

Donna Bell Chosen Miss East Coast League

The West All-Stars scored one run in the bottom of the ninth inning Wednesday night to edge the East All-Stars 5-4 in the East Coast League All-Star game at Beaufort.

Preceding the baseball action, was the selection of Miss Donna Bell, Morehead City, as Miss East Coast League for 1961-62. Competing in bathing suits for the title, besides

Miss Bell, were five other contestants. They were Kay Canipe, Morehead City; Billy June Pittman, Havelock; Grace Dixon, Salter Path; and Joan Salter and Portia Salter, Broad Creek.

Miss Canipe was first runner-up to Miss Bell and Miss Pittman was second runner-up. The new baseball queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Bell.

The All-Star game provided fans with an abundance of baseball thrills as the two teams battled right down to the wire.

After taking a 4-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning, the West watched the East fight back to knot the count 4-4 in the top of the



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ninth. The East scored two runs in the sixth on a hit by Curt Nelson and then tallied two more in the ninth when Grady Fulcher delivered a two-out blast that sent two more runs across the plate.

The West loaded the bases on Fred Bartholomew in the bottom of the ninth on two walks and a throwing error by Mack Pigott. They then tried the squeeze play and scored the winning run when Curt Nelson dropped the ball trying to tag the runner coming home.

Bartholomew, the third East hurler took the loss while the win was credited to Olexa of the West team. Randy Randolph had started on the mound for the West and was relieved by Tommy Salter, who in turn was lifted in favor of Olexa. All three of the West pitchers were from the Havelock team.

The East starter was Pittman of Salter Path who was relieved by Braxton Piner in the third and Bartholomew in the sixth.