

Smyrna Wins 21-1 Behind Braxton Piner's One-Hitter

Southpaw Braxton Piner pitched seven innings of perfect baseball Sunday afternoon in hurling the Smyrna town team to a 21-1 win over Broad Creek in County League play. Broad Creek got to Piner for one hit and one run in the eighth inning after he had set down 21 consecutive batters.

Smyrna, meanwhile, was jumping on two Broad Creek pitchers for 23 hits, including three each by Alton Paul, Jim Parkin, Crawford Pigott, Louis Thomas, Braxton Piner and Mack Pigott. The big hit of the game was a two-run homer by Crawford Pigott in the first inning.

Jimmy Lawrence was the starting and losing pitcher for Broad Creek. He was relieved by Chuck Hall in the fourth inning.

This was the first start of the year for Piner and he went all the way registering 14 strikeouts.