

# Sixth-Inning Rally Gives Smyrna 4th Win

The Blue Devils scored three big runs in the bottom of the sixth inning Thursday to edge Swansboro 3-2. The game was played at Smyrna.

The visitors took a one-run lead in the first inning, after their lead-off man, LeBlond, reached first on an error by the shortstop. He moved to second on a fielder's choice, and scored on an error by the pitcher.

Neither team scored until the top of the sixth, when Swansboro upped their lead to 2-0. Mike Booth singled, reached second on an error by the pitcher, and made it to third base on a fielder's choice. He came home on an error by the third baseman.

Kenny Lewis, the winning pitcher, walked to lead off the Devils' sixth-inning rally. Norris Nelson joined him on base with another walk. Charles Lawrence singled to drive in Lewis. Steven Piner, next up, knocked out a single,

scoring Nelson, and Lawrence came in on a bad throw.

The Swansboro Pirates nearly staged a comeback in the seventh inning. Phillips singled after their lead-off man, LeBlond, had grounded out. He moved to second on a wild pitch. But Kenny Lewis pulled the game out of the fire by striking out Mike Lesem and Cliff Waters, the following two Swansboro batsmen.

Smyrna made a similar effort in the fifth inning. Hancock singled and moved to second on a bad throw to the first baseman. Cliff Waters, the losing pitcher, walked the next two Devils to load the bases with no outs. But the Swansboro hurler struck out McGee and Joe (Boy) Willis. Then Terry Lewis hit into a force-out.

Kenny Lewis went all the way for Smyrna, striking out eight, walking none and giving up three hits. The Blue Devils committed five errors. Waters, the losing pitcher, went the distance. He struck out eleven, walked four and gave up seven hits, while his teammates committed three errors.

The win gives Smyrna a 4-4 record so far this season.

Smyrna	AB	H	R
Damren .....	3	1	0
McGee .....	4	0	0
J. Willis .....	3	0	0
K. Lewis .....	2	1	1
T. Lewis .....	3	1	0
Nelson .....	2	1	1
Lawrence .....	3	1	1
Hancock .....	3	1	0
Piner .....	2	1	0
Pirates	AB	H	R
LeBlond .....	4	0	1
Phillips .....	4	1	0
Lesem .....	4	0	0
Booth .....	3	1	1
J. Ellington .....	3	0	0
E. Ellington .....	3	0	0
Licko .....	3	0	0
Smith .....	3	0	0
Waters .....	3	1	0