHERDS" -- Joe and Jessie Shepard:
two of the many Saints fans who helped promote pre-season ticket sales.



In Memoriam:

The Saints have lost many wonderful fans since their arrival in Sun City. The entire team wishes to convey its condolences to all the bereaved relatives and friends of those wonderful people.

Much sympathy is extended to former Saint players Sharon Austerman, Dee Everhart and Betty McIlvain upon the passing away of their fathers this past winter.

A Special Message:

The Saints would like to acknowledge the following people for their efforts in making the Saints organization a success! Mr. John Meeker and Mr. Owen Childress for their assistance in facilitating our home park . . . Mr. Burt Freireich and Mr. Ed Freitag for their eccentric coverage of our games . . . Mr. Cecil Prather for his first class photography in the Saints program . . . Mr. Al Kurtz for his tremendous efforts in promoting and assisting the Saints . . . Charlie and Lillian Allen for their accomplishment in producing a dynamic '71 program . . . To the many people in Sun City who have done so many "little" things for the Saints . . . Mrs. Ann Gillum for her many hours spent in preparing a yearly scrap book for the Saints . . . Mr. Frank Miranda for his tremendous efforts in helping the team . . . And last, but not least, a very special thanks to Mr. Jim Bassett for all his help while we were at Peoria High School!

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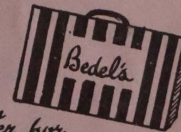
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10 & 11 - Denver, Colo. Sat. & Sun.
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JANUARY

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1971



Happy New Year

Apartment Set; Saints To Get Big New Park

Apartment are being constructed on the site of the Sun City Softball Park and a new park will rise north of Grand Avenue between 11th Avenue and the Agua Fria River.

Plans were announced this week by John W. Meeker, president of the Del E. Webb Development Co.

Work has already started on 158 one-bedroom apartments south of Grand Avenue between 108th and 111th Avenues. The site is immediately west of Grand Avenue Shopping Center, which at one time was considered for expansion in that direction.

The new apartment units, scheduled for completion next spring, will be used for the Webb Company's vacation special program. The existing 136 apartments, east of the Kings Inn at 107th and Grand Avenues, are getting maximum use, Meeker reported.

The vacation program offers prospective home buyers a one-week stay in furnished apartment. Vacationers are given free use of all recreational facilities as well as two rounds of golf, a continental breakfast, tours of Sun City and the Valley and a barbecue dinner. The seven-day stay is \$75 and \$50 during the summer months.

Excavation for a 3,000 capacity ball park for the Sun City Saints Softball team is under way. Plans call for terraced seating with permanent aluminum seats, dressing rooms with showers, restrooms and concession stands.

The new park is expected to be ready in time for the opening of the Saints softball season.



76 The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Sat., Jan. 30, 1971

G-STRINGS . Commissioners of the Amateur Softball Association of America meet at Tucson starting Wednesday and will consider Hall of Fame candidates — among whom is former PBSW Rambler Ricki Cato. If Ricki makes it, she will join three other members of the Ramblers in the honor hall: Amy Peralta, Margie Law and Dot Wilkinson. The three from one team already is a high unreachable by any other club. Ricki still resides in Phoenix, a partner in real estate with Miss Wilkinson.





WOW!

FEBRUARY

NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, February 3, 1971

Saints' M'Ilvain Retires

Betty McIlvain, a key member of the Sun City Saints since the women's softball team launched operations here four years ago, has announced her retirement.

Miss McIlvain last season served as Saints business manager and Pacific Coast Women's League secretary as well as playing right field regularly and first base when necessary.

A physical education teacher at Paradise Valley High School, she said "personal reasons along with a bit of old age" were keys to her decision.

"I wish I could thank each of our fans personally," she said. "I will miss them even more than the game."

VALENTINE'S DAY IS FEBRUARY 14th



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, February 17, 1971

Softball Saints To Begin Home Season With May Exhibitions

Sun City's softball Saints will come marching into the new 3,000 seat stadium May 15 to open their 1971 home schedule, coach Bev Dryer reported last week.

If all is well, that is. The only question mark is the new stadium, and Miss Dryer isn't worrying about that yet.

"If it's not ready, I don't know what we will do," Miss Dryer said. "I just hope it will be ready."

THE SAINTS will meet San Diego for an exhibition game May 15, and the two clubs will tangle again May 16. Pacific Coast League play will begin May 22 when the Orange, Calif., Lionettes travel to Sun City.

The new stadium has delayed home play by about five weeks, but the team hopes to schedule early-season exhibition games away from home. This year's league will consist of members Orange, Fresno, and Sunnyvale in California, Sun City, and associate member Tucson.

The Saints finished second in league play last season, then won the regional tournament for a berth in last year's national tournament at Stratford, Conn. The Saints failed, in the national, to make a strong showing.

GLENDALE NEWS-HERALD
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1971

**Sun City Saints
State Tryouts Sunday**

Tryouts for the Sun City Saints women's baseball team will be Sunday, Feb. 14 and Sunday, Feb. 21 at Washington Park behind Washington High School.

Any girl interested in playing with the team is invited to come either day, 1-3 p.m., said Coach Bev Dryer.

"IT'S TOO early to say how this year's team will finish," Miss Dryer said. "As far as I know, all the team except for Betty McIlvain will be returning. I have several good prospects for her spot on the team, but that won't be decided until after tryouts."

Tryouts will be held Sunday at 1 p.m. in Washington park. No members of the Saints' squad will be at the tryouts, however, except Miss Dryer.

Two members of the club are recovering from post-season operations, and both are expected to be in playing form when the season opens.

"Ginger has made a tremendous recovery,"

Miss Dryer stated in reference to shortstop Ginger Kurtz' knee operation. "Billie Harris is working out, and she is certain that she will be ready to pitch during the exhibition games."

The national tournament this season will begin Aug. 13 in Orlando, Fla. The regional will be in Sun City's new stadium, beginning Aug. 5.

The 1972 national tournament will be held in Tucson.



CHANGING WAYS
 For St. Valentine's Day
 We used to write rhymes.
 Yes, we made our own
 But not so in these times.
 The kiddies now
 Have lots of dough—
 Home-made things are not
 "in"
 We old "squares" should
 know.

Tho' roses are still red,
 And violets are blue,
 Love's sentiments are
 expressed
 In terms quite new.
 "I dig you Babe,"
 Is now the style,
 And, "Let's go to my pad,
 And smoke "pot" for a
 while.

Making our valentines,
 We kids had fun—
 And no one was sad
 Because he had none.
 But now, if they give them
 At all, anymore,
 They are the kind
 One buys in a store.

I'm not one to harp
 On the "Good Old Days,"
 But we weren't on drugs,
 Going around in a daze.
 If young folks are as
 smart
 As they claim to be—
 They wouldn't smoke
 "pot"
 It seems to me.

I liked the sentiments
 Expressed in rhyme,
 In the valentines we had
 Once upon a time.
 And our young folks now,
 I hope and pray—
 May learn to create,
 Not destroy—someday!

Richard M. Shreve
 Sun City



MARCH



March 17, 1971

Saints In Exile? No, Sir!

No, folks, the Sun City Saints aren't in exile.

There's a perfectly good reason they are ensconced at faraway Montfort Memorial Park in Sunnyslope (Eighth and Vogel streets) for their practice.

The girls are going at it from 1 to 3 p.m. Sundays in preparation for their opening games April 24-25 in Tucson.

The Saints simply don't have a ball park any more in Sun City, but in May that will all change. At that time the new Sun City stadium, a 3,000-seat bowl-type job, is expected to open. The old stadium, immediately west of Grand Avenue Shopping Center, has been removed and apartments are going up in its place.

The new stadium, which is on a 12-acre site at the north-west corner of 111th Avenue and Grand, has all the earmarks of a professional baseball facility. And in fact, the Del E. Webb Development Co. can see the possibility of it being used as a spring training site for a major league club in 1972.

Not only are the Sun City Saints' physical facilities improving, but Saint Coach Bev Dreyer has great hopes for a better team, hopes based primarily on everyone having a year more of experience.

Nearly everyone is back two outfielders are shaping up as pitching prospects for 1972 and there are two additions to the squad.



SAINTS WORKING OUT

The only loss for sure is Betty McIlvain, who is retiring after an outstanding career with the Saints. With them since the start, Miss McIlvain decided to retire after the death of her father. She has played first base and outfield, and also served last year as business manager.

Shortstop Ginger Kurtz, the team's sparkplug and leadoff batter last year, has taken over the managerial duties for Miss McIlvain.

Whether pitcher Shirley Marshall will be joining the team this year after her teaching stint in California, Miss Dreyer is not yet sure.

However, the coach sees mound possibilities in two of last year's outfielders, Paula Miller, who had pitched some before, and Betty Barr, a rookie last year.

"They've been pitching this winter and I think they look good," said Miss Dreyer.

The new members of the team are Becky Rice of Glendale Community College, who was "discovered" in tryouts, and Pam Swanson, a teacher at Phoenix Christian High School. Miss Swanson, a shortstop, likely will play the outfield because of a shoulder injury.

Miss Dreyer said that at this point, none of the positions are set, and, she indicated, there is always the possibility someone can edge out someone in the Saints' fine infield of catcher Marilyn Rau, first baseman Thelma Keith, second baseman Sandy Kelley, shortstop Ginger Kurtz and third baseman Lynn Mooney. But it's not likely.

Another addition to the team is someone who was there last year in a different role. Bat girl Konni Allen has been made a full-fledged team member and likely will play a utility outfield role. So Coach Dreyer is looking around for a new bat girl, preferable someone who might be nurtured into a player's role.

The pitching mainstay this year likely will be Billie Harris, backed up by Lou Kostielney, Miss Barr and Miss Miller, and Miss Marshall, if she plays.

The Pacific Coast League this year will have the Saints, Orange, Calif., and Fresno as regular members and Tucson's Roadrunners as an associate member.

Sun City will be the scene of the regional tournament Aug. 5-8 and Orlando, Fla., the site of the national tournament Aug. 20-23.

The Saints are scheduled to open in the new stadium May 15 and then play every weekend in May and June there, plus some week-day games.

The new stadium will have a paved lighted parking lot for 500 cars.

The field itself will be 23 feet below the parking lot level in a natural bowl. The outfield softball fence can be removed to make it a regular baseball field.

The full field will be 330 feet at the foul lines and 420 feet to the center field fence.

Two walls of the bowl will be terraced and concreted for 3,000 permanent aluminum seats, with extra space between rows for leg room and extra wide aisles.

Along the entire bench of the spectator seating will be a 30-foot high screen for protection against balls.

Lighting will be installed at the rear of permanent seats and the field will be equipped with an automatic sprinkler system.

There will be major league dugouts, recessed, and a modern locker room, showers and restrooms. A press box will be above the concession stand.



Wednesday, March 17, 1971

Saints Hold Spring Drills, Rookie Eyes Outfield Spot

Sun City's Saints have added 18-year-old Becky Rice to their squad, now prepping for the 1971 girls' softball season at Monfort Park in Sunnyslope.

Miss Rice, a physical education major at Glendale Community College, was recruited from the city recreation league. A versatile athlete, Miss Rice is a member of the college tennis squad.

Miss Rice will be a candidate to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of right fielder Betty McIlvain.

A question remains as to whether veteran pitcher Shirley Marshall will rejoin the squad for the 1971 season.

"WE DON'T know if Shirley will be returning or not," Coach Bev Dryer reported last week. "She is teaching in California right now, and we haven't received a definite 'yes' or 'no'."

The 1971 home season is scheduled to begin May 15 when the Saints meet San Diego at the new Sun City stadium, still being constructed. League play will begin May 22 when the Orange Lionettes travel to Sun City for a double header.

This year's infield will include veterans Marilyn Rau, Thelma Keith, Sandy Kelley, Ginger Kurtz, and 1970's most valuable player Lynn Mooney.

Holding two outfield positions will be Georgia Buelow and Barbara Quijada, 1970 rookie of the year.

VETERAN HURLERS Billie Harris and Lou Kostelny will return for mound duty with the Saints, while Paula Miller and Betty Barr will be candidates for the pitching

staff. Paula and Betty were utility infielders-outfielders last year.

The Saints will continue 1 p.m. Sunday practices at Monfort Park, located at 8th Street and Vogel, until a lighted field can be procured for evening practices.

The Orange Lionettes, the Fresno Rockets, and the Saints compose the 1971 Pacific Coast League, with the Tucson Roadrunners filling in as associate members.



Wednesday, March 31, 1971

Four 1970 Saints' Teammates Honored

Four members of the Sun City Saints softball squad were honored last week for achievements during last year's season.

Named to the Pacific Coast League all-star infield squad were second baseman Sandy Kelly and catcher Marilyn Rau. Betty

McIlvain, manager and right fielder for last year's team, was honored with the all-star utility award, and Saints' third sacker Lynn Mooney received the youth

THE YOUTH award goes to the league's top 18-year-old or under player.

The 1971 Saints will travel to Tucson the weekend of May 1 for back-to-back doubleheaders with the Tucson Roadrunners. The first home exhibition game

for the Saints will be May 4 in Harmon Park, located at 53th Avenue and Yavapai Avenue. The Saints will play a May 6 game at the same location.

It is hoped that the new stadium in Sun City will be completed for scheduled games the weekend of May 15-16.

PAM SWANSON, a teacher at Phoenix Christian High School, has been added to the Saints' squad. A seven-year softball veteran, Miss Swanson

can play both infield and outfield positions.

Area residents who wish to be Saints' boosters may send their names and \$1 to Bev Dryer, 2405 W. Tuckey Lane, Phoenix.



March 24, 1971

Thelma Keith Is Named Saint Business Manager

First baseman Thelma Keith has been named business manager of the Sun City Saints softball team.

Miss Keith succeeds Betty McIlvain, who returned from the team this season. Shortstop Ginger Kurtz has taken over publicity work for the Saints.

Last week's Citizen erroneously reported Miss Kurtz was new business manager.

The Saints are working out Sunday afternoons at Monfort Memorial Park in Sunnyslope.





APRIL

NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, April 7, 1971

All-American Joins Saints; Stadium Delay Now Official

Such a problem couldn't happen to a nicer girl. Sun City Saints coach Bev Dryer is trying to figure how to juggle her 1971 lineup to fit in a 1970 all-American player.

Expected to join the club in about nine days is Chris Miner, who won all-American shortstop honors as she helped the Portland Dr. Bernard's finish third in last August's national tournament at Stratford, Conn.

SHE BESTED Orange Lionettes captain Carol Spanks for all-American shortstop, a laurel which Miss Spanks had won about nine times previously.

Chris's performance last season was more remarkable because it was a comeback year for her. She had won all-American honors as a 19-year-old the first time. Later she became married and dropped out of softball, only to return in 1970.

Miss Miner first won all-American honors as a center fielder at age 15 in 1961. She repeated in 1962.

The Saints' memories of Miss Miner's activities at Stratford last year are not pleasant ones. It was she who knocked them out of the winner's bracket after the Sun Citians had built up a 3-0 lead. Portland rallied to tie in the seventh, then Chris's perfect squeeze bunt drove in the deciding run.

THELMA KEITH, Saints first baseman, reported 24-year-old Miss Miner has

been employed by the City of Phoenix recreation department for summer work and that she plans to attend Glendale Community College in the fall.

Where Miss Miner will play may be dependent upon how fully recovered is shortstop Ginger Kurtz from a December knee operation. It's possible the newcomer could go to left field, with Georgia Buelow moving to right. Right field is open because of the retirement of

Betty McIlvain.

Meanwhile, the Saints still have been practicing Sundays at Monfort Park, Sunnyslope, and casting about for a temporary "home" at which to play early-season games.

DEL E. WEBB, Development Co. officials have informed Miss Dryer that, despite a steady flow of assurances beginning last summer, the new Sun City stadium will not be ready for the Saints' home opener. Instead, June 15 is now considered a more likely completion date.

Miss Keith, successor to Miss McIlvain as the team's business manager, reported scheduling a pair of practice games at Harmon Park at Fifth Avenue and Yavapai in Phoenix. The Saints will face General Electric at 8:30 p.m. May 4 and the Phoenix Chargers at 8:30 p.m. May 6 in single games.

While the Sun Citians had their problems about a playing site, the Pacific Coast League's perennial champions, the Orange Lionettes, had their problems about fielding a team. Word has been received here that two Orange veteran starters, second baseman Rosemary Adams and hard-hitting left fielder Cece Ponce, have packed up their cleats and joined Stratford.

JERI SCHEER, who fractured an ankle during a

Saints' 1969 game and worked as a ticket taker and operated the scoreboard lights last season while recuperating, reinjured the ankle last winter.

She had it operated on last week and is recuperating in Room 507 at St. Luke's Hospital.



CHRIS MINER

friendlier now

Dee Everhart last week became the third Saint to lose her father in the past few months. The others were Sharon Austerman and Betty McIlvain. Recurring shoulder trouble forced Dee to retire after the 1969 season; Sharon sat out last year because of a leg fracture suffered in a 1969 sliding accident, and Betty last month announced her retirement.



Wednesday, April 7, 1971

Saints Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE
May 1, Sat.	Tucson Roadrunners	Away
May 2, Sun.	Tucson Roadrunners	Away
May 15, Sat.	San Diego Schooners	Home
May 16, Sun.	San Diego Schooners	Home
May 22, Sat.	Orange Lionettes	Home
May 23, Sun.	Orange Lionettes	Home
May 29, Sat.	Fresno Rockets	Home
May 30, Sun.	Fresno Rockets	Home
June 5, Sat.	Las Vegas Belles	Home
June 6, Sun.	Mammoth Rebels	Home
June 12, Sat.	Ariz. Umpires Assn.	Home
June 13, Sun.	Salt Lake City Shamrocks	Home
June 14, Mon.	Salt Lake City Shamrocks	Home
June 15, Tue.	Yakima Stealers	Home
June 19, Sat.	Yakima Stealers	Home
June 20, Sun.	Tucson Roadrunners	Home
June 21, Mon.	Tucson Roadrunners	Home
June 22, Tue.	J.F.K. College (Neb.) Patriettes	Home
June 26, Sat.	J.F.K. College Patriettes	Home
June 27, Sun.	San Diego Schooners	Home
July 3, Sat.	San Diego Schooners	Home
July 4, Sun.	Fresno Rockets	Away
July 5, Mon.	Fresno Rockets	Away
July 10, Sat.	Fresno Rockets	Away
July 11, Sun.	Denver	Home
July 17, Sat.	Denver	Home
July 18, Sun.	Huntington Park Blue Jays	Home
July 24, Sat.	Huntington Park Blue Jays	Home
July 25, Sun.	Orange Lionettes	Away
July 31, Sat.	Orange Lionettes	Away
Aug. 1, Sun.	Orange Lionettes	Home
Aug. 5, 6, 7 & 8	Orange Lionettes	Home
Aug. 14 & 15	Regional Tournament	Home
Aug. 20 - 28	To Be Announced	Home
	National Tournament	Orlando, Fla.

Wednesday, April 7, 1971

Saints To Play Games In Peoria

The Peoria school board approved a petition Monday to assure the Sun City Saints of a playing field during June.

The petition, submitted by Del E. Webb Development Co., property manager Gaylen Bartlett, asked for the use of the field during June. Bartlett stated that

the Webb company would pay utility costs and the cost of the field's upkeep.

The board unanimously agreed to allow Murphy to work out details for a month's use of the field.

The Saints had expected to play in the new Sun City stadium when their season opens next month.

SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA April 7, 1971

BALLPARK PROBLEMS ARISE

All-American Player Will Join Saints

For the Sun City Saints, there was good news and there was bad news this week.

The good news was the announcement by Coach Bev Dryer that Chris Miner, all-American shortstop from the Portland, Ore., team, is moving to the Valley and joining the Saints.

"She'll really help the team," declared Miss Dreyer, who noted that Miss Miner has made all-American at several positions, is an excellent

hitter and can play anywhere except catcher and first.

Just where she will play for the Saints Coach Dreyer has yet to decide. The Saints, for one thing, have a fine shortstop of their own, Ginger Kurtz.

Miss Miner, 24, is expected to arrive next week.

The bad news, conveyed by Lloyd Liken, Saints ball park custodian, is that Del E. Webb Development Co. officials have said the new ball park at 111th near Grand Avenue, in Sun City Phase II, will not be ready until mid-June.

As result, the Webb Co. got permission from the Peoria School Board Monday night to use the high school baseball diamond for Saint home games.

Because of the field situation, the Saints are getting a late start on their schedule, opening May 1, instead of about the middle of April as usual.

All May games except for May 1 and 2 are at home and all June contests are at home. The first home game is May 15.

Supt. Ira Murphy reported to the school board Monday night that the request from the Webb company was for use of school facilities during June.

However, apparently there was a mixup somewhere, for the field will be needed from the middle of May to the middle of June.

Another "bad news" report was the shoulder injury to one of the new members of the Saints, Pam Swanson, a teacher at Phoenix Christian High School.

The Saints are continuing Sunday afternoon practices at far-away Montfort Memorial Park in Sunnyslope, Eighth and Vogel streets.

Jeri Scheer In Hospital For Surgery On Leg

Jeri Scheer, who broke her ankle two years ago while a rookie for the Sun City Saints, has reinjured the leg playing basketball.

Miss Scheer underwent surgery recently and now is in St. Luke's Hospital, Room

In her first time at bat two years ago, she hit a home run.

Last year, while recovering from her injury, she helped the team by working at the ticket gate and on the scoreboard lights.

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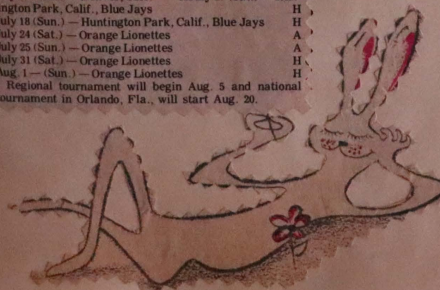
Here's Saints 1971 Schedule

The 1971 schedule of the Sun City Saints woman's softball team has been announced.

"H" denotes home game and "A" away. All games are double headers and home games begin at 7:30 p.m.

DATE	OPPONENT	WHERE
May 1 (Sat.)	Tucson Roadrunners	A
May 2 (Sun.)	Tucson Roadrunners	A
May 15 (Sat.)	San Diego Schooners	H
May 16 (Sun.)	San Diego Schooners	H
May 22 (Sat.)	Orange, Calif., Lionettes	H
May 23 (Sun.)	Orange, Calif., Lionettes	H
May 29 (Sat.)	Fresno, Calif., Rockets	H
May 30 (Sun.)	Fresno, Calif., Rockets	H
June 5	Las Vegas Belles	H
June 6 (Sun.)	Mammoth, Ariz., Rebels	H
June 12 (Sat.)	Salt Lake City Shamrocks	H
June 13 (Sun.)	Salt Lake City Shamrocks	H
June 14 (Mon.)	Yakima, Wash., Stealers	H
June 15 (Tues.)	Yakima, Wash., Stealers	H
June 19 (Sat.)	Tucson Roadrunners	H
June 20 (Sun.)	Tucson Roadrunners	H
June 21 (Mon.)	JFK College, Neb., Patriottes	H
June 22 (Tues.)	JFK College, Neb., Patriottes	H
June 26 (Sat.)	San Diego Schooners	H
June 27 (Sun.)	San Diego Schooners	H
July 3 (Sat.)	Fresno Rockets	A
July 4 (Sun.)	Fresno Rockets	A
July 5 (Mon.)	Fresno Rockets	A
July 10 (Sat.)	Denver, Colo.	H
July 11 (Sun.)	Denver, Colo.	H
July 17 (Sat.)	Huntington Park, Calif., Blue Jays	H
July 18 (Sun.)	Huntington Park, Calif., Blue Jays	H
July 24 (Sat.)	Orange Lionettes	A
July 25 (Sun.)	Orange Lionettes	A
July 31 (Sat.)	Orange Lionettes	H
Aug. 1	Orange Lionettes	H

Regional tournament will begin Aug. 5 and national tournament in Orlando, Fla., will start Aug. 20.



LINEUP NOT YET SET

Saints Eye Practice Contests In Phoenix

The Sun City Saints will put together a couple of practice games in Phoenix before their home openers against the San Diego Schooners May 15-16.

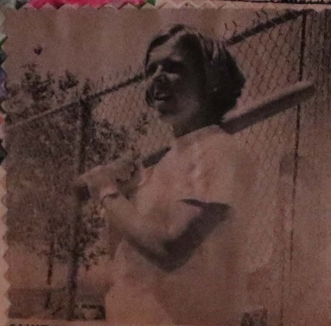
Until mid-June, the Saints will play their home games away from home — specifically at Peoria High School field. The home away from home is necessary because their new field in Sun City Phase II won't be ready until the middle of that month.

Coach Bev Dryer said the practice contests will be played at Harmon Park, South Fifth Avenue and Yavapai, Phoenix, against two recreation teams. On

Tuesday, May 4, the foe will be the Chargers and on May 6 Honeywell. Both games will start at 8 p.m.

The season actually will begin when the Saints travel to Tucson to take the Roadrunners on in a four-game set May 1-2.

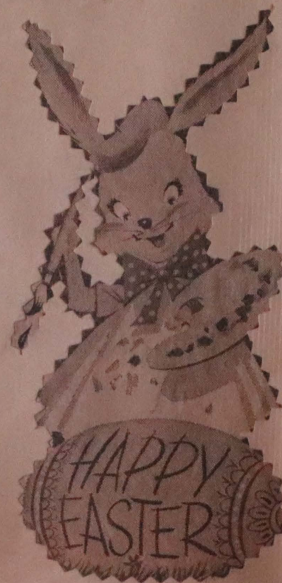
Coach Dryer said she has not yet decided upon a lineup, but called a practice Monday night in hopes of unscrambling things. She still faces the decision of where to play her latest acquisition — all-American Chris Miner, who is moving to the Valley from Portland, Ore. Miss Miner was named all-star shortstop in the nation last year, but has had similar honors at other positions.



SAINT DISCOVERY — Becky Rice, Glendale Community College student, is one of three new members of the Sun City Saints softball team. Miss Rice, who has played recreation ball in the Valley, was "discovered" during Saints tryouts this spring. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)



SPIRIT OF NATION—Cross and U.S. flag are caught in spirit of "One Nation Under God."



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

April 21, 1971

Chris Causes Problem, But How Sweet It Is!

Sun City Saint Coach Bev Dryer is faced with a problem, but, alas, a happy one.

It is where to play the team's latest addition, Chris Miner, a windfall that could make the Saints a real national contender.

Miss Miner, who began practicing with the Saints last Sunday, has tremendous softball credentials for a 24-year-old. Last year, as shortstop for Dr. Bernard's Portland, Ore., team she was named all-American in 1961 and 1962, playing for the

Portland Florists, the predecessor to Dr. Bernard's, she was an all-American centerfielder, and three years later she was named to the second team all-American.

Miss Miner said she prefers to play shortstop, but

even she may not be able to break into the Saints' fine infield, perhaps the finest in the nation.

The Saints' shortstop is Ginger Kurtz, who was slowed by a knee injury last year but is going at full tilt now.

Coach Dryer had not made a final decision where to place Miss Miner, but speculated that it would probably be in the outfield.

In addition to being a proficient fielder, Miss Miner is a strong hitter, having batted third in the Portland lineup. She is a long ball hitter, and likely will bat near the top of the order for the Saints.

The Saints will practice Sunday, from 1 to 3 p.m., at Peoria High School field,

where they will play their home games until the new Sun City park is completed in Phase II.

The team will play at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at Papago School, to kick off the recreation program there. The teams will exchange batteries to make things more even.

NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, April 21, 1971

LOU, SHIRLEY RETIRE

Hill Staff Decimated

One-third of the Sun City Saints' veteran pitching staff remains today, and Coach Bev Dryer is testing three youngsters who would like to make the conversion to hill duty.

Veteran Lou Kostelney, mainstay of the Saints' mound corps since the club moved here from Phoenix four years ago, announced her retirement and now is devoting her time to coaching the Saints' new farm club.

To make matters worse, word has arrived from California that Shirley Marshall won't arrive from California. The physical education instructor reportedly has been having back trouble and won't rejoin the team.

THAT LEAVES Billie Harris, who two years ago won the most valuable player award in the national tournament while toiling for Yakima, Wash. Billie was less than her usual self in the last half of the 1970

campaign because of a heel wound received in a first-base spiking episode.

Miss Harris underwent surgery in December, and Coach Dryer hopes she'll be ready to operate at full capacity this season.

Meanwhile, Bev has been trying out Betty Barr, Paula Miller, and Georgia Buelow in hopes of getting some backup strength for Billie. Georgia last year won a starting berth in left field. Paula saw considerable action as a right field and first base reservist, and Betty filled in at second base and elsewhere for injured players.

THE SAINTS got their

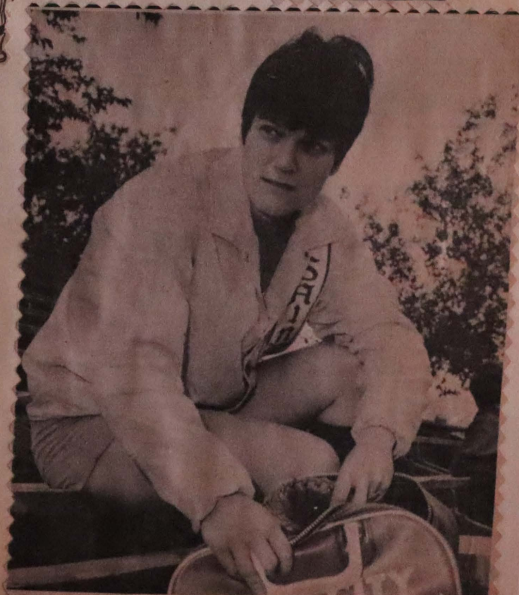
first look at their new all-American shortstop, Chris Miner. The erstwhile Portland player arrived Saturday night and participated in her first workout Sunday. Chris could fill an outfield spot—one was vacated by Betty McIlvain's retirement—or may supplant Ginger Kurtz at shortstop.

Ginger has been working out with a knee brace, a result of December surgery, and she may move to the outfield where chores would be less demanding on the troubled knee.

The Saints will hold their first workout at the Peoria High field at 1 p.m. Sunday.



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WELCOME, CHRIS — Chris Miner, all-American shortstop from Dr. Bernard's Portland, Ore., team, un-

packs her bag for her first practice with Sun City Saints. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, April 28, 1971

SC Saints To Launch Exhibition Play May 4

The Sun City Saints will play two exhibition softball games next week in Phoenix.

On May 4 the Saints will face the Phoenix Chargers in an 8:30 p.m. contest at Phoenix's Harmon Park, 24th Avenue and Yavapai. The Saints will face the General Electric Honeywell team in an 8:30 p.m. contest May 6.

Both games will be played to help raise money for the city recreation department. While the games are admission-free, the recreation department will take the proceeds from concession sales.

A scheduling conflict with

the Tucson Roadrunners has caused the Saints to move their first league contests at Tucson to the weekend of May 8-9. In the Saints schedule, published in the April 7 issue of the News-Sun, the opening games at Tucson were scheduled for May 1-2.

The conflict occurred when the Roadrunners scheduled games with the Saints and the San Diego Schooners on the same weekend.

The Saints will play back-to-back doubleheaders in Tucson before opening home play May 15.



CAN THEY CLICK? If either one or both of these girls clicks on the mound the Sun City Saints figure to be a national contender. That's Paula Miller on the left and Betty Barr on the

right. Both will be pitching for the first this season. For more news of the Saints, turn to page 26. (Sun City Citizen Photo)



Season Tickets On Sale For Saint Home Games

Season tickets for Sun City Saints home games are on sale, for \$20, and fans are urged to obtain them as soon as possible. They may be obtained from Miller's Men's Shop, 3754 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale, or by writing Coach Bev Dryer, 2605 W. Tuckeye Lane, Phoenix. Checks should be made out to the Sun City Saints.

The season tickets may be obtained at the gate on game nights. Also available will be 12-ticket books for \$10 and single game tickets at \$1 for adults.

The season tickets represent a \$4 saving and the 12-ticket books a \$2 saving.

The advanced tickets are good for all home games, except regional play.

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April 28, 1971

Saints Go With Same Infield, Miner In Outfield

The Sun City Saints will open their season with the same infield as last year, will add an all-American player to the outfield and will rely on one veteran pitcher and two brand-new ones.

That's how things shape up with the Saints' opener still a couple of weeks ago — at Tucson against the Roadrunners May 8 and 9.

However, fans can see the team in action before that in three exhibition games in Phoenix.

The first will be at 7 p.m.

Thursday at Papago School, 2013 N. 36th St., to open a recreation program. The teams will exchange batteries to help even things up.

The Saints will play two games to benefit the Central City Girls Softball League.

They will meet the Chargers Tuesday, May 4, and the Honeywell team Thursday, May 6, both at 7:30 p.m. and both at Harmon Park, Fifth Avenue and Yavapai.

Coach Bev Dryer said that as things now stand she will go with Marilyn Rau at catcher, Thelma Keith at first, Sandy Kelley at second, Ginger Kurtz at short and Lynn Mooney at third — the same infield that performed so admirably last season.

Chris Miner, who joined the team this season after making all-American teams three times as a Portland, Ore. player, will play centerfield.

Barbara Quejada, who played center as a rookie last year, will be moved to left, and Georgia Buelow, last year's leftfielder, will be in

right. Betty McIlvain, last year's rightfielder, has retired.

The pitching is perhaps the team's biggest question mark. Lefty Billie Harris will, of course, be the mainstay.

But two girls new to pitching, Betty Barr and Paula Miller, will have to come through if the Saints are going to win consistently in league play. Miss Barr, as a rookie, played some outfield, some infield and pinch hit last year. Miss Miller came through with some important games at catcher in 1970 when injuries forced

Miss Dryer to shuffle the lineup.

"The kids look darn good," Coach Dryer said of his two new pitchers. But she admitted she doesn't know how they will perform in game situations.

The Saints will be without the slow and deceptive deliveries of Lou Kostielney, who retired this year to handle the Little Saints, a sort of farm team playing in the Phoenix recreation program. Also, apparently Shirley Marshall, the fast pitching and tricky pitching rightfielder, won't be with the Saints.

Coach Dryer believes the over-all team has improved from last year in both fielding and hitting.

The first home games won't be until May 15-16 against the San Diego, Calif. Seabrokers. Until about the middle of June, home games will be played at Peoria High School field, where the Saints practiced for the first time last Sunday.

The season's opening game had originally been scheduled for Tucson May 1-2, but the Roadrunners discovered they had Orange, Calif. in for those dates.



SING WHILE YOU DRIVE

Remember this one? It's entitled, "Sing While You Drive," and it reads:

At 45 miles per hour, sing "Highways Are Happy Ways".
At 55 miles, sing "I'm a Stranger Here, Heaven Is My Home".
At 65 miles, sing "Nearer, My God, to Thee".
At 75, "When he Roll is called Up Yonder".
At 85, sing "Lord, I'm Coming Home".





BARBARA SHIFTED — Barbara Quijada, a rookie last year, promises to be better hitter this season. The Maryvale girl has been shifted to left field to make room for all-American Chris Miner, who will patrol center. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)



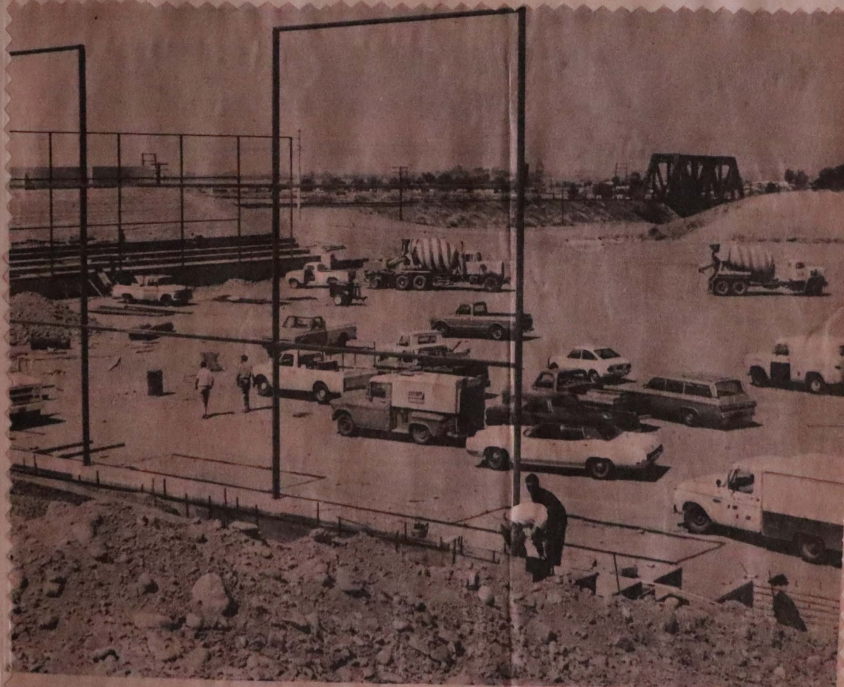
BILLIE WAITS TURN — Billie Harris assumes familiar sitting-on-bat stance while waiting her turn at the plate during Sun City Saint practice. Miss Harris will carry big load this year as Saints' only experienced pitcher. (SUN City Citizen Photo)

MAY



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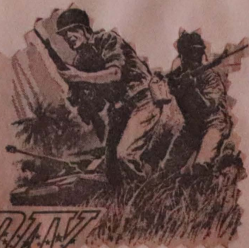
WORK PROCEEDS at Sun City's new ballpark near 111th Avenue north of Grand Avenue. Metal framework for protecting screen behind home plate and along baselines has been erected. Latest schedule calls for

completion in June. Meanwhile, Sun City Saints girls softball team will use Peoria High field for home games, starting with 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders May 15 and 16 against San Diego Schooners.



*At this special time, we pause to honor
those valiant servicemen who gave up life
that peace might prevail. Their memory
lives on in the hearts of all.*

MEMORIAL DAY



Saints Open In Tucson Saturday

The Sun City Saints girls softball team moves into scheduled play Saturday and Sunday with some big pluses over last year, but also with some potential minuses.

The Saints open their season about a half month late—against the Tucson Roadrunners at Santa Rosa Park, 1000 S. 10th Ave., Tucson. Two games will be played Saturday and two

Sunday, with the sets beginning at 7:30 p.m. The Roadrunners are in the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League, but only as associate members, meaning the games won't count in the league standings.

The first home games will be against the San Diego Schooners the following weekend at Peoria High School field, where the Saints will be playing until their name stadium is completed in Sun City.

However, fans wishing to see the Saints in action before that may attend an

exhibition game they will play against Honeywell at Harmon Park, Fifth Avenue and Yavapai, Phoenix.

The Saints' biggest plus over last year is embodied in 24-year-old Chris Miner, an all-American shortstop for Dr. Bernard's Portland, Ore., team last year. Miss Miner, a fine all-around player, will be playing centerfield for the Saints.

Certainly the biggest question mark is the Saints'

mound staff, although Coach Bev Dryer believes everything will work out fine.

The only experienced hurler is southpaw Bill Harris, Lou Kostelny has retired and Shirley Marshall is not expected to join the team because of a back injury. The three last year led the Saints into second place in the league and into national playoff competition.

Whether Betty Barr and Paula Miller can fill the gaps

only time will tell. Both show they can throw the ball hard, but in her first outing last week Miss Barr lost her control to permit five runs pitching against her own Saints.

"I think they'll be all right," said Coach Dryer confidently.

Anyhow they will get a chance against stronger competition in Tucson.

Miss Dryer has said she

will use the same infield as last year—Marilyn Rau behind the plate, Thelma Keith at first, Sandy Kelley at second, Ginge Kurtz at short and Lynn Mooney at third.

Patrolling outfield will be Miss Miner in center, Barbara Quijada in left and Georgia Buelow in right.

Miss Quijada suffered a ankle injury at school but is expected to be ready for Tucson.

SAINTS IN EXHIBITION

Miss Barr Shows Speed, Little Control In Debut

The pitching debut of the Sun City Saints' Betty Barr and Paul Miller last week was less than impressive, although they both showed they throw hard enough to be effective.

The Saints engaged in their first formal game of the season at Papago School in Phoenix against a recreation team, the Papago Belles, with batteries being swapped.

It meant Miss Barr, Miss Miller and the Saints' ace, Balle Harris, pitched against their own team. For the record the Saints won 7-5 in a game which was played to signal to opening of the recreation program at the school.

Miss Barr, a rookie who played some infield and outfield last year, worked three innings and permitted only one hit, by second sacker Sandy Elley.

But she walked eight batters and hit another, the result being five runs in the second inning.

Miss Miller pitched the last two innings, allowed one hit, two runs, hit one batter and struck out one.

Miss Harris blanked the Saints in her two innings. She struck out four and surrendered two hits.

If there was one the batting star was

If there was one the batting star was Miss Barr who got credit for a homer batting for the Belles.

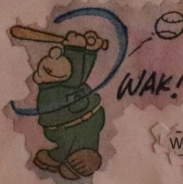
Chris Miner, the all-

American who joined the Saints this year after an outstanding career in Portland, Ore., didn't have a particularly good night.

She struck out, walked, grounded out to the pitcher and golfed one of Miss Harris' pitches into center for a hit.

Miss Miner also committed an error when she permitted a grounder to get by her in center field.

The Saints actually were not at full strength.



Fans Urged To Obtain Season Tickets Early

Fans are urged to get their Sun City Saints season tickets early.

Bev Dryer, Saints coach, pointed out that home games early in the season will be played at Peoria High School field where arrangements for season tickets will be difficult to make.

Here is where they may be obtained: Miller's Men Shop, 5754 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale; Sun City Photo Shop, Arrowhead Mall, 96th Avenue and Peoria.

By writing Bev Dryer, 2405 W. Tuckey Lane, Glendale, Or by calling Lloyd Liken at 933-9916.

Checks should be made payable to the Sun City Saints. Season tickets are \$20, and 12-ticket books may be obtained for \$10. Single night tickets are \$1 for adults.

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NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, May 5, 1971

Practice Tilts Hone Saints For Inaugural

The Sun City Saints opened 1971 activity with a 7-4 practice game win over the Papago Boosters last week.

Played as a benefit for the recreation-team Boosters at Papago Field, the Saints juggled the lineup to afford team members to adjust to various fielding and batting combinations.

"Paula Miller and Betty Barr looked fine," Coach Bev Dryer reported after the game. "It was the first time either of them had pitched, and I think we can expect a great deal from both of them this season."

THE SAINTS will tune up for back-to-back doubleheaders this weekend at Tucson with two exhibition contests—the first of which was held last night. The Saints will play the General Electric Honeywell team tomorrow at 8:30 p.m. at Phoenix's Harmon Park in a benefit

game for the Phoenix recreation department, and the Saints battled the Phoenix Chargers last night.

"We're letting everyone play in these exhibition games," Miss Dryer said. "Our first game allowed us to find out a great deal about the team."

MISS DRYER reported that tickets may be purchased at four locations for this year's play. In Sun City, tickets may be purchased from Lloyd Liken, 12425 Cherry Hills Dr. W. (933-5916) or at the Sun City Photo Shop in Arrowhead Mall.

Tickets also may be purchased from Miller's Men's Shop, 5754 W. Glendale Ave., and from Miss Dryer at 2405 Tuckey Lane, Phoenix.

Sun Citizens may purchase a season's pass for \$20, a pass that allows them to view all games except the

regional tournament at a \$4 savings.

A 12-TICKET pass may be purchased for \$10. Sun Citizens may buy individual tickets at the games.

Checks may be made payable to the Sun City Saints.

The Saints will open home play May 15 and 16 at Peoria High with consecutive 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders against the San Diego Schooners. All May home contests will be played at Peoria.



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY





Glendale News-Herald

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 1971



SUN CITY SAINTS—The Saints are back in full swing this year. Last year the all-girl softball team placed seventh in the nation. (By Prather's)

The Saints Come Marching

by GINGER KURTZ

Betty Barr.

Success in 1971? The Sun City Saints women's softball team is back and in rare form. Returning familiar faces for the Saints infield will be veterans Marilyn Rau, Thelma Keith, Sandy Kelley, Ginger Kurtz, and Lynn Mooney.

This year's outfield will consist of returning left-fielder Georgia Buelow and centerfielder Barbara Quijada. Veteran Betty McIlvain, who has been a permanent fixture out in right field, will retire her glove this year, which has left the right field position open for new prospects.

Also, returning this year will be utility Konnie Allen. On the mound this year will be All-American Billie Harris, with 'Iron Arm' Lou Kostelney going into retirement.

This leaves Billie Harris with a great deal of work ahead of her. Two new faces will be trying their hand at pitching, Paula Miller and

There will be three newcomers to the team. Outfielders Becky Rice, Chris Miner, and Pam Swanson.

This year's Pacific Coast League will be made up of last year's league champs, the Orange Lionettes, the Fresno Rockets and the Sun City Saints, with associate members, the Tucson Roadrunners.

The Saints opened their season with exhibition games at Harmon Park, South 5th Ave. and Yavapai on the 4th and 5th of May at 7:30 p.m.

The Saints opened their league play with the Tucson Roadrunners in Tucson on May 8.

Saints schedules can be acquired at home games and at Millers Men Shop here.

Tickets for the Saints games are now on sale. Anyone can purchase season passes that will be good for all games except for the regional tournament.

This will be the Saints sixth year on the field. There are 14 players plus the coach. The Saints will be playing 80 games this season. Last year the Saints were seventh in the nation.



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Wednesday, May 12, 1971

Clowns, Saints Slated For TV

Emcee Jerry Svendsen will interview Sun City George Thompson about his clown collection and Saints' coach Bev Dryer and player Barbara Keyada will discuss the coming softball season during today's edition of the Sun City Showcase.

The television program will begin at 7 p.m. on KPAZ-TV, Channel 21.

May 12, 1971

SC Saints Erase Pitching Worries With 4-Game Sweep Over Tucson



Sun City Saints' coach Bev Dryer worried about her pitching all the way to Tucson.

Four games later and the worries were over.

Led by four complete-game pitching performances and a 42-run batting barrage, the Sun City Saints swept a four-game set from the Tucson Roadrunners and upped their exhibition softball record to 7-0.

TO MISS Dryer, the pitching was sweeter than pecan fudge laffy.

While a strong performance was expected from seasoned veteran Billie Harris, the hurling of Paula Miller and Betty Barr was a question mark. But when the dust had cleared and the final results were tabulated, Miss Miller had twirled a three-hitter and Miss Barr had triumphed with an 8-5 win.

While Miss Miller left no doubt of her mastery in gaining a 13-1 win, Miss Barr struggled through seven walks in nabbing the second win of the series. The seven walks were costly and figured in all the Tucson Saints a 4-0 margin in the scoring, but the Saints won just the same.

With 13-1, 8-5, 9-5, and 13-1 wins over Tucson added to 26-3 and 13-0 wins earlier in the week, Coach Dryer had reason to smile all the way home from Tucson.

THE PATTERN of the Tucson series was established in the first inning of the first game. Rookie Chris Miner slammed a triple to open the game, then was nailed at the plate on an attempted squeeze.

While Miss Miner was out at the plate, however, shortstop Ginger Kurtz was safe at first on the fielder's choice. After Tucson second baseman Irene Tapia hobbled Lynn Mooney's grounder, placing runners on first and second, Miss Rau blasted her first of four game hits with a screaming two-run triple.

Thelma Keith followed with a single for the inning's third run, and the slaughter had started.

The final score was 13-1. Billie Harris fired superb six-hit ball and lofted a solo home run while Miss Rau's triple, double, and two singles paced a 15-hit Saints' attack.

THE SAINTS added an 8-5 win Saturday as Betty Barr added an eight-hit performance in her first pitching role.

Tucson jumped to a 3-1 lead in the second game on pitcher Helda Flores running scoring first-inning single and a two-run single by Miss Flores in the third.

But the game changed in the fourth. After mustering only one hit and one run in the first three innings, Miss Mooney led off the fourth with a double. Miss Rau singled the run home, then advanced on Miss Keith's one-bagger. Both runners scored when Sandy Kelley's fly to center was muffed by Tucson's Bev McIntyre.

The Saints added two more in the fifth on Barbara Quijada's triple and picked up insurance runs in the sixth and seventh.

THE THIRD game was an exercise in futility for the Saints until the magic fourth. After nabbing seven hits in the first three innings and finding themselves scoreless, Miss Kurtz caromed a grand-slam home run to right to give the Tucson Saints a 4-0 margin in the top of the fourth.

Miss Rau's two-run triple keyed a three-run sixth-inning and right fielder Connie Allen's clutch seventh-inning bingle added two more as the Saints carved a 9-5 win.

Billie Harris went the distance for the Saints, yielding nine hits including a lead-off seventh-inning home run to Tucson pitcher Helda Flores.

Paula Miller fashioned a three-hitter in the nightcap as the Saints completed the sweep with another convincing 13-1 wallop. The Saints scored three in the first, added four in the fourth, then added to the total in each of the final three frames.

ALL WAS not roses for the Saints, however. Rookie Chris Miner was injured in the second game after a collision with Barbara Quijada, and Miss Miner's appearance in the opening home series this weekend is doubtful.

Four other Saints' regulars will be absent

Saturday and Sunday against the San Diego Schooners. Marilyn Rau, Ginger Kurtz, Georgia Beulow, and Paula Miller, all members of the Arizona State University softball squad, will travel to Omaha, Neb., this weekend to participate in the college softball world series.

Peoria games will be played on the baseball field between the high school and the new gymnasium, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sun Citizens viewing the game

can park in the gymnasium parking lot and walk to the bleachers.

Total seating at Peoria will be 1,110. Concessions will be sold, and a water fountain will be in the bleacher area.

The Saints are installing a temporary score board and public address system for the games and three security guards will be employed.

The Saints will be unable to use the new Sun City stadium until possibly July.



