

ECSU BASEBALL DEFEATS SPRINGFIELD IN REGULAR-SEASON FINALE
Warriors edge New England Division II's No.-1 ranked team in 12

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- David Caruso's two-out single scored Steve Hine from second base in the bottom of the 12th inning to give the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team a 10-9 win over Springfield College Thursday.

The win is the tenth straight against New England competition and third in as many nights against a nationally-ranked opponent for the Warriors, who closed out their regular season at 23-13.

Springfield (24-9) is ranked first in New England Division II, 21st nationally.

In the 12th, the Chiefs' only two errors put runners on first and second. Losing pitcher Eric Stauffer (2-2) then got a strike out and infield out but Caruso looped an 0-1 pitch into shallow left field to chase home Hine with the winning run.

The game-ending extra-inning hit gave ECSU a win for the second straight night. Wednesday, freshman Dave O'Connor scored Joe Funaro from second with a one-out single to left in the bottom of the 11th in ECSU's 9-8 win over Ithaca.

Heath Mercier (2-0), the third of three ECSU pitchers, allowed only two hits over the final four innings. In the top of the 12th, an infield error on a sacrifice bunt put runners on second and third with none out but Mercier escaped by sandwiching a pair of infield outs around a strike out.

The Warriors, unranked in New England, jumped to a 6-0 lead before the Chiefs scored eight times on seven hits and two walks in the fourth after there were two out and none on base. Tony Vitiello sparked the rally with a bases-clearing double.

O'Connor led ECSU's 18-hit attack with four hits and two RBI while Funaro had three hits and drove in four runs with his fourth home run of the season in the third, a single and a hit-by-pitch. Since returning from a back injury, Funaro is batting .581 (18-for-31) with 14 RBI in eight games.

Steve Hine broke a 1-for-24 slump with three hits while Mike Guillet had two hits. No.-9 hitter Mike Moon had a hit and scored two runs, giving him six runs in the past three games.

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Bill Hallam had three hits and two stolen bases for Springfield, which has lost nine of 11 meetings at Alumni Field in this series.

Bids to the NCAA Division III baseball tournament will be extended Monday. Eastern is among seven New England teams vying for a spot in the four-team New England Regional tournament, which gets underway May 19.

Eastern Conn. 10, Springfield 9, 12 inn.

Springfield (24-9)	000	800	100	000	--	9	12	2
Eastern Conn. (23-13)	105	110	100	001	--	10	18	2

Brian Levesque, Dan Hunt (4), Eric Stauffer (7) and Matt Ludy. John Gieras, Marc Angarano (4), Heath Mercier (9) and Mike Moon, Vin Paquette (10). WP-Mercier (2-0). LP-Stauffer (2-2). 2B-Tony Vitiello (S), Steve Hine, Dave O'Connor, Mike Moon (EC); HR-Joe Funaro (4) (EC).

ECSU BASEBALL DEFEATS ITHACA COLLEGE 8-7 IN 11 INNINGS

Warriors rally to tie in ninth, win in 11th on O'Connor's single

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Bob Aronson pitched five innings of one-hit relief and freshman Dave O'Connor delivered the winning hit in the bottom of the 11th inning as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team rallied to defeat Ithaca College 8-7 Wednesday in a key Division III baseball game.

Trailing 7-5 in the ninth, Eastern rallied to tie the game on Joe Funaro's RBI single and a two-out bases-loaded walk and Funaro scored the winning run in the 11th on O'Connor's one-out single to left.

The win is the second in as many nights over a nationally-ranked team for Eastern (22-13), which defeated the 20th-ranked Bombers (21-10) in the first regular-season meeting between the two former post-season rivals.

Funaro, who missed 15 games this year due to a back injury, drove in his tenth run since returning six games ago with a single to left in the ninth to cut the deficit to 7-6. With two outs and the bases loaded, Mike Kopczuk walked on a 3-2 pitch to force in the tying run.

Funaro led off the 11th with a double -- his fourth hit of the game -- and scored on O'Connor's one-out single to left. O'Connor was a tenth-inning replacement in right.

Aronson (4-3), pitching for the first time in over two weeks, allowed only Geoff Mandile's single in the ninth over the game's final five innings. Aronson, who fanned three and walked two, was summoned in a three-run Ithaca seventh inning in place of starter Dave Chiasson.

