

Eastern League Scoreboard

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ATLANTIC — In a good, close game, the A's managed to hold off a last inning bid by the Bettie team Sunday to win 3-2.

For the A's Jack Allen had 2 hits with an RBI; Marshall Saunders, a double; Perry Styron, a double; and Mike Neal, 2 hits. For the Bears, Chris Golden had a double and Gary Arthur a triple.

Losing pitcher Lewis Fulcher had a hit and an RBI. Fulcher struck out 7, allowed no walks. Winning pitcher Rocky Morris fanned 13 Bear batters and walked 3.

Bays Win in Extra Innings

STACY — An exciting extra-inning ball game ensued at Robinson Field Sunday. The visiting Marshallberg team chalked up the first run of the day, when Bunky Kellum scored in the first inning off the bat of teammate William Lewis.

However, the Bays quickly retaliated in their turn at bat, with Bob Austin driving in Leon Peppers for a tie. The lead was to change hands five times and be tied four times before the Bays pulled out the victory in the 11th inning 8-7.

In the game, Marshallberg regained the lead with a 3-run ninth-inning, with scoring by pitcher Jim Amspacker, K. Willis, and Lester Murphy. But the determined Bays tied the game with runs by Austin and Barry Fulcher, sending the contest into extra-inning play.

Both teams went scoreless in the 10th. Marshallberg again took the lead 7-6, in the top of the 11th, but a double by Barry Fulcher, driving in Bob Austin, tied the score. Then Fulcher scored the winning run as the Marshallberg pitcher walked the next 3 batters.

Barry Fulcher led the Bays' offensive effort with 3 hits, including a solo homer. Milton (Buddy) Mitchum had 3 hits for Marshallberg. Drawing the mound loss was Jim Amspacker. Credited with the win was Leary Sparks, who relieved starter Luther Mason in the ninth.

Nets Top Seas 8-4

CEDAR ISLAND — Home town fans probably felt as if the rains were appropriate Sunday, as Cedar Island lost another close ball game. Hitting a streak of bad luck, Cedar Island hasn't been able to pull off a win since early in the season.

For the winning Nets, Bob McIntosh led the way with 3 hits, including a solo homer. J. D. O'Neal contributed 2 hits; Danny Brooks, 2; and Pete Guthrie, a standup double. Brooks, who was the winning pitcher, was relieved in the seventh by McIntosh.

Ronnie Gillikin had 2 hits, Clyde Styron one hit and Tim Styron 1 hit for the Seas. Neal Daniels drew the mound loss.

Grays Pound Pirates 20-4

SMYRNA — The Eastern Grays snuffed out any upset hopes of the Pirates Saturday, as they routed the fourth-place team 20-4.

Grays' pitcher Jim Lewis went 4 of 6 trips to the plate, with two homers, one a grand slam. Lewis, who was the winning pitcher, struck out 16, walked 6 and gave up 8 hits. Losing pitcher Bob Bererra, having an off day, fanned only 6, walked 20, gave up 11 hits.

Connecting for the Grays were Eric Williams, one hit with 3 RBI's; Drew Henrey, 2 for 6 with 2 RBI's; L. Thomas, one for 4. The Grays have managed to maintain a winning combination, with a 14-game win streak so far this season.

Eastern League Standings

TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB
Grays	14	0	1.000	—
Nets	12	4	.750	3
Bears	10	6	.625	5
Pirates	8	7	.533	6½
A's	6	8	.429	8
Marshallberg	5	10	.333	9½
Bays	3	11	.214	11
Seas	2	14	.125	13

Games this coming weekend: Saturday, July 24, A's at Grays, 1 p.m.; Sunday, July 25, Seas at Pirates, Bays at Bears, and Nets at Marshallberg, game times 2 p.m.