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

May 12, 1971

SHEPARD'S BIG TICKET SELLERS

A Sun City couple has sold and delivered more than 60 12-ticket books for Sun City Saints games.

They are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shepard, who can be reached for season or 12-ticket books at 933-6962.

Other Sun Citizens selling tickets are Ray Chennault at 933-6065; James Bassett at 933-2903; and Frank Miranda at 933-8190.

Home Opener To Be Missed By 4 Players

Four Sun City Saint starters will miss their opening home game over the weekend to play for Arizona State University in the Girls Softball World Series in Omaha, Neb.

They are catcher Marilyn Rau, George Beulow, Paula Miller and Ginger Kurtz.

The double-elimination tournament begins Thursday. ASU is state champion.



MEMORIAL DAY salute is given by Vern

Sperry, Navy veteran of both World Wars



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

May 12, 1971

PEORIA HIGH GAME SITE UNTIL STADIUM READY

Saints Open At Home Saturday

The Sun City Saints will open home play Saturday and Sunday against the San Diego, Calif., Schooners, with a couple of new things — come new players and a new field. A doubleheader will be played each night beginning at 7 o'clock.

The new field is not actually new — it's the Peoria High School baseball diamond, converted for Saints softball play, plus additional bleachers and other facilities.

The high school field will be used until the Del E. Webb Development Co. completes the Saints' new stadium at 13440 N. Del Webb Boulevard, a \$296,000 undertaking.

For the first time, Sun City fans will have an opportunity to see all-American Chris Miner in a Saints uniform. Miss Miner, who will be playing in left field, was named all-American shortstop last year as a member of the Dr. Bernard Portland, Ore., team.

Fans also will see the Saints' two new pitchers, although they were with the team last year in different capacities. Betty Barr and Paula Miller will be chucking them for the Saints, as back up to lefty Billie Harris. Otherwise, Coach Bev Dryer will field about the same team as last year.

Season tickets are available at \$20, and 12-ticket books may be obtained for \$10 at:
+ The gates on game nights.

+ Sun City Photo Shop, Arrowhead Mall, 99th Avenue and Peoria
+ Miller's Men Shop, 5754 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale.

+ By writing Bev Dryer, 2405 W. Tuckey Lane, Glendale.

+ By calling Lloyd Liken at 933-5916. Checks are to be made payable to Sun City Saints.



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

Peoria High Getting All Comforts Of Home Field

Thanks largely to the Sun City Saints' jack-of-all-trades, Lloyd Liken, the Peoria High School field will have all the comforts of a home facility when the Saints open play Saturday night.

The field can be reached by traveling on Grand Avenue to 83rd Avenue in Peoria, turning north on 83rd and continuing to the high school access road (see map).

The road is to be followed first west, then north until the field is seen.

No parking will be permitted on any grass area, except north of the new gymnasium. A large asphalt parking lot is available immediately west of the gymnasium.

The school has bleachers for only 200 behind the plate. Liken and his crew are adding another 850, to give the field a capacity of 1,110.

Tickets will be sold at the main entrance to the high school at 83rd Avenue.

Liken pointed out provisions are being made for a concession stand, there

is a water fountain on the west side of the backstop and restrooms will be available on the east side of the new gymnasium. There is a public telephone on the north end of the cafeteria.

Under Liken's direction, 210 feet of fence is being put in front of the bleachers, a temporary scoreboard and flag pole are being erected, and lights are being added.

Scorekeepers bench, players benches and bat racks are being installed.

The baseball pitching mound is being removed, grass sod is being stripped out for base paths and grass is being scalped outside the base paths.

A public address system will be put up, but it will have to be taken down each evening after the games.

Three security guards will be on duty, Liken said.



ASU gals in softball series

By FRANK GIANELLI

Any day now expect the headline:

"Sun Devils Win College World Series at Omaha" . . . And it may come true in baseball. Later.

But this one'll be in softball. . . And women's, at that.

Because the Devillettes from ASU go into the Third Women's College World Series this weekend one of the top-rated clubs among the 28 competing.

They take a final tuneup against the Phoenix Sandettes

at Smith Park, 41st Ave. and Sherman, tonight before flying to Omaha for start of the tournament Friday.

Paula Miller will pitch — for two reasons.

She's good. And she's the only pitcher.

And the rest of the gals, more than half from the Valley and stars in summer leagues, have been helping whomp everything in sight.

The ASU gals beat the strong Mesa Jaydettes the other night, 9-1. And last weekend at Tucson they won the state collegiate title beating UofA, 13-1, and Cochise College, 16-0.

Half of financing for the series trip comes from the women's athletic department — the rest from donations, cookie sales, and just plain wheeling surpluses from other ASU friends.

The top performers are Marilyn Rau, catcher with the Sun City Saints and a Pacific Coast League all-star the past three years, and third baseman Judy Hoke, who plays for the Phoenix West-erners.

Miss Hoke was Southwest regional all-star the past two years and last year at the National Invitational at Houston was named all-star and won the batting title. This year she joins a U.S. State Department team made up of Arizona all-stars for an exhibition series in New Zealand.

Other ASU squad members are: Ginger Kurtz, shortstop; Chris Price, second; Cassie Hayes, first; Georgia Buelow, Kathy McGlynn and Sue Halter, outfield; Cindy Mikol, utility; and Mary Bea Porter, Lynn Kolstad, Sandy Fenn, Penny Estes.



SUN CITY
SUN DEVILS

May 12, 1971

BILLY WHOPPER, COLLISION FOR MISS MINER

Saints Clobber 'Runners With Big Bats, Hustle

The Sun City Saints took the beep-beep out of the Tucson Roadrunners last weekend by sweeping four games in Tucson with some lusty hitting, pretty fair pitching and great hustle.

In fact, center fielder Chris Miner, playing her first games for the Saints, hustled herself right out of the lineup with a leg injury.

Miss Miner, an all-American with Portland, Ore., last year, smacked a triple to lead off the first game, then injured her leg trying to take home. Later in the game, she dove for a short fly ball, got a hold on it, slid on her belly to the infield, the ball getting away from her.

After sitting out part of the first contest, she collided with leftfielder Barbara Quijada going for a flyball in the second game and was held out of the doubleheader on Sunday including homers by Miss Harris and shortstop Ginger Kurtz, two triples by Chris Miner, two triples and two doubles by catcher Marilyn Rau and two triples by Miss Quijada.

X-rays showed she was only bruised, and she is expected to be in the lineup this weekend.

Opening their regular season, the Saints shellacked the Roadrunners, 12-1, 8-5, 9-1 and 13-1, with lefty Billie Harris winning the first and third games on a six-hitter and a five-hitter.

Betty Barr, a utility infielder-outfielder last season, came through in fine fashion in the second game. Pitching her first regular game, she permitted only four hits, struck out four and walked seven, although her pitches were always close to the plate.

Another newcomer to the mound, Paula Miller, did even better. She chucked a three-hitter in the final game, striking out three and walking two.

Offensively, the Saints put on quite a show, significant in that the Roadrunners the weekend before had lost only 20 and 44 to the world champion Orange Lions.

For their 42 runs, the Saints pounded out 97 hits, including homers by Miss

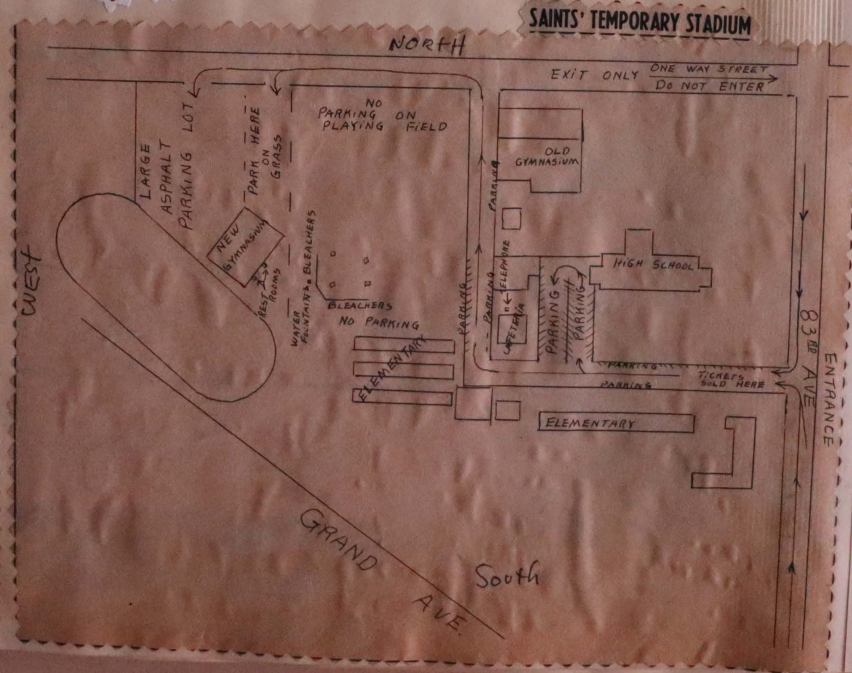
Harris and shortstop Ginger Kurtz, two triples by Chris Miner, two triples and two doubles by catcher Marilyn Rau and two triples by Miss Quijada.

Meanwhile, Tucson could manage only eight runs and 18 hits off Saint hurling.

First baseman Thelma Keith herself got more than half as many hits as Tucson

put together — 10 in 16 times at bat. Miss Rau was 9 for 18, Miss Quijada 7 for 13, Miss Harris 6 for 8, Miss Kurtz 6 for 15, and third baseman Lynn Mooney 5 for 14.

Tucson led 3-1 going into the fourth inning of the second game. But in the fourth, successive hits by Miss Mooney, Miss Rau and Miss Keith, and an error, put the Saints in front to stay.





SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

May 19, 1971



Saints Sail By Schooners 4 Games

BILLIE HARRIS, CHRIS MINER BIG GUNS

Double plays in three successive innings, five straight hits, a pitcher who is beating a callus on her leg and two runners on third base — at the same time.

That's how it went, as far as highlights are concerned, as the Sun City Saints sunk the good ship Schooner, San Diego, Calif., version, in a four-game softball set last weekend played in the unfamiliar surroundings of Peoria High School.

The scores were 4-0, 8-0, 5-0 and 10-5, with Saint pitcher Billie Harris and the team's sparkling addition from Portland, Ore., Chris Miner, emerging as the standouts.

Billie Harris did her thing in the first and third games — both shutouts — allow two hits in the first and four in the second. She was in complete control of both situations, and her change-up was working particularly well in the opener.

As for Chris Miner, an All-American at Portland last year, it was an impressive home debut — six hits in 13 tries, including two home runs.

Young Betty Barr, from Maryvale way, fashioned an impressive four-hitter in the opener. In the second she courted trouble all the way, but still won easily. She walked six and hit one batter, but permitted only two hits.

Miss Barr's delivery finds the ball hitting against her leg much of the time. And obviously by the end of her second game it was smarting.

The Saints, who have now won eight straight games without a loss, drew near 500 fans than that Sunday at Peoria High, where they will play their home games until their new stadium is completed in Sun City.

Sunday's games were the more interesting. The opener saw the Saints turn over double plays in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings, each one after a San Diego Schooner batter had reached base on an error.

Also in the Sunday opener, Sandy Kelley and Barb Quijada found themselves on the same base — third — while runners, an embarrassing situation which cost the Saints an out.

The nightcap Sunday saw the Saints behind for the first time 2-1 going into the bottom of the third inning.

But then Pat Conway, a former Saint who returned for the set to fill in for catcher Marilyn Rau, opened the Saint third with a single. Miss Miner rapped a hit to left and Barbara Quijada pointed for a safety, to load the bases.

Third baseman Lynn Mooney, who had gone 0-9 up to that point, crashed a triple to left center, scoring three runs. She herself was out trying to stretch it into a homer.

That gave the Saints a 4-2 edge, and they went on to score four more in that fifth and two in the sixth, the result of three hits and a passel of errors.

In all, Sun City collected nine hits and San Diego committed seven errors, which told the story.

In the first game Sunday night, the Saints amassed 11 safeties, including Miss Miner's second homer of the series, this one with one runner on.

Actually, the Saints didn't score until the fourth when hits by Sandy Kelley, Miss Quijada and Miss Conway produced a run.

A Saint rookie, Becki Rice, collected a couple of hits in the game, as did Connie Allen, last year's bat-girl, and Miss Harris.

The Saints outscored their opponent 27-5 and outlast the visitors 31-12.

And they did it all without the services of three regular starters and a pitcher — shortstop Ginger Kurts, catcher Marilyn Rau, outfielder Georgia Beulow and pitcher Paula Miller. They were in Omaha, Neb., representing Arizona State University in the college girls softball world series.

First baseman Thelma Keith hit for the best average in the series — seven for 13, all singles. Miss Conway went four for 11.

In the first game Saturday night, Billie Harris spun a two-hit shutout, using her changeup to great advantage. She retired the first 15 Schooner batters, 10 of them through strikeouts.

The big bats were wielded by Chris Miner, whose shot in the fourth inning went over the left fielder's head

for a home run. Miss Miner also opened the game with a single and ultimately scored the first run as result of an error.

Sandy Kelley smashed a triple and a single also scored a run. The three-bagger came in the second and Miss Kelley was brought around on a single by Becki Rice, who scored later on an error.

Betty Barr pitched a strong four-hit shutout in the second game Saturday night, whiffing six. She walked only four, significant because Miss Barr had been having trouble with control.

Singles by Miss Miner and Miss Keith, plus three Schooner errors, resulted in two runs for the Saints in the first inning. Three more scored in the sixth on a walk and four errors and another trio went on the scoreboard in the seventh on a walk, single by Pat Conway, sacrifice and error.

San Diego actually outlasted the Saints 4 to 3, the seven visitor errors making the difference.

Defensively, second baseman Sandy Kelley's one-hander of a soft liner was turned into a double play in the first game.

In the second game, third baseman Lynn Mooney snared a liner, and centerfielder Barbara Quijada made a fine running catch of a line drive.



BARBARA SAFE — Saint outfielder Barbara Quijada prepares to slide into the fourth inning went over the left fielder's head

in the action during the second game between Sun City and San Diego Saturday night. (Sun City Citizen Photo)



SUN CITY
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May 19, 1971

Champs Test Saints This Weekend

The Orange, Calif., Lionettes, national women's softball champions the last two years, will test the Sun City Saints in a four-game set Saturday and Sunday. The games will be played, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at Peoria High School field.

There will be some new faces on the Lionettes, since the departure of two of their stars, second baseman Rosey Adams and catcher Cece Ponce. The two this season joined the Raybestos Brakettes of Stratford, Conn., runnerup to the Lionettes in the national tour-

namment last year. But the greatest nemesis of the Saints, as well as of everybody, is pitcher Nancy Welborn, named the nation's outstand pitcher, as well as most valuable player in the nation last year. Saint Coach Bev Dreyer is confident her team,

strengthened by all-American Chris Miner, and improvements in other players, can handle the Lionettes.

The Saints have won their first eight games, fairly easily. For details of their conquest of San Diego's Schooners,



Saints Sparkle For ASU At College Tournament

Four members of the Sun City Saints helped the Arizona State University girls softball team emerge a respectable fourth in the national collegiate tournament at Omaha, Neb.

Paula Miller, who is tackling pitching duties for the Saints this season, was named the most valuable player in the tournament. She hurled all ASU's seven games — of which the Arizonans won five — and two of them were one-hitters.

Saint shortstop Ginger Kurtz also was named to the tournament all-star team.

Other Saints playing were catcher Marilyn Rau and outfielder Georgia Beulow.



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Miller Named MVP; Kurtz All-Star

Paula Miller, who pitched seven games in three days last weekend and won five of them for Arizona State, was named most valuable player in the collegiate women's softball tournament at Omaha. Shortstop Ginger Kurtz also was named to the tourney's all-star team.

Both will see action for the Sun City Saints this weekend against the Orange Lionettes at Peoria High. Other Saints who missed last weekend's action here in favor of the collegiate event were catcher Marilyn Rau and outfielder Georgia Beulow.

ASU placed fourth in the tourney.



Saints Win The Opener

The Sun City Saints opened their softball season this past weekend at Peoria High School with a clean sweep from the La Mesa, California Schooners.

In a twin bill Saturday night the Saints posted two shut outs - 4-0 and 8-0.

Billie Manis, ace lefty hurler, gave up only two hits while gaining the first win. She struck out 10 batters. Betty Barr gained the second win allowing 2 hits.

In Sunday night's games the Saints won 5-0 and 10-5. Billie Harris got another win and Betty Barr went the 2nd game and allowed the



GLENDAL NEWS-HERALD

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BOOM—Bombs away during the Sun City Saints opener. At the plate is slugger Thelma Keith. She carried a mean Bat. She went seven for 12 during the the game. (Photoby Prather's,

runs scored against the Saints.

Thelma Keith and Chris Miner led the hitting attack. Miss Keith went seven for 12 while Miss Miner had six for 14 at the plate.

Miss Miner blasted home runs both Saturday and Sunday nights.

The Saints host the Orange Lionettes at Peoria High School, May 22 and 23. Both nights will be double headers beginning at 7:30 p.m. The Orange Lionettes have been National Champions nine times. They are the 1970 Pacific Coast League Champions. These will be league games.

The Lionettes have five All-American members on their team. The Lionettes represented the United States in the World Tournament at Osaka, Japan this past August. They were runner-up to Japan.

The Saints will play their next two series at Peoria High School until their new 275,000 stadium is completed in Sun City. It is hopeful they will be in there by June 12.





Miner's 2 Homers Lead Sweep; Lionettes To Invade Saturday

By BURT FREIREICH
They were only funnin' as the shorthanded Sun City Saints sank the San Diego Schooners four straight in their 1971 home opening series, but this weekend is another matter—the national champion Orange Lionettes will be here.

The Lionettes, who dominate U.S. women's softball the way the New York Yankees dominated baseball in an era gone by, will feature old vets Carol Spanks at shortstop and Shirley Topley at first plus unparalleled pitching ace Nancy Welborn.

The Saints, meanwhile, suspect they are stronger than a year ago but they're not quite sure. Four key players missed the San Diego set to represent Arizona State University at the national collegiate championships.

Couch Bev Dryer's charges produced two noteworthy bright spots in zipping past the Schooners 4-0, 8-0, 5-0, and 10-5.

No. 1 was the local debut of Chris Miner, who won all-America shortstop honors at Portland last year. She belted two homers in the series and seems capable of supplying the added punch

which the Saints offense needed in 1970.

(It should be noted that the Peoria High field, where this Saturday's and Sunday's 7:30 p.m. double-headers will be played, has no outfield fences, which makes home runs easier than they will be in the new Sun City ballpark.)

No. 2 was the return of pitching ace Billie Harris to top form after a heel operation in December. Billie was spiked while covering first base and spent the last half of the 1970 campaign at less than full effectiveness as the wound never healed properly.

In Saturday's opener Miss Harris had a no-hitter going through five innings. She gave up singles to Lucy Simitzes in the sixth and Adele Johnson in the seventh but both were erased by double plays, and Billie wound up pitching to the minimum of 21 batters.

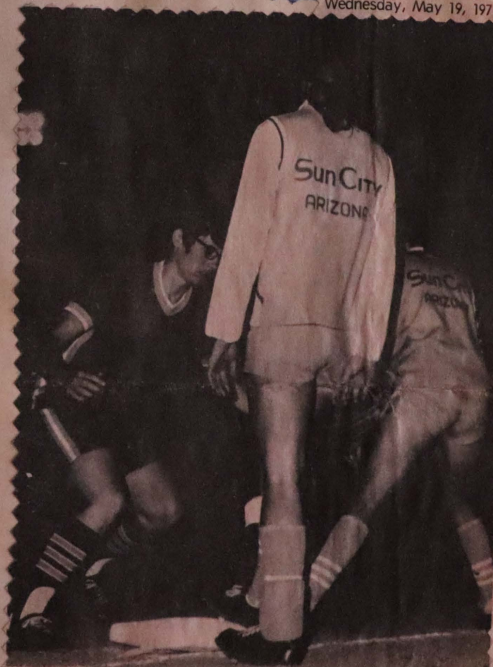
Miss Miner led off the first with a single and scored after a stolen base, ground out, and error. Sandy Kelley's triple and a couple more errors produced two runs in the second, and Miss Miner's homer in the fourth wound up the scoring.

Betty Barr, who may get Saturday's second starting assignment against the Lionettes over Miss Miller, hurled a four-hit shutout in the nightcap. The Saints were out-hit even though they tallied eight runs. Singles by Miss Miner and Thelma Keith keyed a two-run first inning. Pat Conaway's bunt single was the only other safety as errors produced three runs in the fifth and three more in the sixth.

Miss Harris nurtured a four-hit shutout Sunday although the Schooners stayed in the game until the fourth. Successive singles by Miss Kelley, Barbara Quijada, and Miss Conaway failed to merit a run because of faulty baserunning, but an error finally did the job. Singles by Becky Rice and Miss Harris keyed a two-run outburst in the fifth, and Miss Miner wrapped things up with a two-run homer in the sixth.

The finale was another story. San Diego broke its scoring drought and took a 2-1 lead in the third, both runs coming on a passed ball. But in their hall of the third the Saints loaded the sacks on singles by Conaway, Miner, and Quijada, and Lynn Mooney drove them all home on a triple which she failed to stretch into a fourbagger. Miss Barr ultimately earned a 10-5 decision.

Miss Conaway, a rookie during the Saints' first year in Sun City four years ago, came out of retirement to fill in behind the plate during catcher Rau's absence and did a noteworthy job. She was surprisingly effective at the plate with a 5-for-10 performance for the series.



WHO'S ON THIRD? Well, first there was Sandy Kelley (right). She rounded third and headed home on Pat Conaway's fourth-inning single in Sunday's first game with San Diego. Then there was Barbara Quijada. She steamed in all the way from first. Then Sandy returned

because left fielder's throw to plate looked pretty good. That's when Schooners' Cindy Guy (left) arrived with ball and tagged everyone in sight. Barbara was ruled out, but Sandy scored moments later to break scoreless tie and Saints headed for 5-0 triumph.



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Saints Boxscores

Near Perfect

SAN DIEGO	ab r h bi
Connery, rf	3 0 0 0
Johnson, 2b	3 0 1 0
Teter, ss	3 0 0 0
Guy, 3b	2 0 0 0
Kelly, p	2 0 0 0
Barker, cf	2 0 0 0
Similtzes, lf	2 0 1 0
Paulso, 1b	0 0 0 0
Sapp, 1b	2 0 0 0
Shipherd, c	2 0 0 0
TOTALS	21 0 2 0

Miner's Big Hit

SAN DIEGO	ab r h bi
Sapp, 1b	3 0 1 0
Johnson, 2b	3 0 2 0
Kelly, p	3 0 0 0
Guy, 3b	3 0 0 0
Teter, ss	3 0 0 0
Shipherd, c	3 0 0 0
Lane, cf	2 0 0 0
Connery, rf	1 0 0 0
Sandeno, rf	1 0 0 0
Barker, lf	2 0 1 0
TOTALS	24 0 4 0

SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, ss	4 2 2 1
Quijada, cf	3 0 0 0
Mooney, 3b	3 0 0 0
Keith, 1b	3 0 2 0
Harris, p	2 0 0 0
Kelley, 2b	2 1 2 0
Allen, rf	2 0 0 0
Rice, lf	3 1 0 1
Conaway, c	2 0 1 0
Wurtz, c	1 0 0 0
TOTALS	25 4 7 2

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SAINTS 120 100 x-4 7 1

Barr Blanks 'em

SAN DIEGO	ab r h bi
Sapp, 1b	3 0 1 0
Johnson, p	3 0 0 0
Teter, ss	3 0 0 0
Guy, 3b	3 0 0 0
Similtzes, lf	2 0 0 0
Connery, lf	0 0 0 0
Lane, 2b	3 0 0 0
Barker, cf	2 0 0 0
Kelley, rf	3 0 2 0
Shipherd, c	3 0 1 0
TOTALS	25 0 4 0

SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, ss	3 1 1 0
Quijada, cf	2 3 0 1
Mooney, 3b	3 1 0 0
Keith, 1b	3 1 1 0
Wurtz, 1b	1 0 0 0
Kelley, 2b	2 0 0 0
Barr, p	3 0 0 0
Allen, rf	3 0 0 0
Rice, lf	1 1 0 0
Conaway, c	2 1 1 0
TOTALS	23 8 3 1

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SAINTS 200 033 x-8 3 2

Mooney Turns Tide

SAN DIEGO	ab r h bi
Sapp, 2b	2 0 0 1
Johnson, p	3 1 0 0
Kelly, rf	4 0 0 0
Guy, 3b	3 1 0 0
Teter, ss	2 1 0 0
Shipherd, c	3 1 1 0
Lane, cf	2 0 0 1
Sandeno, 1b	3 0 0 0
Barker, lf	1 1 1 1
TOTALS	23 5 2 3

SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, ss	3 2 2 0
Quijada, cf	2 2 1 0
Mooney, 3b	3 2 1 3
Keith, 1b	4 2 3 1
Kelley, 2b	4 1 0 1
Barr, p	2 0 0 2
Allen, rf	4 0 0 0
Rice, lf	2 0 0 0
Conaway, c	3 1 2 0
TOTALS	27 10 9 7

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SAINTS 103 042 2-10 9 2



THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Jungle Rot



May 26, 1971

SAINTS TRIP ORANGE IN OPENER, THEN LOSE THREE CLOSE ONES

'We're Better Than They Are'-Bev

The Sun City Saints stunned the national champion Orange, Calif., Lionettes 1-0 in their opener Saturday night but then dropped three games which, with some here-ais could have gone the other way.

"We're better than they are," exclaimed Coach Bev Dreyer. "Position for position I wouldn't trade one of our girls for theirs."

Miss Dreyer declared her disappointment at losing the last three games "but we could have easily won all four."

The manager-coach said the Saints still need sharpening up, something that will come as the season progresses. "I'm not worried. I think we looked good."

And who's afraid of Orange's Nancy Wilborn? Not the Saints, who scored eight runs on 15 hits in the four-game set over the weekend.

The 500 fans who braved the chilly nights Saturday and Sunday games saw what Miss Dreyer regards as the best Saint team ever.

The Saints dropped the

second game 3-2 despite a fine relief job by Paula Miller, pitching her first year. The third game saw Sun City take a one-run lead into the last inning only to see it lost 4-3.

The last was a thrilling 10-inning game which went down the drain when a ball bounced off Miss Miller's leg into right field scoring the winning run.

Miss Miller displayed a fine fast ball, good control, even in tense situations, and with a little more experience should provide the Saints with a strong one-two mound punch. The first punch, of course, belongs to lefty Billie Harris, whose three-hitter put down the Lionettes.

Left fielder Barbara Quijada delivered the fourth-inning single which chased in the winning run.

But the real batting hero was first baseman Thelma Keith, who drilled home runs in the second and third games, in the identical spots — left center. Then in the fourth game, she lined a hit to center which got by the fielder and Miss Keith once again circled the bases.

The Saints' lead-off batter, Chris Miner, already a crowd favorite after joining Sun City this year, had the most hits for Sun City — five. She also showed herself a smooth fielder with a rifle arm.

Who else but Miss Wilborn pitched all four games for the Lionettes, who were not only national champions last year but were runnerup in the world tournament held in Japan.

In the 31 innings she went, Miss Wilborn fanned 24 and walked only six — almost unbelievably two in a row. The Saints also were hurt by the hitting of Lionette manager Carol Spanks. The shortstop rapped out seven hits in 15 times at bat, including three triples.

The Saints proved the better fielding team, only four errors to 10 by the visitors.

Here are game highlights: SAINTS 1, LIONETTES 0. Miss Harris and Miss Quijada were the heroes in the opening game Saturday night which the Saints won 1-0.

Miss Harris, despite a bad first inning, out-pitched Nancy Wilborn.

Billie surrendered but three hits, struck out eight and walked but one. She retired 13 batters in a row before giving up the walk. That runner was wiped out trying to steal second.

In contrast, Miss Wilborn was touched for four safeties, fanned five and walked two.

It was her first walk, in the fourth, which led to her downfall. Catcher Marilyn Rau worked her for it, then third baseman Lynn Mooney and Sandy Kelley were safe on successive infield errors, loading the bases.

Miss Quijada then delivered a hit through the box, scoring Miss Rau with what proved the game's only run. Miss Wilborn retired the next two batters on a force out at home and a fly to left.

Miss Rau had opened the Saints' second with a single to left. Miss Mooney fanned, but Miss Kelley came through with a single. This time Miss Wilborn got Miss Quijada to hit into a force play and struck out Georgia Bew.

The third inning saw Chris Miner single with one out, but her attempt to steal second was unsuccessful.

The Saints' only other runner was a one-out walk to Ginger Kurtz in the fifth.

LIONETTES 3 SAINTS 2. If anything, the Saints were lucky to escape with only a 3-2 loss in the second game Saturday night.

Saint hurlers surrendered 10 walks and struck out no one and Saint hitters managed only three hits and fanned seven times.

But there were some bright spots, including a splendid relief pitching job by Miss Miller, sensational fielding by second baseman

Sandy Kelley, and a two-run homer in the first inning by Miss Keith.

Miss Miner opened the first inning with an infield single and was sacrificed to second, setting up Miss Keith's blow which rolled between the left and center fielders.

After that, Miss Wilborn retired 15 Saints in succession before Miss Miner delivered another single in the sixth.

Coach Bev Dreyer started Betty Barr, pitching her first year. Miss Barr was greeted with a triple by Miss Spanks in the first inning and then the Saint hurler walked three batters before getting out of the inning, almost miraculously, with only one Lionette run.

The outs were on a fly to left, which scored the run, a pickoff on a lengthy pickle play with runners on first and third, and on a steal attempt.

In the second, Miss Barr walked the first three batters and Miss Miller was brought on. Her wild pitch permitted one run, but she got out of the inning without further harm.

The Lionettes' winning run came in the third on singles by Sue Sims and Mickey Davis and a walk. The visitors had runners in every inning but the sixth, but managed only three hits.

There were three fielding gems by the Saints — Miss Bewlow running grab of a long fly in the fifth, Miss Kelley one-hand leaping stab of a liner in the second and her backhand of a hard hit grounder to her right in the seventh.

ORANGE 4 SAINTS 3.

Miss Harris didn't have the zip she had in the first game, as the Lionettes touched her for hits in six of the seven innings.

However, she was able to take a 3-2 lead into the seventh. A triple by catcher Nancy Ito with two aboard turned the game around for the Lionettes.

The Lionettes took the lead in the first on a triple by Miss Spanks and a sacrifice fly by Miss Ito.

The Saints tied it in their half of the first on two Orange infield errors and an infield hit by Miss Rau.

Two hits and a sacrifice fly, again by Miss Ito, gave the visitors a 2-1 margin in that fifth.

It proved shortlived, however, as Miss Keith boomed her second homer with Miss Miner, on base, there as result of an error.

ORANGE 3 SUN CITY 2.

Although she surrendered nine hits, Miss Miller was still going strong in the 10th inning when leftfielder Mickey Davis lined one which hit Miss Miller on the left and careered into right field, scoring Shirley Topley who had walked with two out.

The Saints got a break in the first inning after the Lionettes had loaded the bases on two hits and an error. Miss Davis, on first, thought the batter had walked and trotted toward first base. However, the call had been a strike on the batter and Miss Davis was run down the final out.

In Sun City's first, Miss Keith got her single which resulted in a home-run-by-error. Miss Rau followed with a hit, which through haste, she stretched into a double.

A blop hit by third baseman Lynn Mooney brought her in for the second run.

Orange got its first run in the second on back-to-back singles, an error and a sacrifice, and the visitors tied it 2-2 in the fifth on three hits and a sacrifice fly by Miss Ito.

ROCKETS HERE THIS WEEK

The tough Fresno, Calif., Rockets will be here Saturday and Sunday for a four-game set against the Sun City Saints.

Games will be at Peoria High School field starting 7:30 each night.



HAPPY SAINTS — Elation was the name of the game as Ginger Kurtz (center) hugs Barbara Quijada (left) and Billie Harris after the Sun City Saints defeated the national champion Orange Lionettes in their opener Saturday night. Miss Quijada knocked in the winning run in the 1-0 contest and Miss Harris pitched the whitewash. Saints lost next three games, all by one run. For story, turn to Page 16. (Sun City Sun Citizen)



Wednesday, May 26, 1971

Saints Finally Best Nemesis Welborn, Swagger Fearlessly Into Fresno Set

By BURT FREIREICH
For two years Nancy Welborn "owned" the Sun City Saints.

During that time they never scored a run off the national champion Orange Lionettes' pitching ace.

But Miss Welborn doesn't own them any more — even though she topped them three times in four games over the weekend. She just as well could have left town with no wins at all. All four games were one-run decisions, and the Lionettes had to come from behind to win the final three.

All of this is bad news for the Fresno Rockets, another rival in the Pacific Coast Women's League, who will engage the Saints in 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday on the Peoria High diamond.

WITH THE addition of all-American Chris Miner in center field, the Saints can beat any team. When you aren't a pushover for Nancy Welborn, you aren't a pushover for anyone.

Billie Harris and Miss Welborn locked in a dandy scoreless duel to open the series Saturday. A walk, two infield errors, and Barbara Quijada's sharp single up the middle gave the Saints an unearned run in the fourth and a 1-0 victory.

Miss Harris pitched her way out of two perilous situations. In the first she gave up two singles, and then a fielder's choice which got no one loaded the bases with one out. A strikeout and grounder got her out of the inning.

ORANGE CAPTAIN and hitting star Carol Spanks

tripled to lead off the third. But Billie got the next three batters on a liner to second and a pair of popups. She never was in trouble thereafter. It was Orange's first loss in 12 games this year.

Sun City first baseman Thelma Keith wielded a big stick which put her mates in front in each of the next three games, but they lost

them all — 3-2, 4-3, and 3-2 in 10 innings.

In Saturday's nightcap Betty Barr and Paula Miller combined to give up 10 walks, and this proved too much. Miss Spanks opened the game with a triple and scored on Nancy Ito's fly. Chris Miner opened the Saint's half of the first with a single, and Miss Keith unleashed a low smash which ran forever at the fenceless Peoria field for a two-run homer. Miss Miner's sixth inning single was the only other SC hit.

MEANWHILE, three walks by Miss Barr in the second and reliever Miller's wild pitch tied it for the Lionettes. They got the winning run in the third on a walk, a pair of singles, and a walk to Miss Welborn with the bases loaded.

Miss Harris came within one out of besting Miss Welborn again in Sunday's opener. Miss Spanks again led off with a triple and scored on an Ito sacrifice fly. The Saints tied it in the first when Miss Miner reached on an error, moved to second on another, and scored on Marilyn Rau's

hard single which caromed off the third baseman's leg.

Orange moved in front in the fifth on singles by Diane Haataja and Miss Spanks (the latter a misplayed Texas Leaguer), a bunt, and another Ito sacrifice fly.

THE SAINTS bounced right back on an error and another Keith two-run homer. In the seventh, however, a strikeout, a single, walk, and fly out set the stage for Miss Ito's heroics. She slammed a Harris pitch over the left fielder's head for her third

and fourth RBIs of the game and a 4-3 triumph.

In the first inning of the nightcap Miss Keith hit a low, hard shot which went through the center fielder's legs for a single and three-base error. Marilyn Rau followed with a triple, and she scored run No. 2 on Lynn Mooney's Texas Leaguer to left.

Orange, which loaded the bases in the first without scoring, got a run back in the second on Carol Weinmann's single to center, a bunt single by Welborn, a sacrifice, and a wild pitch by Miss Miller.

THE LIONETTES loaded the bases in the fifth on Mary Lou Adams' double and a pair of scratch singles, with another Ito sacrifice fly scoring the tying run.

The Saints threatened in the eighth when a Miner single and a pair of two-out walks loaded the bases, but a fly out ended it. Orange scored in the 10th on a fluke after Miss Miller got the first two batters.

Shirley Topley walked and scored all the way from first when Mickey Davis's smash caromed off the pitcher's leg and the Saints played Alphonse-and-Gaston. Finally right fielder Georgia Buelow picked it up, but her throw to the plate was too late.

Big T.

Wednesday, May 26, 1971



THELMA KEITH crosses plate after belting her second two-run homer at weekend series off Orange Lionettes' Nancy Welborn. Saints hadn't even scored against national champs' hill ace in two previous seasons.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)





Glendale News-Herald

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 1971

Saints Loose To Lionettes

The Sun City Saints hosted the Orange Lionettes for four games this past week end. The National Champion Lionettes grabbed three out of four from the stubborn Saints. Saturday's first game saw Billie Harris pitch a four hit shut out and Marilyn Rau score the games only run in the fourth to give the Saints the decision.

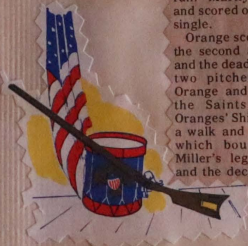
In the second game Orange scored single runs in the first three innings. Thelma Keith's two run homer wasn't enough

as Nancy Welborn pitched a three hitter to give the Lionettes the win.

Sunday saw the Saints lose two heart breakers to the visitors. Going into the 7th inning the Saints held a 3-2 advantage over the Lionettes. A base hit, a walk, and catcher Nancy Ito's triple gave the Lionettes a one run victory.

In Sunday's second game, Thelma Keith's line drive single got away from the center fielder and allowed Keith to score the games first run. Marilyn Rau doubled and scored on Lynn Mooney's single.

Orange scored their runs in the second and fifth innings and the deadlock between the two pitchers, Welborn of Orange and Paula Miller of the Saints. In the tenth Oranges' Shirley Topley drew a walk and scored on a ball which bounced off Paula Miller's leg into right field and the deciding run scored.



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LYNN MOONEY hustles home but too late to beat throw from Orange Lionettes' third baseman Sue Sims. Catcher Nancy Ito takes throw for bases loaded forceout on Georgia Ruelow's grounder in fourth

inning of Saints' opener with Orange Saturday. Moments earlier Marilyn Rau did score on Barbara Quijada's single for 1-0 Sun City win. (News-Sun Staff Photo)

NEWS-SUN Saints Boxscores

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JUST LIVING
To some people this, our
land
Is something extra special
grand,
To others it is very sad
With nothing here to make
them glad.

To some the weather is
always fine
And something that they
never mind,
To others it's too hot, too
cold, too wet, too dry,
It's never just right, they
love to cry.

To some there is a sense of
haste
With not a moment left to
waste,
To do the things yet left
undone
Before the setting of their
sun.

But let us take each
precious day
That is left to us, now,
without delay
And just thank God, and
do our best
To make the most of our
days that are left.

With faith in God's kind
loving care,
Our strength with others
we should share,
So when our time is finally
here
We can leave with our
hearts and conscience clear.

E. A. Johnson
Sun City

Harris Shutout

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	3	0	2	0
Sims, 3b	3	0	0	0
Ito, c	3	0	1	0
Topley, 1b	3	0	0	0
Davis, lf	3	0	0	0
Weinmann, 2b	2	0	0	0
Welborn, p	3	0	0	0
Adams, cf	2	0	0	0
Haataja, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	0	3	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	1	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	2	1	1	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	1	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	1	0
Buelow, rf	2	0	0	0
Harris, p	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	1	4	1

ORANGE	000	000	0-0	3-2
SAINTS	000	100	x-1	4-0

HR Insufficient

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	4	1	1	0
Sims, 3b	2	1	1	0
Ito, c	2	0	0	1
Topley, 1b	1	0	0	0
Davis, lf	3	0	1	0
Weinmann, 2b	2	1	0	0
Welborn, p	1	0	0	1
Adams, cf	2	0	0	0
Haataja, rf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	20	3	3	2

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	1	2	0
Kurtz, ss	1	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	1	1	2
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
Harris, ph	1	0	0	0
Buelow, rf	2	0	0	0
Barr, p	0	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	2	3	2

ORANGE	111	000	0-3	3-0
SAINTS	200	000	0-2	3-1

Ito's 4 RBIs

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	3	2	2	0
Sims, 3b	3	0	1	0
Ito, c	2	0	1	4
Topley, 1b	3	0	1	0
Davis, lf	3	0	0	0
Weinmann, 2b	3	0	1	0
Welborn, p	3	0	1	0
Adams, cf	2	0	0	0
Haataja, rf	3	1	2	0
Snell, pr-rf	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	25	4	9	4

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	2	0	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	1	2	2
Rau, c	3	0	1	1
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	0	0
Buelow, rf	3	0	0	0
Harris, p	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	27	3	3	3

ORANGE	100	010	2-4	9-4
SAINTS	100	020	0-3	3-1

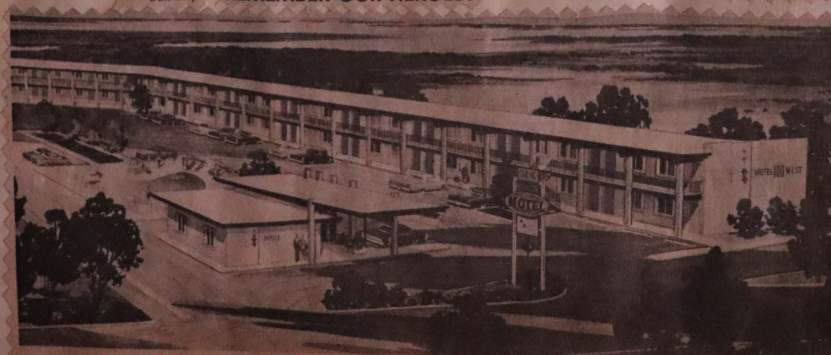
Disaster In 10th

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	5	0	3	0
Sims, 3b	5	0	2	0
Ito, c	4	0	1	1
Topley, 1b	4	1	0	0
Davis, lf	5	0	1	1
Weinmann, 2b	3	1	1	0
Welborn, p	4	0	1	0
Adams, cf	3	1	1	0
Haataja, rf	4	0	0	0
TOTALS	37	3	10	2

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	5	0	2	0
Kurtz, ss	4	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	5	1	1	0
Rau, c	4	1	1	0
Mooney, 3b	2	0	1	1
Kelley, 2b	4	0	0	0
Rice, lf	3	0	0	0
Buelow, rf	4	0	0	0
Miller, p	4	0	0	0
TOTALS	35	2	5	1

ORANGE	010	010	000	1-3
SAINTS	200	000	000	0-2

REMEMBER OUR HEROES!



NEW 100 WEST MOTEL, to be constructed next to Motel 6 and across from Saints Stadium, is scheduled to be completed by November. Co-

owned by Mary Luhrs of Sun City and Stuart Brothers Company of Phoenix. 72-unit structure will cost over \$1 million



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DEAR OL' DAD!



SUN CITY
SUN CITIZEN

June 2, 1971

Saints Promise Serious Softball, Plus Some Fun

The Sun City Saints will face three foes Saturday and Sunday — two for serious business and one for fun.

The Las Vegas, Nev., Belles will be here for two games Saturday night.

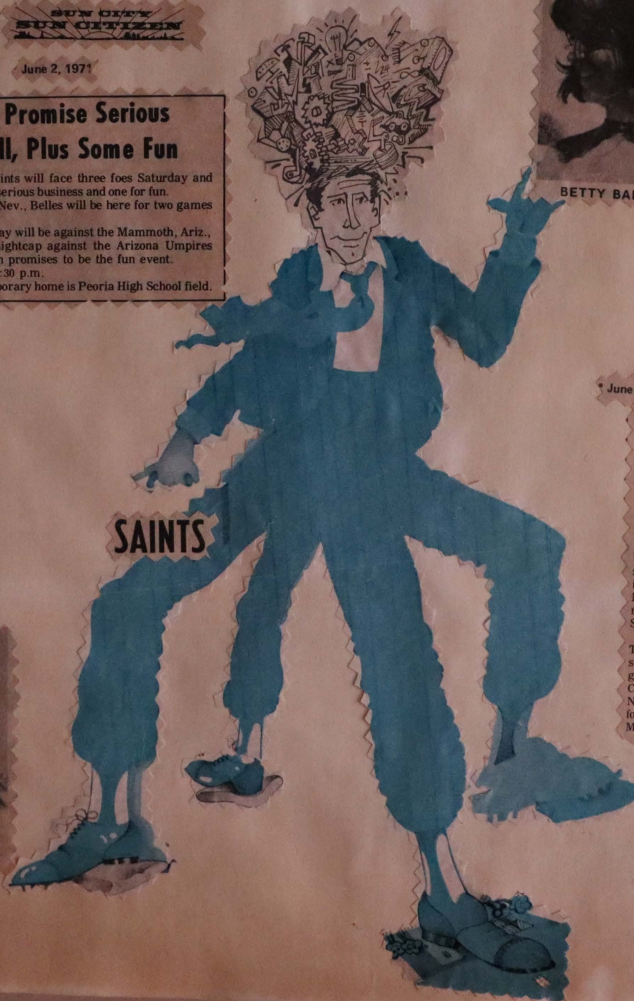
The opener Sunday will be against the Mammoth, Ariz., Rebels, and the nightcap against the Arizona Umpires Association, which promises to be the fun event.

Game time is 7:30 p.m.

The Saints' temporary home is Peoria High School field.



BETTY BARR



SAINTS



PAULA MILLER

June 2, 1971

OPENING SEEN FOR JUNE 19 AT NEW PARK

The Del E. Webb Development Co. is shooting for a June 19 opening at the new ballpark under construction off 111th Avenue in Sun City Phase II. Lloyd Liken, grounds man for the Sun City Saints, reported.

On that weekend, the Tucson Roadrunners are scheduled for a four-game set. The JFK College Patriettes of Nebraska will be in for four games the following Monday and Tuesday.

SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

June 2, 1971

SAINTS HAVE TO SETTLE FOR SPLIT WITH ROCKETS-

Oh, How Those Errors Hurt!

Their strength — defense — betrayed the Sun City Saints over the weekend.

Committing nine errors, the Saints could do no better than a split in a four-game set with the Fresno Rockets. Sun City miscues were factors in both losses, but the fact Fresno played errorless ball in the two games they won also was significant.

The Saints also found themselves haunted by a former player of two years ago, long-legged Andie Ervin.

But on the plus side, Sun City's first-year pitcher Paula Miller continued to show improvement and, as Coach Bev Dreyer has exclaimed, she is going to be a good one.

There was at least one other bright spot in the

Fresno series. Betty Barr, who has lost her job as a starting pitcher, could gain a permanent spot in the lineup on the strength of her hitting.

Inserted in right field in the final game, Miss Barr came through with the Saints' only extra base blow in the series — a triple — plus two singles.

The Saints lost the opener Saturday night, 3-0, with seventh-inning errors clearing the way.

With Miss Miller hurling a magnificent one-hitter and facing only one batter over the minimum 21 for seven innings, the Saints tripped up the visitors 2-0 in the second contest.

Another fine pitching effort by lefty Billie Harris carried the Saints to a 2-1 win in the first game Sunday night. She retired the first 13 batters she faced.

The second game Sunday was grabbed by the visitors, 2-1. In nine innings, the second Sunday in a row Miss Miller suffered an extraordinary loss. And in both she could have copped a plea of non-support at the plate.

The Rocket series left the Saints with a 3-5 record in the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League, and 11-5 overall.

In the four-game set, the Saints out-hit the Rockets 21-19 and also committed more errors, 9-5.

Catcher Marilyn Rau led the Saints hitters, with five for 12, and center fielder Chris Miner was lost for 14

hard-hitting first baseman Thelma Keith, who had powered two homers off Orange, Calif., the weekend before, was held to two hits in nine official times at bat. Among the other regulars, Lynn Mooney, Ginger Kurtz, Sandy Kelley and Barbara Quijada showed they haven't developed their batting eye yet this season.

Miss Ervin, the former Saint who divided her time between first base and the outfield for the Rockets, was murdered on Sun City. Her double knocked in the first Rocket run in the seventh inning of the first game, she

got the only Rocket hit off Miss Miller in the second game, and she delivered the first hit off Miss Harris in the fifth inning of the third game.

The Saints' fielding overall was short of sensational, although third baseman Lynn Mooney came up with a couple of fine stops in the fourth game.

Although the weather continued chilly in the evenings, the Saints drew fairly good crowds at their temporary home field, Peoria High School. About 500 fans showed up each night, many of them with blankets.

Here is how the games went:

FRESNO 3 SAINTS 0
Errors and a former Saint were the undoing of Sun City in the opening game Saturday night.

The Saints were anemic at the plate, going down on two hits, and their only threat, in the seventh inning, was the result of three walks.

It was 6-4 going into the top of the seventh. Rocket third baseman Helen Gilliotti opened with a single to center off Saint hurler Billie Harris.

Centerfielder Chris Miner let the ball get by her for an error, and Miss Gilliotti ended up on third base.

With one out, first baseman Andie Ervin, a former Saint of two years ago, smashed a double down

the left field line, scoring Miss Gilliotti. Gloria Helms followed with a run-scoring single, and an error brought in the third run.

In the last half of the inning, Rocket pitcher Gaynelle McGee walked three Saints. With one out, pinch hitter Betty Barr rapped a liner to Rocket shortstop Jalque Vertz, who turned it into a double play to end the game.

Connie Kennedy started for the Rockets and went three innings, giving up the Saints' two hits. Recovering from an illness, she was taken out as a precautionary measure.

Miss Harris had singled off her in the third with two outs, and shortstop Ginger Kurtz opened the fourth with a hit to left, which also came to nothing.

Miss Harris allowed six hits, and had to work out of trouble in the second when Miss Kennedy ended up on third with one out after a single and an error.

SAINTS 2 FRESNO 0
Paula Miller pitched her best game, allowing but one hit and retiring the side in order in every inning but the fourth.

Although striking out only two, she had the Rockets hitting into the ground or easy pop ups. She walked nobody.

Miss Miller retired the first nine batters she faced before an error by catcher Marilyn Rau put a runner on. She then put down the next six batter before Miss Ervin singled sharply to center.

However, she was thrown out attempting to steal, and after that Miss Miller breeze through the sixth and seventh innings.

The Saints collected six hits but they didn't set the world on fire with their bats.

Their two runs came as a result of an error in the fourth. Miss Ray opened the inning with an infield hit, but was cut down on a force play at second. Second baseman Sandy Kelley singled to right, but the throw to the infield got away from the Rocket shortstop and both runners came across.

SAINTS 2 FRESNO 1
A two-run first inning was all the Saints needed as Miss Harris hurled a three-hitter. Fresno's run was unearned, the result of an error by centerfielder Chris Miner.

The game opened with a bang as Miss Miner's fly ball was dropped in center field. But the speedy leadoff batter was cut down at home trying to score.

Miss Kurtz walked and Miss Keith singled. With two out, an error by the Rocket shortstop permitted two runs to score.

After that the Saints didn't mount a serious threat, although a single by Miss Kurtz and an error put two on in the fifth.

FRESNO 2 SAINTS 1

The Saints had their best game at the plate — nine hits — but they could convert them into only one run.

In the nine innings, they had runners on in six. Their only run came in the fifth on Miss Barr's triple to right center and a line single to left by Miss Miller.

They opened the sixth with back-to-back hits by Miss Keith and Miss Keith and Miss Ruth, but Rocket pitcher Gaynelle McGee worked her way out of it.



A friend is a fellow who takes your hand
When you're down and out and blue.
Who slaps your back and says "cheer up —
Is there anything that I can do?"
A friend is a fellow who comes around
When the whole darned world is wrong.
Straghtens the blamed thing out a bit,
And gives you a lift along.
A friend is a fellow who understands,
That two and two make four,
And never tries by hook or crook.
To make it a blamed bit more.
A friend is a fellow who never sees
Your faults, as others do,
But knows that way down deep within,
There's a lot of good in you.
A friend is a fellow who never says
"I told you so — how see?"
But rather thinks — "Well I'll be darned,
It might have happened to me!"
A friend is a fellow who sticks around,
No matter what you do —
A friend is a fellow that money can't buy
A friend is a fellow like you.



"You're angry. Is it something I said?"



Wednesday, June 2, 1971

Saints, Rockets Break Even; Las Vegas, Rebels Due Next

By BURT FREIREICH Miss McGee came on to relieve Gloria Helms and Pacific Coast League retired the Saints on an series—and a break-even infield pop, ground out, set at that—the Sun City and strike out. She gave up Saints may welcome a only single (by Betty Barr weekend of lesser com with two out in the ninth), petition. And that's what's picked up a single and a in store with the Las Vegas towering double herself, and Belles due here Saturday scored the winning run in and the Mammoth Rebels the ninth.

A FAMILIAR face on the Fresno squad was that of Andie Ervin, a member of the 1969 Saints. She doubled in the winning run in the first game, got the only hit, off Miss Miller in leading off the sixth inning of Game 2. Saints won one and lost three one-run decisions), the Coach Bay-Dryer's Sun City. In the seventh inning of the opener Helen Gigliotti singled to center and took second on a bobbie. After a strikeout, Miss Ervin doubled her home, then scored herself on Miss Helms' single. An error led to a final run. Miss Harris and Ginger Kurtz got the only Sun City hits.

BUT THE Rockets didn't get the message. They broke up a scoreless pitching duel with three unearned runs in the seventh inning to win the series opener from Billie Harris, 3-0, Saturday. And they pushed across a run in the ninth to win Sunday's finale, 2-1.

In between times Paula Miller hurled a one-hitter for a 2-0 Saints' triumph, and Miss Harris gained vengeance with a 2-1 victory.

The Rockets introduced the most exciting "new" face to be seen for quite a while in these parts. The face (and a right arm goes with it) belongs to Gaynel McGee, a pitcher who seemed to have a personal mission of destroying the Saints.

IN GAME 1 she had a brief but scoreless relief role, then sat out Game 2. In Game 3 the Saints hopped on Connie Kennedy for two runs in the first; Gaynel came on to finish out the inning and retired the Saints on three hits and no runs the rest of the way.

Game 4 was Miss McGee's brightest moment—again in relief. The Saints had tied it in the fifth, and Thelma Keith and Marilyn Rau opened the sixth with singles.

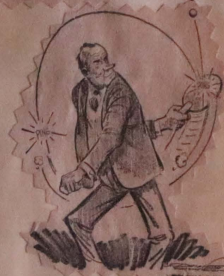
Nonetheless, the Saints did threaten in the seventh. Three walks loaded the bases with one out, when pinch hitter Barr slammed a vicious liner which short stop Jackie Vertz converted into an unassisted double play.

SUN CITY did all the scoring in the nightcap's fourth inning. Miss Rau singled and was forced by Lynn Mooney. Then Sandy Kelley singled to right, and before the dust cleared two errors had propelled both girls home.

In Sunday's opener, Ginger Kurtz walked with one out and moved up on Thelma Keith's single to left. Both advanced on a ground out, then scored on a throwing error by the third baseman. Fresno's only run came in the seventh, when Gerry Murphy singled and raced to third when the ball shot past the leftfielder for an error; she scored on Miss Helms' sacrifice fly.

Fresno scored early in the finale. Denise Haas opened with a single, stole second, advanced on a ground out, and scored on an infield error.

THE ROCKETS had



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WINNING RUN in ninth inning of series finale Sunday is scored by Gaynel McGee, who hurled turned in three scoreless relief stints during weekend besides opening key rally with towering

double to left field. Catcher Marilyn Rau takes them from right field too late to make putout. Fresno won, 2-1, to break even in four-game set.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)

FIVE COVERED SPORTS FOR OVER 50 YEARS - NOW 2 - SUN CITY



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Saints Boxscores

Collapse In 7th

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, c	4	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	3	0	0	0
McGee, rf	3	0	0	0
Gigliotti, 3b	3	1	1	0
Kennedy, p	2	0	1	0
Munger, lf	1	0	0	0
G. McGee, p	0	0	0	0
Ervin, 1b	3	1	1	1
Helms, lf-p	3	1	1	1
Rudd, cf	3	0	1	0
Vertz, ss	3	0	1	0
TOTALS	28	3	6	2

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	1	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	2	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0
Rice, rf	2	0	0	0
Allen, pr	0	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
Buelow, rf	2	0	0	0
Barr, ph	1	0	0	0
Harris, p	2	0	1	0
TOTALS	22	0	2	0

FRESNO	000	000	3-3	6	0
SAINTS	000	000	0-0	2	3

Paula's 1-Hitter

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, c	3	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	2	0	0	0
Kennedy, 1b	3	0	0	0
Jones, rf	3	0	0	0
Gigliotti, 3b	2	0	0	0
Helms, p	2	0	0	0
Vertz, ss	2	0	0	0
Ervin, cf	2	0	1	0
Munger, lf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	21	0	1	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	2	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	2	0
Mooney, 3b	3	1	1	0
Kelley, 2b	3	1	1	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0
Rice, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	2	6	0

FRESNO	000	000	0-0	1	2
SAINTS	000	200	x-2	6	1

Harris Revenge

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, c	3	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	3	1	1	0

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, c	4	1	2	0
Murphy, 2b	5	0	0	0
Helms, p-lf	3	0	0	1
Kennedy, 1b	1	0	0	0

Too Much M'Gee

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, c	4	1	2	0
Murphy, 2b	5	0	0	0
Helms, p-lf	3	0	0	1
Kennedy, 1b	1	0	0	0

FRESNO	000	000	1-1	3	4
SAINTS	200	000	x-2	4	1

FRESNO	100	000	001-2
SAINTS	000	010	000-1

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Dad

NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, June 9, 1971

Slugging Saints To Face Salt Lake In Peoria Finale

By BURT FREIREICH
Salt Lake City's Shamrocks, a classy aggregation which has an on-and-off affiliate relationship with the Pacific Coast Women's League, will provide the last competition for the Sun City Saints in their temporary quarters at

Peoria High this weekend. The doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday will start at 7:30 p.m.

A pair of twin bills scheduled Monday and Tuesday with the Yakima (Wash.) Stealers has been cancelled. This means that the Tucson Roadrunners series June 19 and 20 will be the first in the new Sun City Stadium at 111th and Grand Avenues - assuming the completion schedule is met.

If THE SAINTS appear more svelte than usual, it's because they spent much of last weekend racing around the bases.

They had a grand old time ripping the cover off the ball after a close call in Saturday's opener with the Las Vegas Belles. The Saints won it, 5-4, then crushed the Nevadans in the nightcap, 14-1.

Marilyn Rau led an amazing attack in Sunday's 26-4 triumph over the Mammoth Rebels. Her assault included three homers, two singles, and seven runs batted in - and she was hit by a pitched ball in her only other trip to the plate.

THE WEEKEND finale was a novelty situation against the Arizona Umpires Association, with the ump's providing the Saints with a pitcher and catcher while Billie Harris pitched and Miss Rau caught for the ump's. That wound up in a 6-6 tie.

In the opener with Las Vegas, the Saints did all their scoring in the second. Winning pitcher Paula Miller launched the uprising with a single. Two errors and singles by Sandy Kelley, Ginger Kurtz, and Thelma Keith produced the live runs.

The Belles also did their damage in one frame, four runs in the fourth. Two errors and a single by Deanna Skousen set the stage for Sheila Stub-

blefield's three-run triple, and Sheila later scored on Debbie Newsome's single. BETTY BARR checked the Belles on six hits in the nightcap. Leann Easley tripled to open the fourth and scored on an error.

But by that time the game was all wrapped up. The Saints had unloaded seven hits for nine runs in the first. The inning featured Chris Miner's single and triple and Miss Keith's double and single. Pitching in with singles were Miss Kurtz and Miss Kelley.

Miss Miner's single highlighted a two-run outburst in the third, then successive singles by Barr,

Becky Rice, and Georgia Buelow keyed a three-run surge in the fourth. Miss Miner wound up with four hits and a walk in her five plate appearances.

THERE WERE plenty of offensive heroines in the Mammoth affair besides Miss Rau.

Miss Kurtz, yanked early because of an ailing knee, crashed a triple; Miss Miller unleashed a triple and single in three trips; Lynn Mooney singled three times, Miss Miner twice, and Miss Kelley twice.

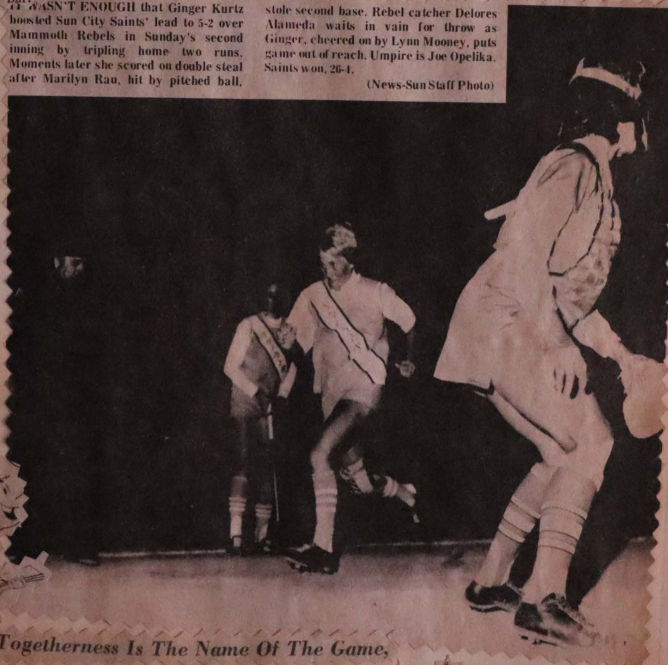
IT WASN'T ENOUGH that Ginger Kurtz bowled Sun City Saints' lead to 5-2 over Mammoth Rebels in Sunday's second inning by tripling home two runs. Moments later she scored on double steal after Marilyn Rau, hit by pitched ball,

The Saints' umpire novelty affair proved much more interesting, and despite the late start and cooling temperatures, many fans stayed through the entire seven innings.



stole second base. Rebel catcher Delores Alameda waits in vain for throw as Ginger, cheered on by Lynn Mooney, puts game out of reach. Umpire is Joe Opelika. Saints won, 26-1.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)



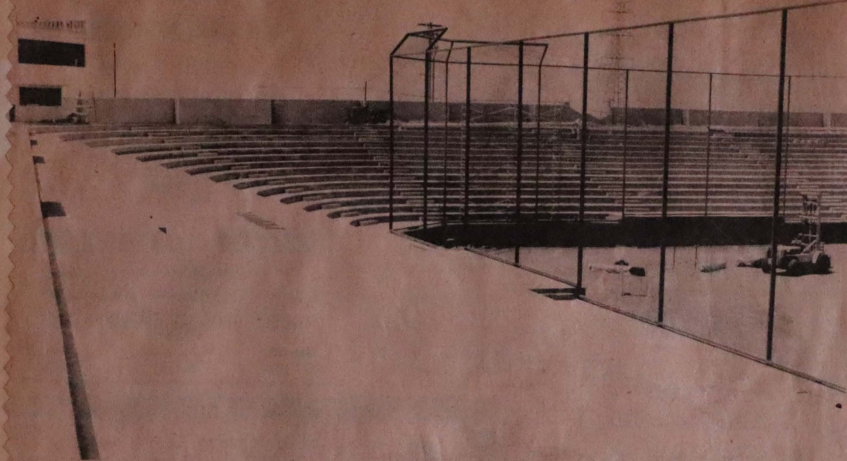
Togetherness Is The Name Of The Game.





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Wednesday, June 9, 1971



CEMENT ROWS, for cushioned seating, stairs at coming Sun City Saints stadium are nearing completed stages. Softball team expects to be playing in new stadium June 19. This weekend, girls will face Salt Lake

City team, playing at Peoria High School facility, Saturday, Sunday, 7:30 p.m. doubleheader. Faraway structure at curve of seating behind home plate is press box. (News-Sun Staff Ph)

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One Big Inning

LAS VEGAS	ab r h bi
Smith, rf	4 0 0 0
Sterling, 2b	2 0 0 0
Flanagan, cf	2 0 1 0
Easley, ss	3 1 0 0
Engkraf, c	3 1 1 0
Skousen, 1b	3 1 1 0
Stubblef d, lf	3 1 1 3
McDermot, p	3 0 0 0
Newsome, 3b	2 0 1 1
TOTALS	25 4 5 4

SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, cf	4 1 1 0
Kurtz, ss	3 1 1 1
Keith, 1b	3 1 1 1
Rau, c	3 0 0 0
Mooney, 2b	3 0 1 0
Barr, rf	3 0 0 0
Miller, p	3 1 1 0
Kelley, 2b	3 1 2 0
Quijada, lf	3 0 1 1
TOTALS	28 5 8 3

BELLES	000 400 0-4 5 3
SAINTS	050 000 x-5 8 2

Miner 4-For-4

LAS VEGAS	ab r h bi
Smith, rf	2 0 0 0
Bond, rf	1 0 0 0
Sterling, 2b	4 0 1 0
Flanagan, cf	4 0 0 0
Easley, ss	3 1 1 0
Engkraf, c-p	3 0 1 0
Skousen, 1b	3 0 1 0
Stubblef d, lf	3 0 2 0
McDermot, p	1 0 0 0
Jacobs, c	1 0 0 0
Newsome, 3b	3 0 0 0
TOTALS	28 1 6 0

SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, cf-1b	4 3 4 3
Kurtz, ss	5 1 1 0
Keith, 1b	3 1 2 3
Allen, lf	1 0 0 0
Rau, c	3 1 0 0
Mooney, 3b	4 1 2 0
Barr, p	4 2 2 1
Kelley, 2b	2 1 1 1
Rice, 2b	2 1 1 0
Buelow, rf	4 1 2 2
Quijada, lf-cf	4 2 0 2
TOTALS	36 14 15 12

BELLES	000 100 0-1 6 7
SAINTS	902 300 x-14 15 12

Rau Rips 3 HRs

MAMMOTH	ab r h bi
Munoz, 2b	2 1 2 0
Teliez, cf	3 1 0 0
Nicholson, 3b	3 1 0 0
Gorham, ss	3 0 0 0
B. Woods, ss	0 0 0 0

Saints Boxscores

Alameda, c	2 0 0 1
Gannuz, 1b	3 0 0 0
Amador, rf	3 0 0 0
Marler, lf	2 0 0 0
A. Woods, lf	1 0 1 0
Gonzales, p	0 1 0 0
Grover, p	2 0 0 0
TOTALS	24 4 3 0

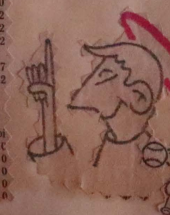
SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, cf-ss	5 5 3 0
Kurtz, ss	2 2 1 2
Rice, lf	0 2 0 0
Keith, 1b	3 1 1 2
Miller, 1b	3 2 2 2
Rau, c	5 5 5 7
Mooney, 3b	5 2 3 0
Barr, p	4 1 0 1
Kelley, 2b	4 1 2 0
Buelow, rf-cf	5 1 0 0
Quijada, lf	2 3 1 1
Allen, cf-rf	2 0 0 0
TOTALS	40 26 18 15

REBELS	210 000 1-4 3 11
SAINTS	348 254 x-26 18 2

Congratulations



"No, sir. I haven't been fightin'. This is just normal, ever'day wear an' tear!"



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

June 9, 1971

PRATFALLS, HIDDEN BALL TRICK

Some Funny Things Happened To Saints In Their 3 Wins



The Sun City Saints were scoring on some of them. On one errant pitch, the catcher failed to go after the ball, turned around and accepted a ball which the umpire had pulled out of his pocket. With it the catcher tagged a Saint runner coming across the plate. Of course, the tag play didn't count, but it provided the best laugh of the night.

In the Rebel game, the Saints fattened their batting averages. Of the 18 hits, catcher Marilyn Rau got five, including three homers, the bench. Her third tumble left her face as red as her hair.

Seven Saints batted six times in the game, which umpire hidden ball trick saw 11 Rebel errors. The which occurred in the Rebel Saints scored in every inning — three in the first, four in the second, eight in the third, hurling wild pitches with two in the fourth, five in the great frequency and Saints fifth and four in the sixth.

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The level of competition permitted Saint Coach Bev Dryer to rest her best pitcher, Billie Harris, and use Betty Barr in two of the three games. She responded a six-hitter and a three-hitter, and she had a pretty easy time of it with the Saints getting 14 and 26 runs in the games.

In their three games, the Saints scored 45 times, rapped out 42 hits and committed six errors. Their opponents managed but nine runs, 14 hits and were charged with 21 boo-boos.

Centerfielder Chris Miner had another good weekend, seven hits in 12 times at bat, including a triple. Ginger Kurtz went 5 for 10, including a triple, and Thelma Keith was 5 for 10, including a double.

Miss Rau went 6 for 11, including her fourbaggers, and Lynn Mooney broke out

of her slump with a 6 for 12 effort, among them two doubles.

The three wins gave the Saints a 14-5 over-all record for the season.

Here is how the first two games went:

SAINTS 5 LAS VEGAS 4

A five-run second inning, helped by three errors, gave the Saints a 5-4 win over the Las Vegas Belles in their first game Saturday night.

Paula Miller went all the way, allowing five hits, but had a bad fourth inning when the visitors scored all their runs.

Miss Miller started the second inning rally with a single to right. Two errors by Belle pitcher Bev McDermott scored two runs, an error by the Las Vegas right fielder brought in another and successive hits by Ginger Kurtz, Thelma Keith and Marilyn Rau accounted

for two more. For the Belles, Sheila Stubblefield crashed a two-run triple off Miss Miller in the fourth and was scored on a single by Debbie Newsome. Miss Miller surrendered four hits in the inning.

The Saints had two runners in the first, on a hit by Miss Miner and a bunt single by Miss Kurtz, and had two on in the fourth on a single by Sandy Kelley and a bunt hit by Barbara Quijada.

Every Saint got at least one hit, except rightfielder Betty Barr.

SAINTS 14 LAS VEGAS 1

The Saints bagged out 15 hits, four of them by Miss Miner, to swamp Las Vegas 14-1.

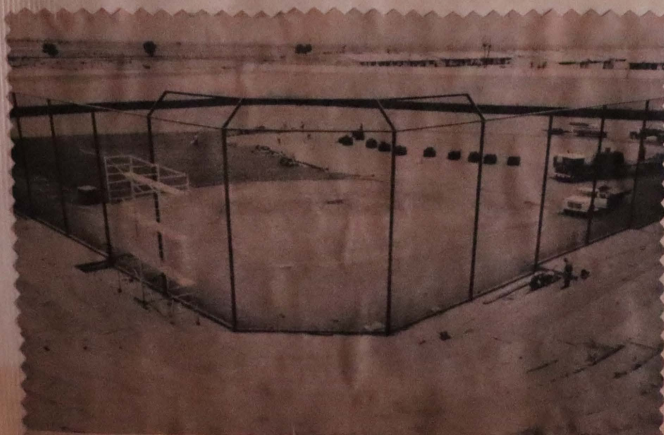
Miss Barr hurled a six-hitter, the only run coming on a triple by Leann Easley and an error.

Sun City sent up 13 batters in the first inning, racking up nine runs on six hits and three errors. The big blows were a two-run double by Miss Keith and a triple by Miss Miner.

An error, bunt single by Miss Miner and a sacrifice fly accounted for two Saint runs in the third. Another three came across in the fourth on two singles, an error and a walk.

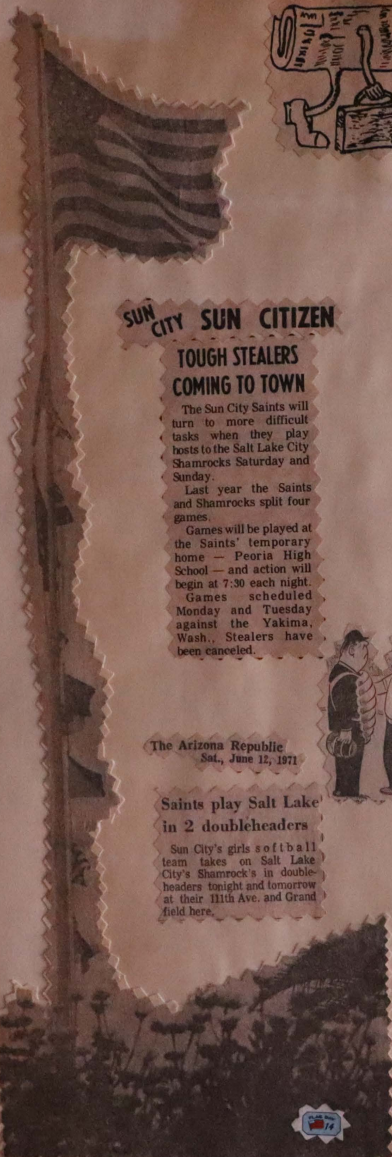
Four Saints had two hits each — Miss Keith, Lynn Mooney, Miss Barr, and Georgia Beulow.

Las Vegas had seven errors, the Saints two.



WON'T BE LONG NOW — The Sun City Saints' new stadium, at 111th Avenue and Grant, is expected to be ready for use June 19 when the Saints will take on the Tucson Roadrunners. Playing field is 23 feet below parking lot level in a natural bowl. Fence for softball can be removed to make baseball field, and the De E. Webb Corporation has hopes of attracting majority league clubs to practice there. (Photo by The Reckners)





SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

TOUGH STEALERS COMING TO TOWN

The Sun City Saints will turn to more difficult tasks when they play hosts to the Salt Lake City Shamrocks Saturday and Sunday.

Last year the Saints and Shamrocks split four games.

Games will be played at the Saints' temporary home — Peoria High School — and action will begin at 7:30 each night.

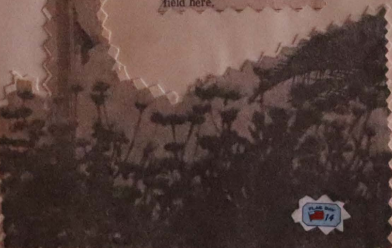
Games scheduled Monday and Tuesday against the Yakima, Wash., Stealers have been canceled.



The Arizona Republic
Sat., June 12, 1971

Saints play Salt Lake in 2 doubleheaders

Sun City's girls softball team takes on Salt Lake City's Shamrocks in doubleheaders tonight and tomorrow at their 11th Ave. and Grand field here.



A day for Old Glory

Today is Flag Day, and the red, white and blue banner should be flying on every home, place of business and public building. Flag Day first was observed in 1877 in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the selection of the flag, but it was not until 1916 that it became a national holiday by proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson. The flag above flies in front of the Wabash Computer Co., 10th Ave. and Peoria.



The Arizona Republic

Monday, June 14, 1971

Saints divide

PEORIA — The Sun City Saints split a doubleheader last night with Salt Lake City's Shamrocks, as the Arizonans took the first game 3-0 behind Billie Harris before dropping the nightcap 4-0.

SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

JUNE 16, 1971

Stadium Delayed By Seats

The Del E. Webb Development Co. may strike out in its hopes to open new Sun City Stadium Monday for the Sun City Saints.

Failure of the stadiums seats to arrive from the manufacturer has put the opening date up in the air again.

Originally, it was hoped the \$300,000 "dream" stadium would open this coming Saturday. That was moved to Monday as announced at Saint games last Saturday and Sunday, to give the sod enough time to settle properly so it wouldn't be torn up.

The Webb Co. reported part of the aluminum seats are en route, but whether they are the seats or the back of the seats is not immediately known.

As of now, the Saints will play their Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Thursday games at their temporary home, Peoria High School field. Their foes for Saturday and Sunday will be the Tucson Roadrunners, associate members of the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League. On Monday and Tuesday, the Saints will test the John F. Kennedy College Patriotettes of Nebraska, a three-time national collegiate softball champs.

There will be doubleheaders all four nights, with the first games starting at 7:30 p.m.

The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Sat., June 12, 1971



Filled with determination

Mr.



Sun City

SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

SAINTS GAIN SPLIT; ERRORS HURT; HARRIS WINS TWO

June 16, 1971



Shamrocks Lucky, But They're Good, Too

"No wonder they're called the Shamrocks!"

The speculation came from Thelma Keith, first baseman and manager of the Sun City Saints, and her reference was to what she regarded as lucky catches by the Salt Lake City Shamrock outfielders in the four games the teams played last weekend. Lucky or not, the impressive snafus insured the Shamrocks victory in the final game, 4-0, and permitted the Saints no better than a split in the four contests.

It was apparent the Saints committed too many errors to expect consistent success against the well-balanced Salt Lake City team, which finished fifth in the national woman's softball tournament last year.

The miscues were of the how-did-that-happen variety, which seemed all the more glaring in light of some sensational fielding by the Saints.

Billie Harris won the two games she pitched, one of them a shutout, despite a horrible start in the second contest. It was the closest Miss Harris has come to being bombed out this season.

Centerfielder Chris Miner, adding further to her reputation as a real pro, led the Saints in hitting, with

three singles and a triple, and in one stretch got on base five straight times.

Her fielding was flawless and she would have made the catch of the series on a rising line had she had a little more of the luck of the Shamrocks. Quick Joy Peterson, with her windmill delivery, set the Saints down twice, 2-1 and 4-0, holding the local heroes to just six hits overall.

SAINTS 3 SHAMROCKS 0
Two double plays, a tight pitching effort and a two-out, two-run single by Thelma Keith gave the Saints a 3-0 victory over Salt Lake City in their first game Saturday night.

The Shamrocks had runners on in every inning except first, but lefty Billie Harris painted the whitewash with some important fielding help.

In the third inning, third baseman Lynn Mooney made a running backhand catch of a foul ball to end a threat. In the fourth, centerfielder Chris Miner's running catch of a liner ended upon a double play. A stab of a liner in the sixth by shortstop Ginger Kurtz was turned into a twin killing.

Miss Harris gave up seven hits, and twice the Shamrocks had two hits in an inning.

The Saints clipped Fern

Gardner for eight hits, including a triple by leftfielder Barbara Quijada, who was not trying to stretch it into a homer.

Seeing the ball get by the third baseman, Miss Quijada headed for home, dove under the tag of the catcher, crawled toward home but was out before she got there. Meanwhile, two Shamrock players collided on the baseline and the scene looked like a disaster area.

Miss Harris singled down the third base line with one out in the third and Miss Miner cracked a single to right center. With two out, Miss Keith drove the ball to center, scoring the two runners.

Paul Miller, who needs a shamrock for luck, pitched another good game, but lost 2-1. Her own error in the sixth inning paved the way for the loss.

Coach Bev Dreyer gave Betty Barr, a first-year pitcher, another try and the right-hander was in trouble most of the night and finally was relieved by Miss Miller.

The non-conference games left the Saints with a 16-7 over-all record.

The Shamrocks out-hit Sun City 29-19 and committed fewer errors 6-19. The run production over the four games was able even—9-8 in favor of Salt Lake City.

Miss Miner went four for 10 and Lynn Mooney, moved into the third slot in the lineup replacing slumping Thelma Keith, went three for 12. Miss Keith was 2 for 12, Marilyn Rau 2 for 12, and Barbara Quijada 2 for 9, including a triple.

Miss Quijada's three errors resulted in Coach Dreyer benching her in the last game.

Shortstop Ginger Kurtz continued in her slump, going 0 for 9.

Here is how the games went:

In the fifth, the Saints got their third run on a walk to Miss Kurtz, a passed ball and a single to center by Miss Rau.

SHAMROCKS 2 SAINTS 1

The Saints had their problems defensively and it contributed heavily to another hard-luck loss by Paula Miller, at the hands of the Shamrocks 2-1.

Leftfielder Barbara Quijada let ground balls get by her twice. But she partially atoned for the errors by snapping up a liner in the fifth and her one-bounce throw into the plate cut down a runner from third.

The Saints were held to three hits by Joy Peterson and their only run came in the first when Miss Miner opened with a triple to left center and came home on a wild pitch.

Miss Peterson didn't give up another hit until the sixth when Miss Miller singled. An error with one out put another Saint on base. But Sun City's big guns, Miss Keith and Miss Rau, went out.

Miss Mooney opened the seventh with a single and was sacrificed to second. But the next two batters were easy outs.

Salt Lake City scored in the fourth on a single, wild pitch and a single, and again in the sixth on a hit, error by Miss Miller and a sacrifice fly. The Shamrocks got six hits in all.

SAINTS 4 SHAMROCKS 3

Salt Lake City raked Billie Harris for four hits and three runs in the first inning, and it looked like the beginning of the end.

But the Shamrocks hadn't reckoned with Miss Miner and couple of chicken plays.

The centerfielder did it all herself in the first when she got life on an error, stole two bases and scored on a chicken play. It came about when Miss Kurtz, on first with a walk, sashayed down to second to draw a throw. When the Shamrocks played on her, Miss Miner came speeding in.

The Saints tied it 3-3 in the third on a single and stolen base by Miss Miner and successive hits, each to a different field, by Miss

Mooney, Miss Rau and Miss Keith.

Miss Harris gave up two more hits in the fourth, but escaped unscathed. After surrendering a leadoff single in the fifth, the stylish lefty retired the next nine batters to face her.

Meanwhile, the Saints were getting the winning run in the fifth. Miss Miner took first on an illegal pitch, Miss Kurtz got there later on an error, and the same chicken play got the run.

SHAMROCKS 4 SUN CITY 0

The Saints never had more than one runner on at a time as Miss Peterson whitewashed Sun City, 4-0.

Miss Miner got on twice, on a hit and a walk. Sandy Kelley singled and Miss Rau got a hit, and that was it.

Salt Lake City scored two off of Miss Barr in the third on a homer by centerfielder Cathy Jo Sayre, and a triple by shortstop Jody Schwick brought two more in the fourth.

Miss Barr was consistently behind batters, and although walks didn't hurt her, the hasty Shamrock hitting did. After walking three straight in the sixth, Miss Miller came on and held off the visitors the rest of the game.



BILLIE HARRIS



CHRIS MINER



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, June 16, 1971



CHRIS MINER, who already had scored twice in Sunday's first game with Salt Lake City, does it again in fifth inning to give Sun City Saints 4-3 victory. Chris barrels into third base here as part of

double steal with Ginger Kurtz, then travels home as Shamrocks' third baseman, Janet Keim, fails to latch onto errant throw from second baseman.



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FORCEOUT AT PLATE resulted from remarkable play in sixth inning of Sunday's nightcap. With bases loaded and one out, Saints' Paula Miller came in from bullpen to face Cathy Sayre, who rifled shot down third base

line—it caromed off third baseman into shortstop Ginger Kurtz's glove, and her throw to catcher Marilyn Rau nipped sliding Sue Rubin. Salt Lake Shamrocks won game, however, 1-0.



Wednesday, June 16, 1971

Salt Lake Belters, Saints Split; Four Twin Bills In Row On Tap

By HURT FREIREICH
How can you have a "grudge" game when neither team has met before?

It's not easy, but we've got a series coming up Monday and Tuesday.

The Sun City Saints first will host the Tucson Roadrunners, now a Pacific Coast Women's League associate member, in 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday at Peoria High.

THEN THEY will host the John F. Kennedy Patriettes of Nebraska at the Peoria diamond.

The Patriettes have won the national collegiate women's softball championship three years running — and that's where the vengeance motive comes in.

Four Saints played on the Arizona State University team which a month ago placed fourth in the collegiate tourney. Paula Miller, now the Saint's No. 2 pitcher, won most valuable player honors in the tourney by hurling five shutouts — she also lost two games and both were to JFK.

OTHER SAINTS on that ASU team were catcher Marilyn Rau, outfielder Georgia Buelow, and shortstop Ginger Kurtz, who also won all-tourney honors.

Saturday's and Sunday's foes, the Roadrunners, were the Saint's first official opponents of the 1971 campaign. Sun City swept the four-game series at Tucson.

Last weekend the Saints bumped up against one of the toughest rivals they'll face this season — the Salt Lake Shamrocks, who finished fifth in last year's nationals.

Both Saturday and Sunday the Saints won the opener, but both times the Utah girls bounced back to win the nightcap behind the pitching of Joy Peterson. The Saints managed only one unearned run off Miss Peterson in the two outings.

IN PERHAPS the best played game of the season, the Saints won Saturday's opener, 3-0, as both teams turned in sparkling offensive and defensive performances.

The Saints got an insurance run in the fifth when Ginger Kurtz walked, stole second, and raced home on Miss Rau's two-out single.

Pitcher Billie Harris launched a two-run rally in the third with a single to left and raced to third base on Chris Miner's single up the middle. Chris taking second on the play at third. With two outs Thelma Keith, faced a sharp single up the middle to score both runners.

SUN CITY failed to score in the fourth despite singles by Lynn Mooney and Barbara Quijada and in the sixth despite Betty Barr's single and Miss Quijada's triple. Pinch runner Buelow was out stealing, and Miss Quijada was out trying to stretch her long hit into a homer in the sixth.

Salt Lake uncorked seven hits, three by Carol Day. The Shamrocks got back-to-back singles in the fifth and seventh, but both times with two outs. Twice hard shots were converted into double plays as Miss Miner speared a sinking liner to center in the fourth and shortstop Kurtz leaped high for another in the sixth.

The Shamrocks evened things with a 2-1 triumph in the nightcap. Miss Miner opened the first inning with a passed ball. But that was the only bright spot for the Saints, who got only two singles thereafter.

SALT LAKE tied it in the fourth when Jamie Hughes singled, moved up on a bunt and a wild pitch, and scored on Janet Keim's single. Margie Haviland tripled to open the fifth, but Miss Miller got Cathy Sayre on a liner to short and Sue Rubin's fly to left was converted into a double play as Barbara Quijada's throw nipped Miss Haviland at the plate after the catch.

The Shamrocks loaded the bases with none out in the sixth on a single, error, and fielder's choice that got no one out. Miss Peterson's sacrifice fly to center scored the winning run.

On Sunday the Shamrocks leaped to a 3-0 lead in the first on four singles off Miss Harris and two errors.

THE SAINTS got on the path to a 4-3 win when Miss

Miner reached on an error in the first inning, stole two bases, and then stole home on a double steal worked with Miss Kurtz, who had walked.

Miss Miner was on first with a single in the third when, with two outs, Lynn Mooney, Marilyn Rau, and Thelma Keith unloaded successive singles for two runs. Chris scored for the third time in the fifth via a walk and a pair of errors.

Salt Lake won the finale, 4-0, as Sun City managed only three scattered singles. Miss Sayre sandwiched a triple between two singles for a pair of runs in the third, and two more scored in the fourth via a single, error, and Jody Schwick's double to left.



Atta Boy, Gals



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Saints Boxscores

Keith's Key Hit

Gift Horse

SALT LAKE	ab	r	h	bi
Schwick, ss	3	0	0	0
Sayre, cf	3	0	0	0
Peterson, 1b	3	0	1	0
Hughes, 2b	3	0	1	0
Aardema, c	3	0	0	0
Keim, 3b	2	0	0	0
Gardner, p	3	0	1	0
Day, lf	3	0	3	0
Haviland, rf	2	0	1	0
TOTALS	25	0	7	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	1	1	0
Kurtz, ss	2	1	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	1	2
Rau, c	2	0	1	1
Mooney, 3b	3	0	1	0
Barr, rf	2	0	1	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	2	0
Harris, p	2	1	1	0
TOTALS	22	3	8	3

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SAINTS 002 010 x-3 8 1

Shamrock Revenge

SALT LAKE	ab	r	h	bi
Schwick, ss	4	1	1	0
Day, lf	2	0	0	0
Hughes, 2b	3	1	1	0
Peterson, p	2	0	0	1
Aardema, 1b	3	0	0	0
Keim, 3b	3	0	2	1
Haviland, rf	3	0	1	0
Sayre, cf	3	0	0	0
Rubin, c	3	0	1	0
TOTALS	26	2	6	2

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	1	1	0
Kurtz, ss	3	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	1	0
Barr, rf	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	1	0
TOTALS	25	1	3	0

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SALT LAKE	ab	r	h	bi
Schwick, ss	4	1	2	0
Sayer, cf	2	0	1	0
Hughes, 2b	4	0	0	0
Peterson, 1b	4	1	2	1
Keim, 3b	3	1	1	0
Gardner, p	1	0	1	1
Day, lf	3	0	0	0
Aardema, rf	3	0	1	0
Rubin, c	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	27	3	8	2

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	2	3	1	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	1	1	1
Rau, c	2	0	1	1
Keith, 1b	3	0	1	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	0	0
Buelow, rf	3	0	1	0
Harris, p	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	4	5	2

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Peterson Shutout

SALT LAKE	ab	r	h	bi
Schwick, ss	3	1	1	2
Sayer, cf	4	1	1	2
Hughes, 2b	4	0	1	0
Peterson, p	4	0	3	0
Haviland, rf	4	0	0	0
Keim, 3b	4	0	0	0
Aardema, 1b	2	1	1	0
Rubin, c	1	1	0	0
Day, lf	2	0	1	0
TOTALS	28	4	8	4

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	2	0	1	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	1	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Barr, p	2	0	0	0
Miller, p	1	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	1	0
Rice, lf	2	0	0	0
Buelow, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	0	3	0

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Wednesday, June 16, 1971

Stadium Inaugural Faces New Delay

A delay in shipment of seating has forced a new postponement of the Sun City Saints' debut in the new Sun City Stadium.

The women's softball team first announced that it would play Saturday's and Sunday's doubleheaders with the Tucson Roadrunners in the new stadium. Then at last weekend's games at Peoria High, which the Saints have been using as a temporary home field, the team announced Monday's and Tuesday's doubleheaders with John F. Kennedy College of Nebraska would inaugurate the new arena.

They were acting on information from the Del E. Webb Development Co.'s property manager, Gaylen Bartlett. Bartlett, however, learned Monday of a new delay—the seating contractor reported the shipment of seating by the manufacturer, which had been delayed three weeks, still was not in sight.

"There's no way, as far as he can see," Bartlett reported, "that the stadium will be usable Monday."

The problem is that studs for the seating now protrude from the various grandstand levels and will constitute a severe hazard until the seating is installed.

The Arizona Republic Phoenix, Sunday, June 20, 1971

Westerners, Saints win pair

Phoenix Westerners and Sun City Saints each swept twin bills in women's softball action last night.

The Westerners of the Corporate Women's Softball League dropped the Tucson Roadrunners, 4-2 and 6-3. In the opener, Linda White's two-run single broke open a 1-1 tie to give Phoenix the win. In the second game, Virginia Posey went three-for-three, scoring twice and knocking in a run. Darlene Spiva picked up both pitching victories.

The Saints defeated the Tucson Roadrunners, 6-0 and 12-2, in Pacific Coast League softball action.

Chris Miner and Marilyn Rau each went six-for-eight

for Sun City in the doubleheader.

The Saints play the Roadrunners tonight at 7:30 at Peoria High School.



The Arizona Republic Mon., June 21, 1971

Saints sweep pair

The Sun City Saints took a double victory from the Tucson Roadrunners last night with Betty Barr tossing a no-hitter.

The Saints took the opener, 9-0, as Paula Miller limited the visitors to two hits and Barr's burling in the nightcap resulted with the hitting of

Chris Miner, (5-for-6) and Oliver Kurtz, (4-for-5) earned an 8-2 triumph.

Their record is now 16-5 in league play and they meet the JFK Patriots of Wahoo, Neb., tonight in a doubleheader at Peoria High School diamond at 7:30.

The Arizona Republic Phoenix, Tues., June 22, 1971

Saints take pair from JFK College

The Sun City Saints swept a doubleheader from John F. Kennedy College last night, winning the opener 2-1 and the nightcap 8-2.

Billie Harris tossed a seven-hitter in the opener, while Chris Miner homered and

Lynn Moody singled home the winning run in the bottom of the seventh.

In the nightcap, Paula Miller scattered 12 hits for the Saints, while Betty Barr stroked a pair of hits and Sandy Kelly added two more.



The Arizona Republic

Wed., June 23, 1971

Saints sweep JFK Patriots

The Sun City Saints used the hitting of Ginger Kurtz and Chris Miner and the pitching of Billie Harris and Paula Miller to sweep a doubleheader from the JFK Patriots of Wahoo, Neb., last night.

The Saints won the first game, 8-4, as Harris fired a six-hitter, Miner rapped three hits and Kurtz and Thelma Keigh homered.

In the second game, Miller flipped a two-hitter and Kurtz and Miner each homered in a 5-1 triumph.



Glendale

News-Herald

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 1971

Saints take two from Shamrocks-split series

The Sun City Saints split their series recently with the Salt Lake City Shamrocks from Utah. Both teams won two games. On Saturday night, June 12, the Saints won the first game, 3-0. The winning pitcher was Billie Harris and Fern Gardner took the loss.

The Shamrocks came back and beat the Saints in the second game, 2-1. Joy Peterson was the winning pitcher and Paula Miller was the losing pitcher.

In Sunday's double header the Saints picked up the win in game one, 4-3. Billie Harris once again took the win and Fern Gardner was the losing pitcher.

The Shamrocks shutout the Saints in the second game by a score of 4-0. Joy Petersen was the winning pitcher and Betty Barr was the loser.

In Saturday's first game Barbara Quijada went two for three with a single and triple. In the second game Chris

Miner had a triple. In Sunday's first game Miner went one for two, scored three times, and stole four bases! In the second game the Saints had three hits by Chris Miner, Marilyn Rae, and Sandy Kelley.

The Saints were planning to move into their new ball park last week but it has been delayed now for some time. The Tucson Roadrunners were in town this last weekend, June 19-20, to play the Saints at the temporary field at Peoria High School.

The Saints played the JFK Patriots of Wahoo, Nebraska. JFK has won the Women's College World Series for three consecutive years. The games were on June 21-22 beginning at 7:30 p.m.



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10747 Sun City Boulevard



SHE'S WILD TOO, BUT DOES HER THING ANYWAY

We're Just Wild About No-Hit Betty!

The Sun City Saints' Betty Barr, who was so wild she had to be jerked in the third inning Saturday night, came back the following evening nearly as wild but hung on to pitch a no-hitter against the Tucson Roadrunners.

But, Miss Barr, a Glendale Community College student, gave away two runs on two walks and an error to spoil the effort as the Saints won 8-2.

She walked eight in the seven innings but except for a couple of liners to left she was not hit hard.

It was the Saint staff's first no-hitter of the year.

The Saints shellacked the Roadrunners in their four game set over the weekend at Peoria High School field, 6-0, 12-0, 9-0 and 5-2.

Paula Miller hurled the two shutouts, allowing three

hits in each effort, and showing she is becoming a pitcher to reckon with.

The Saints' ace, Billie Harris, held back as a starter, came to the rescue of Miss Barr in the second game and held the 'Runners. After she came on, the only action from the visitors was a protest from the manager that Miss Harris was throwing a spit ball.

After some jawing between the umpires and Miss Harris, it was decided that Miss Harris was properly wiping her hands on the front of her uniform after she put her fingers on her lips.

At bat, the Saints badly outclassed Tucson, an associate member of the West Coast Women's Softball League.

Sun City piled up 35 runs on 50 hits in the four games,

compared to four runs and 10 hits for the 'Runners.

Again, centerfielder Chris Miner, perhaps the classiest of all the Saints, led the way at the plate. She went 10 for 14, including a home run blast.

Catcher Marilyn Rau did nearly as well, nine for 14, including a booming triple. Shortstop Ginger Kurtz, dropped from second place in the batting order because of a slump, ended up with four for 14, but one of the four was a homer. Third baseman Lynn Mooney had the same, except her extra-base blow was a triple.

The other big gun for the Saints, Thelma Keith, also came through with a three-bagger in going five for 13.

Others were: Miss Miller 3 for 8; Sandy Kelley 4 for 9; Barbara Quijada 1 for 7; Becky Rice 2 for 6; Connie Allen 2 for 3; Miss Harris 2 for 3 and Miss Barr 0 for 3.

Attendance for the two nights was about 400 and 275. Here is how the games went:

SAINTS 6 'RUNNERS 0
A homer by Ginger Kurtz and triples by Lynn Mooney and Thelma Keith powered the Saints by the Tucson Roadrunners in their opener Saturday night, 6-0.

The whitewash was applied by Paula Miller, who surrendered only three hits and struck out seven. Miss Miller was really never in serious trouble, although the Roadrunners had two on in two innings.

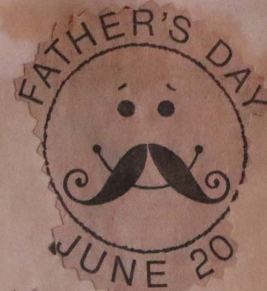
The Saints picked up their first run in the opening inning on a single by Chris Miner which got by a fielder. Miss Miner ending up on third. A sacrifice fly by Ginger Kurtz scored her.

In the fourth, Miss Mooney poked her triple, scored on an error, and then Miss Keith rapped her three-bagger to right center, and she scored on a hit by Miss Miller.

Miss Kurtz' homer, a blast through the infield that just kept rolling, came in the fifth.

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In the sixth, a single by Barbara Quijada drove in two runners, one of them Sandy Kelley, who had gotten a hit.

The Saints had 11 hits, two each by Miss Miner, Miss Mooney and Miss Miller.

SAINTS 12 'RUNNERS 2
Catcher Marilyn Rau went wild at the plate, Betty Barr went wild on the mound and the Roadrunners went wild defensively.

Miss Rau went five for five, and batted in two runs. The Saints pointed out 17 hits, all singles.

Miss Barr lasted only two and a third innings for the Saints, giving up two hits and walking four, three of them in the third frame. The Saint ace, Billy Harris, came on with the bases loaded and one out and one run in. A fly ball to centerfielder Chris Miner was turned into a double play as the Roadrunner runner on third got careless.

A walk and hits by Miss Mooney and Miss Rau gave the Saints a run in the first. The 'Runners came back with single runs in the second and third and led 2-1 until the fourth. In that inning Sun City exploded for seven hits and four runs. Five of the hits were in succession.

The Saints went on to collect three runs in the fifth and four in the sixth, helped by the visitors' errors, but doing some lusty hitting too.

Miss Miner had three hits and Miss Mooney, Miss Harris and Georgia Beulow two each. Miss Miner, Miss Mooney and Miss Rau each collected two RBIs.

SUN CITY 9 TUCSON 0
Paul Miller had pretty smooth sailing in again shutting the door on the Roadrunners. The only danger of being scored on came in the seventh when rightfielder Hilda Flores tripled.

Miss Miller struck out two and walked no one.

The Saints put together a single by Miss Miner and two walks for two runs in the third inning. Miss Miner's homer, and two walks and a single by Miss Kurtz meant two more in the fifth.

Four hits, three walks and a sacrifice were parlayed into five runs in the sixth inning.

Miss Miner went 2 for 2 and Miss Kurtz 3 for 4, as the Saints collected nine hits.

SAINTS 8 TUCSON 2
This was Miss Barr's masterpiece, which saw the Runners taking many of her pitches because of her wildness.

She retired the side in order only in the third and fifth innings.

Meanwhile, the Saints were doing their thing at the plate, on 13 hits, including a triple.

The triple, by Miss Rau, brought home a run in the first. A single, sacrifice and another hit by Miss Rau chased in another run in the third. Four more came across in the fourth on four straight hits, the last a two-run shot by Miss Rice.

Three hits in the fifth resulted in two runs.



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JUNE 23, 1971

Lynn Mooney, Betty Barr Heroes As Saints Clip Collegiates In 2

It took some last-inning heroics for the Sun City Saints to pull out a 3-2 victory over the John F. Kennedy College Patriotettes from Wahoo, Neb., Monday night.

The Patriotettes, national women's collegiate softball champions the last three years, played the Saints tough in their first game, but that succumbed to a Saint hitting barrage in the second contest, 8-2.

The two games left the Saints with a 22-7 record overall.

The Saints and the collegiate visitors were tied 2-2 in the seventh. Centerfield Chris Miner got life on an error and was sacrificed to second. With two outs, catcher Marilyn Rau singled to keep the Saints alive. Third baseman Lynn Mooney then won the game with single to left.

Sun City had taken a 1-0 edge on a leadoff homer to

left by Miss Miner. The visitors took 2-1 lead in the fourth on an error, sacrifice and two singles off lefty Billie Harris.

An error, walk and run-producing single by Miss Mooney tied it in the fifth. Miss Mooney went three for four.

Each team racked up seven hits. Four errors hurt the Patriotettes, who showed themselves a strong hitting team but not up to the Saints defensively.

Rightfielder Betty Barr cracked out two doubles and a single and scored three times in the nightcap.

Paula Miller held the visitors to five hits, giving up the two runs on three hits in the third inning.

Miss Barr's double and an error gave the Saints their first run, in the second. Singles by Miss Barr, Miss Kelley and a double by Miss Miner, plus an error, spelled three runs in the fourth.

Sun City went wild in the sixth with four runs on five hits, including doubles by Miss Barr and Miss Kelley.



Saint Program Dedicated To 'Wonderful' Sun Citizens

The official 1971 program of the Sun City Saints — dedicated to the people of Sun City — is on sale at Saint ball games for 75 cents.

Dedication of the 20-page publication is to "the wonderful people of Sun City... in appreciation for making our efforts in your wonderful community such a success! This is our humble thanks to the greatest softball fans in the U.S."

"This season marks our sixth year in Sun City. We pledge our best efforts to make this year The Big Ones!"

The program cites Gaylen Bartlett of the Del E. Webb Corporation as the "Saints' Best Friend," Webb himself as recipient of the Saints' "Angel Award" and Lloyd Liken as the "World's Best Groundkeeper."

The program gives a biographical rundown on the Saint players and Coach Bev Dryer and 1970 statistics.



SCHOONERS DUE FOR FOUR GAMES

The San Diego Schooners will sail into town again Saturday and Sunday for a four-game set against the Sun City Saints.

Whether the new Sun City Stadium will be ready by that time has not been determined. If it is not, the games will be played at Peoria High School field.

Opening of the stadium has been delayed by failure of seats to arrive. Play will begin at 7:30 p.m. each night.



SAINTS PROGRAMS — Penny Estes of Phoenix Hawks the official 1971 program of Sun City Saints. They're 75 cents and available at Saints' games. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)

Wednesday, June 23, 1971

Explosive Saint Bats Jar JFK's Collegiate Champs

By BURT FREIREICH
Sun City's Saints may not know where they're going to play this weekend's series with the San Diego Schooners, but they know they're capable of pounding the ears off any "upstart" national collegiate champions who come along.

The Saints, who clobbered the Tucson Roadrunners four straight last weekend with the help of Betty Barr's no-hitter, continued with 3-2 and 8-2 victories Monday night over the John F. Kennedy College Patriettes, who last month won their third straight intercollegiate title.

The Wahoo, Neb., Patriettes were to wind up their four-game set here last night.

SAINTS COACH Bev Dryer thought the Patriettes would be the first foe in the new Sun City stadium, but delay in shipping of seating to the 11th- and Grand avenue arena nullified those plans.

Meanwhile, the Saints are

planning to continue at their temporary quarters at Pima High against San Diego for Saturday's and Sunday's 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders.

The free-swinging Patriettes twice Monday night up 2-1 leads on the Sun City Saints. First Sun City batter in the series, Chris Miner, fired a home run shot down the third base line that, probably hasn't stopped yet.

BUT SOME shaky Saint batting helped JFK to a pair of wins in the fourth. Jenn Johnston reached on an error, moved up on a sacrifice, and scored on Lewy Albertson's single. Lindsey stole second and scored on pitcher Georgia Gomez's single up the middle.

JFK threatened again in the fifth with a pair of opening singles, but a liner to left and a Ginger Kurtz-operated double play ended the threat.

Willie Harris reached in the fifth on a bobbie, stole second, moved up on a ground out, and scored on Estan Mooney's two-out single to left.

MISS MOONEY came through in the clutch again with two out in the seventh. An error and Marilyn Rau's single which moved Miss Miner to third set the stage for Lynn's game-ending line single to left.

Paula Miller, who won the collegiate tourney's MVP award but lost twice to JFK at Omaha, gained revenge in the nightcap. Betty Barr's single and an error gave Sun City a 1-0 lead in the second, but JFK picked up a pair in the third via singles by Betty Richards, Cha Cha Thompson, and Cathy Buell.

But the Saints erupted for three runs in the fourth and labelled the JFK hurler from the mound with four in the sixth.

MISS BARR, who went 3-0, scored three times, owned the fourth with a single. A couple of errors, Sandy Kelley's single to right, and Miss Miner's line single to center did the principal damage.

Applying the frosting to the cake in the sixth were Barr with a double and Mooney, Kelley, Quijada, and Miner with teeth-rattling singles which completed the rout.

THE SAINTS scored 6-0 and 12-2 triumphs over Tucson Saturday and overwheeled the Roadrunners Sunday, 9-0 and 8-0. The visitors managed only two hits Sunday as Paula Miller hurled a two-hitter and Betty Barr came back with her no-hitter although walks kept her in frequent hot water.

The Sun City Saints got all they needed early in the series opener when Chris Miner led off the first with a triple and immediately advanced on a bunt, and scored on Ginger Kurtz's sacrifice fly to right.

Lynn Mooney and Thelma Keith each traded in the fourth-inning singles by fourth to keep a two-run Kelley, Quijada, Miner, and outburst, and Miss Kurtz, Becky Rice, and the final blasted a solo homer in the two were produced by fifth. An error and singles by Sandy Kelley, Barbara Quijada, and Miner in the fifth produced two more tallies in the sixth.

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Despite the no-hitter, Tucson scored twice in the finale's sixth inning. A pair of two-out walks, passed ball, stolen base, throwing error, and wild pitch did the damage. But the Saints had built an 8-0 lead.

Mooney's walk and a Rau triple to right center produced a run in the first. Miner singled in the second, and immediately advanced on a bunt, and scored on Miss Rau's single up the middle. Four more

came in on successive singles by fourth to keep a two-run Kelley, Quijada, Miner, and outburst, and Miss Kurtz, Becky Rice, and the final blasted a solo homer in the two were produced by fifth. An error and singles by Sandy Kelley, Barbara Quijada, and Miner in the fifth produced two more tallies in the sixth.

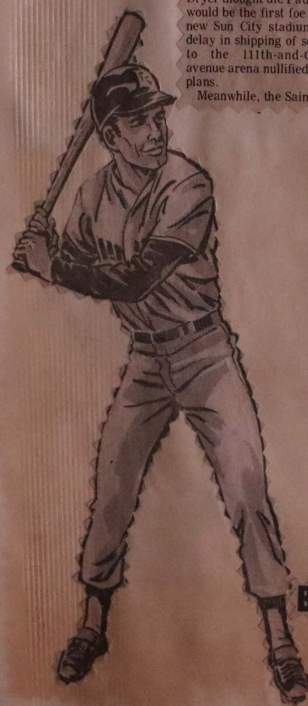
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NEWS-SUN

TUMBLING BACKWARD
after second-inning collision
in Monday's nightcap go
Saints shortstop Ginger
Kurtz and JFK baserunner
Karen Peitz. Miss Peitz,
who had doubled, attempted
to reach third on grounder to
third baseman Lynn
Mooney but got caught in
runoff. Although knocked
writhing from blow to
throat, Ginger held onto ball
for putout, flipped it to
teammate to get second
baserunner trying to advance
for one of game's
three Sun City double plays.
(News-Sun Staff Photo)



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Saints Boxscores

Miller In Control

TUCSON	ab	r	h	bi
Tapia, 2b	3	0	0	0
Holly, lf	3	0	0	0
Comacho, c	2	0	0	0
McIntire, cf	3	0	2	0
Flores, p	2	0	0	0
Perez, 3b	3	0	0	0
McClure, rf	3	0	0	0
Garcia, ss	3	0	1	0
Reeves, 1b	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	25	0	3	0

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17-Hit Onslaught

TUCSON	ab	r	h	bi
Tapia, 2b	3	0	0	0
Reeves, 1b	1	0	0	0
McClure, 1b-2b	3	0	0	0
Comacho, c	2	0	0	0
McIntire, lf	1	1	0	0
Flores, rf	3	0	1	0
Perez, 3b	3	0	1	0
Dillon, p	3	0	1	0
Garcia, ss	3	0	0	0
Matthews, cf	2	1	1	0
TOTALS	24	2	4	2

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Miner, cf 4 1 0 0
Kurtz, ss 4 1 2 1
Mooney, 3b 5 1 5 1
Rau, c 3 1 1 1
Keith, 1b 2 0 1 1
Allen, lf 1 0 0 0
Barr, p 3 0 2 0
Harris, p 4 1 1 1
Kelley, 2b 4 1 1 0
Buelow, rf 2 1 0 0
Quijada, lf 2 1 1 1
Ruce, cf 2 1 1 7
TOTALS 38 12 17 7

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Kurtz 3-For-4

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Dillon, 2b	3	0	0	0
Garcia, ss	2	0	1	0
Comacho, 3b	2	0	0	0
Perez, c	3	0	0	0
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Mantano, 1b	2	0	0	0
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Matthews, lf	2	0	0	0
Alvarez, ph	1	0	0	0
McGuire, cf	2	0	0	0
Holly, p-rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	2	0

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Barr No-Hitter

TUCSON	ab	r	h	bi
Tapia, 2b	4	0	0	0
Garcia, ss	3	0	0	0
Comacho, 3b	3	0	0	0
Holly, cf	2	1	0	0
Flores, p	1	0	0	0
McIntire, lf	2	0	0	0
Reeves, 1b	2	0	0	0
McClure, rf	2	0	0	0
Perez, c	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	19	2	0	0

SAINTS 4 2 3 1
Miner, cf 4 2 3 1
Allen, cf 0 0 0 0
Ruce, lf-rf 2 1 1 2
Mooney, 3b 2 1 0 1

Mooney In Clutch

TUCSON	ab	r	h	bi
Thompson, cf	4	0	0	0
Buell, c	4	0	2	0
DeShazer, lf-3b	3	0	2	0
Peltz, rf	3	0	0	0
Alig, 2b	3	0	0	0
Johnston, 3b-1b	3	1	0	0
McAtee, ss	1	0	0	0
Richards, 1b	1	0	1	0
Albertson, lf	2	1	1	1
Gomez, p	3	0	1	0
TOTALS	27	2	7	2

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Bombs Away

TUCSON	ab	r	h	bi
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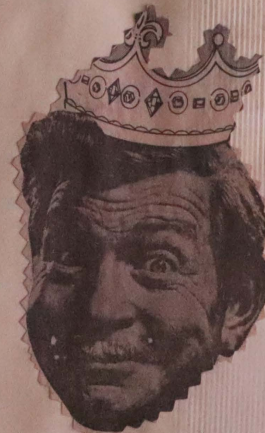
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Thompson, cf	4	0	0	0
Buell, c	4	0	2	0
DeShazer, lf-3b	3	0	2	0
Peltz, rf	3	0	0	0
Alig, 2b	3	0	0	0
Johnston, 3b-1b	3	1	0	0
McAtee, ss	1	0	0	0
Richards, 1b	1	0	1	0
Albertson, lf	2	1	1	1
Gomez, p	3	0	1	0
TOTALS	27	2	7	2

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Bombs Away

TUCSON	ab	r	h	bi
Thompson, cf	4	0	0	0
Buell, c	4	0	2	0
DeShazer, lf-3b	3	0	2	0
Peltz, rf	3	0	0	0
Alig, 2b	3	0	0	0
Johnston, 3b-1b	3	1	0	0
McAtee, ss	1	0	0	0
Richards, 1b	1	0	1	0
Albertson, lf	2	1	1	1
Gomez, p	3	0	1	0
TOTALS	27	2	7	2

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The Arizona Republic

Sunday, June 27, 1971

Saints take both games

Thelma Keith's seventh inning pinch hit, first game single and a 19-hit second game attack powered the Sun City Saints to a sweep of the San Diego Schooners last night.

The Saints took the first game, 5-4. In addition to Mrs. Keith's hit, Chris Miner, who had five hits for the night, and Marilyn Rau homered.

Betty Barr, who gained the win in relief in the first contest allowed only three hits as the Saints took the second game, 23-0.

Lynn Mooney was the top hitter for the night for the Saints with six hits in seven trips for the two games.

The teams meet again tonight in another doubleheader at 7:30 at Peoria High.



The Arizona Republic

Monday, June 28, 1971

Saints sweep San Diego nine

The Sun City Saints opened up a boiling barrage last night to take two exhibition games from the San Diego Schooners, 11-5 and 23-4.

Marilyn Rau, Ginger Kurtz and Lynn Mooney led the hitting attack with four apiece while Rau and Betty Barr homered.

Billie Harris hurled the opener and Barr the nightcap.

The Saints travel to Fresno this weekend for three days of games.



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

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SUN CITY, ARIZONA

SAINTS PAY FOR VICTORIES WITH STRAINS, BRUISES—

June 30, 1971

Schooners Push-Over; Betty Barr Wins 3

The Sun City Saints came out of the weekend with four victories over the San Diego Schooners—two on laughs and an unusually great number of aches and pains.

The Schooners, really no match for the Saints, lost 3-4, 23-0, 11-5 and 22-4. The Saints out-hit their foe 64-24 and were given many of their runs by the 23 errors committed by the California girls. The Saints limited their misuses to six in the four-game set, played before crowds of near 400 each night.

It marked the last games for the Saints in their temporary home, Peoria High School field. The new Sun City Stadium will be ready for the Saints' next home games July 16.

Betty Barr was the pitching star, notching three of the victories, and third baseman Lynn Mooney had her best series of the season with 10 hits in 16 times at bat.

The Saints' ace, Billie Harris, was knocked out of the box in the opener Saturday night—and Coach Bev Dreyer couldn't remember the last time that had happened. Miss Harris redeemed herself somewhat by winning the third game, although she was hit fairly hard.

The infirm included first baseman Thelma Keith, who sat out the four games with a recurring back injury. However, she was inserted as a pinch hitter and singled to win the first game.

Georgia Buelow missed the Sunday games with a knee injury. Pitcher Paula Miller was nursing a bad bruise from a Saturday night slide, although she played first base in one game Sunday. Reserve outfielder Konni Allen came up with a sprained ankle, as result of a slide.

Otherwise the Saints were feeling great and hitting great.

Catcher Marilyn Rau cracked two homers and a double among her eight hits in 12 appearances at the plate. Miss Barr also had a homer and went 8 for 14. Also homering was centerfielder Chris Miner, who had eight hits in all during the series.

Outfielder Barbara Quijada had seven hits, as did reserve outfielder Becky Rice. Ginger Kurtz was 4 for 17, Billie Harris 4 for 9, Paula Miller 2 for 9, Sandy Kelley 3 for 16 and Georgia Buelow 2 for 3.

The base running of Miss Miner and Becky Rice brought appreciative ap-

plause from the fans. The meet unusual play was a pop out dropped by Miss Kurtz and caught, before it hit the ground, by Miss Quijada. Miss Kurtz made several fine plays at short during the series.

The Saints are now 28-7 over all.

Here is how the games went:

SUN CITY'S SCHOONERS 4

Thelma Keith delivered a two-out pinch hit single in the seventh to give the Saints a hard-fought victory over the San Diego Schooners in their opening game Saturday night.

The game saw lefty Billie Harris driven from the box with two out in the fourth after surrendering four runs and eight hits.

Betty Barr came on to blank the Schooners the rest of the way on two hits, although the visitors had runners in every inning.

A hit and an error gave San Diego a run in the first, and three singles and an error were converted into another counter in the second.

However, an error, walk and a three-run homer to center by Chris Miner gave the Saints the lead in the bottom of the second.

A fourtagger to center by shortstop Debbie Teter tied the game for San Diego in the third, and three successive singles with two out handed the Schooners the lead, 4-3, in the fourth.

Catcher Marilyn Rau caught an outside pitch and sent it over the rightfielder's head for a home in the fifth and tie the score.

The Saints almost broke it open in the sixth after Barbara Quijada beat out an infield hit. Miss Quijada stole second but was tagged out trying to get third on the next pitch. Georgia Buelow and Miss Miner followed with infield singles, but Miss Barr ended the inning by flying out.

Miss Barr walked two Schooners with one out in the seventh, but got the next two batters on a popout and strike out.

With one out in the bottom of the seventh, Miss Rau reached second on an error.

First baseman Paula Miller went out on a fly, and that set the stage for Miss Keith to slash a hit through the shortstop.

The Saints had nine hits, the Schooners 10. The visitors committed five errors to two for Sun City.

Miss Miner had two hits and three runs batted in and Miss Mooney and Miss Buelow also notched a couple of hits apiece.

SUN CITY 23 SCHOONERS 0

There was no stopping the Saints as they put on a pyrotechnic display of hits (19) and runs (23) while Betty Barr held San Diego scoreless on three hits.

The Saints scored three in the first, nine in the second, three in the third, two in the fourth, two in the fifth and four in the sixth.

After the two homers in the first game, Schooner outfielders were playing back second game and the Saints were thus limited to two extra-base blows. They were doubles by Miss Rau and Miss Mooney.



JUNE 30, 1971

Stadium Opening To Saints

Sun City Stadium — a \$300,000 dream in green at 111th Avenue near Grand Avenue — will open for its first Sun City Saints softball game Saturday, July 10.

Ceremonies dedicating the stadium will be held at a later date, when the Saints can present developer Del E. Webb with their annual "Angel Award" given to the person who has contributed outstanding support to the team.

Webb will be cited as having backed the team through his initial contribution of a softball park and now through his construction of the new stadium.

The Saints will play a Denver, Colo., team in a doubleheader on the night of the dedication.

Opening of the stadium had been delayed when the seats had not arrived in time.

The Webb Company's permit to build the stadium estimated the cost at \$200,000.

It's a beautiful layout, with green the dominate color. The playing field is 23 feet below the normal ground level, situated in a natural bowl on the northwest corner of 111th and Grand.

On the ground level are 2½ acres of parking, enough to accommodate 500 cars. Lighting has been provided for the parking area.

Stadium seating — for 1,000 — takes up two sides of the bowl and for protection of spectators a 30-foot high screen stretches around the spectator area.

There will be no problems of light poles blocking the

view, for the lights are at the rear of the permanent seats. The seats themselves will be aluminum and permanent with extra leg room between rows and extra wide aisles. Other features include big league — type dugouts, locker rooms, showers and restrooms, and a press box situated above the concession stand overlooking the stadium.

The Webb Company hopes to attract major league baseball teams into the stadium for spring training, and the stadium has been built to accommodate this hope.

For softball, a removable fence has been erected, but the full field is 330 feet at the foul lines and 220 to the center field fence.

GINGER KURTZ BLASTS 2 FOURBAGGERS

Homer Barrage, Errors Fell College Champs In Finales

The Sun City Saints showed themselves better than the best in collegiate circles with some light pitching and lusty hitting last week.

The John F. Kennedy College Patriotettes of Wahoo, Neb., bowed to the Saints in their final two games, giving Sun City a sweep of the four-game set.

The Patriotettes, national women's softball champs in collegiate circles the last three years, offered some interesting play here but were not up to the more polished Saints.

The visitors' pitching fell short of Pacific Coast Women's League standards, with the possible exception of Georgia Gomez, the Patriotettes ace. The Patriotettes hit the ball fairly well displayed strong defense in the outfield but were badly hurt by erratic infield play.

The Saints swept the last two games, 8-4 and 5-1, after winning the first two 3-2 and 8-2.

The long ball was unloaded by Sun City, Thelma Keith and Ginger Kurtz providing homers in the opener, and Chris Miner and Miss Kurtz getting back-to-back roundtrippers in the finale.

That, besides Patriotette errors, pretty much told the story.

A single by Miss Miner, two successive errors, double by Marilyn Rau and single by Sandy Kelley, got the Saints off to a four-run start in the first inning of the opener.

After batting around in the first inning, the Saints sent 10 batters up in the second. It provided four runs again, with Miss Miner opening it with a bunt single, Miss Keith bombing a homer to center, a walk and then Miss Kurtz' first homer.

After that, the Saints collected only three harmless singles.

Miss Miner posted three of the winners' 10 hits.

Lefty Billie Harris set down the first 10 batters to face here, the first nine put outs by first baseman Thelma Keith.

The Saints' committed three of their seven errors in the fourth run, giving the visitors one run, and a hit and two miscues resulted in another counter in the fifth. The Patriotettes got to Miss Harris for two more hits, and the Saints were charged with two more errors, and it all added up to two runs in the seventh.

The college girls had six

hits with their four runs. Miss Gomez, who had lost the opener of the four-game set 3-2, blanked the Saints for the first three innings of the final game between the teams.

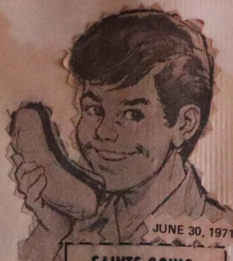
Miss Gomez' teammates, however, managed a run off the Saints' Paula Miller in the third. It came on a long-fly homer to center by Cha Cha Thompson, the Patriotettes' centerfield who holds the title Miss Nebraska Softball.

Sun City put it away in the fourth with a five-run outburst on a walk, error and three-run homer by Miss Miner. That was followed by Miss Kurtz' second round-trip blast, a walk, error and a sacrifice.

Miss Miller retired the last 13 batters, striking out the side in the fifth. She held the Patriotettes to two hits while her teammates were getting five off Miss Gomez.

Miss Keith was the only Saint with two hits, both singles.

Best bank shot of the night came in the third inning when a liner bounced off Miss Keith's glove high enough for second baseman Sandy Kelley to catch. Miss Kelley threw back to Miss Keith to double off a runner.



JUNE 30, 1971

SAINTS GOING TO CALIFORNIA FOR 6 GAMES

The Sun City Saints will be in Fresno, Calif., Saturday, Sunday and Monday to take on the Rockets in six games.

The two teams split four games when they played here May 29 and 30.

Fresno is a member of the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League with the Saints and Orange, Calif.



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, June 30, 1971

Stadium Seats Installed In Time For Fireworks

Spanking new Sun City Stadium, home of the Saints softball team, will finally have a chance to show off its permanent seating arrangement Sunday during the annual Fourth of July celebration which gets under way at 8 p.m. at 111th Avenue, north of Grand.

The program, sponsored

by the Del E. Webb Development Co., will feature a colorful fireworks display and include a concert by the "Great White Hope" band under the direction of Cecil Armstrong.

After several delays, seats were installed early this week, thus eliminating the need for residents to

bring folding chairs. Sun Citizens will be admitted free of charge after showing their Sun City Community Association cards.

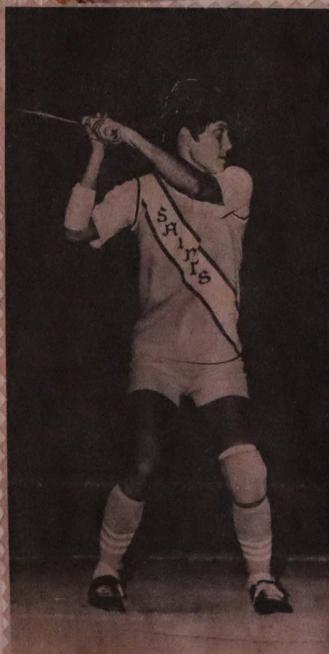
The fourth annual celebration will begin with band music. Then, as darkness envelops the stadium, the first barrage of serial rockets and bombs

will set the Sun City skies ablaze in color. Fireworks from the ground will tell the history of America's traditional holidays and will be interspersed by dramatic aerial bursts.

The show will end with a heavy barrage of rockets and the flow of fiery "water" over a simulation of Niagara Falls.

Wednesday, June 30, 1971

SAINTS CARRY 12-GAME STREAK INTO ROCKET SERIES AT FRESNO



CHRIS MINER, Portland's all-America gift to Sun City Saints this year, has been season-long sparkplug in Saints' menacing "new look" as sluggers. She went 3-for-17 at plate in weekend series with San Diego, including three-run homer in 2-4 opening win. All-America shortstop last year, she anchors Sun City garden at center field. Every homer she belts now will set new Saint record.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)

Sun City's Saints, winners of 12 games in a nine-day span, head for their first Coast engagement of the season at Fresno this weekend for a five-game holiday series with the Rockets — doubleheaders Saturday and Monday and an exhibition affair Sunday.

The Sun Citizens made their last weekend in their temporary "home" at Peoria High a successful one by sweeping four games from the San Diego Schooners. Upon their return from Fresno they will move into the new Sun City Stadium, with the Greeley (Colo.) Razorbacks providing the inaugural opposition July 10.

THE SAINTS have been on a hitting rampage over the past two weekends and will have to stay hot to deal successfully with Fresno's Rockets, who broke even in a pair of doubleheaders here on Memorial Day weekend. Sunday's single game will honor the induction of former Rocket hurler Jenney Busick into softball's Hall of Fame.

For the first time this year the Saints will be limping into a series. First sacker Thelma Keith, except for a game-winning pinch hitting role, missed last weekend's action with a back sprain. Saturday Connie Allen received a bad ankle sprain while sliding into home plate.

After right fielder Georgia Buelow wrenched her left knee when her cleats caught while chasing a foul ball. Although hobbled somewhat, Miss Keith will see duty at Fresno.

AFTER MAULING the Tucson Roadrunners four straight June 19 and 20 and then dumping the collegiate champion John F. Kennedy College Patriettes twice on the 21st, the Saints completed a sweep of JFK eight

days ago, 8-4 and 5-1. Ginger Kurtz and Miss Keith homered in the former and Miss Kurtz and Chris Miner homered in the finale to give Billie Harris and Paula Miller mound victories.

The Saints went down to the wire to best San Diego in the opener, 5-4, then slugged out victories of 23-0, 11-5, and 22-4.

The Schooners tagged Miss Harris for single runs in each of the first four innings. Penny Sapp singled, moved to third on an error, and scored on a fly out in the first. Sharon Sandeno, who singled in the second, scored later on Gigi Barker's single. Debbie Teter homered in the third. Successive singles after two outs by Leah Shipperd, Miss Barker, and Miss Sapp did it in the fourth. Miss Barr relieved Billie and killed the rally with a strikeout.

MEANWHILE, an error, walk, and Miss Miner's two-out homer produced three Sun City runs in the second. Marilyn Rau's homer tied it in the fifth, and she scored the winner in the seventh when she reached on an error, moved up on a walk to Lynn Mooney, and came in on Miss Keith's two-out pinch single.

The Saints left nothing to chance in Saturday's nightcap, unraveling 19 hits and 23 runs while Miss Barr hurled a three-hit shutout.

Betty paced the attack herself with 4-for-4 and a walk, three runs, and three RBIs. Miss Mooney and Miss Miner, who each had two hits in the opener, added three apiece in this one. A nine-run second inning featured the avalanche.

SUN CITY needed a big attack in Sunday's opener. The Saints grabbed a 2-0 lead in the second via singles by Lynn Mooney, Sandy Kelley, and Barbara Quijada plus an error. But the Schooners tagged Miss Harris for three runs in the third, also on three hits and an error. San Diego bunched three hits for two runs in the

sixth, too, but by then it was too late.

The Saints opened the third with a single by Harris and a Barr homer for a pair of runs and picked up three more in the fourth with Becky Rice, Chris Miner, and Barr supplying singles. Miss Harris and Ginger Kurtz singled in the sixth to key a four-run outburst. Billie wound up with three hits and three runs and Betty with four RBIs.

SUN CITY erupted for 23 hits in the 22-4 final win. Miss Rice went 4-for-4, scored four times and drove in four runs. Miss Quijada went 3-for-4 and scored four times, while a home run helped Miss Rau build a total of five RBIs. Also pitching in with three hits apiece were Miner, Mooney, and Rau.

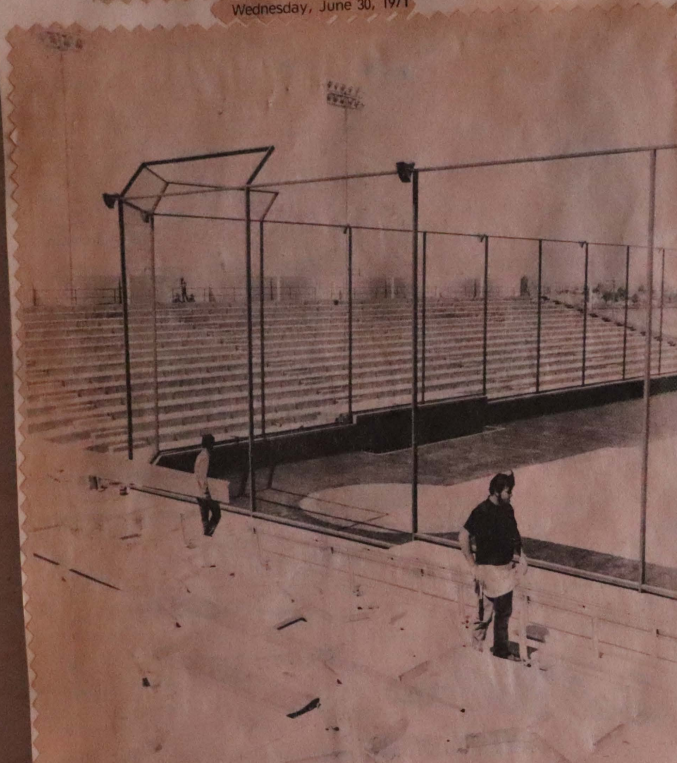
Dedication of the Sun City Stadium has been set for July 17, when the Saints will host the Huntington Park Blue Jays of California. Del Webb is scheduled to be a participant in the ceremonies.

The Saints have added a second four-game series with the Salt Lake Shamrocks Aug. 14 and 15. The squads broke even in an outstandingly played series here June 12-13.



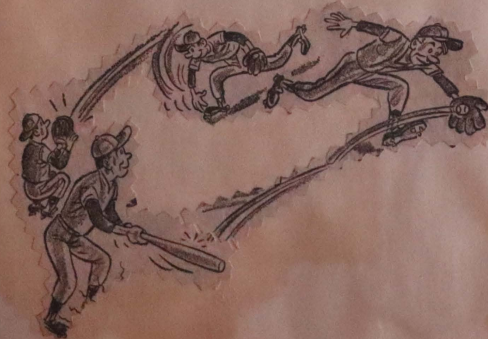
NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, June 30, 1971



WORKMEN INSTALL seating benches, backs at Saints Stadium, to be initiated with use during Fourth of July fireworks display Sunday. Stands in triangular pattern on cement have been in place several weeks waiting for strips

of seating to arrive. Here workmen carry metal strip to install on studs for seating just right of home plate. Partially completed benches show seats down, waiting for backs. (News-Sun Staff Photo)



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, June 30, 1971

Saints Boxscores

Keith's Pinch Hit

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Sapp, 1b	3	1	2	1
Johnson, 2b	3	0	0	0
Teter, ss	2	1	1	1
Kelly, p	4	0	1	0
Guy, 3b	4	0	1	0
Sandeno, rf	2	1	1	0
Melone, lf	3	0	0	0
Shipherd, c	3	1	2	0
Barker, cf	3	0	2	1
TOTALS	27	4	10	3

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	1	2	3
Harris, p	2	0	0	0
Barr, p	2	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	2	1	1
Mooney, 3b	3	0	2	0
Miller, 1b	3	1	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Keith, ph	1	0	1	1
Quijada, lf	3	0	1	0
Buelow, rf	2	1	2	0
TOTALS	28	5	9	5

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Slugging Duel

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Sapp, 1b	4	0	1	0
Johnson, 2b	4	1	1	0
Sandeno, ss	4	1	0	0
Teter, lf	4	2	2	2
Kelly, p	3	1	0	0
Guy, 3b	3	0	1	1
Simutizes, rf	3	0	1	0
Cooper, c	3	0	2	1
Barker, cf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	31	5	8	4

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	2	1	0
Harris, p	4	3	3	0
Barr, 1b	3	2	2	4
Rau, c	3	1	1	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	2	0
Kurtz, ss	4	0	2	2
Kelley, 2b	3	1	0	0
Quijada, lf	2	1	1	0
Rice, rf	2	1	1	0
TOTALS	28	11	13	6

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Barr The Door

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Sapp, 1b	2	0	0	0
Kelly, p	2	0	1	0
Johnson, 1b	1	0	0	0
Cooper, rf	2	0	0	0
Sandeno, rf	1	0	0	0
Simutizes, rf	2	0	1	0
Teter, ss	1	0	0	0
Barker, cf	3	0	0	0
Shipherd, c	3	0	0	0
Lane, wh	3	0	1	0
Guy, 3b	3	0	1	0
Melone, lf	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	0	3	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf-1b	6	2	3	2
Kurtz, ss	4	1	0	1
Miller, 1b	1	1	1	0
Rice, cf	3	3	2	0
Rau, c	4	3	2	2
Mooney, 3b	5	4	3	2
Barr, p	4	3	4	3
Kelley, 2b	4	2	1	2
Buelow, rf	1	1	0	0
Allen, rf	1	1	1	1
Harris, rf	1	1	1	1
Quijada, lf	3	1	1	2
TOTALS	37	23	19	16

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Hit Avalanche

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Sapp, 1b	4	0	1	1
Johnson, p-rf	3	0	0	0
Sandeno, ss	3	1	0	0
Teter, lf	4	1	1	0
Kelly, rf-p	4	0	0	0
Guy, 3b	3	0	0	0
Shipherd, c	2	1	0	1
Lane, 2b	1	1	0	1
Barker, cf	3	0	3	1
TOTALS	27	4	5	4

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	3	3	3
Rice, rf	6	4	4	4
Barr, p	4	3	1	0
Rau, c	3	3	3	5
Mooney, eb	3	1	3	3
Miller, 1b	3	1	2	2
Kelley, 2b	3	1	2	0
Kurtz, ss	2	2	2	1
Quijada, lf	3	4	3	1
TOTALS	31	22	23	19

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JULY

SALUTE TO AMERICA

OLD GLORY'S MESSAGE

"I am your belief in yourself ..."



The Arizona Republic
Sunday, July 4, 1971

Saints split with Fresno

Special to The Republic
FRESNO, Calif. — The Sun City Saints split a doubleheader last night with the Fresno Rockets, as the Arizonans won the first game, 4-0, before dropping the nightcap, 2-0.

Billie Harris blanked the Rockets on five hits in the opener, while the Saints bunched five hits also. Sun City now is 24-8 on the year and will play Fresno tonight in an exhibition game.

The Arizona Republic
Monday, July 5, 1971

Fresno Rockets blank Sun City girls, 2-0

FRESNO, Calif. — The Fresno Rockets blanked Sun City's Saints, 2-0, last night in an exhibition contest.



The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Wed., July 7, 1971

Saints open park

The Sun City Saints will open their new softball park at 111th Ave. and Grand Ave. with 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday against Greeley, Colo.

The Saints won three of four games from Fresno over the weekend, concluding the 730 coast visit Monday when Billie Harris pitched 3-1 and 1-0 victories.

Glendale

News-Herald

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 1971

Saints have new stadium

The Sun City Saints baseball team have something new in store for them this weekend. What is it? The Saints will move into their brand new ball park, the Sun City Stadium at 111 Avenue and Grand, on July 10.

For their 'opener' at the stadium they will play the team from Greeley, Colorado. Doubleheaders are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday night, July 10 and 11. Greeley has played in the

College World Series this year and last year.

The dedication ceremonies for the new stadium will be Saturday, July 17, when the Saints host Huntington Park.

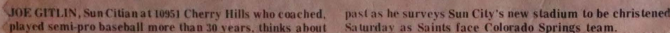
This past fourth of July weekend the Saints took three out of four games from the Fresno Rockets at Fresno, Calif.

Pitcher Billie Harris won all three games for Sun City. They won with scores of 4-0, 3-1, and 1-0 (in 10 innings).

They dropped the second game to the Rockets, 2-0. Harris pitched a total of 17 innings during Monday's doubleheader.

PLAY BALL



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Sun City's new stadium will be christened at 7:30 p.m. Saturday when the Sun City Saints face the Greeley, Colo., Razorbacks in the first softball action seen in the new ballpark just north of Grand Avenue and west of 11th Avenue.

John Meeker, president of the Del E. Webb Development Co., will open a brief christening ceremony by breaking a champagne bottle and throwing the

Constructed in a natural bowl, the stadium is designed for softball and regulation baseball. A removable softball outfield fence opens the field into a full-sized baseball layout.

Foul lines measure 330 feet to left and right field walls, and 420 feet from home plate to the center field fence for regulation baseball. The field has an automatic sprinkler system.

recessed dugouts, and a 30-foot-high protective screen along the entire length of spectator seating.

THE PERMANENT contoured, bench-type, aluminum seats allow considerable leg room, and wide aisles provide easy access. Lighting for night games is above and behind spectator seating.

The press box and announcer's booth is located above a large concession stand at the east end of the field. The park has modern locker and shower rooms for teams, and restrooms for the public.

Sun City Stadium encompasses 12½ acres enclosed by a slump block wall and includes paved and lighted parking for about 500 vehicles.



Wednesday, July 7, 1971

Saints Take 3 Of 4 Games To Pass Fresno In Standings

Saints Boxscores

The Sun City Saints return home to open play at the new stadium after taking three of four league games from the Fresno Rockets, winning 1-0 and losing 2-0, Saturday and triumphing 3-1 and 1-0 Monday, while losing an exhibition contest Sunday 5-4.

Opponents for Saturday and Sunday 7:30 p.m. doubleheaders will be the Greeley (Colo.) Razorbacks. The official dedication of the stadium will be next week.

The wins put the Saints ahead of the Rockets in the league standings where the two teams had been tied for second. In the last series in Sun City the teams split, Fresno now drops to third.

The Saints won the opener Saturday scoring in the first inning as Chris Miner got on with a two-base error, was sacrificed to third by Ginger Kurtz, and scored on Marilyn Rau's single. In the second inning insurance runs were added as Ginger walked, Sandy Kelley got on with an error, Barbara Quijada loaded the bases on another error, Becky Rice's ground out scored Ginger and Billie Harris doubled in Sandy and Barbara.

Miss McGee controlled the Saints in the second game, not allowing one Saint to reach second while only walking one.

Both Rocket runs were unearned. In the first, Miss Murphy singled, followed by Miss Kennedy's single that got by the outfielder to score the first run. The throw to get her at second went wild allowing the second run to tally.

In Sunday's exhibition contest Rockets' pitching held the Saints scoreless and allowed only two hits. All Fresno's scoring was in the first as Denise Haas singled, Gerry Murphy got on with a fielder's choice when an attempted force at second was too late. Connie Kennedy loaded the bases with an error. Three consecutive walks scored the runs and a fourth was added when

Kelly Munger who was on third as a result of the walks only ground out scampered home when a pick-off throw went into the outfield.

Sun City threatened in the fifth when Paula Miller was hit by a pitch. Sandy reached first on an error. Barbara walked to lead the bases with no outs. Fresno changed pitchers and Gaynel McGee got the next three batters in order.

Sun City opened scoring in Monday's first game in the third inning when Barbara Quijada got on with an error, advanced to second on a sacrifice and a single by Miss Harris to score on Betty Barr's single.

Back-to-back singles by Barb and Chris followed by a double by Billie accounted for the rest of the Saints scoring in the fifth.

The second game went nine scoreless innings before Miss Barr singled, went to third on Lynn Mooney's single. Fresno put in Miss McGee to pitch at this point and after two straight balls, delivered a wild pitch to allow Betty to score.

Saints had threatened throughout the game as in the first Billie and Chris reached second and third with outs. A double play with Chris getting tagged out at home ended the inning.

In the second Miss Quijada singled and reached third with one out but was also left stranded.

Miss Barr reached third after singling and advancing on a hit and ground out but was tagged out attempting to score on a wild pitch to end that inning.

Billies' Double

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	1	1	0
Harris, p	3	0	1	1
Keith, 1b	4	0	1	0
Rau, c	3	0	1	1
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	2	1	1	0
Kelley, 2b	3	1	0	0
Quijada, rf	3	1	0	0
Rice, lf	3	0	0	1
TOTALS	28	4	5	3

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, c	3	0	1	0
Murphy, 2b	3	0	1	0
Kennedy, 1b	3	0	0	0
Munger, cf	3	0	0	0
Helms, p	3	0	1	0
Erwin, lf	3	0	0	0
Vertz, ss	2	0	0	0
Gigliotti, 3b	2	0	0	0
D. McGee, rf	2	0	2	0
TOTALS	24	0	5	0

SAINTS	130	000	0-4	5	0
FRESNO	000	000	0-0	5	3

Pitching Decisive

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	1	0
Rice, rf	2	0	0	0
Harris, ph	1	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	1	0

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, cf	3	0	1	0
Murphy, 2b	3	1	1	0
Kennedy, 1b	3	1	2	0
Helms, lf	3	0	1	0
Rudd, c	3	0	0	0
Erwin, rf	3	0	1	0
Vertz, ss	2	0	0	0
Gigliotti, 3b	2	0	0	0
McGee, p	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	2	6	0

SAINTS	000	000	0-0	1	3
FRESNO	200	000	x-2	6	1

Walks Hurt

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	1	0
Kurtz, ss	3	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	1	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Barr, p	0	0	0	0
Miller, p	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Quijada, rf	3	0	0	0
Rice, lf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	2	0

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, cf	3	1	1	0
Burndr, c	0	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	3	1	0	0
Kennedy, 1b	2	1	0	0
Munger, cf	2	0	0	1
Helms, p	2	1	0	1
D. McGee, rf	2	0	0	1
G. McGee, p	1	0	0	0
Rudd, c	3	0	0	1
Erwin, lf	3	0	1	0
Gigliotti, 3b	2	0	1	0
TOTALS	23	5	3	4

SAINTS	000	000	0-0	2	2
FRESNO	400	000	x-4	3	2

Wild Pitch

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	0	3	0
Harris, p	5	0	2	0
Barr, 1b	5	1	2	0
Rau, c	5	0	2	0
Mooney, 3b	5	0	2	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	5	0	0	0
Rice, rf	4	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	4	0	1	0
TOTALS	39	1	12	0

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, rf	5	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	2	0	0	0
Kennedy, 1b	4	0	1	0
Gigliotti, 3b	1	0	0	0
Munger, cf	4	0	0	0
Erwin, lf	4	0	0	0
Vertz, ss	3	0	1	0
Jones, ph	1	0	0	0
Rudd, c	4	0	1	0
Helms, p	4	0	1	0
G. McGee, p	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	32	0	4	0

SAINTS	000	000	0-0	2	2
FRESNO	000	000	0-1	1	2

SAINTS	000	000	0-0	0	4	2
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Barb Tallies Two

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	1	1	0
Harris, p	4	0	2	2
Barr, 1b	3	0	1	1
Rau, c	3	0	1	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	26	3	6	3

FRESNO	ab	r	h	bi
Haas, cf	3	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	3	1	0	0
Kennedy, 1b	3	1	0	0
Helms, lf	3	0	1	0
Rudd, c	3	0	1	0
Erwin, rf	2	0	0	0
Vertz, ss	3	0	0	0
Gigliotti, 3b	3	0	2	0
Rudd, c	2	0	0	0
Gigliotti, 3b	3	0	2	0
Vertz, ss	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	1	5	0

SAINTS	001	020	0-3	6	0
FRESNO	000	100	0-1	5	1



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HAPPY 4th
TO ALL



FULL HOUSE AT NEW STADIUM — Sun City Stadium was opened Sunday to a Fourth of July fireworks display and a house which filled all of the new facility's 3,000 and then some. Spectators were seated single file down the stairway and were three to four deep at the back of the stadium. For a look at the fireworks display turn to Page 16. (Photo by Jack Pryor)

SAINTS TO PLAY RAZORBACKS

Champagne Treatment Saturday For New Sun City Stadium



Sun City Stadium will get the champagne treatment Saturday night for the opening game by the Sun City Saints in the \$300,000 facility at 111th Avenue, north of Grand Avenue.

John W. Meeker, president of the Del E. Webb Development Co., announced a brief ceremony at 7:30 p.m. will be highlighted by the breaking of a champagne bottle. And the first pitch will be thrown from Meeker to Owen Childress, Webb executive vice president.

Formal dedication will be a week later on what will be regarded Del Webb Night. The developer will be presented the Saints' "Angel Award" for outstanding support of the team through contribution of the first field, now the site of apartments, and now of the new stadium.

The Saints will play a doubleheader against the Greeley, Colo., Razorbacks.

Constructed in a natural bowl, the 3,000-seat stadium is designed for both softball and regulation baseball. A removable softball outfield fence opens the field into a full-sized baseball layout. Meeker said the new park setting is beautiful and compares favorably with big league ball parks around the country. Foul lines measure 330 feet to left and right field walls, and 420 feet from home plate to the center field fence.

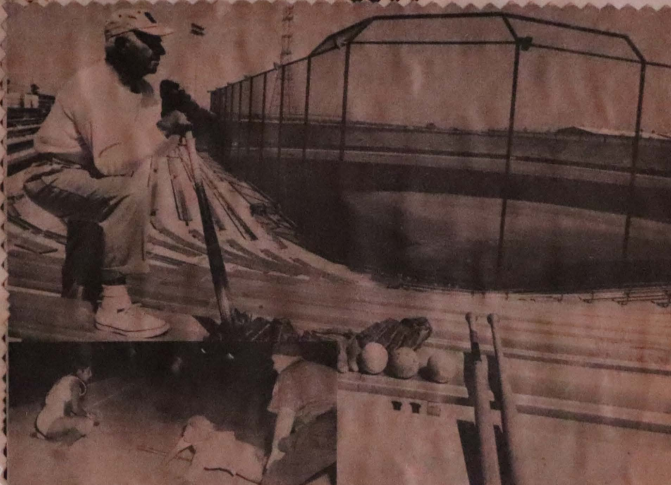
The field has an automatic sprinkler system, recessed dugouts, and a 30-foot high protective screen along the entire length of spectator seating.

The permanent contoured, bench-type aluminum seats are set up to provide plenty of leg room, and wide aisles provide easy access and exit. Lighting for night games is

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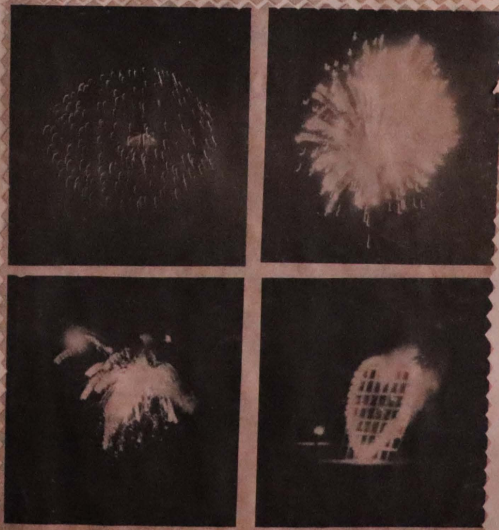
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OLD DAYS RECALLED — Joe Gitlin, who coached and played semi-pro baseball, reminisces as he surveys new

Sun City Stadium to be opened for Sun City Saints play. Gitlin lives at 10951 Cherry Hills Drive. Insert shows Saints in action.



AND BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR — On the ground and in the air, fireworks display at Sun City Stadium Sunday night offered more than 3,000 residents there a spectacular and colorful Fourth

of July. In the air were star bursts such as ones above and on the ground spectators got a fiery display of the year's holidays, including Valentine's Day in lower right. (Photos by Jack Pryor)

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SAINTS WIN FIRST, LOSE NEXT TWO

The Sun City Saints lost two of the first three games with the Fresno Rockets over the Fourth of July holiday, all three contests shutouts.

Bill Harris shut out the Rockets on five hits in the first game, 4-0. Each team got five hits.

The next two games went to Fresno 2-0.

Independence Day

The Arizona Republic-31
Monday, July 12, 1971

Saints win pair from Greeley

The Sun City Saints powered to a doubleheader sweep with Greeley, Colo., 8-4 and 15-3 last night.

The Saints won the first game behind the four-hit pitching of Billie Harris. She also rapped three hits and Sandy Kelly had two hits and two RBIs.

In the second game, Paula Miller allowed five hits. Ginger Kurtz had two hits and drove in four runs and Lynn Mooney had three hits.

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SITS OUT GAME — First baseman Thelma Keith, one of the original Saints, had to sit out opening in new stadium because of broken little toe (shown protruding from shoe). However she was able to coach. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)

The Arizona Republic
Sunday, July 11, 1971

Saints rack up twin triumphs

SUN CITY — The Sun City Saints swept a doubleheader from the Colorado Razorbacks last night, winning the opener 4-0 and the nightcap 3-2.

Billie Harris tossed a 2-hitter and struck out four in the opener as the Saints scored four unearned runs.

In the nightcap, Lynn Mooney and winning pitcher Paula Miller each rapped two hits and drove in one run to spark the win. Paula gave up five hits in the second game.

The same teams meet in a twin bill here tonight at 7:30.



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PAULA MILLER, formerly reserve outfielder-catcher-first baseman, took on new role this season as pitcher and has worked into No. 2 spot on Saints' hill staff. Hurling for Arizona State, she won MVP honors in national collegiate tourney in May. Paula is expected to pitch against Greeley Razorbacks when Saints inaugurate Sun City Stadium with 7:30 p.m. doubleheader Saturday.

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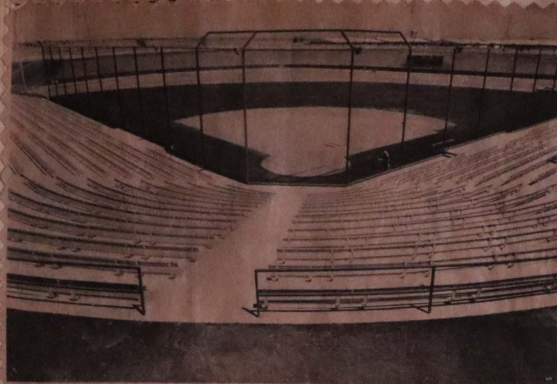
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by GLD

Sun City's half million dollar stadium will be dedicated at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 17, and then the Sun City Saints and the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif., will play in a doubleheader.

The field is designed for both softball and regulation baseball and future plans are that it might be used for major league ball games during the winter months.





HOME SWEET HOME - The Sun City Saints have a new home as of last weekend. It's their new ball park at 111 Ave. and Grand Ave. Dedication ceremonies will be this Saturday, July 17. (Photo by Prather's)

Saints' stadium to be dedicated at doubleheader

Sun City's half-million dollar stadium will be dedicated at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, prior to a doubleheader girls' softball game between the hometown Sun City Saints and the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, California.

Former New York Yankees co-owner and one time semi-pro baseball pitcher, Del Webb will throw in the first ball. He also is scheduled to receive an award from the Saints.

During the dedication, plans will be announced for major league exhibition games in the dual-purpose ball park, according to John Meeker, president of the Del Webb Development Co.

Constructed in a natural bowl, north of Grand Avenue and west of 111th Avenue, the Stadium is designed for both softball and regulation baseball. A removable softball outfield fence opens the field into a full-sized baseball layout.



GLENDAL NEWS-HERALD
WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 1971

For openers Saints take four

The Sun City Saints opened up at their new ball park, 111 Ave. and Grand Ave., on Saturday, July 10. The past weekend they played the Colorado Razorbacks from Greeley, Colorado. The Razorbacks played in the College World Series this year and last year.

The Saints had little trouble with the Razorbacks during doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday night, July 10-11. On Saturday night they shut out the team from Greeley in the opener, 4-0. In the second game the Saints squeaked by, 3-2.

During Sunday's games the Saints rolled over the Razorbacks in the first game, 8-1. In the second game they bombarded them by a score of 15-3.

More than 2,000 people showed up for the games this past weekend at the new park. This coming Saturday night Del Webb, who engineered and constructed the stadium, and his associates will be present at the dedication ceremonies.



SAINT COMES 'SLIDING' HOME - Chris Miner slides home safely just ahead of ball during last weekend's game. (Photo by Prather's)



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Saints Break Attendance Record, Win 4 Straight In New Stadium

Sun City's Saints broke old attendance records and outdrew the Phoenix Giants in the opening of their new stadium with 2,667 watching the Saints beat the Greeley (Col.) Razorbacks Saturday, 4-0 and 3-2. The Saints also won both games Sunday, 8-1 and 13-4.

This weekend the Saints will host the Huntington Park (Calif.) Blue Jays in double headers Saturday and Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Saturday will be Del Webb Night with Webb being honored for building the new stadium which is also to receive its formal dedication.

In Saturday's first game Billie Harris shutout the Razorbacks allowing only two hits. Saint scoring started in the third when Sandy Kelley walked, stole second, advanced on an error, and scored on a ground out.

In the fifth, Sandy again led off with a walk, went to second on a sacrifice, and to third on Barbara Quijada's single. Both scored on a single by Chris Miner. Chris scored when the ball got away from the center fielder.

Paula Miller shutout the Razorbacks for six innings of the second game. In the final inning three straight singles and two errors accounted for two Greeley runs.

Sun City tallied in the second when Lynn Mooney singled, advanced on an error and scored on Sandy Kelley's sacrifice.

Lynn led off the fourth with a double and scored on Paula's double. Paula was left stranded when the next three batters flied out. In the sixth, Marilyn Rau tripled to lead off the inning and scored on Lynn's sacrifice fly.

Greeley was held to one run in Sunday's first game. It came in the second inning on a single, fielder's choice and an error.

Saints opened scoring in the bottom of the inning when Lynn walked, went to second on a sacrifice, Becky Rice walked, Barbara walked to load the bases, and an error allowed Misses Mooney and Rice to score.

Ginger Kurtz led off the fourth with a triple and

scored on Miss Kelley's single. Miss Rice walked. Miss Quijada sacrificed them to second and third. Sandy scored on Miss Miner's sacrifice fly and Miss Harris singled in Becky.

Miss Miner led off the sixth with a triple and scored on Miss Harris' single. Billie was forced out at second when Betty Barr got on with a fielder's choice. Miss Rau singled. Miss Mooney was hit by a pitch to load the bases.

Ginger Kurtz got on with a fielder's choice to score Betty, and Marilyn scored on Miss Kelley's ground out.

The Saints pounded out 15 hits and scored 13 runs in Sunday's second contest. Miss Miner led off the first with a triple and scored on Miss Kurtz's sacrifice fly.

In the second Miss Mooney doubled, followed by singles by Misses Miller and Kelley. Miss Rice

walked. Miss Kurtz doubled, and Miss Barr singled. This accounted for five runs in that inning.

Miss Mooney scored in the third on an error after singling.

In the fourth Miss Miner singled, advanced on an error and scored on Miss Kurtz' single.

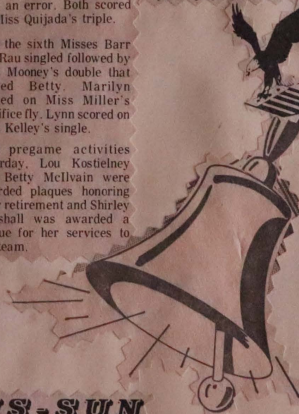
Miss Miller singled in the fifth and Miss Rice got on with an error. Both scored on Miss Quijada's triple.

In the sixth Misses Barr and Rau singled followed by Miss Mooney's double that scored Betty, Marilyn, scored on Miss Miller's sacrifice fly. Lynn scored on Miss Kelley's single.

In pregame activities Saturday, Lou Kostelney and Betty McIlvain were awarded plaques honoring their retirement and Shirley Marshall was awarded a plaque for her services to the team.

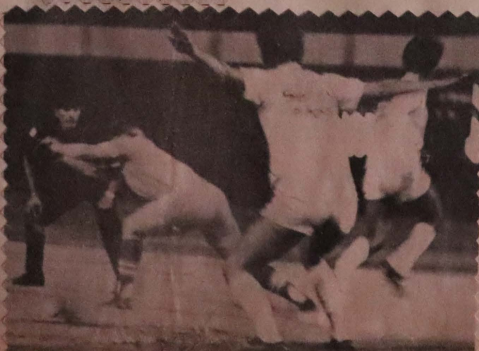
Georgia Buelow and Thelma Keith did not see action due to injuries received in Fresno two weeks ago. Miss Buelow tore ligaments and bruised cartilage in her knee while chasing a foul ball and will be out of action indefinitely.

Miss Keith broke the little toe of the right foot when she was spiked at first base. She hopes to play this weekend.



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BILLIE HARRIS beats out a bunt in the sixth inning of Sunday's first game against the Greeley Razorbacks. First

base coach Thelma Keith signals safe as umpire Rudy Rivas watches. Saints won all four games. (News-Sun Staff Photo)

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Saints Boxscores

Billie's 2-Hitter

GREELEY	ab r h bi	Reifler, ss	3 0 0 0
Unterseher, 2b	3 0 0 0	Hale, lf	3 1 1 0
Peterson, cf	3 0 0 0	Rosenberg, c	3 0 1 0
Reifler, ss	2 0 0 0	Noe, 1b	3 0 0 0
Hale, lf	3 0 0 0	Bales, rf	2 0 0 0
Rosenberg, c	3 0 0 0	Weber, rf	1 0 0 0
Noe, 1b	3 0 1 0	Kirkpatrick, 3b	2 0 0 0
Bales, rf	2 0 1 0	Bottenberg, p	2 0 0 0
Kirkpatrick, 3b	1 0 0 0	Schachler, p	0 0 0 0
Bottenberg, p	2 0 0 0	TOTALS	25 1 4 0
TOTALS	22 0 2 0		

SAINTS	ab r h bi	SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, cf	3 1 1 2	Miner, cf	3 1 1 1
Harris, p	3 0 0 0	Harris, p	4 0 3 1
Barr, 1b	3 0 1 0	Barr, 1b	4 1 1 0
Rau, c	3 0 0 0	Rau, c	4 1 1 0
Mooney, 3b	3 0 0 0	Mooney, 3b	2 1 0 0
Kurtz, ss	3 0 1 0	Kurtz, ss	3 1 1 1
Kelley, 2b	0 2 0 0	Kelley, 2b	4 1 2 2
Rice, rf	1 0 0 0	Rice, rf	0 2 0 0
Quijada, lf	2 1 1 1	Quijada, lf	2 0 0 0
TOTALS	21 4 4 3	TOTALS	26 8 9 5

GREELEY	000 000 0-0 2 3	GREELEY	010 000 0-1 4 2
SAINTS	001 020 x-4 4 2	SAINTS	020 303 x-8 9 1

Marilyn In Sixth

GREELEY	ab r h bi	GREELEY	ab r h bi
Unterseher, 2b	4 0 0 0	Unterseher, 2b	3 1 0 0
Peterson, cf	4 0 0 0	Peterson, p-cf	3 0 1 0
Reifler, ss	4 0 1 1	Reifler, ss	3 2 0 0
Hale, lf	2 0 1 0	Hale, lf	3 1 0 0
Rosenberg, c	3 0 0 0	Rosenberg, c	3 0 3 1
Iseminger, 1b	3 0 0 0	Iseminger, 1b	2 0 0 0
Bales, rf	2 0 0 0	Kirkpatrick, 3b	3 0 0 0
Weber, rf	1 1 1 0	Bales, cf-rl	3 0 1 0
Kirkpatrick, 3b	3 1 1 0	Worle, rf	1 0 0 0
Allen, p	3 0 1 0	Allen, p	2 0 0 0
TOTALS	29 2 5 1	TOTALS	26 4 5 1

SAINTS	ab r h bi	SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, cf	2 0 0 0	Miner, cf-ss	4 2 2 0
Kurtz, ss	3 0 0 0	Kurtz, ss-cf-2b	3 1 2 4
Barr, 1b	3 0 0 0	Barr, 1b	4 1 2 0
Rau, c	3 1 1 0	Rau, c	4 1 1 0
Mooney, 3b	2 2 2 1	Mooney, 3b	4 3 3 1
Miller, p	3 0 2 1	Miller, p	2 2 2 1
Kelley, 2b	2 0 0 1	Kelley, 2b	4 1 2 2
Rice, rf	2 0 0 0	Allen, rf	0 0 0 0
Allen, rf	1 0 0 0	Rice, rf-cf	3 2 0 0
Quijada, lf	2 0 1 0	Quijada, lf	2 0 1 2
TOTALS	23 3 6 3	TOTALS	30 13 15 10

GREELEY	000 000 2-2 5 2	GREELEY	200 020 0-4 5 3
SAINTS	010 101 x-3 6 3	SAINTS	151 123 x-13 15 2

Saints Barrage

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SUN CITY'S NEW STADIUM was officially christened Saturday night in ceremonies preceding doubleheader between Saints and Greeley (Colo.) Razorbacks. Taking part in program were Del E. Webb Development Co.

officials (from left): John Meeker, president; Owen Childress, vice president; and Jerry Svendsen, public relations director. Looking on are members of Sun City Saints. (News-Sun Staff Photo)



Happy days
are here again.

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WATER GUSHES from automatic sprinkler sending umpire Joe Opalek (third from right) and Saint's Becky Rice (far right) to take cover in the Razorback dugout. The

sprinklers went on just prior to start of second game Sunday between Saints and Greeley Razorbacks in new Sun City Stadium. (News-Sun Staff Photo)

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2,062 FANS OPENING NIGHT July 14, 1971

Webb Will Chuck Out First Ball At Stadium Event

Developer Del E. Webb, former co-owner of the New York Yankees and one-time semi-pro baseball pitcher, will throw out the first ball during dedication ceremonies Saturday for the \$500,000 Sun City Stadium.

Ceremonies will start at 7:30 p.m. prior to a softball doubleheader between the Sun City Saints and the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif.

Several other Webb Corporation executives, other dignitaries and sports personalities will take part in the program.

Webb, corporate board chairman, also will receive the Sun City Saints' Annual "Angel Award" given for outstanding team support.

The Desert City Six will be on hand to provide Disneyland music for the dedication and the games.

John W. Meeker, president of the Del E. Webb Development Co., said that during the ceremonies plans will be announced for major league exhibition games in the softball-baseball park.

Admission to Sun City Saints games is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

The new stadium, used for the first time for softball this past weekend, is in Sun City Phase II just off 111th and Grand.

Stadium Magnificent, But, Yep, Folks, That Personal Touch Gone

Sun City Saint fans found they have a price to pay for their new \$300,000 dream in green — Sun City Stadium.

"New stadium's nice," said one male fan scanning the vast facility on the evening the Saints opened play there. "But it's lost that personal touch. Used to like to get down where we could gab with those girls. Dugouts, spoil it."

Also there was the problem of fan suggestions and criticism reaching the ears of the umpires. In fact, it took a concerted effort to keep the umpire informed, but Sun City fans generally stick together in such instances.

A bottle of champagne was broken on home base to get things started. It prompted Jerry Svendsen, public relations director of the Del E. Webb Development Co., to quip something about "champagne on diamond" being a rich mixture.

While there was champagne on the diamond, there was no beer yet at the concession stand. A notice on front of the stand indicated the application has been filed.

On Saturday night, with 2,062 fans on hand, the concession stand had its problems keeping up with demand. Members of Lions Clubs and their wives are operating the stands. Actually, except for the peak periods, the concessions business went fairly smoothly.

"do you know who we should root for?" asked one of the many lady fans on hand. On hand were happy grandmothers, perhaps grateful for an evening of entertainment for visiting grandchildren.

Perhaps it was the exuberance of opening night, but Saint batters were knocking with great consistency foul balls over the 30-foot fence surrounding the seating area. Couple of young boys were stationed in the bleachers to help retrieve the balls — balls being a costly item for the Saints.

Lighting for the stadium was magnificent, the scoreboard impressive and the sprinkling system erratic. Well, at least between the third and fourth games on Sunday night it was. Somehow the sprinklers along the fence got started, touching off shouting from the announcers booth, racing across the diamond by Lloyd Liken, groundskeeper, and later Saint player Georgia Beulow. And for some reason, another Saint player, Barber Quijada, was running up the aisles of the seats toward the announcer's booth.

It was the stadium's first rain.

"Strike 'em out, Billy! Billy generally strikes 'em out."

"Use your feet! Someone should teach 'er. She's not moving her feet." "Get it — GET IT — good for you!"

Asides to companions. "No — seven innings. But it's a doubleheader. — Yeah, I mean the same teams are going to play each other twice."

Small boys and girls running with used paper cups and crumpled napkins up the broad aisles to rub bish containers along the rear. "we're keeping the new stadium clean."

If there was anyone disappointed with the whole thing it would be Saint first baseman Thelma Keith. One of the original Saints and presently the team manager, Miss Keith got a toe broken in Fresno and was held out of the lineup. She expressed her disappointment but, wearing an old set of cleats with a hole to permit the toe to protrude, she did get to coach first base.

It was also her observation that the below-ground dugouts, lined in astro-turf, were larger than her living room.

Despite the near 100-degree temperature, a pleasant breeze found its way into the stadium, probably courtesy of the Del E. Webb Development Corp. Fans learned that some of the Webb officials who took

part in the champagne ceremony are former ball players, but they handled things pretty well anyway.

Owen Childress, executive vice president, caught a pitch from John Meeker, president, but Meeker missed the return throw by a mile.

Childress, amidst applause from fans, expressed hope the Saints would bring home to the new stadium a national title.

Meeker said he saw the stadium as another step toward development of a self-contained community, which, he said, is the goal of Sun City. He also mentioned

the possibilities of major league teams playing exhibition games here.

A dog, of course, but not on the field. Handsome and dignified, an air-deale (with his own cushion, thank you) on the floor in the back row between master and mistress, quietly attentive till the Saints came sliding and scrambling in with two big runs. Cameras flashed, the crowd screamed its approval and any sports-minded canine would have been remiss if he'd failed to join in.

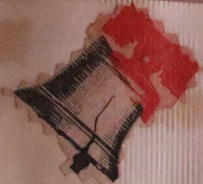
Cotton Williamson, the Saints public address announcer, introduced the Saints in order of years of service. Coach Bev Dreyer was presented a gift from the players — a musical toy, and three former Saints were introduced and given gifts — outfielder Betty McIlvain, pitcher Shirley Marshall and pitcher Lou Kostelney.

But the best present, for the fans, was the Saints' two victories Saturday night and two Sunday night.

Cotton Williamson put the topping on by announcing the Saints Saturday night out-drew the Phoenix Gaints, playing the same night in Municipal Stadium.



BIG CHAMPAGNE SPLASH — That's champagne, folks, that's being broken over home plate of Sun City Stadium. John Meeker, president of Del E. Webb Development Co., is doing honors while Owen Childress, executive vice president, looks on. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)





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July 14, 1971

HER PITCHING, HITTING PROVES DIFFERENCE

Billie Harris Provides Fireworks For Three Victories Over Fresno

Lefty Billie Harris put on what was almost a one-woman show as she spearheaded the Sun City Saints to three conference victories over the Fresno Rockets in the California city over the July 4th weekend.

Miss Harris, who had had her troubles in the last home series, came up with two shutouts, one a 10-inning thriller, and drove in the winning runs in two of the games and started a rally with a hit in the second.

The Saints opened the Fresno series with a 4-0 victory behind Miss Harris, lost the second game 2-0, dropped an exhibition game 4-0 and then conquered the Rockets 3-1 and 1-0.

The trip proved costly for the Saints in that first baseman Thelma Keith was lost for a while due to a broken toe. Her right foot was stepped on in the third game in Fresno.

Although Miss Harris was definitely star of the trip, centerfielder Chris Miner continued her steady hitting. She came out of the series with 7 for 17, getting at least one hit in every game.

Miss Harris went 4 for 13, Miss Barr, playing a couple of games for Miss Keith at first, hit well, going 2 for 8.

Everybody else had trouble at the plate. Becky Rice checking in with 0 for 14, Sandy Kelley 0 for 16, Ginger Kurtz 1 for 11, Lynn Mooney 2 for 17 and Marilyn Rau 3 for 15. Barbara Quijada was 2 for 13.

Overall the Saints had 8 runs in the 5 games, 26 hits and six errors. Fresno collected seven runs, 22 hits and 3 errors.

SAINTS 4 - FRESNO 0
Tight pitching by Billie Harris and a three-run outburst in the second with Miss Harris providing a key hit, carried the Saints to a 4-0 win over the Fresno Rockets in their first game.

The stylist lefty held the Rockets to five hits, scattered over four innings, and walked no one. Fresno managed a leadoff double in the first and two singles in the sixth for its only real threats.

A triple by pitcher Gloria Helms in the seventh was followed by a double play

from second to first and first to catcher.

An error, sacrifice and single by catcher Marilyn Rau produced a run for the Saints in the first.

A walk, passed ball, fielder's choice and an error resulted in two more, in the second, and Miss Harris' double got in a third in the inning.

FRESNO 2 - SAINTS 0

A third-inning single by Chris Miner was the Saints' only hit as G. McGee hurled the Fresno team to a 2-0 victory. Nine times Saints went down by strike out, and only two other Saints reached base—one on an error and the other on a walk.

The Rockets picked up their two runs in the first off Paula Miller. A single, two outfield errors and an error by Miss Miller did it.

Otherwise the red-head had the Rockets pretty much under control.

FRESNO 2 - SAINTS 0

The Saints' anemic hitting continued in a July 4th exhibition game which they lost to Fresno 4-0.

Miss Helms and Miss McGee held the Saints to two singles—by Miss Miner and Miss Keith.

All four Fresno runs came off Betty Barr in the first inning. The young righthander gave up three walks and a single, and there were two errors, before Miss Miller came on to put out the first-inning fire. She went the

rest of the way, surrendering only two hits.

SAINTS 3 - FRESNO 1

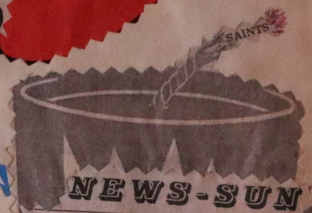
Miss Harris again pitched and hit the Saints to a league win over Fresno, 3-1. She spread out five hits and at the plate contributed a double and a single and two RBIs.

An error, sacrifice and Miss Harris' single to center provided the Saints with

Miss Harris was magnificent, giving up but four hits and permitting the Rockets only two runners in one inning, the first.

Remarkably, the Saints had 12 hits off Miss Helms, at least one in every inning except the fourth and ninth. All the hits were singles, Miss Miner getting three and Miss Harris and Miss Barr, playing first base, two each.

SAINTS 1 - FRESNO 0
Miss Harris out pitched Miss Helms in a 10-inning thriller decided by a passed call after Miss Harris and Miss Barr had singled with one out.



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Webb To Toss First Baseball

Corporate board chairman Del Webb and other Del E. Webb Development Co. dignitaries and sports personalities will attend the dedication of Sun City's half million dollar stadium at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Webb, former New York Yankees co-owner and one time semi-pro baseball pitcher, will throw in the first ball. He also is scheduled to receive an award from the Sun City Saints.

Dedication ceremonies will be held prior to the

softball doubleheader between the Saints and Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif.

During the ceremony plans will be announced for major league exhibition games in the dual-purpose ball park, said Del Webb Co. president John Meeker.

Dividend music for the dedication and game will be provided by the Desert City Six. As usual at Sun City Saints games, an admission of \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children will be charged.



BARBARA DELIVERS HIT — Saint outfielder Barbara Quijada delivers hit in first game of doubleheader of Greeley, Colo., game at new Sun City Stadium. The games drew 2,862 fans. With bat at far left is Saint Chris Miner.

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RAZORBACKS PROVE NO MATCH, LOSE ALL FOUR

Saints Christen Stadium With Flurry Of Hits

The Sun City Saints know how to christen a stadium — beat the tar out of a good opponent.

And so it was Saturday and Sunday at new Sun City Stadium where the Greeley Razorbacks

noting a 23-6 record — fell again four times to a Saint team which relied on lusty hitting and sharp mound work.

The scores were 4-0, 3-2, 8-1 and 13-4, two nights of work which the 2,062 fans Saturday night and 917 Sunday night plainly appreciated.

Greeley was probably a better team than the scores indicated, but how could they know that some bats that have been almost silent would come to life with a bang.

Third baseman Lynn Mooney, steadily improving with each game, worked with the greatest authority — five hits in 11 tries, among them two doubles.

Shortstop Ginger Kurtz began looking like the Ginger of last year as they pounded out a double, triple and two singles in 12 at bats.

Sandy Kelley had some trouble in the new infield with grounders the first two games. But her fielding improved in the last two, as did her hitting — four for eight.

The Saints had to play without the services of first baseman and manager, ~~Thorne Keith whose little boy was stepped on and broken in~~ ~~the week before~~ Betty Barr, her replacements, had some difficulties fielding, but she hit the ball hard, four of them falling in for hits.

Centerfielder Chris Miner didn't have a sensational series — something expects of her — but she didn't do badly at the plate with two triples among her four safeties.

Catcher Marilyn Rau also found the range for a triple, plus two singles; the roadrunner Becky Rice managed only one in the four games, but was on plenty of times through walks; and Barbara Quijada made her three hits count.

Billie Harris and Paula Miller came out of the series

with two wins each, and three and four hits, respectively. Miss Harris, again showed she is one of the great bunters in woman's softball today.

The victories left the Saints with an over-all record of 35-9. Seven of the losses were league games, although Sun City is in second place in the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League.

They are behind Orange, Calif., but ahead of Fresno, Calif., in the three-team conference.

Here are how the Greeley games went:

SAINTS 4 GREELEY 0

Sun City's best on the mound and best at the plate

— Billie Harris and Chris Miner — combined to give the Saints a victory in their opener in new Sun City Stadium, 4-0, over the Greeley Razorbacks.

A sharp as a razor herself, Miss Harris set down the visitors on two harmless hits, retiring the last nine batters in a row. She struck out four and walked only one.

Miss Miner, meanwhile, delivered a two-run single in the fifth to break open the game and came around herself on the same play as result of an error.

The Saints squeezed out

one run in the third on a walk, an alert stolen base by Sandy Kelley, an error, then a stolen base by Becky Rice and an infield out.

Also Kelley also opened the fifth with a walk and was sacrificed to second by Miss Rice. A Texas Leaguer to right by Barbara Quijada set the stage for Miss Miner's hit.

The Saints were held to four hits by Vicki Battenberg. First hit in the new stadium was by Razorback first baseman Pat Noe.

SAINTS 3 GREELEY 2

Righthander Paula Miller almost let on slip away in the last inning after she was given a 3-0 lead, mostly as result of some long-range hitting.

Miss Miller had handcuffed the visitors on two hits in the first six innings, although she had to work her way out of a bases-loaded situation in the third.

With one out in the seventh, the Razorbacks touched Miss Miller with three straight hits and then two errors gave Greeley two runs.

Sun City scored a run in the second on a single by Miss Mooney, an error, sacrifice and a hit by Miss Quijada.

Back-to-back doubles deep to center by Miss Mooney and Miss Miller brought in a counter in the fourth.

Marilyn Rau sent a long liner to left in the sixth and before it was retrieved it had nearly reached the wall and Miss Rau was on third. A long fly by Miss Mooney brought her in for Sun City's last run.

The Saints committed four errors, the visitors two.

SUN CITY 8 GREELEY 1

By the third game of the series, the Saints were getting the hang of Greeley's pitching. They banged out nine hits, including triples by

Miss Miner and Miss Kurtz, and converted them into eight runs.

Meanwhile, Miss Harris was doing her workmanship job, allowing only one run on four hits and retiring the last 11 batters. Miss Harris also chipped in three hits, two on bunts.

Three walks and an error gave the Saints two runs in the second. Miss Kurtz led off the fourth with her triple, Miss Kelley brought her home with a single. Miss Harris' hit chased home another run and before it was all over Sun City had three runs.

Three more came across in the sixth, highlighted by Miss Miner's triple. An error and two hit-batsmen helped the cause.

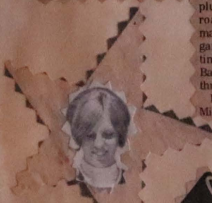
SUN CITY 13 GREELEY 4
By the final game, there was no stopping the Saints as they cracked out 15 safeties, getting at least one hit and one run in every inning. Everyone got at least one hit and five Saints had two and one three.

Miss Mooney slammed down three hits, among them a double. Miss Miner had two, including another triple, and Miss Kurtz rapped out a single and a double.

The Saints scored one in the first, five in the second, one in the third, one in the fourth, two in the fifth and three in the sixth.

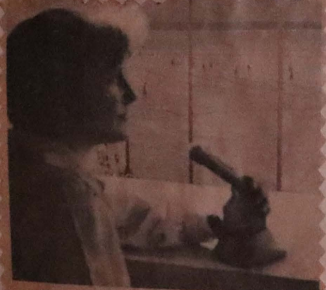
Paula Miller breezed along on a five-hitter.

Actually, the visitors took a 2-0 lead in the first inning, but it was their only consolation.



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SAINTS' VOICE — Cotton Williamson, a former Sun City Saint player, is the Saints' "voice" on public address system at games. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)

Saints Win Three



We're Mighty Proud



WELCOME



Patriotism flowered in the 19th century

NEWS-SUN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

Wednesday, July 21, 1971



DEL E. WEBB, corporation board chairman, receives "Angel Award" from Sun City Saints business manager and first baseman, Thelma Keith. Miss Keith made presentation to Webb at dedication ceremony Saturday before softball doubleheader. Del E. Webb Corp. head also threw first ball of game, attended by 2,287 fans.



New Stadium To Host San Francisco Giants

"At least six of the San Francisco Giants exhibition games will be played at Sun City Stadium next spring," announced during stadium dedication ceremonies. Del E. Webb, chairman of the board of the Del E. Webb Corp., attended the ceremony and threw the "first ball" to Saints pitcher John Meeker, Del E. Webb Development Co. president. Webb also received the "Angel Award" from Saint business manager Thelma Keith and personally was introduced to members of the girls softball team. The chairman of the board also viewed part of the games Saturday from the press box and even did some announcing, himself to the 2,287 attending fans. OTHERS WHO attended the dedication include

State Sen. Ray Goetze, George Campbell, Maricopa County Planning and Zoning Commission, and Bob Stark, County Board of Supervisors. Baseball notables who attended were: Harold Long, Arizona Umpires Association president; Harold Kleinman, Phoenix Metropolitan Softball Commission chairman; Bill Weirich, member of the governor's council on professional baseball, and Rosey Ryan, general manager of the Phoenix Giants.



ARIZONA REPUBLIC

Phoenix, Sunday, July 18, 1971

Saints belt Bluejays

SUN CITY — Billie Harris pitched and batted the Sun City Saints past the Huntington Park Bluejays, 6-3 and 2-0 last night before 2,300 fans at Sun City Stadium dedication night.

In the opener, Harris hurled a four-hitter and struck two safeties. Ginger Krutz and Barbara Quijada knocked in one run apiece.

Harris then came back in the nightcap to blank the Bluejays on a one-hitter, while hitting safely three times. Krutz helped the winners with 2 safeties.

Tonight the Saints face Huntington Park, 7:30 at Sun City Stadium, 11th Ave. and Grand.



Wednesday, July 21, 1971



Hurlers Sparkle In Sweep; Saints Hit Road For Orange

Given poetic license, you might say it will be like Danielle in the Lionettes' den when Sun City's Saints take their last road trip of the season this weekend—Saturday and Sunday twin bills at Orange, Calif.

The Saints will take a 10-game winning streak into the series with the women's national softball champion Orange Lionettes and their ace hurler, Nancy Welborn. Up until this year the Saints thought that amassing one safety in a game against Miss Welborn was a hitting rampage. But in a series at Peoria early this season they beat her for the first time and hit her pretty solidly in taking the lead in three other games only to fade in the late innings.

THE REVIVED Huntington Park Blue Jays made their first appearance here in several years last weekend and, despite a paucity of hitting, provided some pretty stiff opposition although losing four of four.

The Saints got three straight one-hitters, two by Billie Harris, and it was an ex-Saint, Linda Shafor, who was the heroine-in-defeat. She blanked the Sun Citians for five innings in Saturday's nightcap before losing, 2-0, then carried Sunday's opener into overtime before an unearned run did her in, 1-0.

The series had opened with a 6-2 Sun City win and closed with a 2-0 triumph.

THE SAINTS' record attendance of 2,076, set in the new stadium's first game July 10, lasted only a week. Saturday's dedicatory ceremonies were attended by 2,267 paid customers.

The Sun Citians cut loose for a five-run second inning to ice the opener. The rally was aided by two errors but was featured by singles by Lynn Mooney, Ginger Kurtz, Barbara Quijada, and Miss Harris. Marilyn Rau walked in the fifth and picked up the other run after a series of miscues.

Miss Shafor's single, and error, and Lori Sherill's two-

run double in the sixth cost Miss Harris a shutout.

BILLIE GOT one in the nightcap, however, as Ginger Zapolski ruined her bid for a no-hitter with a fifth-inning single. The Saints broke open the scoreless duel when Miss Kurtz singled, moved up on a bunt and scored on an error. Georgia Buelow singled, was bunted to second, and tallied on a Harris single.

In Sunday's opener, Gail Ball singled in the second and was the only Blue Jay to reach base in a nine-inning gem by Billie. Miss Zapolski's fly to left in the fifth was the only other ball hit out of the infield.

The Saints, meanwhile,

had their troubles with Miss Shafor, who gave up scattered singles by Sandy Kelley, Chris Miner, Miss Buelow, and Miss Harris until the ninth.

THAT'S WHEN Lynn Mooney singled, moved up on Ginger's walk and Sandy's single. After a popup, Lynn was forced at the plate, on pinch hitter Thelma Keith's grounder. But the catcher threw wildly in attempting to get broken-

toed Thelma at first to allow Miss Keith to score.

In the finale Betty Barr gave up a first-inning run through wildness, then went the route for a one-hitter, Janette Williams' single in the fourth.

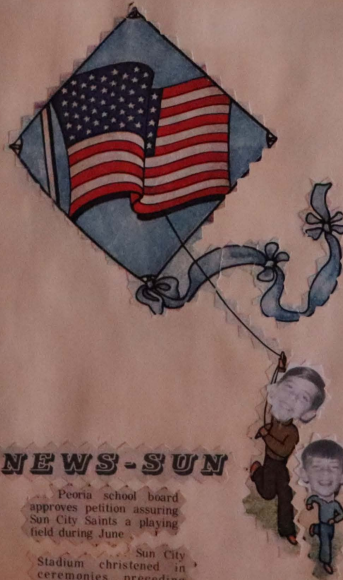
The Saints got three runs in the first on a pair of walks, a pair of errors, and a pair of singles by Miss Barry and Miss Kelley.

TWO MORE in the fifth were keyed by Barr, Mooney, and Kurtz singles.

Miss Keith, hobbled by the toe fracture, will be sidelined for the Orange series. Paula Miller, the Saints' No. 2 hurler, missed last weekend's action because of an auto accident which resulted in a forehead laceration requiring 35 stitches. It is unlikely that Paula will play at Orange.



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Peoria school board approves petition assuring Sun City Saints a playing field during June.

Sun City Stadium christened in ceremonies preceding Saints' sweep of doubleheader with Greeley (Colo.) Razorbacks.



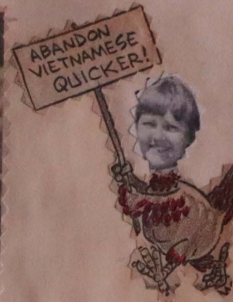
PAULA MILLER, Saints' pitcher, displayed smile plus bandage covering 35 stitches in forehead for last weekend's softball series. Injury resulted from auto accident Thursday. Paula is likely to be idle this weekend, too, as Saints visit Orange Lionettes. (News-Sun Staff Photo)

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TAG IN TIME costs nine. Huntington Park catcher Lori Sherrill puts tag on Sun City Saints' Sandy Kelley in fifth inning of Sunday's opener, and scoreless duel continued into

overtime. Chris Miner, in background, watches Sandy fall short in attempt to score on fly ball. Saints won in ninth, however, 1-0. (News-Sun Photo by Elliott Freireich)



Saints Boxscores

5-Run Outburst

BLUE JAYS	ab	r	h	bi
Shafar, 1b	3	0	1	0
Callahan, 2b	3	1	0	0
Spradley, 3b	3	0	0	0
Sherrill, c	3	1	0	0
Ball, cf	3	0	2	2
Williams, ss	3	0	1	0
Zapolski, lf	3	0	1	0
Elder, rf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	27	2	5	2

BLUE JAYS	000 002 0-253
SAINTS	050 010 x-662

Billie's Beauty

BLUE JAYS	ab	r	h	bi
Shafar, p	2	0	0	0

Callahan, 2b	3	0	0	0
Spradley, 3b	3	0	0	0
Sherrill, c	2	0	0	0
Ball, cf	3	0	0	0
Williams, ss	3	0	0	0
Zapolski, lf	3	0	1	0
Halford, 1b	2	0	0	0
Elder, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	1	0

SAINTS	000 000 000-014
SAINTS	000 000 001-160

Third 1-Hitter

BLUE JAYS	ab	r	h	bi
Shafar, 1b	0	0	0	0
Wilson, 1b	1	0	0	0
Callahan, 2b	2	1	0	0
Spradley, 3b	3	0	0	0
Sherrill, c	1	0	0	0
Ball, cf	2	0	0	0
Williams, ss	2	0	1	0
Zapolski, lf	2	0	0	0
Elder, lf	1	0	0	0
Smith, rf	3	0	0	0
Ozuna, p	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	21	1	1	0

Overtime Duel

BLUE JAYS	ab	r	h	bi
Shafar, p	4	0	0	0
Callahan, 2b	3	0	0	0
Spradley, 3b	3	0	0	0
Sherrill, c	3	0	0	0
Ball, cf	3	0	1	0
Williams, ss	3	0	0	0
Zapolski, lf	3	0	0	0
Wilson, 1b	3	0	0	0
Elder, rf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	28	0	1	0

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Oh, Say Can You See?

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1971

Blue Jays drop four games to Saints



Approximately 2,500 people showed up Saturday night, July 17, for the dedication ceremonies of the Saints new stadium, north of Grand Avenue and west of 111 Ave. Former New York Yankees co-owner and one time semi-pro baseball pitcher, Del Webb, threw in the first ball. He received the "Angel Award" from the team. This award gives recognition and honor to persons who have contributed outstanding support to the Saints organization.

In Saturday night's doubleheader against the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif. Billie Harris pitched, pitched both.

In Saturday night's doubleheader against the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif. Billie Harris pitched both games. In the first game she had a two-hitter and a one-hitter during the second game. Harris went two for four and had one RBI, and Ginger Kurtz went one for two and had one RBI during the first game. The final score was 6-2.

The Saints won the night cap.

The Saints won the nightcap, 2-0. Harris had three hits and one RBI. Kurtz went two for two while Sandy Kelly and Georgia Buelow both had one hit.

The Saints played two more games with the Blue Jays on Sunday and picked up two more victories, 1-0 and 6-1. The first game went nine innings and the Saints squeezed across the only run in the ninth.

In that inning Lynn Mooney singled Ginger Kurtz walked, Becky Rice batted for Sandy Kelley and singled, which loaded the bases.

Then, Buelow lined out to first base. Thelma Keith hit a high bouncer to the pitcher,

who threw out Mooney at the plate.

The catcher threw to first to try for a double play, but it was a wild throw. Ginger Kurtz scored the winning run on the error.

In Sunday's nightcap Betty Barr pitched a one-hitter and struck out eight Blue Jays. Chris Miner went two for three and Sandy Kelley had two RBI's.

The Saints travel to Orange, Calif., this weekend to play the Lionettes.



FIRST BALL THROWN - Del E. Webb, who engineered and constructed the new Saints stadium, throws out the first ball during Saturday night's dedication. Saints played the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif.



FIRST UP-FIRST HIT - This past weekend the Sun City Saints tangled with the Blue Jays from Huntington Park, Calif. Billie Harris, Saint pitcher, was the first batter up in the game and got a single. (Photo by Prather's)



SUN CITY
SUN CITY SAINTS
Wednesday, July 21, 1971



SLUGGER AT HOSPITAL - Guess who's working at Boswell Memorial Hospital, sports fans? It's Betty Barr, versatile player for the Sun City Saints softball team. As a pitcher she has the team's only no-hitter, and she is developing into a powerful batter. At

Boswell, Miss Barr works in the fox department. She attended Glenda Community College this past year and plans to transfer to Arizona State University and major in biology. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)



SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

July 21, 1971

WEBB ANNOUNCES PLANS AT STADIUM DEDICATION

Giants To Play Sun City Games

Developer Del E. Webb told a crowd of 2,283 at new Sun City Stadium Saturday night that arrangements have been made for five San Francisco Giant exhibition games in the facility next spring.

Speaking during a brief dedication program for the stadium, Webb also said he might be able to convince Rosy Ryan, general manager of the Phoenix Giants, to play some games in the stadium.

The developer noted that the \$300,000 facility was built for softball — for the Sun City Saints — and for baseball.

Ryan and Horace Stoneman, general manager of the San Francisco Giants, were among the dozen or so dignitaries seated near the pitcher's mound of the field during the ceremonies.

Webb started to say "New York Giants," recalling the great years the Giants had in New York and perhaps

unconsciously evoking the days when he was coowner of the New York Yankees.

However, before he got the whole thing out he turned to Stoneman, apologized and set the record straight — San Francisco Giants.

Webb, a former semi-pro baseball player himself, asked the crowd: "How do you like this new ball park?"

The question drew a thunder of applause.

He said that it was another facility to help Sun City become what had been envisioned for it. Before he sat down, he urged Sun Citizens to support the new facility.

Webb also accepted a plaque from Thelma Keith, coach and first baseman for the Saints, as the team's 1971 "Angel" — by virtue of his providing the stadium.

The developer also threw in the first ball and was public address announcer for the second inning of the first game between the Saints and the Huntington Park, Calif. Bluejays.

Although he obviously needed some polish as an

announcer, Webb managed to get the Saints five runs in the inning.



WEBB AT DEDICATION — Del E. Webb addresses crowd at Sun City Stadium during dedication ceremonies for \$300,000 facilities. He disclosed the San Francisco Giants have agreed to play five exhibition games in stadium next spring. (See story on Page 14). Webb also was public address announcer for inning of Sun City Saint softball game Saturday night. (Photo by Jack Pryor, for Sun City Sun Citizen)



SAINT 'ANGEL' — Developer Del E. Webb is presented Sun City Saint "Angel" Award from Thelma Keith, Saint coach. The plaque was for Webb's

support of the team through providing new Sun City Stadium. (Photo by Jack Pryor, for Sun City Sun Citizen)

July 21, 1971

ACE PITCHER GETS THREE WINS; TEAM FIELDING GREAT FOR SERIES

Billie Harris & Co. Pin Four Losses On Jays

The Sun City Saints put it all together — Billie Harris, sparkling fielding and a little bit of hitting — and shot down the Huntington Park, Calif., Bluejays in a four-game set over the weekend.

Playing Saturday night before a stadium-dedicated crowd of 2,283, the Saints won 6-2 and 2-0, with Miss Harris pitching both games. Then Sunday night, Saint pitching was even more devastating on 1-0 and 6-1 wins. Miss Harris and Betty Barr fashioning 1-hitters.

Besides the strong mound efforts, the Saints were helped immeasurably by their best fielding series of the season. They committed only three errors, all coming in the Saturday night games. Third baseman Lynn Mooney and second baseman Sandy Kelley were particularly outstanding on defense.

The two shutouts were at the expense of a former Sun City Saint, Linda Shafer. In the Saturday night game, Miss Shafer held the locals scoreless until the sixth and on Sunday night she and Miss Harris went eight innings without giving up a run before the Saints broke through with an error-caused run in the ninth.

The Saints won the four without the services of some key players. First baseman Thelma Keith was still out with a broken toe, although she did pinch-hit in one game. Centerfielder Chris Miner missed the Saturday night games by virtue of playing in all-star games against the national champion Orange, Calif., Lionettes.

The stars won only one of the four games, with Miss Miner, an all-American shortstop for Portland last year, getting one hit.

Saint pitcher Paula Miller was in an automobile accident and, still wearing a patch over her eye, was held out of action.

Which was the reason Miss Harris pitched both games Saturday night.

The wins boost the Saints' overall record to 3-3, seven of the losses coming in league competition.

The Bluejays, Saint opponents for the first time, showed themselves a well-rounded club, with hitting, perhaps their greater shortcoming. Their catcher, Lori Sherrill, is a colorful, crowd-pleasing player. She's strong defensively with a rifle for an arm, which kept Saint runners close to the bag.

Miss Harris not only was the mound hero but was the Saints' leading hitter, going 6 for 12. Shortstop Ginger Kurtz and Miss Kelley began hitting with some authority.

The former went 4 for 10, including the Saints' only extra-base blow, a double. And Miss Kelley was 3 for 8. In the two games she played, Miss Miner checked in with 3 for 7. Becky Rice was 3 for 8. Miss Barr 1 for 12. Miss Mooney 3 for 12. Georgia Beulow 3 for 12. Barbara Quijada 1 for 8.

Catcher Marilyn Rau, the cleanup hitter, was blanked in 10 official times at bat.

Here are how the games went.

SAINTS 6

BLUEJAYS 2
Billie Harris spun a four-hitter, collected a couple of hits as leadoff batter, one knocking in a run, and handed the Saints a 6-2 win over Huntington Park's Bluejays.

Miss Harris fanned nine batters, four of them in a row over the first and second inning.

The Saints batted around in the second for five runs. Singles by Lynn Mooney and Ginger Kurtz and an error loaded the bases.

Barbara Quijada singled in one run. Miss Harris brought home another with a hit and a walk to Becky forced home a third.

A fly ball by Marilyn Rau was good for another counter, and an error brought in the fifth of the inning.

A walk, passed ball, ground out and a sacrifice fly by Miss Kurtz scored a run in the fifth for the Saints.

Miss Harris gave up two hits in the second and two more in the sixth when the Bluejays scored their two.

The Saints led six hits.

SAINTS 2

BLUEJAYS 0

Miss Harris pitched an even better game in the Saturday nightcap, allowing but one hit, but her team had troubles getting runs.

A former Saint of four years ago, Linda Shafer held the Sun City scoreless until the sixth.

Miss Kurtz opened the inning with her second hit of the game, a single to center. Sandy Kelley sacrificed her to second. A single to center by Georgia Beulow loaded the bases.

A fly ball to center by Miss Quijada brought in Miss Kurtz and on the same play a throw by the Huntington catcher permitted Miss Hunter to come home.

Huntington opened the seventh with a walk. But a force out, in which second baseman Sandy Kelley made

a nice catch of a throw from third baseman Lynn Mooney, and a soft liner over second which Miss Kelley grabbed backhanded, nipped the rally.

Until the sixth, the Saints were unable to crack the scoring column despite repeated opportunities.

Miss Harris and Miss Rice opened the first with singles.

The Saint second started with a walk to Miss Kurtz and a single by Miss Kelley. But Miss Kurtz was caught, trying to steal third.

In the fourth, Miss Kurtz got the best hit of the game — a double to left center — but was put out on an interference call on a grounder by Miss Kelley.

The fifth saw Miss Quijada walk. Miss Harris beat out a hunt and Miss Rice reach first on an error. But Miss Quijada was caught in a rundown between third and home. In fact, the Saints' first five batters reached base in the inning, without a run scoring.

Miss Harris was again the leading hitting, three hits, two of them bunts, Miss Kurtz got two safeties.

SAINTS 1

BLUEJAYS 0

Magnificent is the only word for Billie Harris in the third game of the series.

It was a nine-inning affair with Miss Harris giving up only one hit, an infield shot which Miss Harris got her hands on momentarily, but could not hold.

She retired the first four batters to face her before the hit and then proceeded to set the Bluejays down in order — 23 of them. She struck out four and, of course, walked no one.

The visitors bunted frequently and but fine fielding by Miss Harris, Miss Mooney at third and Miss Barr at first nipped the base hit attempts.

Linda Shafer again spun her magic over her former teammates. Actually, she wasn't overpowering. She struck out nobody. But she was able to get the Saints to hit balls in the right places.

An error in the ninth proved her undoing. Miss Mooney opened the frame with a bouncing single to center after which Miss Kurtz walked. Becky Rice's shot went to right for a single to lead the bases.

Georgia Beulow popped out to the first baseman, for the first time.

Catch Bevy Dreyer then brought in a pinch hitter, Thelma Keith, who has missed two series because of a broken toe. Miss Keith bounced one in the infield, which resulted in a force out at home, but a throw to first

in an attempt to double Miss Keith got away and Miss Kurtz came in with the winning run.

The Saints had two runners on in each of the second, third and fifth innings. In the seventh, a walk and a Georgia Beulow hit went for nothing when the Jays came up with a double play.

The Saints had six hits, two of them bunts, and no Saint got more than one safety.

SAINTS 6

JAYS 1

Who can walk two batters and hit two others in the first inning, and then go on and pitch a shutout the rest of the way?

Saint fans know it is Betty Barr, a first-year hurler, who did just that in the Saints' final game against Huntington Park.

The Jays came out of the first with just one run — it

coming when Miss Barr hit a batter with the bases loaded.

But after that she was a new pitcher, permitting only one hit, an infield bleeder, and striking out nine. After the near-disastrous first she walked only three.

Meanwhile, the Saints were getting to Gilda Ozuna early. Three walks, two errors and a run-scoring single by Miss Kelley gave the Saints three in the first.

Miss Quijada walked, stole second and came home on a smash to left by Miss Miner, in the fourth.

Two more were racked up in the fifth on a walk, stolen base, error, single by Miss Barr, back-to-back hits by Miss Mooney and Miss Kurtz and a bases-loaded walk.

Miss Miner's two hits and a walk led the offensive attack. Miss Kelley had one hit and two RBIs.

Orange On Saint Menu For Next 2 Weekends

The Sun City Saints will travel to Orange, Calif., for games against the national champion Orange Lionettes Saturday and Sunday, and the teams will meet again the following weekend in Sun City.

In their first encounter this season, Orange won three out of four playing here, but the Saints gave a good account of themselves.

Sun City won the opener 1-0 behind Billie Harris three-hitter. Orange victories were 3-2, 4-5, and 3-2 in 10 innings.

Orange leads the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League with Sun City second and Fresno third.

Sun Citizen

July 21, 1971

MISS LITTLE TOE NOT READY!

The little toe of first baseman Thelma Keith has not healed enough to permit her to play in the Sun City Saint games against Orange in California next weekend.

The toe was broken three weeks ago when a runner stepped on her foot at first base.

Miss Keith, probably the most effective batter in the world, champion Lionettes in past games, hopes to be ready when the two teams meet in Sun City July 31 and Aug. 1.

Miss Keith reported on the toe's progress after visiting seeing a doctor Monday.



Saints, Orange To Renew Rivalry After Lionettes Win 3 Of 4 On Coast



BILLIE HARRIS ...

... 2beats, 1win

By BURT FREIREICH

It was a classic series, and the Sun City Saints won one out of four—in classic manner, of course, and it all may be repeated this weekend as the Orange Lionettes head for Sun City to resume a brilliant rivalry.

Doubleheaders will start at Sun City Stadium at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Last weekend the Saints traveled to Orange, where the national champions won 2-1 and 1-0 duels Saturday behind Nancy Welborn's nifty hurling. The Orange ace was outlined in Sunday's opener by Billie Harris, however, as the Saints took a 12-inning 1-0 victory before losing the finale, 4-1.

MISS HARRIS had a perfect game going through five innings of the series opener, and her mates staked her to a 1-0 lead in the third as Barbara Quijada singled, stole second, and

raced home on Chris Miner's single to center. After whiffing the first batter in the sixth, however, Billie gave up a bunt single to Sharon Byes, who moved up on a sacrifice, then tallied on Carol Spanks' single.

In the seventh, Mickey Davis singled with one out and moved to third as Carol Winemann dumped a Texas League single down the right field line. Miss Welborn then hit a bouncer off Billie's leg; second baseman Sandy Kelley fielded it but threw wildly to home as the winning run scored.

MISS WELBORN hurled a no-hitter in the nightcap, allowing baserunners in the sixth and seventh on shortstop errors, and yet the game was in doubt all the way.

The Lionettes' unearned run came in the first when Nancy Ito reached via Ginger Kurtz's two-out error, then went to second when Miss Kurtz dropped a throw from catcher Marilyn Rau. Shirley Topley followed with a run-producing single. Paula Miller scattered three hits thereafter.

Sunday's opener was most satisfying for Miss Harris after losing her well-pitched game a night earlier. She

gave up two hits in the second, but got out of the jam with two ground outs to second.

IN THE sixth Nancy Ito singled with one out but was forced by Miss Topley, who then stole second. Miss Davis rifled a shot over first base, but Betty Barr made a game-saving stab and won the race to the bag for the third out. Carol Spanks lined to center following a two-out error and single in the seventh to end the Lionettes' chief threat thereafter.

Meanwhile, the Sun Cityans were held to singles by Miss Barr in the fourth, Miss Miner in the sixth, and Miss Quijada in the ninth. In the ninth, however, Chris singled with one out, stole second, and moved to third on Billie's single. She scored on Miss Barr's sacrifice fly to center.

ORANGE GOT its four runs as girls in the finale as the Saints managed only one—back-to-back singles by Miss Kurtz and Miss Barr in the sixth, followed by a forceout at second and Lynn Mooney's grounder on which Ginger tallied.

In the first inning Miss Spanks and Miss Ito, both of whom had singled, worked a double steal for a run. Miss Topley reached first on an error, and the same double-steal play produced a second tally.

After two outs in the fourth, Miss Winemann walked and Mary Lou Adams singled, then both scored as Miss Mooney took a Jackie Rice grounder at third and threw wildly to first.

THELMA KEITH out of action except for one pinch-hitting role in the past two weeks, probably will return to first base for the Saints this weekend.

The upcoming Orange series will be the last for the Saints before they host the American Softball Association regional tournament Aug. 5-8.

THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC

Sunday, July 25, 1971

Saints drop 2

ORANGE, Calif. — The Sun City Saints dropped a double header to the Orange Lionettes last night, losing 2-1 in the opener and 1-0 to a no-hitter in the nightcap last night.

The Lionettes' Nancy Welborn picked up both victories, pitching a four-hitter in the first game and stopping the Saints on seven strike outs and no walks in the finale.

Chris Miner was the Saints' top hitter, going 2-for-3 with one run. The saints two teams meet for a doubleheader today.





SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

July 28, 1971

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NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, July 28, 1971

Saints Boxscores

Costly Error

Classic By Billie

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	2	1
Harris, p	3	0	1	0
Barr, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	2	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Aden, rf	3	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	1	1	1	0
TOTALS	24	1	4	1

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	5	1	2	0
Harris, p	5	0	1	0
Barr, 1b	4	0	1	1
Rau, c	5	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	4	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	4	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	4	0	0	0
Rice, rf	4	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	4	0	1	0
TOTALS	39	1	5	1

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	3	0	1	1
Sims, 3b	3	0	0	0
Ito, c	3	0	0	0
Topley, 1b	3	0	0	0
Davis, lf	3	1	1	0
Winemann, 2b	3	0	1	0
Welborn, p	3	0	0	0
Adams, cf	1	0	0	0
Bys, cf	1	1	1	0
Haataja, rf	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	2	4	1

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	4	0	0	0
Sims, 3b	2	0	0	0
Byes, rf	2	0	0	0
Ito, c	5	0	1	0
Topley, 1b	5	0	0	0
Davis, lf	5	0	1	0
Winemann, 2b	5	0	0	0
Welborn, p	5	0	1	0
Adams, cf	5	0	1	0
Haataja, rf	2	1	0	0
Snell, 3b	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	42	0	5	0

SAINTS	001 000 0-1 41
ORANGE	000 001 1-2 40

SAINTS	000 000 000 001-1
ORANGE	000 000 000 000-0

Welborn No-Hitter

Too Many Gifts

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	0	0
Rice, rf	2	0	0	0
Harris, ph	1	0	0	0
Barr, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Rice, rf	2	0	0	0
Buclos, rf	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	0	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	1	1	0
Barr, 1b	3	0	2	0
Rau, c	3	0	1	0
Mooney, 3b	2	0	0	1
Miller, p	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Rice, rf	1	0	0	0
Buclos, rf	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	3	0	2	0
TOTALS	26	1	6	1

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	2	0	1	0
Sims, 3b	2	0	0	0
Ito, c	3	1	0	0
Topley, 1b	3	0	2	0
Davis, lf	1	0	0	0
Winemann, 2b	1	0	0	0
Welborn, p	2	0	0	0
Adams, cf	2	0	1	0
Haataja, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	19	1	4	0

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	3	1	2	0
Sims, 3b	2	0	0	0
Ito, c	3	1	1	0
Topley, 1b	1	0	0	0
Byes, 1b	1	0	0	0
Davis, lf	1	0	0	0
Admire, lf	1	0	0	0
Winemann, 2b	2	1	0	0
Adams, cf	2	1	1	0
Wolf, rf	1	0	0	0
Rice, p	2	0	1	0
Haataja, rf-cf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	21	4	6	0

SAINTS	000 000 0-0 02
ORANGE	100 000 x-1 42

SAINTS	000 001 0-1 64
ORANGE	200 200 x-4 60

Lionettes Keep Hex On Saints

The national champion Orange, Calif., Lionettes last weekend added proof that they are better than the Sun City Saints — but only by a run.

In a four-game set played at Orange, the Saints and the champions racked up only one run apart in the first three games. The Lionettes won the first two 2-1 and 1-0, the latter a no-hitter by Nancy Wilborn, before the Saints' Billie Harris outpitched Miss Wilborn 1-0 in the third game, which went 12 innings. Errors were mainly responsible for the Lionettes capturing the fourth contest, 4-1.

The two teams have played eight games so far this season — Orange the victor in six of them, and five of these six were but a single run.

"We played good ball," commented Saint Coach Bev Dreyer.

The Saints were again without the big hit and solid fielding of first baseman Thelma Keith, who is recovering from a left leg injury. Miss Dreyer said the first baseman may be ready for the weekend series with Orange in Sun City.

Betty Barr, her replacement, had a good series in the field and at bat coming through with a couple of gems offensively and contributing three of the 15 hits the Saints managed in the four games.

Coach Dreyer praised Miss Barr and also expressed pleasure over the way the Saints were able to stall off the Lionettes in the series. She also noted the improved hitting of left fielder Barbara Quijada.

Lefty Billie Harris was again magnificent. She lost the opener, 2-1, to Miss Wilborn, but the winning error, Miss Harris came back in the third game to shut out the Lionettes in 12 innings.

The Saints came out of the series with a total of only three runs and 15 hits, compared to seven runs and 19 hits for Orange. The big difference was in errors — 12 for Sun City and only two for the Lionettes.

Sun City goes into play this week with an over-all record of 40-12, with 10 of the losses to league opponents, Orange and Fresno.

Centerfielder Chris Miner and Miss Quijada led Sun City hitters in the Orange series — each getting four singles. Miss Barr had three hits and Miss Harris two, one a double, the only extra base blow by the Saints. Ginger Kurtz and Marilyn Rau had one hit each.

Here is a closer look at each game:

ORANGE 2 SUN CITY 1
Sun City held a 1-0 lead going into the sixth inning, but the Lionettes picked up single counters in the sixth

and seventh to pull it out.

Miss Quijada slashed a single with one out in the third and stole second. Miss Miner's single brought her in.

A bunt single, sacrifice and a double by Carol Spinks gave Orange a run in the sixth. In the seventh, two hits, one a Texas Leaguer, put the winning run in scoring position. Miss Wilborn rapped a liner which tipped Miss Harris' glove. Sandy Kelley retrieved the ball but her throw to home went for an error and the winning run scored.

Miss Harris and Miss Wilborn each surrendered four hits. Billie struck out two and walked nobody and Nancy walked two and fanned seven.

ORANGE 1 SAINTS 0
Nancy Wilborn fashioned a no-hitter, issued no walks and the only Saint runners were on errors.

Saint pitcher Paula Miller pitched well, allowing but four hits. The Orange run came in the first on a stolen base, another error and a single by first baseman Shirley Topley, all coming after two were out.

SUN CITY 1 ORANGE 0
Billie Harris simply would not be denied, as she scattered five hits over the 12 innings the game went.

In the six, a backhand stab of a liner by Miss Barr at first saved a run. Orange got runners on second in the eighth, ninth and 10th innings, and a runner to first in the 12th.

In the 12th, Miss Miner singled through the infield with one out, and stole second. Miss Harris' single sent her to third and a long fly to center by Miss Barr brought Miss Miner in with what proved to be the winning run.

ORANGE 4 SAINTS 1
The old Mickey Mouse play and some errors were the downfall of the Saints in the final game.

In the first inning, the Lionettes had two situations with runners on first and third. The runner on first toyed with the Saints until the runner on third was able to score, once on an error and the other time by just outwitting the Saint infield.

Two more Orange runs scored in the fourth highlighted by two blooper hits by the same batter, the first being nullified when Shirley Topley was called out for leaving first base too soon.

Jackie Rice was the winning pitcher, giving the Saints six hits. Two of them came in the sixth, by Miss Kurtz and Miss Barr. A ground-out by Lynn Mooney scored the Saints' only run.

Paula Miller was the loser, although she deserved better, also surrendering six hits.

SAINTS TO HOST WORLD CHAMPS THIS WEEKEND

The world champion Orange, Calif., Lionettes will visit new Sun City stadium for a four-game set with the Saints Saturday and Sunday.

The following Thursday, Aug. 5, regional women's softball play will begin in Sun City Stadium. Ten teams will compete in double elimination play with the winner going on to the national tournament in Orlando, Fla., Aug. 20-28.

The Saints, defending regional champions, will open play at 8:30 p.m. Aug. 5. Tournament hosts will be the Little Saints, a Phoenix recreation center and the Big Saints "farm team."

The Arizona Republic
Sat., July 31, 1971

Saints host Lionettes

The Sun City Saints tonight stake a perfect record in their new stadium in a doubleheader with the Orange (Calif.) Lionettes.

The teams also meet in a doubleheader tomorrow, each of the weekend two-game sets opening at 7:30 p.m. in the 3,000-seat facility at 11th Ave. and Grand Ave.

Billie Harris (31-3) will pitch tonight's opener for the Saints.





DAVE HICKS

The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Sunday, Aug. 1, 1971

Sun City is 'when' proposition, not 'if'

WHEN ASU product Lenny Randle first faced Oakland this season after being summoned to the majors by Washington's Senators, he had a visitor from the A's locker room.

Randle, who concluded his A-State career as a senior in 1970, was confronted by Reggie Jackson, who was drafted in '66 after his soph season in Tempe.

"What kept you?" asked Reggie.

The query might well be borrowed and applied to another baseball setting, our Valley's spring scene.

The Giants, Cubs and A's might ask it collectively of the first tenant to inhabit Sun City's new 12 1/2-acre facility for spring training.

When one wonders "if" Sun City will acquire a major league club, one is usually answered with a four-letter word: "When."

Confidence in the development—a dual baseball-softball stadium whose 3,500 capacity can easily be doubled — will be tested next spring.

The Giants apparently will stage five of their "home" games at Sun City in what John Meeker, president of the Webb Development Corp., labels a "first step."

"If interest and attendance is great enough," Meeker says "then we'll try for a spring team. We'd be satisfied if the games drew as well as women's softball is now."

The popular Sun City Saints, nee the Phoenix Ramblers, now call the new layout home, their playing area enclosed by a removable outfield fence.

The stadium is lighted... nestled in a natural bowl just north of Grand Ave. and west of 11th Ave. ... measures 340 feet to left, 320 to right, 425 to center... offers paved and lighted parking area for 500 cars.

"It started as a softball facility," Meeker adds, "but then we figured we could add a training diamond without much trouble and make it a spring base."

To lure a major tenant, officials will need a training room facilities.

Next question: Any likely will have to enlarge locker-diamond or two, and likely tenants?

Montreal's Expos were approached, but their minions were in town too early and didn't get a look at the finished product.

The National League club also still has contractual commitments with West Palm Beach, Fla., as a spring training site.

California's Angels, who train in Palm Springs, made some noise but were believed to have used Sun City's availability merely as a lever in dealings with the California resort.

But Sun City's confidence is such that a spring tenant is a "when" and not an "if" proposition.

AUGUST

The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Monday, August 2, 1971

Saints lose twin bill

SUN CITY — Nancy Welburn spun a no-hitter in the nightcap after shutting out the Sun City Saints on two hits in the first game last night and Orange, Calif., swept a doubleheader by identical 1-0 scores.

"We have 10,000 people living here now," says Meeker, "and we're growing at a rate of 4,000 a year. We feel pretty certain Sun City could support a club."

All that's needed is a willing club.

To paraphrase Reggie:

"What's keeping you?"



The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Sunday, Aug. 1, 1971

Saints blank Orange twice

SUN CITY — The Sun City Saints upended the defending national champions, the Orange Lincolns, 1-0 and 1-0 in women's softball action last night.

In the opener, Billie Harris hurled a four-hitter for the winners. The Saints' Marilyn Rau knocked in Chris Miner in the first inning for the winning run.

A two-run first inning, high-

lighted by RBI singles by Rau and Theina Keith, paved the way for the Saints in the nightcap. Paula Miller hurled the victory.

The Saints were paced by Rau, three-for-four, and Keith, four-for-six, at the plate.

The same two teams meet today for a doubleheader at Sun City Stadium, 111th Ave. and Grand.

The Arizona Republic

Phoenix, Wed., Aug. 4, 1971

Saints defend ASA title tomorrow

SUN CITY — The Sun City Saints will have a difficult task facing them beginning tomorrow at their home park, 111th and Grand Avenues.

The women's softball team will be out to defend the ASA Cactus Regional Tournament title against teams from three states — Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico.

The winner of the tournament, that will run through Sunday, qualifies for the national ASA meet at Orlando, Fla., Aug. 20-23.

The Mesa Jaydettes meet the Las Vegas Belles in the opener at 9 a.m., and Tucson's Raindrops play the New Mexico Swingers at 10 a.m. The evening games the first day will begin at 7 o'clock, featuring Tucson Roadrunners vs. New Mexico's Jokers, Sun City Saints vs. 10:30 a.m. winner, and the Lil Saints vs. 9 a.m. winner.

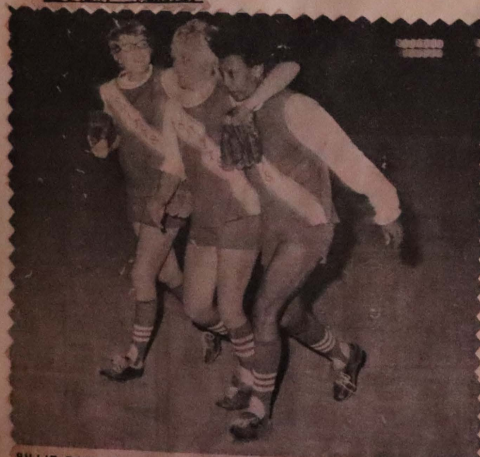
Admission prices for the four-day tourney are \$1.25 for adults and 50 cents for children.



This quartet of infielders for the Sun City Saints will be counted on heavily beginning tomorrow when the Saints host the Cactus ASA Regionals. From left, Ginger Kurtz, Sandy Kelley, Lynn Mooney and Thelma Keith. Tourney will run four days.



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BILLIE DOES IT! — Scoreboard in background tells happy story for Saints. They defeated the defending national champion Orange Lionettes 1-0 in their opener Saturday night, with Billie Harris (right) getting the win.

Shortstop Ginger Kurtz gives her congratulatory hug and second baseman Sandy Kelley moves in with same thought in mind. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)

Glendale News-Herald

Saints sweep series; prepare for regional

The Sun City Saints won a pair of double-headers Saturday and Sunday from the national champion Orange Lionettes and are preparing to defend their 7th regional title for a berth in the national championship tournament to be held in Orlando, Fla., Aug. 20-28.

The Saints beat the California team 1-0 and 3-0 Saturday, then squeezed by with two 1-0 victories Sunday. The Cactus Regional Tournament will open Thursday in Sun City Stadium, which is rated one of the finest fields in the nation. It is located at 111th Avenue and Grand. Admission will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Ten teams will participate in the regional playoff. They

are the Saints, defending champions; Lil' Saints, host team; Phoenix Westerners, metro champions; Las Vegas Belles; Reno Live Wires; Mesa Jaydettes; New Mexico Jokers; New Mexico Swingers; Tucson Roadrunners and the Tucson Raindrops.

The first-round action will start at 9 a.m. Thursday with the Mesa Jaydettes meeting the Las Vegas Belles. Then at 10:30 a.m. Tucson Raindrops will go against the New Mexico Swingers.

Play will resume at 7 p.m. when the Tucson Roadrunners challenge the New Mexico Jokers. Then at 8:30 p.m. the Saints will play the winner of the Mesa-Las Vegas game.



PITCHER POWER—Sun City Saints pitcher Paula Miller warms before a game last weekend in which she threw a 3-0 shutout over the Orange, Calif., Lionettes. (Photo by Prather)





SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

SUN CITY, ARIZONA

August 4, 1971



SAINTS HAVE TO SETTLE WITH SPLIT OF FOUR

Wilborn Has Last Say With No-Hitter

Just when you think you have her number, Nancy Wilborn will find a new way to beat you.

The Sun City Saints defeated Miss Wilborn and her Orange Lionettes Saturday night, 1-0, just as they would any mortal pitcher.

Flushed with success, the Saints socked the stuffings out of the softball in the Saturday nightcap — 10 hits — en route to a 3-0 win over the Lionettes and their second line hurler, Jackie Rice.

But Miss Wilborn, the nation's outstanding woman's softball pitcher last year, squared things Sunday night.

Keeping the over-anxious Saints off stride with her change of pace and high-arching slow ball, she won two 1-0 victories, the last a no-hitter.

But Sun City provided some fine ballplaying and heroes, too. Lefty Billy Harris outpitched Miss Wilborn in opener of the four-game set but lost the third game on a disputed call at home. Miss Harris thus ended the regular season with a 31-4 record.

Paula Miller, in her first year on the mound for Sun City, blanked Orange in the second game and was the victim of Miss Wilborn's no-hitter and errors in the finale.

The Saints concluded the regular season with an overall mark of 22-14, eight of the losses at the hands of Orange, whom they have beaten four times. Of Orange's eight wins, seven were by one run, Sun City again placed second in the three-team Pacific Coast Women's Softball League, behind Orange but ahead of Fresno.

In their final series, Sun City had the satisfaction of taking statistic honors. The Saints had four runs, 17 hits and five errors in the four games. Orange managed only two runs, 14 hits and committed seven errors, quite a few for the defending national champs.

First baseman Thelma Keith returned to the lineup after a three-week absence due to a fractured little toe, collected two hits in the first two games. She ran gingerly but hit with her usual authority. Miss Keith was "choked" in the final two contests but hit the ball more

solidly than any Saint, with the possibility of centerfielder Chris Miner, the team's leading hitter.

Miss Miner was held to 1 for 7 in the Saturday games, but got the only two hits off Miss Wilborn in the third game. After one time at bat in the finale, she injured her ankle slightly and was taken out.

Catcher Marilyn Rau came up with three hits in the Saturday night games, but couldn't do anything with Miss Wilborn Sunday night. Paula Miller came through with the Saints' only extra base blow — a triple that rolled to near the fence.

Miss Harris was 0 for 4, Betty Barr 1 for 9, Lynn Mooney 1 for 10, Ginger Kurtz 1 for 11, Sandy Kelley 0 for 8, Barbara Quijada 1 for 7, Georgia Beulow 0 for 2 and Becky Rice 1 for 1 in a pinch hitting role. Orange's first baseman, Shirley Topley, led the visitors in hitting. Her three hits included a triple.

Carol Spanks, shortstop and team owner and manager, was held to two safeties, one of them a double. The only other Lionette with more than one hit was catcher Nancy Ilo, who had two.

Here is a closer look at the games:

SAINTS 1 ORANGE 0
A steady four-hitter by Billie Harris and first-inning hits by Chris Miner and Marilyn Rau carried the Saints to a 1-0 victory over Orange in their first game.

Miss Harris outpitched Nancy Wilborn, who surrendered five hits. Miss Wilborn obviously wasn't at her best, striking out no one and walking two.

Billie Harris fanned five and issued only one pass.

Miss Miner opened the Saints' first with a solid single to center. Miss Harris sacrificed her to second and Betty Barr walked to put on two runners.

Miss Rau lifted a deep fly to left which went over the fielder's head. Miss Miner scored, but Miss Rau had to be content with a single because Miss Barr slowed down fearing the ball would be caught.

Sandy Kelly singled off Miss Wilborn in the second and Thelma Keith rapped one to center in the fourth. In the sixth, pinch hitter Becky Rice delivered a one-out single, but she was cut down trying to steal just before Miss Rau was walked.

Miss Harris gave up a leadoff triple to Shirley

Topley in the second. But she struck out Mickey Davis and Carol Wineman. She pitched too carefully to Miss Wilborn and walked here.

Then the Lionettes tried the "chicken play" which won them a game against the Saints in California the week before. This time, however, Miss Wilborn's effort to draw a throw while teasingly going to second resulted in Miss Topley being run down between third and home, amidst a rousing cheer from Saint fans.

Sue Sims nicked Miss Harris with a lead-off infield hit in the fourth, but was thrown out by Miss Rau trying to steal second.

Carol Wineman reached second in the fifth on a hit and stolen base, and Carol Spanks ripped a one-out double in the sixth.

SAINTS 3 ORANGE 0
With a backdrop of lightning and the threat of rain, the Saints struck for a 3-0 victory over Orange in the Saturday nightcap behind the four-hit pitching of Paula Miller.

The Arizona State University coed allowed runners in every inning but the first and seventh but she was equal to the task in winning her first game against the Lionettes.

Meanwhile, the Saints were shelling Orange's Jackie Rice for 10 hits, three of them by Miss Keith. Miss Miller got the longest blow, a triple nearly to the fence in left center field.

In fact, everybody got a hit except Miss Kelley and Miss Miner.

Miss Rau knocked in the first run in the opening inning, on a single which followed an error and a hit to right by Miss Barr. A single run came in on a hit by Miss Keith.

Miss Miller opened the second with her three-base blow and came in on an error by shortstop Carol Spanks. Back-to-back singles by Miss Rau and Miss Keith in the fourth went for naught, as did back-to-back singles by Miss Keith and Miss Mooney in the fifth.

Miss Rice walked one and struck out one. The Lionettes managed singles off Miss Miller in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth inning. They also had four walks. She was helped by a double play on a liner to shortstop Ginger Kurtz in the fourth and a fine running catch by centerfielder Chris Miner in the third.

ORANGE 1 SAINTS 0
A disputed call at home broke up a pitching duel between Miss Harris and Miss Wilborn and gave the Lionettes a 1-0 victory in the opener Sunday night.

With the game scoreless, rightfielder Diane Potia opened the sixth with a single. After being sacrificed to second, she came racing home on a single to right center by Miss Ilo.

In center, Miss Miner fired the ball in but the umpire called Miss Potia safe. It raised a storm of protest from Coach Bev Dryer and catcher Marilyn Rau, who threw her glove on the ground in disgust.

Miss Rau figured prominently in the Saints' efforts to get back in the game in the bottom of the sixth, striking out with the bases loaded.

Miss Quijada had drawn a walk with one out. Miss Miner followed with her second hit of the game, a single between short and third. Miss Harris grounded out, advancing the runners, and Miss Barr walked to load the bases.

But the Orange hurler got Miss Rau on a 3-2 count. Miss Miner's first inning single was the only other hit off Miss Wilborn. A double play ended that inning when Miss Miner was tagged out trying to go to third on a ground out.

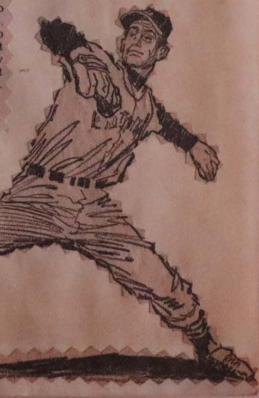
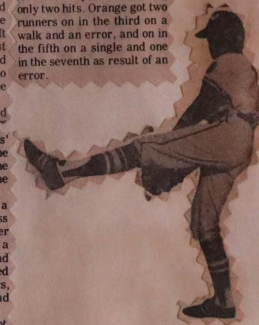
Miss Harris was baled out of the first on a fine throw from Miss Miner in center to cut down a runner at home. The Lionettes had gotten two on in the first on a hit and hit batter and it was on Mickey Davis' subsequent hit that Miss Miner did her heroics. Orange got four hits.

ORANGE 1 SAINTS 0
A sixth-inning error by

Miss Quijada, who had replaced Miss Miner in center after Miss Miner had injured her ankle, was the difference in the fourth game.

Miss Wilborn also was the difference, fashioning a no-hitter. Sun City's only runners were Miss Quijada and Miss Kurtz both on errors.

Miss Miller also did as well, for Sun City, surrendering only two hits. Orange got two runners on in the third on a walk and an error, and on in the fifth on a single and one in the seventh as result of an error.



Regional Tourney Opens Thursday; Saints Favored

The Cactus Regional women's softball tournament will open a four-day stand at Sun City Stadium Thursday, with the Sun City Saints favored to repeat as champs for the sixth straight year.

"You can never tell in a tournament," said Saint Coach Bev Dreyer, playing it cautiously.

Ten teams from Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico will compete in the double-elimination event for the right to play in the national tournament in Orlando, Fla. Aug. 30-28. The Saints placed ninth in the national tourney last year and fifth the year before. As defending champion, Orange Lionettes will be on hand in Orlando.

In the Cactus Regional, the Saints will open at 8:30 p.m. Thursday against the winner of a game between the

Tucson Raindrops and the New Mexico Swingers earlier in the day.

If the Saints continue in the winners bracket, which they are expected to do, they will play at 8:30 p.m. each night, with the championship game on Sunday. The tournament could require a 10 p.m. Sunday game to decide a champion.

Hosts for the tournament are the L'il Saints, the big Saints' "farm team" in a Phoenix recreation league coached by a former Saint, Lou Kostelney.

The L'il Saints are scheduled to begin tournament play at 10 p.m. Thursday against the winner of the Mesa, Ariz., Jaydettes-Las Vegas Belles game earlier in the day. Time of next game depends on whether they win or lose.

If they win their first two games, the L'il Saints could end up playing the big Saints at 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

Tournament sessions will begin at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

each day, with no afternoon games scheduled in deference to the heat.

The first game will pit the Jaydettes and Belles at 9 a.m. Thursday. A 10:30 a.m. game will see the Raindrops against the Swingers and at 7 p.m. the Tucson Roadrunners will take on the Jokers of Albuquerque, N.M.

Another first-round game is scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday between the Nevada Liverwires and the Phoenix Westerners.

Saint seasons tickets are not honored by the tournament, since it is being conducted by the women's softball league.

Tickets for each session are \$1.25 for adults and 50 cents for children.

An all-star team will be named and announced at the conclusion of the tournament.

Saint Coach Dreyer said efforts will be made to attract one or more of the tournament teams to the stadium to play the Saints

the following weekend. Sally Carmen is tournament director.



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, August 4, 1971

Saints Blank Orange Twice, Then Lose Pair; Regional Tourney To Start Here Tomorrow

By BURT FREIREICH

Sun City Stadium will be the site of a four-day Cactus Regional softball tournament starting tomorrow, with the Sun City Saints favored to win the top prize — a berth in the Amateur Softball Association nationals at Orlando, Fla. The Saints tuned up for the three-state regional with a sensational weekend series here against the national champion Orange Lionettes — giving up only one earned and yet unearned run and yet managing just a split in the four exceptionally well pitched games.

Saturday's activity produced a real rarity — the Lionettes suffered a rare double loss, the Californians failed to score a run, and the Saints played without an error in both games.

BILLIE HARRIS bested Orange ace Nancy Welborn in the opener, 1-0, and Paula Miller outduelled one-time all-American Jackie Rice, 3-0. Miss Welborn turned the tables Sunday, however, racking up a pair of 1-0 triumphs and finishing with

a no-hitter.

Official hosts for the regional tourney will be the L'il Saints, the Saints' farm club. The double-elimination event will get under way with 9 and 10:30 a.m. games tomorrow, followed by three evening games starting at 7 p.m. The Saints will meet the winner of the second morning game at 8:30 p.m., and the L'il Saints will go against the first-game winners at 10 p.m.

If the Saints win all their games, they will play at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The 10 teams will include two from New Mexico, two from Nevada, two from the ASA Metro League, and two from the Arizona State tourney, which includes teams outside Maricopa County.

In Saturday's opener the Saints got to Miss Welborn early but not often. Chris Miner led off with a single to center, advanced on a sacrifice and a passed ball. After Betty Barr walked, Marilyn Rau lofted a single over the left fielder's head,

and the lone run scored.

The Saints never got a runner to second base thereafter. But Orange mounted a major threat in the second when Shirley Topley crashed a triple to right-center. Miss Harris struck out the next two, then walked Miss Welborn. On an attempted double steal, Miss Topley was tagged out in a rundown by catcher Rau.

SUN CITY also scored early in the nightcap. With one out in the first Ginger Kurtz reached on an error, and successive singles by Miss Barr, Miss Rau, and Thelma Keith produced two runs.

Thelma, still suffering from a broken toe, celebrated her return to the lineup after two weeks with a 1-for-3 performance after going 1-for-3 in the opener.

Miss Miller helped her own cause by tripling in the second and scoring as Sandy Kelley reached via an error. Sandy sacrificed and a passed ball. Barbara Quijada's single and to third on an error, but she was doubled at the plate

trying to score on Miss Miner's fly to center.

A SINGLE, a sacrifice which got no one, two fly outs, and a walk loaded the bases for Orange in the third, but Miss Miller threw a third strike past Miss Topley to end the threat.

Sun City's 19th attack included back-to-back singles by Miss Rau and Miss Keith in the third and by Thelma and Lynn Mooney in the fifth, but neither threat was productive.

Sunday was a new night, and the Lionettes threw Miss Welborn at the Saints twice in order to get even.

THE LONE run in the opener came on a disputed play in the sixth. Diane Haataja singled up the middle, moved up on a sacrifice, and held on a ground out. Then Nancy Ito rapped a single to center, and Miss Miner's on-the-money throw to catcher Rau appeared to have the Lionette nipped, but the umpire ruled that sliding Diane avoided the throw. Back in the first the Saints escaped a run on a similar

play. After two outs Miss Ito singled, and Miss Topley was hit by a pitch. Then Mickie Davis singled to center, and the Miner-to-Rau throw got Miss Ito handily.

Miss Miner got the Saints' only hits. She singled in the first and again in the sixth. The latter almost keyed a Sun City tally.

WITH ONE out Miss Quijada walked and moved to second on the hit. Both runners advanced on a ground out, and Miss Barr walked to load the bases.

Miss Welborn had a 3-1 count on Miss Rau before striking her out to end the inning.

The finale was a double no-hitter until Marylou Adams singled off Paula Miller in the fifth. Paula spelled her own defeat in the sixth when she picked up Carol Weinmann's one-out bunt and threw wildly for a two-base error. After the pop, Miss Topley singled to center, and Barbara Quijada's bobble allowed the run to score without a play at the plate.



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Saints Boxscores

Marilyn's RBI

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	3	0	1	0
Sims, 3b	3	0	1	0
Ito, c	3	0	0	0
Topley, 1b	3	0	1	0
Davis, lf	3	0	0	0
Weinmann, 2b	3	0	1	0
Welborn, p	1	0	0	0
Adams, cf	2	0	0	0
Haataja, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	4	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	1	1	0
Harris, p	2	0	0	0
Barr, rf	1	0	0	0
Rice, rf	1	0	1	0
Rau, c	2	0	1	1
Keith, 1b	3	0	1	0
Mooney, 3b	2	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	1	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	20	1	5	1

ORANGE	000	000	0-0	4	2
SAINTS	000	000	x-1	5	0

Miller Shutout

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	4	0	1	0
Sims, 3b	4	0	0	0
Ito, c	2	0	0	0
Topley, 1b	3	0	1	0
Davis, lf	0	0	0	0
Weinmann, 2b	2	0	1	0
Welborn, p	3	0	0	0
Adams, cf	2	0	0	0
Rice, p	1	0	1	0
Byes, 1b	1	0	0	0
Haataja, rf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	0	4	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	0	0	0
Harris, p	3	1	1	0
Barr, rf	3	1	1	0
Rau, c	3	1	1	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	2	1
Mooney, 3b	3	0	3	1
Kurtz, ss	3	0	1	0
Kelley, 2b	3	1	1	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	1
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	1
Quijada, lf	2	0	1	0
TOTALS	26	3	10	3

ORANGE	000	000	0-0	4	2
SAINTS	210	000	x-3	10	0

Orange Turnabout

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	2	0	0	0
Sims, 3b	3	0	0	0
Ito, c	3	0	2	1
Topley, 1b	2	0	0	0
Davis, lf	3	0	1	0
Weinmann, 2b	3	0	0	0
Welborn, p	2	0	0	0
Adams, cf	2	0	0	0
Haataja, rf	3	1	1	0
TOTALS	23	1	4	1

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	3	0	2	0
Harris, p	2	0	0	0
Barr, rf	2	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	3	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Buelow, 2b	0	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	1	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	0	2	0

ORANGE	000	001	0-1	4	1
SAINTS	000	000	0-0	2	1

Welborn No-Hitter

ORANGE	ab	r	h	bi
Spanks, ss	3	0	0	0
Weinmann, 2b	3	1	0	0
Ito, c	3	0	0	0
Topley, 1b	3	0	1	0
Sims, 3b	2	0	0	0
Davis, lf	3	0	0	0
Welborn, p	3	0	0	0
Adams, cf	1	0	1	0
Byes, rf	1	0	0	0
Haataja, rf-cf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	1	2	0

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	1	0	0	0
Buelow, lf	2	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	0	0	0
Barr, rf	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	2	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf-cf	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	0	0

ORANGE	000	001	0-1	2	2
SAINTS	000	000	0-0	0	4



Smile, have
a happy day.



WORDS

The five most important words:
I am proud of you.
The four most important words:
What is your opinion?
The three most important words:
If you please?
The two most important words:
Thank you.
The least important word: I.
Found written on a tombstone:
Here lies my wife,
let her lie. She's at rest, so am I.

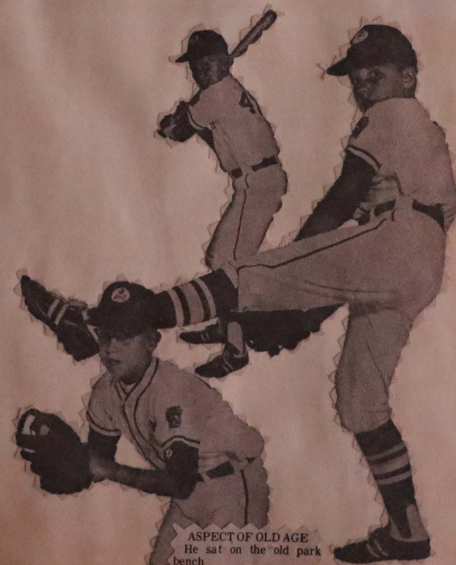
HOW MUCH TIME?
How much time do I have,
dear Lord
Before I am called away?
There are so many things
I would like to do
So much I would like to
say.

There are things that were
done
That must be un-done,
Words that were said, to
recall
If I, through my own
willful acts
Have caused someone to
fall.

How many days, Lord,
shall I have
Before I am called to
Thee?
Shall I go quietly in my
sleep
Or will mine be a
Calvary?
So much time has come
and gone
When I could have done so
many things
But now I am facing the
twilight
The kind that Eternity
brings.

So in the time that I have
left
Let me be a friend to man
If I should be able to help a
friend
Let me do all that I can.

How much time is left to
me, Lord
A month, a year, or so?
These facts are hidden
from all mankind
And I really don't want to
know—



ASPECT OF OLD AGE
He sat on the old park
bench
Feeling aged, lame and
sore.
Young and pretty legs
walked by.
And he felt sixteen once
more.

Welcome to Sun City

Glendale News-Herald

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1971

Saints Advance to nationals

The Sun City Saints won the Cactus Regionals Sunday night by edging the New Mexico Jokers, 1-0.

They advanced to the national tournament to be held in Orlando, Fla. Sept. 20-28.

The only run of the game came in the top of the seventh inning when Chris Marner drove home Ginger Kurtz.

Billie Harris scattered four hits and picked up the win. Two Saints won tournament honors by being named to the all-star team. They were Lynn Mooney and Chris Miner.

The Saints will play the last game of the season in their new stadium Saturday, going up against the Phoenix Westerners and Del Webb Admission will be free.



WINNING RUN—Ginger Kurtz of the Sun City Saints scores the lone run of Sunday's game to beat the New Mexico Jokers 1-0 and take the Cactus regional championship.

GLENDALE NEWS-HERALD



CACTUS TROPHY - Beverly Dryer, left, coach of the Sun City Saints, and manager Thelma Keith accept trophy from Bill Maddox of the Amateur Softball Association, after winning the Cactus regional championship. (Photo by Prather)

The Arizona Republic Sunday, August 8, 1971

Three more clubs ousted

SUN CITY — Three more teams were eliminated from the ASA Cactus Regional Women's Softball tournament yesterday.

The New Mexico Jokers downed the Little Saints, 5-2, the Las Vegas Belles blanked the Tucson Raindrops, 2-0, and the Belles then went on to edge the Mesa Jayettes, 2-1. All three losers now are out of the double-elimination meet.

In the winner's bracket game, the Sun City Saints defeated the Tucson Raindrops, 5-2. Paula Miller picked up the victory.

The Westerners and New Mexico Jokers were playing a late game last night.

The Arizona Republic Friday, Aug. 6, 1971

Saints blank Raindrops, 7-0

SUN CITY — Paula Miller tossed a four-hitter last night and Chris Miner socked an inside the park home run as the Sun City Saints scored a victory over the Tucson Raindrops in first day's play in the Cactus Regional Softball Tournament.

Earlier in the day, the Mesa Jayettes beat the Las Vegas Belles, 5-0; Rainbows beat New Mexico Swingers, 10-3, and the Tucson Rainbows nipped the New Mexico Jokers.

Two games are scheduled this morning beginning at 9 a.m., with a tripleheader tonight beginning at 7 p.m.

The Arizona Republic Phoenix, Sat., Aug. 7, 1971

Saints rip Westerners

SUN CITY — The Sun City Saints dumped the Phoenix Westerners, 5-1, on the strength of Billie Harris' four-hitter in the ASA Cactus Regional Women's Softball tournament last night. Chris Miner chipped in with a two-run homer.

In another winners' bracket game, The Tucson Raindrops nipped the Mesa Jayettes, 2-1. Beverly McIntyre knocked in the tying run and scored the clincher.

Earlier, the Westerners edged the Reno Live Wires 1-0 via Bobbie Poirner's run scoring single in the sixth inning.

In losers bracket action, the Valley Belles eliminated Reno, 1-0, while the New Mexico Jokers bombed the Albuquerque Swingers, 11-7.

Today, the Jokers face the Little Saints at 9 a.m. and the Tucson Raindrops meet the Belles game while the Saints at 7 p.m. the Jayettes play the winner of the Raindrops-Belles game while the Saints vie against the Roadrunners at 9:30. The Westerners vs. the winner of the Jokers-Little Saints follow at 10.

The Arizona Republic Monday, August 9, 1971

Saints advance to national play

SUN CITY — The Sun City Saints edged the New Mexico Jokers, 1-0, last night to win the Cactus Regionals and advance to the national tournament in Orlando, Fla., Sept. 20-28.

Chris Marner drove home Ginger Kurtz in the top of the seventh with the only run of the game. Billie Harris scattered four hits and picked up the win.

Wednesday, August 11, 1971

Saints Top Jokers, 1-0, For Title, Gird For Journey To Nationals

By BURT FREIREICH
Nobility doubted that the Sun City Saints would win the Cactus Regional women's softball tournament and with it a berth in the nationals, but nobody expected it would be so tough.

The Saints breezed through the first three rounds, then had a worrisome time of it in Sunday's finale before pushing across a seventh-inning run to nip the Albuquerque Jokers, 1-0.

Coach Bev Dryer was unhappy enough about her Saints' hitting in the early games, but she was down to chewing her knuckles as the Jokers' tiny Sybil Smith set them down on one hit in Sunday's first six innings.

THE SAINTS have shown much improved hitting, overall, this season, and their late slump has struck at an inopportune time. They'll be leaving next Wednesday for Orlando, Fla., where the nationals will get under way Aug. 20.

But third baseman Lynn Mooney has been having less success at the plate, and she broke out of the doldrums in impressive fashion. She walked, doubled, and singled for a perfect night, launching the winning rally.

Lynn also won the tournament's "best defensive player" award while only she and center fielder Chris Miner among the Saints made the tourney all-star team.

THE SUN CITIANS' final lineup before the nationals will come Saturday—and, as far as their fans are concerned, the price is right. Admission will be free of charge as the Saints face a Del E. Webb Development Co. team for laughs, then a game with the Phoenix Westerners.

The decisive game with Albuquerque saw Miss Mooney open the seventh with a line single to left, followed by a walk to Ginger Kurtz. Both advanced on Sandy Kelley's bunt. Then

Barbara Quijada hit a sharp grounder to shortstop, and Lynn slid into the tag at home plate for the second out while Ginger moved to third.

That's when Miss Miner crashed a hard single off the third baseman's shin. The ball caromed toward home plate, and Ginger outraced it for the score.

THE SAINTS' only other hit was Miss Mooney's two-out double in the fourth. But they did have a scoring chance in the fifth. Miss Kelley was safe on an error, moved to second on a sacrifice and to third on a ground out—but a pop-up stranded her.

Meanwhile, Bille Harris twirled a three-hit gem. She gave up her only walk with two out in the fourth, and

Sheryl Clemmer followed with a single, but a forceout ended the threat. The Jokers' only other baserunners came on two-out singles in the fifth and seventh.

The Saints disposed of the Tucson Raindrops, 7-0, Thursday; topped the Westerners, 5-1, Friday, and

bested the Roadrunners, 5-2, Saturday.

Their farm club, the L'il Saints, didn't fare so well as the tourney's official hosts. They lost 13-6 to the Mesa Jaydettes and 5-2 to the Jokers.

THE JOKERS dominated the tournament awards: catcher Barbara Berry, most valuable player, shortstop Clemmer, top batter; and these two plus second baseman Susan

Craig and outfielder Vicki Allen on the all-star team. Other all-stars were first baseman Liz Martin and outfielder Debbie Stevens of the Mesa Jaydettes, and pitcher Hilda Flores and utility player Dorothy Dayton of the Tucson Roadrunners.

Title Decider

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	0	1	1
Harris, p	4	0	0	0
Keith, 1b	3	0	0	0
Rau, c	3	0	0	0
Barr, rf	3	0	0	0
Rice, rf	0	0	0	0
Mooney, 3b	2	0	2	0
Kurtz, ss	1	1	0	0
Kelley, 2b	2	0	0	0
Quijada, lf	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	1	3	1

JOKERS	ab	r	h	bi
Allen, rf	3	0	0	0
Berry, c	3	0	0	0
Adler, cf	2	0	0	0
Clemmer, ss	3	0	1	0
McDowell, lf	2	0	0	0
Craig, 2b	3	0	1	0
Raver, 1b	3	0	0	0
Smith, p	2	0	1	0
Griffin, 3b	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	0	3	0

SAINTS	000	000	1-1	3 0
JOKERS	000	000	0-0	3 1



LONE RUN of Cactus Regional championship game came in seventh inning when Sun City Saints' Ginger Kurtz barreled across home plate on two-out single by Chris Miner. Hard-hit ball caromed off third baseman's

shin, and Albuquerque Jokers pitcher Sybil Smith, at right, attempts to retrieve it. In background at left is winning pitcher Bille Harris (holding bat).

(News-Sun Staff Photo)

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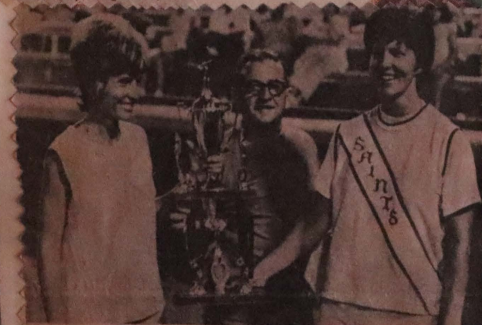


The Sun City Saints, champions for the 7th consecutive year of the ASA Cactus Regionals, will compete in the national softball tourney at Orlando, Fla., Aug. 20-28. Top row, from left, Chris Miner, Georgia Buelow, Thelma Keith, Betty Barr, Lynn Mooney, Paula Miller, Marilyn Ray, Bev Dryer. Front row, from left, Becky Rice, Konni Allen, Ginger Kurtz, Barbara Quijada, Billie Harris, Sandy Kelley, and Kathy Randl. Saints end regular season Saturday and Sunday.



NEWS-SUN

Wednesday, August 11, 1971



TROPHY EMBLEMATIC of Cactus Regional championship is accepted by Sun City Saints coach Bev Dryer and first baseman-business manager Thelma Keith following 1-0 victory Sunday over

Albuquerque Jokers here. Making presentation is Bill Maddox, Arizona Umpires Association coordinator. Saints now will enter nationals at Orlando, Fla., Aug. 20. Story on Page 8, Sec. II.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)



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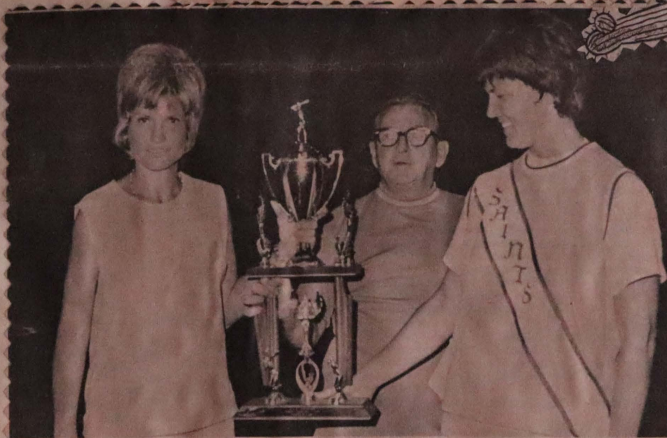
LYNN MOONEY, hitting star of Sun City Saints' 1-0 win over Albuquerque Jokers Sunday, barely fails to break scoreless tie in seventh as catcher Barb Berry applies tag following grounder to shortstop. Umpire Danny Gallardo views action from close up. Miss Mooney was voted tourney's top defensive player and Miss Berry most valuable player.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)

SUN CITY SUN CITIZEN

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FOR THE CHAMPS—Trophy denoting championship of the Cactus Regional Tournament is presented to Thelma Keith, manager and first baseman, and Bev Dryer (left), coach of Sun City Saints girls softball

team. The trophy was earned during four-day tournament held at Sun City Stadium. Bill Maddox, coordinator for Arizona Umpires Association, makes presentation. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)

Saints Win Regional, Qualify For Nationals

—DEFENDING CHAMPS PRESSED., HARRIS, MOONEY, MINER HEROES—

Saints Trump Jokers For Regional Crown

The Sun City Saints will Miss Kurtz had walked, Miss March right into the national Mooney tried to score on a women's softball tour, ball hit to the shortstop but, name in Orlando, Fla., was cut down.

Up to that time the Saints capturing the Cactus had had only one hit off Regional Tourney in a Joker hurler Sybil Smith — a fourth-inning double to left minimum of four games over the weekend.

However, it wasn't all that easy as the Saints were pressed right down to the wire in the final game against the Albuquerque, N.M., Jokers.

The Jokers, who had emerged from the losers' bracket after dropping their opener, held the Saints scoreless through six innings in the final Sunday night before 1,000 fans at Sun City Stadium.

In the seventh, a smash by Chris Miner off the leg of the Joker third baseman brought home Ginger Kurtz, who had walked. Miner's hit bounced off the fielder's leg toward home plate, but Miss Kurtz slid in safely before the ball could be retrieved.

Lynn Mooney had opened the seventh with her second hit, a solid rap to left. After Tucson Roadrunners 5-1, and

The wins improved the Saints' over-all record to 46-14.

The Saints performed well defensively and their pitching was a cut or more above everyone else. However, they had difficulty hitting after the first game. They were held to a total of 13 hits in their remaining three games.

For the Saints, the leading batter in the tournament was Lynn Mooney, with five for 11, including a double.

But Miss Miner's 6 for 16 were more sensational, including the first two homers hit in the new stadium. The centerfielder also drove in five runs, tops for the Saints in the tourney. Leftfielder Barbara Quijada had a good tournament, 2 for 4 and one RBI. Catcher Marilyn Rau's batting perked up with 3 for 11 and two runs batted in.

Earlier in the tournament, the Saints took the measure Phoenix Westerners 5-1, and Tucson Roadrunners 5-2.

Georgia Beelow 0 for 1.

It was the sixth straight year the Saints have won the regional. Last year they ended up ninth in the national tournament.

The tournament's most disappointing team: The Reno Lifewires, who were eliminated in two 1-0 games Friday.

Most sensational play came in the semifinal game Sunday night between the Jokers and the Tucson Roadrunners. The teams went into extra innings tied 2-2, but the Jokers picked up two in the eighth.

In the bottom of the inning, the Roadrunners had the bases loaded with one out and the batter singled to center. The runner on third scored, and the runners on first and second came around to home just about a step apart. The Joker catcher touched both of them out just before they crossed the plate, ending the game and giving Albuquerque a 4-0 win.

here is a rundown on the big Saints' first three games:

SAINTS 7 RAINDROPS 0
The Sun City Saints opened Cactus Regional Play with a bang Thursday night — a 7-0 victory over the Tucson Raindrops highlighted by the first home run in new Sun City Stadium.

It was delivered by centerfielder Chris Miner in the sixth inning. The ball rolled to the left centerfield fence, the first time a ball has hit the fence in the stadium, and the speedy Miss Miner legged it home just before the throw.

The Jaydettes, a surprising entry in the tournament, did some more surprising when they defeated the Las Vegas Belles in their opener Thursday morning.

But the Saints showed who was boss early in their debut by piling four runs on four hits in the first inning and then coasting in behind the four-hit hurling of Paula Miller.

Sun City produced its first-inning fireworks after two outs. Betty Barr beat out an infield grounder and Marilyn Rau followed with a double. A walk to Thelma Keith loaded them. Couple of errors brought in two runs and Miss Miller's single two more. Sandy Kelley also had a hit in the uprising.

The Saints added two in the second on a bunt single by Miss Miner, a hit to center by Ginger Kurtz and a two-run single by Miss Rau.

Miss Kurtz ended up with three hits and Miss Rau and Miss Miner two apiece.

An unusual aspect was first baseman Thelma Keith getting the first 11 putouts and ending up with 14 in the game.

SAINTS 5 WESTERNERS 1
Except for an error-filled first inning, the Westerners, the class of Phoenix woman's softball, played the Saints tough in their game Friday night.

The Saints won 5-1 but not before a shaky start for Saint ace Billie Harris, who surrendered a run on two hits, including a triple, in the first inning.

But then after surrendering a second-inning hit, Miss Harris rolled by 17 Westerners in succession to win. She struck out six, three of them in the last two frames.

Chris Miner put the topping on the Saint victory with a two-run homer in the seventh, her second four-bagger in as many nights. This was sailed over the left fielder's head and rolled to the wall. Two relays failed to catch the swift Miss Miner.

The Saints got to the Westerners' best, Darlene Silva for only four hits. Three infield errors and a single by Betty Barr gave Sun City its three runs in the first. Miss Miner's homer was preceded by a single by Barbara Quijada.

SAINTS' RUNNERS 2
The Saints took advantage of six errors and fairly steady pitching of Paula Miller to turn back the Tucson Roadrunners, 5-2, Saturday night.

Miss Miller permitted on base the first Tucson batter in each of the last five innings. It cost her a run in the fourth, on two hits, and in the seventh on a walk and a hit. She surrendered five hits in all, struck out two and walked one.

Sun City picked up one run in the second on a single to center by Lynn Mooney, a sacrifice and a single by Miss Quijada.

In the fourth, an infield hit by Miss Mooney, a fielder's choice, sacrifice and an infield hit by Miss Miner, followed by an error, resulted in two runs.

Two more came across in the seventh on a single by Marilyn Raw and three errors.

Miner, Mooney All Stars

Two Sun City Saints were named to the Cactus Regional Tournament's all-star team, and the lack of exposure was the reason more didn't make the squad.

Third baseman Lynn Mooney was named all-star third baseman and also the tournament's outstanding defensive player. Chris Miner was chosen for an outfield star spot.

Although they won two games each in great fashion, the Saints' Billie Harris and Paula Miller failed to make the team because they did not appear in three games as required by the all-star rules.

The Saints played a minimum number of games in winning the regional crown — four. In contrast, the second-place Albuquerque Jokers had to play seven games, working themselves up from the losers' bracket.

On the star team, the Jokers placed catcher Barbara Berry, second baseman Susan Craig, shortstop Sherill Clemmer and outfielder Vickie Allen. Also from the New Mexico team, Miss Clemmer was the tournament's top batter and Miss Berry the tourney's most valuable player.

Wilda Flores of the Tucson Roadrunners was selected as star pitcher, Lynn Martin of the Mesa Jaydettes as first baseman, Debbie Stevens of the Jaydettes in the outfield and Dorothy Dayton of the Jaydettes as utility outfielder.



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How Saints Did It In Regional Tourney

THURSDAY

Mesa Jaydettes 5 Las Vegas Belles 3
Tucson Raindrops 10 Albuquerque Swingers 3
Tucson Roadrunners 3 Albuquerque Jokers 2
SUN CITY SAINTS 7 Tucson Raindrops 0
Mesa Jaydettes 13 Lili's Saints 6

FRIDAY

Phoenix Westerners 1 Reno Livewires 0
Albuquerque Jokers 17 Albuquerque Swingers 8 (eliminated)
Las Vegas Belles 1 Reno Livewires 0 (eliminated)
SUN CITY SAINTS 5 Phoenix Westerners 1
Tucson Raindrops 2 Mesa Jaydettes 1

SATURDAY

Albuquerque Jokers 5 Lili's Saints 2 (eliminated)
Las Vegas Belles 2 Tucson Raindrops 0 (eliminated)
Las Vegas Belles 2 Mesa Jaydettes 1 (10 innings) (eliminated)
SUN CITY SAINTS 5 Tucson Roadrunners 2
Albuquerque Jokers 2 Phoenix Westerners 1

SUNDAY

Albuquerque Jokers 4 Tucson Roadrunners 3
SUN CITY SAINTS 1 Albuquerque Jokers 0

Saints Taking On Webb Executives, Westerners

The Sun City Saints will close their regular season with two games Saturday night — one for fun and the other more serious — at Sun City Stadium.

It will also be awards night for the Saints. The most valuable player, top rookie and "sparkplug," as chosen by the players themselves, will be announced.

At 7:30 p.m. the Saints will face the Devo Devils — officials of the Del E. Webb Development Co. — in an hour-long contest. Afterwards, the Westerners, probably Phoenix' top girls softball team, will play the Saints.

Both games will be admission free.

The Devo Devils will bring along their cheerleaders, Webb firm secretaries who call themselves the Devilettes. Owen Childress, company executive vice president, will be on the mound and John W. Meeker,



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NO TAKERS—None of these Del E. Webb Development Co. officials is anxious to have Sun City Saints program, offered by Webb president John Meeker. As Devo Devils, they will play Saints at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Sun City Stadium, facing Saints' battery of Meeker and executive vice president Owen Childress. Bat swingers are (from left)

Gaylen Bartlett, Jerry Svendsen, Tom Kemp, Curtis Copeland, Jeff Hardin, Marv Netz, Jim Pirtle, George Martin, Tom Rittenhouse, Ken Parker, and manager Harvey Shahan. Saints also will play Phoenix Westerners. Admission will be free of charge.



The Arizona Republic
Wed., Aug. 11, 1971

Sun City Saints to play half-serious twin-bill

The Sun City Saints will play a doubleheader in Sun City Stadium Saturday night that more aptly might be called "the odd couple."

The first game, starting at 7:30 p.m., will pit the Sun City Saints against the formidable Del E. Webb Development Co. Devils, a pick-up team from among the company's department heads.

To even things a bit, the

Devils will be helped by having the Saints' battery of Paula Miller pitching and Marilyn Rau catching.

The Saints will be "handcapped" by having Del E. Webb Development president John W. Meeker catching, and executive vice president Owen Childress pitching.

Following the jocular facsimile of softball, the Sun City Saints will play a serious game with the Phoenix Westerners of the Cactus League.

The doubleheader will be admission-free.



ON BEHALF OF MY TEAM
I'D LIKE TO PRESENT YOU
WITH A PAIR OF GLASSES.



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Wow!



READY FOR BATTLE — None of these Del E. Webb Development Co. executives is anxious to have a Sun City Saints program here offered by Webb president John W. Meeker. Calling themselves the Devco Devils, the Webb staffers will meet the Saints for a brief encounter 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Sun City

Stadium. From left are Gaylen Bartlett, Jerry Svendsen, Tom Kemp, Curtis Copeland, Jeff Hardin, Marv Netz, Jim Pirtle, George Martin, Tom Rittenhouse, Ken Parker and team manager Harvey Shahan. A contest between Saints and Phoenix Westerners will follow.



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Talented Saints Need Luck Too

The Sun City Saints left by took the Lionettes four air this Wednesday morning times. For the first time, for Orlando, Fla., where, with some breaks, they could capture the Women's National Softball Championship.

They are among about 16 teams which will be out to grab the title, and luck will play a big part.

As Saint Coach Bev Dreyer pointed out, a drawing will be held Friday for brackets, and who you play at the outset can make a big difference.

As defending national champs, the Orange, Calif., Lionettes will be back, and would probably have to be lodged as favorites.

For sure, the Lionettes and the best Florida team will play on Friday. Who they play and when the other teams open the double-elimination competition will depend on the drawing. Play will continue through next week.

That the Saints have the ability to bring home the crown is indicated by their games with Orange, Sun City



The Saint infield — Thelma Keith at first, Sandy Kelley at second, Ginger Kurtz at short, Lynn Mooney at third and Marilyn Rau at catch — most be regarded as one of the best in the nation defensively. Miss Keith and Miss Rau are consistent hitters in the big games, but some of the others have not been. But of late, Miss Mooney and Miss Kurtz have shown signs they may be ready for a big tournament at bat.

Barbara Quijada, in left field, has improved as a fielder and a hitter from her first year with the Saints. And rightfielder Betty Barr, also a second-year player, has become a real stick at the plate, although she is the weakest of the three outfielders defensively.

Membership Open To ASU Sun Saints Booster Club

Memberships are open for the new Sun Saints Booster Club of Arizona State University.

Not to be confused with the Sun City Saints softball team, the organization offers membership for \$21 per person. This includes \$1 annual dues and \$20 for a reserved seat season football ticket in the south end of Sun Devil Stadium.

Members will get a card, windshield decal and the official newsletter, the Devils' Lair.

Block seating will be offered to businesses or organizations. Club members also will have priority for reserved seats in future seasons and will be able to buy additional single game tickets before they go on sale to the public.

The Arizona Republic

Sunday, Aug. 15, 1971

Saints top Westerners

SUN CITY — The Sun City Saints, in a final exhibition before leaving Wednesday for the National Women's Softball Tournament in Orlando, Fla., defeated the Phoenix Westerners, 6-1, last night.



On this date

ONE YEAR AGO
Chris Smith, first baseman, was named MVP of the Sun City Saints.

FIVE YEARS AGO
Lionettes won the national championship in 1966.

TEN YEARS AGO
Billie Harris pitched a no-hitter for the Sun City Saints.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
The Sun City Saints were founded.



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HARRIS MOST VALUABLE, RICE TOP ROOKIE, BARR 'SPARK PLUG' Saints 'Tune Up' With 8-1 Win Over Westerners

To the delight of some 2,000 fans at Sun City Stadium, the Sun City Saints provided, they hope, a preview of things to come at the Women's National Softball Tournament this week and next in Orlando, Fla.

The Saints unlimbered a barrage of eight hits and did their usual fine defensive job to whip the Phoenix Westerners 8-1 at an awards night program.

On vote of the players themselves, pitcher Billie Harris was the team's most valuable player of 1971, "roadrunner" Becky Rice, a utility outfielder, was rookie of the year, and outfielder pitcher Betty Barr won the "spark plug" honor.

Miss Harris proved she deserved the honor by taking the pitching win over the Westerners, giving up six, well-spaced hits. The run in the first inning for the visitors was only the 13th earned counter against her all season.

Miss Barr did her thing, by rapping a two-run single in the second inning.

Centerfielder Judy Hoke, who appears to be the Westerners' best hitter, opened the game with a solid, double and was chased home on a single by second baseman Mary Radcliffe. After that Miss Harris was in complete control, although the visitors bunched two hits by Miss Hoke and first baseman Jo West, in the fourth.

Saint shortstop Ginger Kurtz, leading off for Chris Miner, who was out of state, countered with a double to open the Sun City attack in the first.

Miss Harris sacrificed her to third and third sacker Lynn Mooney brought her in on a single. Catcher Marilyn Rau doubled, putting two Saints on base, and an error by centerfielder Hoke brought in the second run in the inning.

For all practical purposes, the Saints ended the game with a five-run outburst in the second off Westerner ace Darlene Spiva.

It started with an error, a sacrifice and successive singles by Miss Kurtz, Miss Harris and Miss Mooney. First baseman Phelma Keith's sacrifice fly brought home a run and Miss Barr's single two more.

An error and singles by Miss Kurtz and Miss Harris accounted in the third for the

eight run of the game for the Saints.

Miss Kurtz ended up with three hits and Miss Harris and Miss Mooney had two each.

The Westerners committed five errors, the Saints none.

A week before, during the Cactus Regional Tournament, the Saints had turned back the Westerners 5-1 behind the three-hit hurling of Miss Harris.

A preliminary game in the admission-free program, saw the Saints play Del E. Webb Development Co. executive, for fun's sake.



Billie's Great Year!

Billie Harris, the nation's top woman's softball pitcher two years ago, came back this year with a great year on the mound for the Sun City Saints.

Not even here 21-4 record tells the entire story.

More significant and impressive is the fact that in 178 innings she gave up but 12 earned runs and 14 walks. She surrendered 113 hits but was at her best with runners on base.

Miss Harris' earned run average is about one-half a run per game.

Paula Miller, pitching her first full year, had just about the same ERA, with nine earned runs in 124 innings. But Miss Miller had to settle for a 9-4 won-lost record, most of the losses by one run or as result of errors.

Miss Miller gave up 76 hits walked 32 and fanned 42.

Another first-year hurler, Betty Barr, had a better won-lost average than the other two — 9-1, and one of the wins was the team's only no-hitter.

But Miss Barr was used mainly against weaker teams, and even so she had control trouble, as shown by her season's statistics. In the 73 innings she pitched, there were 57 walks, as against 55 strike outs. Only 12 earned runs scored against her.



"How come you get all the good parts?"



ROADRUNNER — Because of her quickness and speed, fans call Becky Rice, utility outfielder for Saints, the roadrunner. She was named the team's outstanding rookie of the year. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)



SHE HAS SPARK — "Spark Plug" award for the Sun City Saints went to Betty Barr, outfielder and occasional pitcher.



MOST VALUABLE — Pitcher Billie Harris was chosen by her teammates as the Sun City Saints' most valuable player in 1971. (Sun City Sun Citizen Photo)

Betty Barr Likely League Batting Titlist; Miss Miner Team Champion

Second-year player Betty Barr of the Sun City Saints likely will be the batting champ of the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League.

In competition with the other two league teams, Orange and Fresno, Calif., Miss Barr, an outfielder and occasional pitcher, batted .346.

Right behind her is the Saints' Chris Miner with a .323 average in league play. Third is the perennial winner in the batting race, Orange shortstop Carol Spanks.

Miss Barr's crown can't be placed until Fresno turns in its batting average, to the league. However, indications are that Miss Barr, Miss Miner and Miss Spanks will end up 1-2-3.

Over-all during the season, Miss Barr batted .283, sixth among the Saints regulars, but she was particularly effective at the plate in league contests.

The team batting champ, over-all, is Miss Miner, who joined the Saints this year after being named all-American shortstop while

playing for Portland, Ore. Her average was .408.

Miss Miner was up to bat most for the Saints, 189 times, as result of her being leadoff batter. She had the most runs, 51, and the most hits, 69. She also led the team in triples, six, and homers, six, and this did not count the two she smacked in new Sun City Stadium during regional tournament play.

Miss Miner struck out least among the regulars, only four times, and led in stolen bases with 10.

Only third baseman Lynn Mooney played in all of the Saints' 53 games. (They won 40, lost 13.) Miss Mooney also led the team in doubles with six.

Catcher Marilyn Rau was the runs - batted - in champ, with 30, first baseman Thelma Keith was second, with 24 and shortstop Ginger Kurtz and Miss Mooney followed with 23 each.

Miss Rau was second in batting at .351 and second in homers with five. Utility outfielder Becky Rice, the smallest player on

the team, drew the most walks, 22, although she batted only 83 times. Outfielder Barbara Quijada, who had a respectable .314 batting average, had the most strike outs, 19.

Other Saints over .300 were pitcher Billie Harris .322, and Miss Keith, .341.

Among outfielders, Miss Miner had the best fielding average, .959 and had the fewest errors, four.

In the infield, Miss Keith, at first, had the best fielding average, .996, committing

only one error in the 37 games in which she played.

The Saints posted a .291 batting average and a .947 fielding mark for the season. Hitters had about the same number of walks as hits — 118 against 119, and there were 25 stolen bases.

The extra base hits were evenly divided — 20 doubles, 21 triples and 19 homers. There were 292 runs, an average of 5.5 per game.

An average of 1.6 errors were committed a game.

How The Saints Did At Bat

PLAYER	GAMES	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SAC	W	K	SB	AVE
Allen	15	21	3	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	.238
Barr	39	109	20	31	2	1	0	14	9	4	10	0	.283
Buelow	26	65	9	11	0	0	0	2	0	5	16	1	.169
Harris	31	90	13	29	3	0	0	7	5	0	2	2	.322
Kelley	48	141	24	30	0	1	0	11	3	12	11	2	.213
Keith	37	120	17	41	1	0	3	24	1	2	7	0	.341
Kurtz	49	136	25	31	3	2	3	23	12	17	7	1	.227
Miller	25	58	13	15	0	2	0	5	2	1	9	3	.251
Miner	49	169	51	69	0	6	6	21	8	9	4	10	.408
Mooney	53	152	31	43	1	0	23	6	13	9	4	0	.283
Quijada	51	127	30	40	1	4	2	0	8	15	19	4	.314
Rice	37	83	14	16	0	0	5	5	5	22	10	1	.181
Rau	49	145	30	51	4	5	30	1	18	14	1	351	
Totals		1,416	292	412	20	21	19	166	62	118	119	25	.291

Saint's Fielding Averages

	PUT OUTS	ASSISTS	ERRORS	FIELDING AVER
ALLEN	3	1	0	.000
BARR	116	22	1	.942
BUELOW	14	1	4	.789
HARRIS	15	39	4	.931
KELLEY	135	62	12	.942
KEITH	226	21	1	.996
KURTZ	94	136	15	.940
MILLER	19	34	7	.881
MINER	78	17	4	.959
MOONEY	59	57	10	.913
QUIJADA	57	4	7	.897
RICE	37	3	7	.851
RAU	228	34	5	.981
TOTALS	1,081	431	84	.947

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Miner, Harris Pace Saints Statistically

Chris Miner and Billie Harris paced the Sun City Saints statistically to a 39-13 record during regular league and exhibition games in 1971.

Billie, who Saturday won the team's most valuable player award, racked up a 21-4 record with a brilliant 0.35 earned run record. She gave up 12 earned runs and 113 hits in 178 innings pitched while striking out an even 100 and walking only 14.

Paula Miller had an 0.51 ERA in posting a 9-8 record.

While Betty Barr racked up an 0.36 ERA and 9-1 mark, Miss Miller gave up only 9 earned runs and Miss Barr 12.

MISS MINER, in her first year as a Saint after winning all-America honors at shortstop last year while with Portland, set the hitting pace with a hefty .408 while leading the team in runs with 51, hits with 69, triples with six, homers with six, and — far good measure — stolen bases with 10.

Strangely perhaps, Chris didn't have a double all year. Lynn Mooney led that department with six.

Marilyn Rau had a big year at the plate, headed by a team high of 30 runs batted in. She ran second in hits with 51, runs with 32, and average with .351, besides belting a team-high 13 extra base hits. She had four doubles, four triples, and five homers.

HERE'S HOW the other Saints fared, according to figures supplied by team statistician Sally Carmen: Thelma Keith .341, 41 hits, 3 homers, 24 RBIs; Harris .322, 29 hits, 7 RBIs; Barbara Quijada .314, 30 runs, 10 RBIs; Mooney .283, 31 runs, 23 RBIs; Barr .283, 20 runs, 14 RBIs; Ginger Kurtz .23 runs, 23 RBIs, eight extra base hits.

Miller .231, 13 runs, 5 RBIs; Allen .228, 3 runs, 1 RBI; Sandy Kelley .213, 24 runs, 11 RBIs; Becky Rice .181, 24 runs, 5 RBIs; Georgia Buelow .169, 9 runs, 2 RBIs.

Miss Rice, although in a reserve role and therefore having relatively few plate appearances, led the team in walks with 22.



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BATS BLAZE IN FINAL TUNEUP; SAINTS ENPLANE FOR FLORIDA

By BURT FREIREICH
Sun City's Saints enplane today for Orlando, Fla., and the Amateur Softball Association national tournament, which will get under way with three games Friday night. The balance of the first round will be played Saturday.

Pairings will be drawn Friday morning, so that's when the Saints will learn whether they will see action that night. The odds are against a Friday assignment because it already is known that the host team, and the defending champions will be among the six teams in action then. The odds are about 4-1 that Sun City will not be among the other four teams.

Highest finish the Sun Citizens have had came two years ago at Tucson. They finished fifth.

They won't have one of the problems they faced last year at Stratford, Conn. They were knocked from the winner's bracket by Portland when Chris Miner laid down a perfect bunt which scored Portland's winning run. Since then Chris, who won all-America shortstop honors at Stratford, has become the Saints' center fielder and leading hitter.

Pitching mainstays for coach Bev Dryer are Billie Harris, who two years ago was adjudged most valuable player at the national tournament, and Paula Miller, winding up her first season on the mound. Paula was voted MVP in the national collegiate women's softball tourney in May while pitching for Arizona State.

The Saints, who looked horrid at the plate while winning the regional tourney here two weekends ago, put on a heartwarming slugfest in a final tuneup Saturday.

They opened with a fun game against the Del E. Webb Development Co. staff, lending Miss Miller and Lynn Mooney as a battery to Devco Devils and getting in exchange Webb's top execs—John Meeker as catcher and Owen Childress as pitcher.

Surprisingly, the Webb

coverage destroyers combined to give the Saints a 3-2 "win" as Childress reached first via a scratch single and Meeker crashed a double to drive him home. But it was in the finale that the Saints got serious, and they tagged the Phoenix Westerners with an 8-1 defeat despite the absence of Miss Miner, who was visiting in California.

Sun City got a pair of runs in the first on Ginger Kurtz's single (she got three singles in the first three innings), another by Lynn Mooney, Marilyn Rau's double, and a sacrifice fly by Thelma Keith.

Everybody batted in the second inning as five runs poured across. Featuring the rally were singles by Kurtz, Harris, Mooney, and Betty Barr. Kurtz and Harris singles plus the Westerners' fifth error produced another run in the third.

Headquarters for the Saints in Orlando will be the Hilton Inn.



TROPHY WINNERS at Sun City Saints' annual honors night Saturday were (from left): pitcher Billie Harris, most valuable player; Cathy Randl, "championship bat girl"; Becky Rice, rookie of year, and Betty Barr, team sparkplug. (News-Sun Staff Photo)



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FLYING TO FLORIDA today to participate in Amateur Softball Association's national tournament at Orlando are Sun City Saints, Cactus Regional champions. Bottom row (from left): Becky Rice, Connie Allen, Ginger Kurtz, Barbara Quijada, Billie Harris, Sandy Kelley, batgirl

Cathy Randl. Top row: Chris Miner, Georgia Buelow, Thelma Keith, Betty Barr, Lynn Mooney, Paula Miller, Marilyn Rau, coach Bev Dryer. Drawing of pairings is schedule Friday morning, with first tourney action Friday night.

(Photo by W. V. Kohler)

Good Sendoff

WESTERNERS	ab	r	h	bi
Hoke, cf	3	1	2	0
Ryan, lf-rf	3	0	0	0
West, lb	3	0	1	0
Radcliffe, 2b	3	0	1	1
Spiva, p-lf	3	0	0	0
Colbert, 3b-p	3	0	0	0
Berumen, c	3	0	1	0
Posey, ss	3	0	0	0
Gott, rf-3b	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	20	1	5	1

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Kurtz, ss	4	2	3	0
Harris, p	3	1	2	1
Mooney, 3b	3	2	2	2
Rau, c	3	1	1	0
Keith, lb	1	0	0	2
Miller, lb	0	0	0	0
Barr, rf	3	0	1	2
Allen, rf	0	0	0	0
Kelley, 2b	3	0	0	0
Buelow, lf	3	1	0	0
Quijada, cf	1	0	0	0
Rice, cf	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	25	8	9	7

PHOENIX	100	000	0-1	53
SAINTS	251	000	x-8	91

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Saints Ready To Fly

Fans probably wouldn't recognize all of them without their uniforms. But there they were—the Sun City Saints softball team, fashionable attired and ready to fly high. The scene was Sky Harbor International Airport, and the Saints were en route to Orlando, Fla., for the national women's softball tournament.

Who's Crying



KISS FOR LLOYD—George Beulow, utility outfielder for Sun City Saints, gives goodbye kiss to Lloyd Liken, supervisor of Saints' ball parks for past six years. Liken looks as if he likes it.

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SOMETHING FOR COACH—Buss is given to Saints Coach Bev Dyer by Al Kurtz, father of Ginger Kurtz, shortstop for team.



PATIENT POSE—Waiting (for plane) is hardest, Sandy Kelley discovers. Sandy, Saints' second baseman, strikes patient pose.



HAPPY PAULA—Smiling Paula Miller, whose pitching has been one of the happy results of the Sun City Saints' year, approaches baggage-check counter at Sky Harbor Airport.



BARBARA GROOMING—Pretty Barbara Quijada combs hair while waiting for plane. Miss Quijada plays left field for Saints.

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SUN CITIZEN

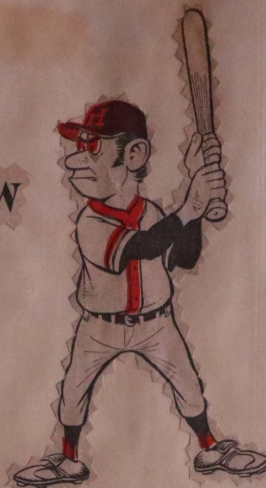
It was a whole new ball game.



HERE'S THELMA—
Thelma Keith is Saints'
manager, first baseman
and one of their best
hitters.



LYNN SMILE—Lynn
Mooney, Saints' third
baseman, flashes big
smile.



Citizen Photos
By
The Rockners



ALL ABOARD—Konni Allen (left),
utility outfielder, and Billie Harris,
board plane for Florida. Miss Harris
is star pitcher for Saints.



Don't Lose Your
COOL

Good Luck





ATTENTION!

ORLANDO EVENING STAR

Friday, Aug. 20, 1971



National Softball Tourney Opens Action Here Tonight

By LARRY GREENE
Staff Writer

It all starts tonight.

Nine days and at least 245 innings later it will all be over.

It is the 1971 Women's National softball tournament which opens tonight at C. L. Varner Stadium.

Orlando first hosted the women's tournament back in 1964 when Erv Lind Florists of Portland, Ore. won the national crown. Portland is not back.

TWO YEARS later in 1966 Orlando was again the host with the Raybestos Brakettes of Stratford, Conn. winning the national title. Stratford will be back seeking its eighth national crown.

Defending champion Orange, Calif. who has already won the national championship nine times since 1950, is back with first team All-Americans Nancy Wellborn and Nancy Ho.

Orlando, who received an automatic invitation for being host, hopes its momentum keeps going into the tournament. Rebel Jean Daves hurled her fourth no-hitter of the season just Wednesday night in an 1-0, 15-inning victory over the Lionettes of Orange, Calif. in a regular season exhibition.

A RANDOM draw was held today at noon determining first round opponents in the 18-team tourney. The Orlando Rebels kick off the action tonight at 7:30 as traditionally the host team is in the first game.

Also by tradition, the defending champion — or the Orange, Calif. Lionettes — will appear in the second game of the opening night's three game session.

The remainder of the tournament is divided into two and three game sessions. For instance, Saturday a morning session is slated with games at 9 and 10:30; then the Saturday afternoon games are at 2 and 3:30. Three games are on tap Saturday night, the same as tonight.

BESIDES Orlando and Orange, any team here has already won its regional tournament. The remaining teams and the region represented are:

1. Stratford, — New England Region
2. North Plainfield, N.J. — Mid-Atlantic Region
3. Telford, Pa. — Central Atlantic Region
4. Atlanta — South Atlantic Region
5. Birmingham — Southern Region
6. Oklahoma City — Southwest Region
7. Houston — Texas Region
8. Wooster, Ohio — East Central Region
9. Pekin, Ill. — West Central Region
10. Bloomington, Minn. — Northern Region
11. Topeka, Kansas — Western Region
12. Salt Lake City — Rocky Mountain Region
13. Sun City, Ariz. — Cactus Region
14. Santa Clara, Calif. — Northern Pacific Coast Region
15. Anaheim, Calif. — Southern Pacific Coast Region
16. Seattle — Northwestern Region

THE ORLANDO Amateur Athletic Association and the Orlando Recreation Department are co-sponsors of the 35-game, double elimination tourney.

Bob Gould, superintendent of the Orlando Recreation Department and tournament director said Thursday, "Everything is fitting right into place. It should be quite a show for the fans."

Gould is assisted by 32 area directors of the O.A.A.A. plus another 150 volunteer workers.

Some 5,000 fans can be seated at the expanded Varner Stadium. Bleachers have been installed around the shortened outfield fence.

TICKETS ARE on sale today at the Varner Stadium gate on West Livingston adjacent to Municipal Auditorium, or any game day throughout the nine-day series.

The whole tournament admission is \$12 for general admission, \$15 for bleachers and \$19 for reserved grandstand seats. A few box seats are still available, but most of these were purchased in advance sales.

Individual two and three game sessions may be purchased for \$1 general admission, \$1.25 for bleachers and \$1.50 for reserved grandstand.

Some 270 of the best women's fast pitch softball players representing most of the All-American teams from the last few years will see action in the week long marathon.



LET'S GO



Lucky Rebs Land Tourney Victory

By **LARRY GREENE**
Staff Writer

Orlando, Bloomington, Minn. and Wooster, Ohio all had something in common Friday night at C. L. Varner Stadium.

Each team collected three hits in their opening games of the 39th women's national softball tournament, but Orlando came out a winner while Wooster and Bloomington both dropped into the loser's bracket.

Orlando scored a lucky run in the 13th inning to edge North Plainfield, N. J. 1-0 in the opener while defending champion Orange, Calif. blanked the Gulfettes of Bloomington, 2-0, and Sun City, Ariz. advanced with an easy 8-0 victory over Wooster.

FIRST ROUND action continues today with morning, afternoon and evening sessions.

At 2 the Anaheim stars face the stiff challenge of Raybestos Brakettes (52-0) of Stratford, Conn. followed by two Atlantic Coast League foes — Telford, Pa. and Atlanta's Lorelei Ladies.

Three night games will complete the first round action of the double elimination tourney.

The Orlando Rebels play the middle game of the tripleheader. Houston meets Birmingham at 7, before the Rebels take on Oklahoma City followed by Orange vs. Topeka.

THE REBELS could muster only three hits Friday off the offerings of Schaeferette hurler Linda Otten, but one came in the game-ending 13th.

Mary Lou Cushing led with a walk and was advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by catcher Robbie Robinson. Then Daves helped her own cause with a bloop single to left-center, leaving Cushing on third.

After Snooki Mulder lined out and with Colleen Riley in the batter's box, disaster struck for North Plainfield.

An outside pitch skipped off the mitt of catcher Roseann Del Bene. Riley stepped back, and as the ball rolled to the backstop

Cushing came rushing across the plate.

DAVES TWIRLED a two-hitter and struck out nine. After giving up a hit and a walk in the first, the Rebel veteran retired 35 consecutive batters before Otten almost decked Daves with a line single up the middle in the top of the 13th. Otten reached second on an infield out before Daves retired the side unharmed.

"She just had a spin on the ball — nothing you could see, but something we weren't hitting," was Rebel catcher Robble Robinson's explanation of the Rebels' night at the plate.

IT WAS A big victory for the Rebels. The local gals dropped three out of four regular season games with the New Jersey team.

Riley singled in the first and Mulder used her great speed for an infield hit in the fifth.

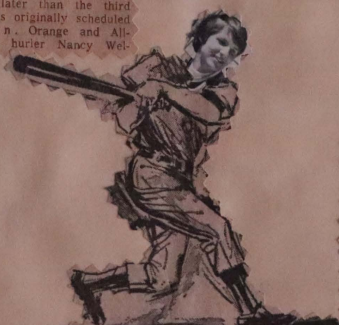
The second game started 15 minutes later than the third game was originally scheduled to begin. Orange and All-American hurler Nancy Wel-

born blanked the Gulfettes, but the pesky Minnesota team didn't make it easy.

Welborn struck out 12 and scattered three hits stranding only four base runners. She preserved her shutout in the seventh, retiring three straight batters after Joan Paulson reached base on an error and pinch-hitter Kathie Gregorich singled to center.

The Lionettes scored their two runs in the third inning when center-fielder Linda Wulff let Carol Spanks' single get by her for a costly error.

IN NIGHTCAP which ended at 2 a.m., left-handed Billy Harris cooled the Wooster bats on three hits, escaping a base-loaded jam in the fifth inning. Sun City, who defeated Orange four times in the regular season, collected 10 hits and took advantage of six miscues to tally in the third, fifth and sixth innings.



NEW JERSEY'S KATHY ELLIOTT DIDN'T QUITE LEG THIS ONE OF ... Force play made by Rebels' third baseman Toni Swartout

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By LARRY GREENE

Then, with a one-strike count on Colleen Riley, catcher Del Bene let pitcher Otten's next delivery trickle off the end of her glove. Cushing raced home with the winning run and the crowd of predominately Rebels fans went wild.

HBP—Swartout (Often); PB—DelBene; U—Mason,
Olson, Raglin; T—2:35; A—2:51.

Orlando Sentinel

Bertha Tiekey Award

Besides showing her pitching seams to the world in that tournament, Nancy showed her needling seams, too. She sewed the travel dresses worn to Osaka, Japan, by the Orange team.



Saturday, August 21, 1971

Sparks and Welborn just happen to teach the same subjects at the same school, Norwalk (Calif.) High, which is just a 20-minute drive down the Santa Ana Freeway from Orange.

Seems? Or Seam?

Seems? Or seam?

"YOU KNOW," adds Spanks, "right now we have softball programs in Southern California that are comparable to Little League baseball for boys. They are called bobby-soxers with minor league and major league groups for girls 9-11 and 12-15. The youngsters get exposed and those who excel can continue to perform."

Nancy Welborn didn't need a little league softball program to get to the bigs. But then, even if she couldn't sew up a national title by striking out a dozen or so opponents a night, she could always do likewise by sewing up their uniforms.



Bill
Clark
Sports Editor

Orlando Sentinel

Sunday, Aug. 22, 1971

Porter Key Happiness To Softball

We have in our midst this week a freak show. So help me, that's about what you'd have to call it, this gathering of players and managers and team owners—about 400 persons in all—who are here for the Amateur Softball Association of America's 38th annual Women's National Tournament.

Freakish it isn't in the usual carnival sense. There are no two-headed third basemen, if that's what you had in mind. No 587-pound fat ladies covering first (and spilling over slightly into rightfield) and no Siamese Twins at second and short, forming a close-knit keystone combination. None of that.

But the ladies' national still is freakish as all get-out for the simple reason that it's one big happy sports family. And in this day and age, of course, why, that's unheard of.

There are no Curt Floods among these gals. None is filing suit to free herself from softball slavery. There are no overzealous officials running around, demanding that the girls must cut their hair to here or to grow it down to there before they'll be permitted in the batter's box.

NOT A SOUL is carrying a picket sign advocating Women's Lib and 'Down With Raquel Welch' and yet you get the idea Betty Friedan could walk right into C. L. Varner Stadium and take her seat and be welcome.

In short, the girls in shorts here this week seemingly are nice, well-adjusted people—happy with their lot in life even if not necessarily content with their batting averages.

At the head of the whole show—perhaps not coincidentally—is a happy, well-adjusted man. (Behind every successful 300 girls, I suppose we could coin a phrase, is one successful man.)

His name is Don E. Porter and he is executive secretary and treasurer of the ASA. In broad terms, the boss. Porter is a former crack baseball player-turned-softballer, now around 40, although he looks much younger. Athletic in build and soft-spoken, Porter heads not only the girls' division, but also the men's and the kids' divisions, too. And not only fast

pitch, as we are experiencing here this week, but slow pitch, too.

All of that is like being den mother, or scoutmaster, to a house full of cats and dogs with a few cobras and mongooses tossed in to keep things lively. Just an impossible job, but one that Don Porter seems to be handling with ease.

From humble beginnings shortly after World War II, the ASA has grown so dramatically that it now encompasses 50,000 teams. That represents more than one million players and, outside the ASA, there are some 17 million more Americans who partake.

THE SPORT today is said to be tops in the country in organized participation. Any summer Thursday of the year, for example, you can go to New York's Central Park and see sights such as Woody Allen diving for grounders, Joe Namath swinging and George C. Scott arguing with umps in the Broadway Softball League.

Porter, who makes his headquarters in Oklahoma City with a growing staff of assistants, is pushing now for softball's most ambitious step. With the game being played in 50 countries, he is spearheading a drive to have the sport added to the Olympic program in time for the 1976 Montreal Games.

"I flew to Budapest in May," the dark-haired guest revealed here this weekend, "to meet with the chairman of the Olympic program committee. Right now, I'd say our chances look good for getting girls' softball included. The men are not as likely to make it because from what I've been told, the Olympic people are anxious to bolster their women's program."

Softball, once the poor orphan in the family of diamond sports, undoubtedly is in one of its great growth periods. Like a new nation on the rise, it is harmonious, hard-working and not bogged down in greed. Attendance for last year's nationals in Stratford, Conn., averaged 9,000 per night and the tournament could have returned. Instead, the ASA brought it here where crowds cannot possibly be as



large due to the limitations of Varner Stadium and next year the site will be Tucson.

In other words, the ASA and Don Porter are more interested in spreading the gospel than in counting the collection plate.

FAST PITCH, slow pitch, girls' play, men's play, kids' play—the ASA blends it all. In the next few days, for example, Porter will fly to Parma, Ohio, for the Men's Slow Pitch Nationals; to Satellite Beach (Sept. 2-6) for the Women's Slow Pitch; to York, Pa., for the Industrial Slow Pitch; to St. Louis for the Big Ball (16-inch) Slow Pitch Nationals and finally to Springfield, Mo., for the Men's Fast Pitch showdown.

"And to think," smiled Porter here this week, "the big reason I gave up baseball to go into softball was to spend more time at home." But at least Don Porter's situation isn't as critical as Gary Lydue's. Lydue is an ASA umpire. Saturday he got married up East. Today, he will be here, spending his honeymoon working behind home plate at Varner Stadium. If that isn't love, what is?



The Arizona Republic
Monday, Aug. 23, 1971

Saints lose in tourney

ORLANDO, Fla. — Sun City's Billie Harris tossed a three-hitter for the Saints against Santa Clara, Calif., but lost, 4-2, in the Women's National Fast Pitch Softball tournament last night.

The Californians scored four unearned runs for the winning margin as Charlotte Graham picked up the win.

The Saints' next game is tomorrow against North Plainfield, N.J.

In other games, North Plainfield beat Anaheim, Cal. 4-2, Wooster, Mass. blanked Bloomington, Minn. 2-0, and Seattle shut out Topeka, Kan. 2-0.



The Phoenix Gazette

Monday, August 23, 1971

Saints Lose At Orlando

ORLANDO, Fla. — The Sun City Saints suffered their first defeat yesterday in the Women's national softball tournament and tomorrow face North Plainfield, N.J., in the losers' bracket.

Sun City's Billie Harris tossed a three-hitter, but Santa Clara, Calif., ripped the Arizona team 4-3. All Santa Clara runs were unearned.

Wooster, Mass., downed Bloomington, Minn. 2-0. Plainfield beat Anaheim, Calif. 4-2 and Houston 4-2. Seattle blanked Topeka, Kan. 2-0. Atlanta stopped Oklahoma City 2-0.

A cartoon illustration of a boy in a white shirt and dark shorts running towards the left. He has a surprised or excited expression. To his right is a cricket helmet and a cricket bat. The background is a simple, textured brownish-yellow.

Sentinel Staff

Santa Clara captured a 4-2 victory over Sun City, Ariz., dropping Sun City into the loser's bracket.

In other Sunday afternoon action, Wooster, Ohio blanked and eliminated Bloomington, Minn., 3-0.

The Rebels get back in action tonight at 8:30 in the fourth Monday

TWO GAMES are set this afternoon in loser's bracket action. Pekin, Ill. takes on the Lumber Girls of Wooster, Ohio at 1 followed by the Little Devils of Birmingham, Ala.—Raybestos Brakettes of Conn. game at 2:30.

Pitcher Charlotte Graham unloaded a double, clearing the bases. Graham scored one batter later when she and Diane Kalliam pulled a successful double steal. The veteran, lefthanded Harris retired the next 12 batters.

Plainfield erupted for four runs in the first inning. A two-run triple by Joyce Compton followed by run-scoring singles by Pat Karas and Marge Schiedegger were the fire-

In the first game of the hot afternoon, Wooster scored three unearned runs — one in the second and two in the third — for its victory. Wooster pitcher Suzy Housman scattered three hits. The Gulfettes of Bloomington had two runners in both the second and sixth but failed to bring them home.

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CHRIS MINER'S MAN-SIZED SWING RESULTS IN TOURNAMENT'S LONGEST HIT
... She triples off wall but her Sun City team loses in Women's Nationals

Orlando Sentinel
Monday, August 23, 1971

Brakettes Make Like Loners; Umps Assume A Lighter Blue

By LARRY GREENE
Special Staff

The only undefeated team entering the Women's National softball tournament, the Raybestos Brakettes of Stratford, Conn., is the only team not staying at tournament headquarters at the Hilton Inn West.

The Brakettes are making the Howard Johnson's at I-4 and Lee Road their home base.

"Traditionally, we usually stay away from the tournament headquarters. And there is a reason for that," explained Raybestos manager Ralph Raymond.

"As the teams are eliminated, there becomes more free time to do things. By staying by ourselves, we feel we get more rest and not as involved with the free time."

In the 2 p.m. contest Saturday, plate umpire Wib Robertson and his crew wore the light blue shirts allowed for the first time by American Softball Association.

In the past, umpires have worn the traditional navy blues. Don Porter, executive secretary of the ASA, explained, "When we hold these national tournaments, we have umpires coming from all over the nation. And we get as many different color navy blues as we do umpires. This light blue concept should make them look professional like the major leagues."

Robertson, Winter Park High principal, is the only ump from Central Florida working the tournament.

Fourteen umpires representing 14 regions throughout the nation are calling the balls and strikes under the direction of ASA umpire-in-chief George Dickstein.

FRIDAY NIGHT before opening game ceremonies all 18 teams were seated in the outfield bleachers.

As the teams were introduced, they were asked to approach the infield diamond so the 3,851 fans could greet them.

Most of the players shortened the trip of going around the fence by just hopping the three-foot section. Quite a feat for 270 girls in one group.

Each team is allowed a 17-player limit with several teams carrying the maximum. The host Orlando Rebels carry the smallest roster—12 players.

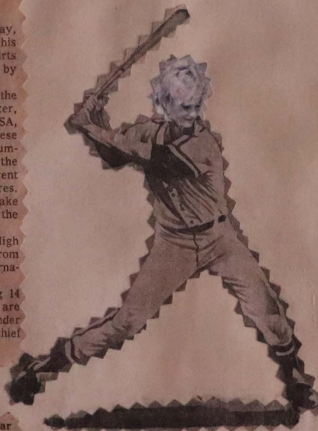
In the first seven tournament games, fans saw both the long and short of it. Friday night's opener between Orlando and Plainfield, N.J., lasted two hours and 35 minutes while Saturday's Atlanta-Telford, Pa., encounter clipped off in one hour and five minutes in the scorching sun.

Tournament teams, excluding Orlando, traveled 27,704 miles one way to participate. Seattle, Wash. came the farthest, a distant 3,214 miles.

The last time the tournament was in Orlando, in 1966, about 75 per cent of the games went into extra innings.

Ralph Dixon, co-chairman of the tournament, was beaming Saturday night.

"The people and the players are really making it a tournament. We really appreciate the hustle and sportsmanship of the teams. But what we really appreciate is the good weather," he said, "and I'm not kidding about the weather. All of us will be saying our prayers hoping it continues."



SANTA CLARA'S INEZ RODRIGUEZ SLIDES SAFELY INTO HOME
... Marilyn Whitman of Pekin, Ill. applies tag too late

as, below,

Birmingham's Jo Averhart has to scramble for the ball



THIS PLAY WENT OKAY
Billie Moore of Raybestos safe, above,



Tuesday, August 24, 1971

Orlando Sentinel

Orange, Stratford Win, Meet Tonight

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME FOR PEKIN'S SCHALLAU

slides safely past Wooster catcher Juersvich; Ump Booth makes call



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1971

Harris Wins For Saints

Special To The Gazette

ORLANDO, Fla. — The Sun City Saints met Telford, Pa., today in the lower bracket of the National Women's Softball Tournament.

Yesterday the Saints blanked Plainfield, N.J., 4-0, as Billie Harris scattered nine hits and collected two hits in four trips to the plate.

Sandy Kelley also had two for four for the Saints while teammates Marilyn Foss and Lynn Mooney each drove in a run.



PACKED BLEACHERS

Rebel Ricker: 'We're Due



By **BILL BUCHALTER**
Staff Writer

JEAN DAVES was Orlando's

A cartoon illustration of a boy with a large head and small body, wearing a white shirt and dark pants. He is holding a baseball bat with both hands, ready to swing. The drawing is simple and stylized, typical of mid-20th-century children's magazines.

It's Tough To Escape

Well, the team, from the Edgewater High area, was only in the tournament because of its 1970 showing and its serving as host. The clubs from Winter Park and Pine Hills, who were given a much firmer chance at the state title, failed to make it through the qualifying.



A PLAY THAT FAILED: Birmingham's Lynda Westbrook tagged out as Stratford's Rosie Adams ducks cleats



Orlando Evening Star
Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1971



Unbeatens Battle In Softball Tourney

Rebs Face Santa Clara

By GREG BOECK
Staff Writer

East is East and West is West and the 'twain will meet here tonight at C. L. Varner Stadium as the 33rd annual Women's National Softball Tournament moves into its fifth day, and watched LoPiano fashion the Stratford, Conn. and Orange, Calif. meet in one of the two battles of the unbeaten tonight at 8:30 in a game that stacks up as a rematch of last year's championship encounter.

The stage may be the same but Stratford hopes to write a different ending to last year's script. The Easterners, winners of seven national championships, were denied their eighth title, losing to Orange in the championship game.

Orange which has won nine titles, and Stratford remained undefeated and in the winners' bracket with victories Monday night. Orange went extra innings but finally defeated Salt Lake City, Utah 5-3 and Stratford rode the sparkling no-hitter of Donna LoPiano to a 9-0 blanking of Birmingham.

Santa Clara, Calif., and Orlando are the only other unbeaten teams in this double elimination tournament, which started with 18 teams but has now dwindled to 12.

The Rebels, Florida's only representative in the tournament, also needed to go extra innings to halt pesky Telford, Pa., 6-2. Santa Clara was idle Monday. The two meet tonight at 7.

Four other games — all losers' bracket games — are scheduled today. At 1, North Plainfield, N.J., meets Sun City, Ariz.; Seattle, Wash., battles Telford at 2:30; Atlanta goes against Salt Lake City at 4; and Pekin, Ill., which eliminated Wooster 7-4 Monday, takes on Birmingham at 10.

Today's games will cut the field of hopefuls to eight.

Stratford's Joan Joyce, one of fast-pitch softball's ace pitchers, will probably battle Nancy Welborn of Orange in tonight's feature game. Joyce played first base Monday and watched LoPiano fashion the first no-hitter of the tournament.

A lead-off walk in the second inning ruined LoPiano's bid for a perfect game. The big right-hander, however, still faced only the minimum batters as the runner was caught trying to steal second.

LoPiano, who has pitched on four of Stratford's national championship teams, struck out 11 Alabamians. Only two balls were hit out of the infield.

"It's nice pitching with nine runs to work with," the 24-year-old teacher said after Stratford had won its 34th straight game of the season without a loss.

Indeed, LoPiano's mates helped considerably, banging out 13 hits and hanging three runs on the board in the third, four in the fourth and two more in the seventh.

Meanwhile, Orange and Orlando needed to go eight innings each to stay unbeaten. The Californians fell behind 2-0 in the first inning against Salt Lake City, committing two costly errors, but pulled even with a pair of runs in the fourth. Welborn helped her own winning cause, driving in both runs with a sharp single to left.

She also settled down on the mound, retiring 18 of 19 batters in one stretch. A two-out triple by Mary Lou Davis with two on in the eighth provided the margin of victory. Davis also scampered home on the play when the throw from the outfield was off its mark at the plate.

The Rebels and Joan Daves won their third straight tournament game

when Stephanie Tenney singled home the deciding run in the eighth and Darlene May followed with a double driving in three more insurance runs.

Daves had her only trouble in the third when she allowed all four Telford hits and both Telford runs. She then went on to retire the last 13 batters she faced. Orlando had taken a 2-0 lead in the top of the inning on Tenney's two-run scoring single.

In Monday's opener, Pekin eliminated Wooster, coming from two runs behind. The visitors from Illinois scored three runs in the third to take the lead and they never looked back. Singles by Marylys and Marilyn Bradley accounted for two of the runs.

Orlando	ab	r	h	e	bb	so	ba
Mulder cf	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Riley lf	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward cf	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Tenney ss	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
May 1b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 2b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Cutler 3b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Daves p	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Total	32	8	8	0	0	8	0

Orlando	ab	r	h	e	bb	so	ba
Telford	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 1b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 2b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 3b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
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Ward 5b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 6b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 7b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 8b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 9b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ward 10b	4	1	1	0	0	1	0
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Stratford's LoPiano Hurls No-Hitter

Rebels Win Another, 6-2

By GREG BOECK
Sentinel Staff

It took some time, eight innings to be exact, but the Orlando Rebels finally found the right combination that helped them crack open a 2-2 deadlock and steal a 6-2 victory from Telford, Pa. Monday night in the 39th annual Women's National softball tournament at C. L. Varner Stadium.

That combination which led to the Rebels' extra inning victory consisted of a single by Jean Daves, two Telford errors, a run-scoring single by Stephaney Tenney and a double by Darlene May that produced three more runs.

The thrilling victory witnessed by 5,134 was the Rebels third straight win in the tournament.

DEFENDING champion Orange, Calif., also had to go eight innings to stop Salt Lake City, 5-2. Donna LoPiano threw the first no-hitler of the tournament, highlighting a 9-0 Stratford, Conn., blanking of Birmingham, Ala., in winners' bracket games while in the only loser's bracket game of the day, Pekin, Ill., halted Wooster, 7-4, sending the Ohioans home.

Monday's action set up this schedule for today:

Three losers' bracket games are scheduled this afternoon with North Plainfield, N.J., meeting Sun City, Ariz., at 1; Seattle, Wash. going against Telford at 2:30; and Atlanta encountering Salt Lake City at 4.

Tonight Orlando plays Santa Clara, Calif., at 7 and Stratford meets Orange at 8:30. Those four are the only remaining unbeaten teams in the tournament. The finale pits once-beaten Pekin against once-beaten Birmingham at 10.

The Rebels' eighth inning explosion unknotted a tie which had lasted since the third inning.

Tenney had doubled home the early Rebel runs with a smash into the leftfield corner scoring Daves and Colleen Riley.

Telford, however, matched the Orlando output in its half of the third behind run-scoring singles by Ronnie Maurek and Pat Dierking.

From then on, the only real excitement came in the fifth when Snooki Mulder struck out on what she and Rebel manager Marge Ricker thought were only two strikes. The plate umpire thought otherwise, despite the howling of the partisan Orlando crowd.

DAVES, in winning her third tournament game, held Telford to four hits — all coming in the third inning — and she struck out six. The All-Star right-hander retired the last 13 she faced. Pat Whitman suffered the loss.

A two-out, two-run triple in the top of the eighth by Mary Lou Davis provided the shaky margin of victory for Orange.

It was an uphill climb for the nine-time national champs. Salt Lake City struck for two quick runs in the first inning, capitalizing on two Orange errors. A leadoff triple by Jody Schwich seemed to shake the Californians who finally got things back together with a pair of runs in the fourth. Nancy Welborn helped her own winning cause driving in both runs with a sharp single to left.

Welborn, showing the form which has earned her All-America recognition, retired 18 of 19 batters in one stretch and wound up striking out nine.

In Monday's opener, Pekin wiped out a 2-0 deficit with three runs in the third and never looked back in keeping its tournament hopes alive.

Singles by Marlys Taber and Marilyn Bradley and Marilyn Whitman's bounce to third base brought home the three runs. The Illinois girls went on to score another run in the fourth and three more in the fifth to send Wooster home with its second loss of the journey. The Ohioans became the sixth team in the 12-team field to be eliminated.

BRADLEY, WHO had two of Pekin's eight hits, became the first player of the tourney to hit a ball out of the park in the fifth inning when she slapped a Suzy Houseman pitch deep into center, the ball bouncing over the 225-foot mark for a ground rule double.

LoPiano faced the minimum 21 batters in recording her brilliant no-hitter as Stratford remained unbeaten in the tournament and won its 54th straight game of the season without a loss.

The 24-year-old teacher from Stratford, Conn., allowed only one batter to reach base. She walked lead-off hitter Diane Valentine in the second but the Alabaman was caught stealing.

LoPiano, who has pitched on four of Stratford's seven national champion teams, struck out 11. Only two balls were hit out of the infield.

Meanwhile Stratford tagged two Birmingham pitchers for 13 hits and gave LoPiano all the runs she needed with a three-run third inning. A Birmingham error plus singles by Cec Ponce and Pat Harrison accounted for the runs.

The setback dropped Birmingham into the losers' bracket.

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Joyce No-Hits Orange Daves, Rebs Advance;

By BILL RUCHALTER

Sentinel Staff
Joan Joyce wasn't exactly perfect Tuesday night, but you couldn't prove that by defending national women softball tournament champion Orange, Calif.

The flame-throwing righthander missed a perfect game by a single pitch as Stratford joined the Orlando Rebels in Thursday's final round of the winner's bracket.

Cool, calm and collected Joan Daves pitched the Rebels past dangerous Santa Clara, Calif., just prior to Stratford's 55th consecutive victory. Both California teams fell by identical 2-0 scores.

Not even a 57-minute rain delay could alter the fireballing form of Joyce, the steady pace of Daves and the continued support of softball fans who purchased the entire 3,000 tickets available, according to Bob Gould, Orlando Recreation Department and tournament director.

JOYCE LOST former Rebel and Boone High teacher Mickey Davis on a 3-2 pitch which swept wide for a walk. The fifth-inning mispitch allowed Orange its only baserunner. Joyce struck out 10 giving her a 14-inning tournament record of no runs, two hits and 23 strikeouts.

Daves hurled a three-hitter in helping Orlando keep its awaiting tournament date with Stratford Thursday night at 8:30. Tonight, the loser's bracket, Sun City, Ariz.,

meets Telford, Pa., at 7:30 with Atlanta meeting Pekin, Ill., immediately afterward. Two loser's bracket games will be sandwiched around the featured Rebel-Brakette battle on Thursday.

The Pekin, Ill. Lettes, led by Lorene Ramsey's one-hitter, eliminated Birmingham, 8-0, in the late game.

Sun City, Ariz., Atlanta and Telford, Pa., fired blanks in the afternoon losers' bracket to remain alive in the double elimination tournament. But the individual who drew the sun-drenched fans to their lot was Lu Flanagan, a squatter



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Saints



COLLISION AT HOME: Sun City's Rice barrels into Schnoferettes Catcher Del Bene; ump Booth watches

(Continued photo by Steve Prosser)

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Sun City 4, Plainfield 0

body from Seattle, who equalled one record and set another. Flanagan pitched the outfield and third base in defeat for the Washington team. But it was at bat she stole the fans' hearts, hitting two consecutive triples off Telford's Pat Whitman.

IT WAS the first time in the celebrated 35-year tournament history that anybody achieved this halting milestone. The chunky left-handed slugger also had an earlier game three banger, giving her three for the tourney which matched the total set by Irene Huber of Fresno, Calif., in 1940.

Seattle lost to Telford, 2-0, one of three shutouts produced before rain delayed the winners' bracket games. Sun City outscored North Plainfield, N. J., 4-0, while Atlanta nipped Salt Lake City, 1-0, on a wild pitch.

Orlando jumped on Santa Clara's young Charlotte Graham for two unearned runs in the first inning and Daves made them stand up.

Snooki Mulder started it, quite accidentally, by getting her head in the way of a Graham fast ball. Colleen Riley bunted perfectly and when the throw to first went awry, the Rebels had runners on second and third and nobody out.

Stephaney Tenney squeaked in the first run and Graham wild pitched home the second. Thus, Orlando scored twice without benefit of a hit or a ball hit out of the infield.

DAVES DID the rest, personally accounting for 11 victims via strikeouts or combats. She pitched her way out of a bases-loaded jam in the third inning and was never seriously threatened after that.

Darlene May, Tenney and Mulder collected the only Rebel hits against Graham, but none were needed to get the runs. May's was a booming double which rolled to the fence left-center.

Stratford handled Orange star Nancy Weiborn as though the Drakeettes had never heard of last year's tournament MVP.

Billy Moore's booming double, Donna LoPiano's single and a first-inning run that was all Joyce needed. For insurance, Stratford scored again in the second.

It was 31 degrees when the Sun City squad, composed of Arizona State University students and area school teachers, turned on the heat against Plainfield. Soupy Billie Harris survived a nine-hit attack for the shutout as the Schaeferettes left nine base runners stranded.

Catch hits by Chris Miner, Marilyn Rau and Lynn Mooney produced all the run power that Harris needed. Pert Ginger Kurtz tied the defense at shortstop.

Whitman survived Flanagan's big bat for a sharp three-hitter. Ronnie Maurek collected two hits for the winners while Pat Dierking's first-inning run-scoring single produced the only score that Whitman really needed. The right-hander fanned seven and allowed only three base runners. Flanagan twice, quite naturally.

SANDRA WELLS raced home with the lone Atlanta run on the wild pitch with one out in the final inning and the rain threatening. Wells had beaten out an infield single and move all the way to third on an error.

Fern Gardner's third pitch to Atlanta catcher Janice White was up, up and away — all the way to the backstop. Wells scored easily, giving Dot Elliot the best of a pitcher's duel which looked like it could have continued all night.

Elliot allowed only three hits while striking out three and utilizing her infield to perfection, particularly second baseman Patsy Adams who handled 12 chances without an error. Two of the Salt Lake City hits came in the first inning and Elliot allowed only three base runners after that.

Gardner only allowed four hits while striking out six. During one stretch she retired 10 in a row and prior to Wells' infield hit in the seventh and final inning, had retired eight more in succession.

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Rebs 0-8 Against Stratford



JEAN DAVES
... Orlando Rebel ace

Orlando 2, Santa Clara 0

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Adams 2b	4-1-1
Maurek 1b	4-1-1
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Seattle

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Adams 2b	4-1-1
Maurek 1b	4-1-1
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Stratford

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Whitman 27b	4-1-1
Whitman 28b	4-1-1
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Whitman 30b	4-1-1

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Atlanta

Atlanta	Salt Lake City
Whitman cf	4-1-1
Elliot p	4-1-1
Adams 2b	4-1-1
Maurek 1b	4-1-1
Gardner 3b	4-1-1
Whitman 4b	4-1-1
Whitman 5b	4-1-1
Whitman 6b	4-1-1
Whitman 7b	4-1-1
Whitman 8b	4-1-1
Whitman 9b	4-1-1

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SUN CITY, ARIZONA

Wednesday, August 25, 1971

FIELDING COLLAPSE DROPS SAINTS AFTER EASY FIRST-ROUND TRIUMPH

ORLANDO, Fla. (Special)—Sun City's Saints went into a do-or-die contest yesterday afternoon with the Plainfield (N.J.) Schaeferettes after a second-round loss Sunday threw them into the national tourney's loser's bracket. The Saints had won their opener Friday, 6-0, over the Wooster (Ohio) Lumber Girls.

Sunday's 4-2 defeat by the Santa Clara (Calif.) Laurels meant the Saints would have to go a seven-game route through the loser's bracket without defeat in order to win the title. Thus, assuming a victory over Plainfield, every upcoming game will be pressure-laden. The Plainfield-Saints winner has a 7:30 p.m. date today. The loser will play a plane home.

BILLIE HARRIS scattered three singles in her opening-round shutout of Wooster but did have to fend off some serious threats.

The Ohioans drew a walk and a single in the first after two outs, but a fly to left ended the danger. They loaded the sacks in the fifth with one out via a walk, error, and bunt single, but Billie saved the shutout with an infield popup and strikeout. The other safety was a single in the seventh.

Meanwhile, Billie reached base four times herself in leading the Sun City attack. She singled in the first but was out trying to steal. Then she was a central figure as the Saints racked up four runs in the third on two hits.

SANDY KELLEY led off the inning with a single but was forced by Barbara Quijada, who raced to third when Chris Miner was safe via an error. Chris stole second, then Miss Harris laid down a bunt and all hands were safe when Barbara beat the throw to the plate. Lynn Mooney singled home another run, and Billie scored on the catcher's error following Marilyn Rau's fly to left and the subsequent throw to the plate.

Miss Mooney ramped home later as Thelma Keith reached first on another infield error.

Miss Harris lined a single to center to open the fifth and scored on Miss Rau's three-base clout to right center. Marilyn scored on Miss Keith's single up the middle.

BETTY BARR followed with her second single of the game, but it was converted into a double play. Miss Keith was out trying to reach third on the hit, and the throw to second caught Betty sliding in.

Ginger Kurtz doubled and Sandy Kelley singled in the sixth, and both tallied ultimately when Miss Harris gained first via the shortstop's throwing error. The Saints gave up four runs on three hits and three errors in the second inning against Santa Clara Sunday and never could overcome the deficit.

THE INNING opened with Miss Keith's error on a throw from Mooney, and after a pop out to the catcher, Miss Harris bobbled a tapper for a second error. Inez Rodriguez singled to load the sacks, but it looked like Miss Harris might get out of it when she got the next batter on an infield popup.

However, pitcher Charlotte Graham lined a single to center. Chris Miner misplayed it for a two-base error, and three runs scooted across. Diane Kilham, who had singled in the first, dropped a bunt for a single, and then she and Miss Graham worked a double steal for the fourth run.

The Laurels never got a hit thereafter. Miss Graham reached on an error in the fifth but was erased on a nifty doubleplay negotiated by Miss Kelley. Miss Quijada made a diving catch of a sinking liner to left in the seventh for the other fielding highlight.

THE SAINTS, meanwhile, threatened in the first without a hit. Billie was hit by a pitched ball and moved up when Miss Mooney walked, but two popups ended the inning.

In the third, Miss Miner blasted a triple to left center—the tourney's longest hit to that point—and scored on Miss Harris' grounder. The third baseman threw wildly on the play and Billie scampered all the way home—a four-base error. Miss Mooney followed with a fruitless single.

BILLIE BEAT out an infield hit in the fifth and advanced on Miss Mooney's line single to left, but the shortstop converted Miss Rau's sizzling grounder into a force play for the third out. Sun City was still alive in the seventh when Miss Quijada walked with one away. Miss Miner uncorked a smash that looked like a sure triple, but center fielder Kilham caught up with it for a brilliant steal and threw to first for agame-ending double play.



FIELDING GEM of Sun City Saints' second-round loss to Santa Clara Laurels in national softball tourney at Orlando, Fla., Sunday was performed by Barbara Quijada. She made diving catch of sinking liner to left field in seventh inning. (News-Sun Staff Photo)

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Saints Boxscores

Harris Shutout

WOOSTER	ab	r	h	bi
Meola, 3b	4	0	1	0
Stive, cf	2	0	0	0
Schneider, lf	2	0	0	0
Schaa, 1b	3	0	1	0
Welsh, rf	3	0	0	0
Patterson, ss	3	0	0	0
Thompson, 2b	2	0	0	0
Juersvich, c	3	0	1	0
Housselman, p	2	0	0	0
Long, ph	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	26	0	3	0

Too Many Gifts

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	1	0	0
Harris, p	3	2	2	1
Mooney, 3b	4	1	1	1
Rau, c	3	1	2	1
Keith, 1b	3	0	1	1
Barr, rf	3	0	1	0
Rice, rf	0	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	1	1	0
Kelley, 2b	3	1	2	0
Quijada, lf	3	1	0	0
TOTALS	29	8	10	4

SAINTS	ab	r	h	bi
Miner, cf	4	1	0	0
Harris, p	3	2	2	1
Mooney, 3b	4	1	1	1
Rau, c	3	1	2	1
Keith, 1b	3	0	1	1
Barr, rf	3	0	1	0
Rice, rf	0	0	0	0
Kurtz, ss	3	1	1	0
Kelley, 2b	3	1	2	0
Quijada, lf	3	1	0	0
TOTALS	29	8	10	4

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The Arizona Republic
Wed., Aug. 25, 1971

Saints shut out New Jersey, 4-0

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The Sun City Saints from Arizona shut out North Plainfield, N.J., 4-0, last night in the 39th annual Women's National Softball Tournament.

In other games, Orlando defeated Santa Clara, Calif., 2-0, Telford, Pa., stopped Seattle 2-0, and Atlanta edged Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Saints Win

BULLETIN

ORLANDO, Fla. (Special)—Billie Harris survived an avalanche of nine enemy hits to post her second shutout of the Amateur Softball Association national tourney yesterday as the Sun City Saints assured themselves of at least an eighth-place finish.

The Saints unleashed some heavy artillery of their own in posting a 4-0 win over the Plainfield, N.J., Schaeferettes. Coach Bev Dryer's crew will face its next test at 7:30 p.m. today against the winner of the Seattle-Telford (Pa.) game.

Sun City, knocked into the losers' bracket Sunday, needs a win each time out to stay alive in the tourney.

Miss Harris singled in the first inning and raced home on Lynn Mooney's line double to left-center.

Another one-out single in the third by Billie launched another rally. She scored on Marilyn Rau's double to right-center. Marilyn got hung up after rounding second and also scored on a two-base throwing error.

Becky Rice bunted for a single in the fourth, stole second, and romped home on a third Saint double, this one by Chris Miner. Sandy Kelley also rapped a double and single and Thelma Keith pitched in with a single in the ninth hit Sun City attack. The Saints played errorless ball.

Miss Harris was in trouble from the start. She walked the first batter, but the gal was caught in a rundown between second and third after a followup single.

Marge Scheibegger singled in the second and she, too, was caught in a rundown when she tried to score on Joan Gara's double to center. Miss Scheibegger fanned to end the third after Plainfield had loaded the bases on three singles.

Only in the fourth did the losers fail to get a hit.



SUN CITY'S SUN CHIEF

August 25, 1971

Saints Capture Opener, Then Drop Second Game

The Sun City Saints breezed to a 8-0 win in their opening game but then fell into the loser's bracket through a 4-3 defeat in the Women's National Softball Tournament in Orlando, Fla.

Seventeen teams are in the double-elimination competition, including Orange, Calif., the defending champion which won its first

three games. Play continues through Saturday.

In their opener Friday night, the a

In their opener Friday night, the Saints thumped the Wooster, Ohio, Lumber Girls, with lefty Billie Harris getting a three-hit shutout.

The loss came Sunday afternoon at the hands of the

Santa Clara, Calif., Laurels, with Miss Harris again spinning a three-hitter but being betrayed by errors by teammates. All of California's four runs were unearned.

In the Wooster game, Miss Harris, rightfielder Betty Barr and second baseman Sandy Kelley each collected two hits. But the big blow was a run-producing triple in the fifth.

The game went scoreless through the first two innings.

Miss Kelley opened the third with a single to left and leftfielder Barbara Quijada got on on a fielder's choice. An error, another fielder's choice, a single by third baseman Lynn Mooney, a sacrifice and two errors scored four runs.

Two more came across for the Saints in the fifth on a single by Miss Harris, Miss Rau's triple and a run-producing single by first baseman Thelma Keith.

The Saints gathered in another pair in the sixth when shortstop Ginger Kurtz doubled. Miss Kelley brought her in with a single and Miss Kelley crossed the plate on an error.

The Sun City girls piled up 10 hits and committed two errors. Wooster had six errors.

Miss Harris fanned six and walked two. The Lumber Girls had two runners on in the first with two out and had the bases loaded in the fifth on a walk, error and single.

By JIM HAYNES
Staff Writer

The Raybestos Brakettes of Stratford, Conn. appear to have everything in their bid to wrap up the championship in the Women's National Softball Tournament at C. L. Varner Stadium.

And that includes confidence.
The Brakettes play the Orlando Rebels in the feature 8:30 game tonight.

TO HEAR ASSISTANT manager John Stratton tell it, the game is over before Jean Daves and Donna LoPiano even throw the first pitch.

"I think Orlando has the second best team in the tournament," he said Wednesday night. "And I expect to see Orlando come out of the loser's bracket and play us again Saturday night."

Rebels manager Marge Ricker didn't have much to say about Stratton's remark, except a pert "we'll see."

THE OPENING game tonight pairs Santa Clara, Calif. against the Atlanta Loreli Ladies at 7 p.m. In the 10 p.m. encounter it will be Orange, Calif. vs. Telford, Pa.

In Wednesday night's loser's bracket games Atlanta stopped Pekin, Ill., 1-0, on Pat Elliot's three-hit pitching. Telford halted Sun City, Ariz., 2-0, on Pat Whitman's four-hitter.

The big one tonight is between the remaining undefeated teams in the tourney — Orlando and Stratford.

"We've lost eight times to them, you'd think sooner or later we could catch up with them," says a cautious Rebels manager Marge Ricker.

"STRATFORD HAS a fine ball club. Certainly

ALMOST

The Arizona Republic
Thurs., Aug. 26, 1971

*Saints eliminated
from tourney, 2-0*

ORLANDO, Fla. — The Sun City Saints were eliminated from the Women's National Softball Tournament, 2-0, by Talford, Pennsylvania, last night.

Both winning pitcher Pat Whitman and loser Billie Harris gave up four hits. Harris went two - for - three for the Saints.

The Saints finished eighth in the field of eighteen.

not the type team you can expect help from. If we win it, I expect we'll have to earn it."

Among those eight defeats by the Brakettes were four one-run decisions and a pair by two runs.

"Just a case of not getting a hit when we needed it," said Miss Ricker, a schoolteacher during the off-season.

The winner of tonight's game advances to the finals Saturday night, while the loser joins the other two once-beatens in a twinbill Friday night. It will be necessary for the once-beaten survivor to stop the Rebels-Brakettes winner twice Saturday.

LOPIANO IS expected to pitch tonight, but another equally effective Brakette hurler will be ready if needed. Joan Joyce

Sun City's Billie Harris collected a pair of hits Wednesday night and ran her batting streak to 7-for-12 in the tournament. She leads in most hits, with teammate Lynn Mooney and Telford's Pat Dierking next with five hits apiece.

The 29th game Wednesday night marked the 20th shutout of the tourney, earmarking strong pitching as the primary success factor.

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They Bowed Last Night

Sentinel
This Duo
Dynamic

"The big difference," says Donna, daughter of restaurant owning parents who live in Stamford, Conn., "is that my pitches might break half-a-foot while Joan's will break more like a foot. And she has more speed, too."

You see! I knew there was some enmity there some place. Girls being girls and all that, it just took some digging.

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Murk 2b	2 0 2
Drkns 1b	2 0 1
Boyd c	2 0 0
Whitmn p	2 0 0
Daerer 3b	2 0 0
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2B—Maurek; 5—Sh
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Whitman (W)
Harris (L)
WP—Maurek; 5—Sh

Thursday, August 26, 1971

Raybestos In Rebels Face Crucial Tilt

Another problem for the Rebels is Raybestos' one-two punch in pitchers Joan Joyce and Donna LoPiano. "It doesn't really make much difference which one pitches," says Ricker. "Whichever, we're still talking about trying to score a run. You don't think about getting 10 or 12 hits against them. You just hope to have someone in scoring position when you get that one hit."

Jean Daves, who has won all four tournament games for the Rebels, will again get the call. She has permitted two earned runs in 39 innings, but has 31 strikeouts, most in the tournament.

Swartout and Darlene May gazed onto the rain-soaked Varner field Wednesday night and reconstructed what figures to be the closest Orlando has come to beating Stratford this year.

"It was in an extra inning and I think Toni was on base," said May. "I hit a rope out to right, but Patty Harrison made a diving catch. That would have ended it."

The Rebels would settle for a similar situation tonight. After all, the law of averages is on their side.

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Rebels Tumble, Must Win Tonight



Local Gals Need Three In A Row



By LARRY GREENE
Staff Writer

The Orlando Rebels are up against what defending champion Orange, Calif., was exactly a year ago in the Women's National softball tournament.

Orange lost to the Raybestos Brakettes in the final of the winner's bracket last year, only to come back behind Nancy Welborn's identical 1-0 twin wins to capture the national championship from out of the loser's bracket.

And, yes, it was the undefeated Brakettes (56-0) of Stratford, Conn., who won the final winner's bracket game Thursday night, 2-1, dumping Orlando into the loser's bracket.

ORLANDO WILL have to win the loser's bracket final tonight and sweep two from the Brakettes Saturday to equal Orange's feat of last year.

It appears a complex case of possibilities and probabilities.

For two of the three teams in action tonight, there is no tomorrow.

In the 7:30 opener, Orange meets Santa Clara, Calif., with the winner taking on the Rebels in the 9:00 nightcap.

Orange peeled the Wanderers of Telford, Pa. 1-0 while Santa Clara took a 4-1 come-a-long behind victory over Atlanta in other action Thursday in the double elimination tournament.

ATLANTA AND TELFORD became the 13th and 14th teams eliminated in the 18-team field.

Orlando led briefly and then battled Stratford nine innings before disaster struck.

Pat Harrison led off the bottom of the ninth (Stratford was home team decided by the coin toss) with a single to center. Sharron Backus then rapped a sacrifice bunt. Both runners were safe when catcher Robbie Robinson's throw to second was just a step late.

Willie Roze then hit a grounder to third that the Rebels converted into an odd double play. Harrison was forced at third, and Backus was out at third on a relay throw from Stephanie Tenney to Mary Lou Cushing, covering first, back to Toni Swartout.

AFTER ALL the confusion, Stratford had two out with Roze on first.

Peggy Kellers then collected her second hit — a blooper down the left-field line, Roze holding second. Rosie Adams followed with a single to center chasing the speedy Roze across just ahead of Snookie Mulder's throw to the plate.

Orlando scored first — something hardly any Brakette opponents have done this year — in the top of the opening inning.

Swartout's single to center put Colleen Riley, who had walked, in scoring position at third. Usually, scoring position is not enough against Stratford unless followed by a hit.

But this time it was.

CATCHER KELLER'S throw back to the mound scooped into centerfield allowing Riley to score. Winning pitcher Donna LoPiano then settled down allowing but two more hits — by Robinson and Darlene May.

In fact, it was LoPiano who had two hits and almost had four. Two of her hard smashes off the glove of Swartout at third were scooped up by shortstop Stephanie Tenney who turned them into groundouts.

Stratford tied it up in the fourth on LoPiano's double and Cec Ponce's RBI single to right-center.

Jean Davis, who suffered her first tourney loss and only her sixth of the season, escaped

further damage with runners on second and third. She retired the next two batters on a popper to second and a grounder to third.

BOTH TEAMS had scoring possibilities but not big threats after that as Stratford stranded nine and the Rebels five.

IN THE first game, the start delayed 40 minutes by rain, the Laurels of Santa Clara scored four runs in the fifth led by Cindi Lillock's triple and Allie Henderson's two RBI single to overcome Atlanta's 1-0 lead.

The Lorelei Ladies scored their run in the third after two outs. Patsy Adams, Bobbie Damron and Edwina Bryan hit consecutive singles for the tally.

IN THE nightcap which was played after 12 midnight, Welborn's two-hitter led Orange to the shutout.

Shortstop Carol Sparks singled, reached second on Sue Sim's sacrifice, stole third and scored on catcher Nance Ito's sacrifice fly in the fourth.

Pat Whitman turned in a fine performance only to lose on a three-hitter. Former Rebel centerfielder Mickey Davis and Shirley Topley collected the other Lionette hits.

M. J. Boyd collected both Wanderer hits in a game that neither pitcher allowed a walk.

Some 1,500 fans were still around at the end of the almost 8,000 that crammed C. L. Varner Stadium for the six-hour long tripleheader.

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HITTING IN HER OWN CAUSE
Brakette hurler Donna LoPiano had a pair of hits against Rebels

Star photo by John Burrows

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Telford			Grange		
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rk 2b	3	0 0 0	lfe c	1	0 0 1
skins 1b	3	0 0 0	Topley 1b	2	0 1 0
rk ss	2	0 0 0	Claiss H	2	0 1 0
ic	2	0 2 0	Weinm12b	2	0 0 0
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rt	2	0 0 0	Adams cf	1	0 0 0
ck lf	2	0 0 0	Haafala rf	2	0 0 0

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1P H R ER BB SO									
Whitman (L)	4	2	1	1	0	4			
Weiborn (W)	7	2	0	0	0	5			
U—Robertson, Genske, Rodia, T-1:02.									

Saturday, Aug. 28, 1971

Rebs' Pumpkin Turns Into Tourney Hearse

Sentinel Staff

Some 3,500 fans watched Friday night as pitching phenom Nancy Welborn churned out a pair of two-bitters.

Orlando's problem was the same one that plagued it all through the tournament, even in winning: runs, or just not enough of them.

The Rebels had only two opportunities to score against Orange, and blew both.

In the third inning, Robbie Robinson singled, but tough-luck loser Jean Daves bounced into an inning-ending double play. Welborn was near perfect, facing a minimum 15 batters over the first six innings.

The Rebels would have lost by a wider margin except for an alert play by rightfielder Darlene May. The Lionettes had runners in scoring position with two outs in the second. Adams ripped a sizzler off the glove of Mary Lou Cushing into short right field.

Orange reached the semifinals by scoring another run in the fifth inning against Santa Clara.

Welborn started that rally with a walk and Adams sacrificed her to second. Haataja looped a Texas Leaguer down the left field line which Cyndi Lillock couldn't hold after a long run which Welborn made stand up.

THUS THE mystical dream of upsetting favored Stratford rests on the shoulder of the Orange team. The Rebels came into the tournament with hopes of pulling off the feat, but Thursday's cliffhanger simply took the fire out of them.

Even the Rebels' fans must have known, for they did not display the same eager confidence they did the night before.

And when Welborn steps onto the mound at Varner Stadium tonight, she had better be able to fit into that glass slipper. Because it will take a perfect fit to sidetrack Stratford, pulled by a pair of magnificent white horses named Joan Joyce and Donna LoPiano.

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1c	2 0 0 0	Swartz 1b	3 0 0 0
Topley 1b	2 0 0 0	Tennely ss	3 0 0 0
Davis if	2 0 0 0	Max rf	2 0 0 0
Wormann 2b	2 0 0 0	Zollmeier 1b	2 0 0 0
Welborn p	2 0 0 0	Cushing 2b	2 0 0 0
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Daves (L)		7	3 2 0 2 3
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Joyce Hurls Raybestos To Title

By LARRY GREENE

Sentinel Staff

"Big Train" pitched and hit the Raybestos Brakettes to the Women's National Fast Pitch softball championship Saturday night, derailed Orange, Calif. on a no-hitter, 1-0.

The victory not only gave the Stratford, Conn. club its eighth national championship, but completed a 57-0 season.

Joan Joyce, known as "Big Train" on the club, gained the nickname because her pitching domination of women's softball compares to Walter Johnson's in major league baseball. Johnson was called "Big Train."

And she was in complete charge of the no-hit win before 2,500 fans at C. L. Varner Stadium. In fact, it was Joyce who charged home in the fourth inning with the winning run. Joyce singled to left-center — her second hit of the game and seventh of the tourney — with one out. Cec Ponce popped to catcher Nance Ito for the second out, but Stratford rightfielder Pat Harrison drilled a double to deep right-center. Joyce scooted home all the way from first.

PLATE UMPIRE Wib Robertson first signalled out, but after the collision of the tall right-hander and Ito, he changed it to safe.

"The ball just popped loose and she lost possession," said Robertson after the game.

However, Orange felt differently and argued like women can, but to no avail.

"Nance (Ito) told me it was after the play had been called that she lost possession. She was taking the ball out of her mitt to fire to third where Harrison was diving in," said former Orlando outfielder Mickey Davis, who played left for Orange.

But Orange captain Carol Spanks, knowing her team had been beaten by the best, told fans at the awards

ceremony after the game, "When you play like we played and fight like we fight, it's no shame to come in second place."

Joyce had turned in another no-hitter against Orange on Tuesday night to knock the Californians into the loser's bracket. Saturday, she struck out 10 and walked two.

Spanks led off the game with a walk on four straight balls, but Joyce retired the next 21 batters. Shirley Topley did manage a walk in the fourth but was called out three pitches later when she left first base before the ball was pitched.

Joyce was busy hitting in the tournament when she wasn't pitch-

ing. Her two hits in the championship game assured her the individual batting title with a .467 pace. Right behind her in hitting was the rest of the Raybestos pitching staff in Donna LoPiano, who hurled a no-hitter in her two wins and hit the ball at a .438 clip.

Fittingly, Joyce and LoPiano were named co-winners of the Most Valuable Player award.

Nancy Welborn pitched in eight games for Orange with her picturesque windmill windup. She had struck out 45 batters in 47 innings before she met the Brakettes in the final. She allowed six hits but only struck out three.

Welborn's stats stacked up to win her the Bertha Tickey Award, presented to the tournament's best pitcher. The award is named after a famous pitcher who recently reired from, yes, the Raybestos Brakettes.

STRATFORD dominated the All-American team with seven players.

Stratford players named were LoPiano, first base; Rosie Adams, second; Billie Moore, third; Sharon Backus, shortstop; Peggy Kellers, catcher, and Willie Roze, outfield. Completing the first team were, outfielders Diane Kalliam and Cindi Lillock of Santa Clara and Carol Lichtenberger, North Plainfield, N. J., and M. J. Boyd, Telford, as another catcher.

Orlando Rebels shortstop Stepaney Tenney was named utility player on the first team.

Joyce, Welborn and the Rebels' Jean Daves were selected as the All-American pitchers.

ORANGE STRATFORD

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Adams 2B	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Moore 3B	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Backus SS	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Kellers C	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Roze OF	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Tenney CF	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Daves OF	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Welborn RF	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	0	0	0	0	0	10.0	0	0	0	0	0
Stratford	10	1	0	0	0	0	10.0	1	0	0	0	0
LoPiano 1B	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Adams 2B	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Moore 3B	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Backus SS	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Kellers C	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Roze OF	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Tenney CF	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Daves OF	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Welborn RF	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	1	0	0	0	0	10.0	1	0	0	0	0



The Arizona Republic

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Stratford nips Orange

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Joan Joyce pitched a no-hitter to defeat Orange, Calif., 1-0, and lift Stratford, Conn., to the championship of the Women's National Fast Pitch Softball Tournament last night.

Stratford scored the winning run in the bottom of the fourth inning when Miss Joyce singled and came home on a double by Pat Harrison.

In 1970, Orange defeated Stratford twice on the tournament's last day to win the title.



Raybestos Tops Orange For Crown



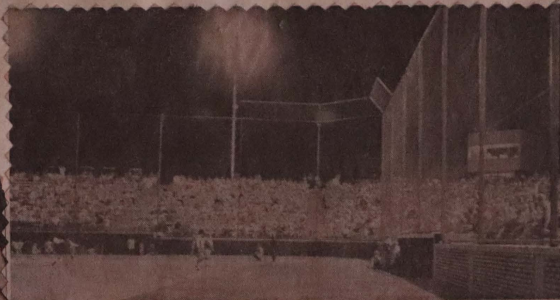
ON-THE-FIELD VICTORY PARTY FOR RAYBESTOS TEAM
... Assistant Manager John Stratton joins the celebration

(Inset Photo by Ray Powell)



Sun City Saints

THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC
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EIGHTH IN NATIONAL TOURNEY

Errors, Lack Of Breaks End Hopes Of Saints



LYNN MOONEY

A nightmare inning and a game of batting frustration brought the Sun City Saints home with no more than an eighth place in the Women's National Softball Tournament held in Orlando, Fla.

The Saints were dealt their second loss after two victories in the 17-team, double elimination competition.

Billie Harris pitched all four games, winning the two by shutouts, and was the team's leading batter with 7 hits in 12 tries, including a double and a run batted in.

Only Miss Harris and third baseman Lynn Mooney were impressive at the plate. Miss Mooney came through with 5 hits in 12 at bats, among them a double. She also had two RBIs in the four games.

The club's leading hitter, centerfielder Chris Miner, named an all-star in the tournament last year playing for Portland, Ore., could do no better than 3 for 13. However, she smashed a double and a triple, collected one RBI and had a stolen base.

The Saints won their opener, 8-0, over Wooster, Ohio, on a three-hitter by Miss Harris, and a 10-hit attack, with Miss Harris, Betty Iare and Sandy Kelley getting two each.

Santa Clara, Calif., tripped up the Saints 4-2, although Miss Harris batted a four-batter. All four runs came in the second inning as result

three singles and three errors — by Miss Harris, first baseman Thelma Keith and Miss Miner. All the runs were unearned.

Miss Keith, in fact, committed two miscues in the game after going an entire regular season with one error.

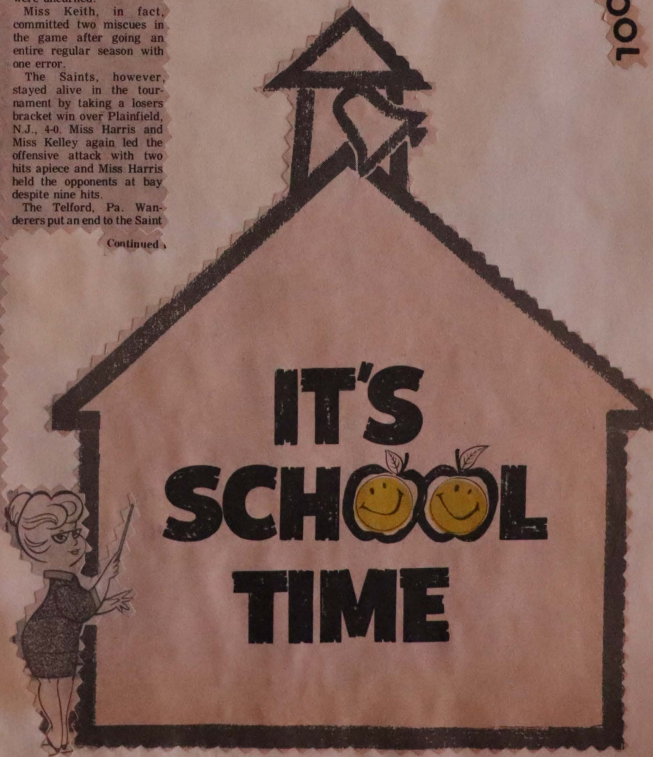
The Saints, however, stayed alive in the tournament by taking a losers bracket win over Plainfield, N.J., 4-0. Miss Harris and Miss Kelley again led the offensive attack with two hits apiece and Miss Harris held the opponents at bay despite nine hits.

The Telford, Pa. Wanderers put an end to the Saint

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TAKE A "SMILE" BACK-TO-SCHOOL



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SUN CITY

Wednesday, September 1, 1971

dreams in a 2-0 game which say Sun City unable to cash in on three opportunities.

In the four games, the Saints outscored their opponents 14-6, outhit them 27-20, and committed fewer errors 6-8. Among their 27 hits were six doubles and two triples.

Miss Kelley also had a good series, going 4 for 12 including a double.

The Saints' big two at the plate—catcher Marilyn Rau and Miss Keith—got only two hits each. However, Miss Rau's were a double and a triple, rapping in three runs.

Miss Barr had 2 for 7, Becky Rice 1 for 4, shortstop Ginger Kurtz 1 for 10 (a double), and leftfielder Barbara Quijada 0 for 9.

Here is a closer look at the three last games:

SANTA CLARA 4 SAINTS 2

A four-run second inning in which the Saints committed three errors was all Santa Clara needed to take Sun City.

Miss Harris surrendered three hits in the inning but went on to face the minimum number of batters the rest of the way.

The Saints had plenty of chances.

In the first, Miss Harris was hit with a pitch and Miss Mooney walked. But Miss Rau and Miss Keith grounded out to end the threat.

In the third, Miss Miner tripled and came home on an error and a single by Miss Mooney led to another run.

Back to back singles by Miss Harris and Miss Mooney went for naught in the fifth.

The Saints ceded up with four hits and four errors.

SANTS 4 NEW JERSEY 0

New Jersey had runners on against Miss Harris in all but one inning and nine of them were the results of hits.

Miss Rau cut down a runner stealing to avert disaster in the first, a single and a double went down the drain in the second, three hits and an error couldn't

produce a run in the third, a single was hit in the fifth, another came in the sixth and yet another in the seventh.

Meanwhile, the Saints were scoring one in the first on a single by, you guessed it, Miss Harris and a double by, you guessed it, Miss Mooney.

Miss Kelley doubled in the second but nobody could bring her around.

In the third, Miss Harris singled, Miss Rau doubled to right and Miss Keith singled. This, together with an error, brought in two runs.

A hit by Miss Rice and a two-bagger to right by Miss Miner in the fourth gave the Saints their last run.

TELFORD 2 SAINTS 0

Telford made three of their four hits count—a single and a triple in the first brought in the first run, and a walk and a hit were converted into the second.

The Saints threatened in the first when Miss Harris doubled with one out and in the fourth when Miss Harris singled with no one out.

The sixth was even more frustrating.

Miss Quijada walked with one gone and Miss Miner advanced her with a hit to left. A fielder's choice wiped out Miss Quijada. But Miss Mooney came through with a single to center. But the centerfielder threw in time to cut Miss Miner down at the plate, and end the inning.

After two were out in the seventh, Miss Kurtz walked raising the flickering hopes of the Saints. But Miss Kelley ended the game and the tournament for the Saints by bouncing out to the second baseman.



Bev Both Pleased, Unhappy

"We had a good tournament," declared Bev Dreyer, coach of the Sun City Saints, which came home with eighth place in the National Women's Softball Tournament.

The Saints' downfall came in the second inning of the second game, when Sun City went on an error binge, and in the fourth game, when the locals were just beaten. Period.

Dreyer's emotions were thus mixed—proud of her team's showing, yet disappointed that things didn't work out as hoped.

She regards the teams pretty evenly matched, the differences often being the breaks.

She was particularly pleased with the fielding of leftfielder Barbara Quijada and shortstop Ginger Kurtz, although neither did a whole lot at the plate.

She noted the great hitting of pitcher Bill Harris and third baseman Lynn Mooney, and expressed displeasure at Miss Mooney not being named to at least the second all-tournament team.

As it turned out, only one player from Orange, Calif., tournament runnerup, made the first time—pitcher Nancy Wilborn. Stratford, Conn., the champ, put seven players on the star squad.

The Saints' eighth place in the tournament compared with ninth last year and fifth the year before.



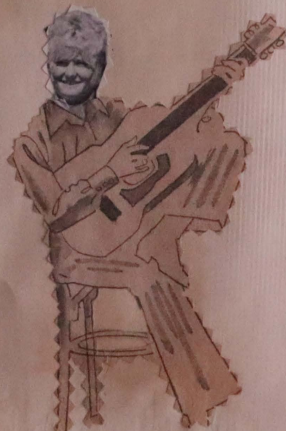
RAYBESTOS NIP ORANGE IN FINALS

The defending champion Orange, Calif., Lionettes were defeated in the Women's National Softball Tournament finals 1-0 by the Stratford, Conn., Raybestos, on a no-hitter by Joan Joyce. Stratford had dealt Orange its first defeat in the double-elimination, also on a no-hitter by Miss Joyce.

The Raybestos girls were runnerup last year.



"BE HAPPY"



NEWS-SUN



September 1, 1971



Editorials Toast To The Saints



When the Sun City Saints wrapped up their season's local activity, hundreds of local fans extended personal wishes for success in the Amateur Softball Association's national tournament at Orlando, Fla.

"Don't let us down," said one follower.

As we viewed it, the Saints owed their fans a 100 per cent effort. In those terms, we knew the Saints wouldn't let anybody down—even if they didn't win a game.

But, lo, they did win a game—and then a second—before being eliminated last week from the 17-team field. The Saints, no doubt,

feel that they could have produced a higher finish and likely a sympathetic fandom would agree.

But a seventh-place tie in the nationals, with all things considered, is a notable way to conclude another outstanding season.

The Saints were considerably stronger in 1971 than in 1970 and, yet, they were a very young team. They hold great promise for continued improvement in 1972.

So, thanks, Saints, for a highly entertaining season and while we congratulate you on this year's success, we toast you for the thrills and successes of '72.



TELFORD OUSTS SAINTS; STRATFORD TAKES TITLE

ORLANDO, Fla. (Special)—Sun City's Saints wound up in a tie for seventh in the Amateur Softball Association's national tournament after dropping a rain-interrupted game to the Telford (Pa.) Wanderers, 2-0, last Wednesday.

The championship went to the Stratford (Conn.) Brakettes, whose Joan Joyce hurled a no-hitter against the defending champion Orange Lionettes in the quarterfinals and repeated the feat in the finale.

After the first loss to Stratford, Orange fought its way through the losers' bracket with successive 1-0 wins over Telford, Santa Clara, and host Orlando. Telford and Santa Clara were the two conquerors of the Saints.

THE WANDERERS' Betty Weichknecht opened the game against Billie Harris with a single and moved up on a sacrifice bunt and passed ball.

Then, with a 2-2 count on Ronnie Maurer, the game was stopped because of rain. After it resumed, Miss Maurer took a third ball and laced the next pitch to the

center field wall for a run-scoring triple. She was stranded as Miss Harris got the next batter on a shallow fly to center and ended the inning with a ground out.

Telford capitalized on its only other threat. Miss Weichknecht walked to open the sixth, went to second on a sacrifice, and tallied on Pat Dierking's two-out single.

MISS HARRIS doubled with one out in the first but was stranded, and she singled in the fourth but was forced out by Lynn Mooney. Lynn was doubled off first after the shortstop speared Marilyn Rau's hard liner.

The Saints' main threat came in the sixth. Barbara Quijada walked with one out and went to second on Chris Miner's single to left. Barbara was forced at third on Miss Harris' tapper to the pitcher.



Then Miss Mooney drilled a single to center, and Chris—slipping on the wet turf—raced wide around third and was thrown out at the plate.

COACH BEV Dryer, who waved Miss Miner home, said, "I felt I had to gamble at that point and did. Even so, it took a perfect throw to get Chris, and Telford got that perfect throw." Chris was knocked out by the collision's impact.

After knocking off Orange, Stratford bested Orlando in the semifinals, then came back for a disputed 1-0 victory over the Lionettes.

In the fourth inning Miss Joyce singled with one out. Cec Ponce popped to the catcher. Then Pat Harrison crashed a double to deep right center, and Miss Joyce scooted home. At first the umpire thumbed her out, but after a collision between the runner and catcher Nancy Ito, he changed his call to safe, ruling that "the ball just popped loose and she lost possession."

MISS ITO claimed she lost possession after the play had been called. Teammate Mickey Davis reported, "She was taking the ball out of her mitt to fire to third, where Harrison was diving in."

Orange captain Carol Spinks said at the awards ceremony after the game, "When you play like we played and fight like we fight, it's no shame to come in second place."

The win completed a 57-0 season for Stratford, which dominated the all-star team. Miss Joyce and Stratford's other pitcher, Donna LoPiano, were named co-most valuable players, and Orange's ace Nancy

Welborn was named outstanding pitcher for the third straight year.

MISS JOYCE received the tourney's top hitter award with a .486 average although the Saints' Harris collected seven hits in 12 trips for a .583 mark.

Besides Miss Welborn, only two players from the West made the all-star team. They were outfielders Diane Kiliam and Cindy Lillock of Santa Clara. Four Orange players got second-team honors—Miss Spinks, Miss Ito, and outfielders Mickey Davis and Diane Haataja.

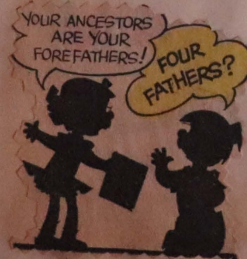
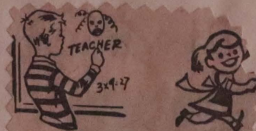
Saints Boxscore

Trail's End

TELFORD	ab r h bi
Weichk't, cf	2 2 1 0
Shaak, ss	1 0 0 0
Munk, 2b	3 0 2 1
Dierking, 1b	3 0 1 1
Boyd, c	3 0 0 0
Whitman, p	3 0 0 0
Deerer, 3b	2 0 0 0
Faut, rf	3 0 0 0
Schock, lf	2 0 0 0
TOTALS	22 2 4 2

SAINTS	ab r h bi
Miner, cf	3 0 1 0
Harris, p	3 0 2 0
Mooney, 3b	3 0 1 0
Rau, c	3 0 0 0
Keith, 1b	3 0 0 0
Kurtz, ss	2 0 0 0
Kelley, 2b	3 0 0 0
Rice, rf	1 0 0 0
Barr, lf	1 0 0 0
Quijada, lf	1 0 0 0
TOTALS	23 0 4 0

TELFORD	100 001 0-2 4 0
SAINTS	000 000 0-0 4 0



Say Something Good

Pick out the people you like the least and watch'em for awhile.

They never waste a kindly word; they never waste a smile.

They criticize their fellowman at every chance they get. They've never found a human just to suit them yet.

From them, I guess, you'd learn some things if they were pointed out.

Some things that everyone should know a lot about.

When someone "knocks" a brother, there, pass around the loving cup.

Say something good about him, if you have to make it up.

It's safe to say that every man that God made holds a trace of good.

That he would feign exhibit to his fellows if he could.

The kindly deeds in many a soul are hibernating there.

Awaiting the encouraging of other souls that dare.

To show the best that's in them; and a universal move.

would start the whole world running in a hopeful, helpful groove.

Say something sweet to paralyze the "knocks" on the spot.

Speak kindly of his victim if you know the man or not.

The eyes that peek and peer to find the worst a brother holds.

The tongue that speaks in bitterness, that frets and fumes and scolds.

The hands that bruise the fallen that their strength was made to raise.

The weaklings who have stumbled at the parting of the ways.

All these should be forgiven for they "know not what they do."

The hindrance makes a greater work for wiser ones like you.

So when they scrouge a wretched one who's drained sin's bitter cup.

Say something good about him, if you have to make it up.





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A LITTLE LATE, but —

I just got the message that Al Kurtz had a heart attack last month but now is at home recuperating. Many local residents know him as the operator of Miller's Men's Shop in Glendale. Others know him as a faithful grandstand occupant during Sun City Saints' softball games (it's his daughter, Ginger, who sparkles at shortstop for the Saints). I know that a lot of his friends here join me in a wish for Al's rapid and full recovery.



No Tricks...

Just Treats!



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CONGRATULATIONS to Joe Opalek upon his election to the presidency of the Arizona Umpires Association. Joe is the good-natured fellow whom many Sun City softball fans have joked with since the Saints first came to town almost a half-dozen years ago. He later became booking agent for the Valley's umps but last season got back to umpiring again himself.

Joe has had a fondness for women's softball and was instrumental in the umpires association providing a third umpire to the Saints' major games last season. The Saints always pay for the services of two umpires; the umpires association provides the wages for the third ump in 1972.