Trailing 2-0, Eastern scored four times in the second, three coming on Steve Hine's fifth home run of the season -- first since April 17. The Bombers tied the game with two in the fourth and surged ahead when they chased Chiasson in a three-run seventh.

Mike Moon had two hits and scored three runs for the Warriors. Moon doubled and scored on Funaro's single to pull ECSU to within 7-5 in the seventh and singled and scored the first run in the two-run ninth.

Mandile had three hits -- including his fourth home run in the fourth -- and two RBI and all-America Jeff Geller had two hits and two RBI. Bobby Murrery hit his first home run of season on the second pitch of the game to give Ithaca a 1-0 lead.

Eastern hosts Springfield College tonight at 7 p.m. in its final regular-season game.

Eastern Conn. 8, Ithaca 7, 11 inn.

Ithaca (21-10)	200	200	300	00	--	7	9	0
Eastern Conn. (22-13)	040	000	102	01	--	8	12	1

Chris Dedrick, Jeff Geller (9), R.J. Loeber (9) and Paul Hirst. Dave Chiasson, Bob Aronson (7) and Mike Moon. WP-Aronson (4-3). LP-Loeber (3-2). 2B-Geller, Hirst (1), Joe Funaro, Dave Caruso, Mike Moon (EC); HR-Bobby Murray (1), Geoff Mandile (4) (1), Steve Hine (5) (EC).

ECSU BASEBALL DEFEATS UMASS DARTMOUTH 9-4

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Joe Funaro and Mike Guillet each had three hits, two runs and an RBI and pitcher Kevin Gieras struck out 12 as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team defeated Massachusetts Dartmouth 9-4 Tuesday.

Gieras improved to 5-0 with his fourth complete game in seven starts. He allowed only six hits, retiring 13 straight batters after giving up a two-out, two-run home run in the first that gave the Corsairs (25-7) a 2-0 lead. UMass is ranked second in New England, 12th nationally. ECSU is unranked.

Eastern (21-13) broke a 2-2 tie in the third by scoring twice on a hit, two errors, a wild pitch and Rob Hausmann's sacrifice fly.

The Warriors broke the game open ^{in the eighth} with four runs on four hits, two wild pitches, an error and a passed ball. UMass committed four errors in the game, allowing two unearned runs.

Guillet, who led off the sixth with his 100th career hit, had two doubles while Mike Moon had two hits, an RBI and run. Scott Coletti drove in two runs with a pair of singles and scored one run.

Sean Wheeler had two hits and an RBI ^{for} UMass, which had shut out Eastern 1-0 April 18 at North Dartmouth, MA. Barrett Jones drove in two runs with his second home run of the season in the first inning.

Eastern hosts Ithaca College, ranked 20th nationally, tonight at 7 p.m. before closing out its regular season Thursday at home against Division II nationally-ranked Springfield at 7 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 9, UMass Dartmouth 4

UMass Dartmouth (25-7)	200	001	001	--	4	6	4
Eastern Conn. (21-13)	112	001	04x	--	9	15	1

Aaron Perron (7-2), Jason Spreyer (8), Derek Duclos (8) and Jeff Copetta. Kevin Gieras (5-0) and Mike Moon. 2B-Andy Boyko (MD), Mike Guillet 2 (EC); HR-Barrett Jones (2) (MD).

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PALLINO'S HOME RUN POWERS MONTCLAIR STATE OVER ECSU BASEBALL

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- John Pallino's first-inning three-run home run provided all the offense for winning pitcher T.J. Costello as the Montclair State College baseball team edged Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday, 3-2.

Costello (4-0) scattered five hits before giving way to Todd Sac in the eighth inning. Sac recorded his second save of the year, retiring the final four batters in order.

Pallino's seventh home run of the season came on a 1-2 pitch off complete-game loser Dave Chiasson (2-2), who also allowed five hits. Butch Van Dunk doubled with one out in the first and Ralph Yezza walked before Pallino's homered deep to right-center.

Trailing 3-0, Eastern got one back on Dave Caruso's sacrifice fly in the second and pulled to within 3-2 when Mike Moon hit a solo home run leading off the third.

Butch VanDunk had two hits for Montclair, Joe Funaro two for Eastern. Montclair (25-8) is ranked 29th nationally, Eastern (20-12) 26th.

Montclair State 3, Eastern Conn. 2

Montclair State (25-8)	300	000	000	--	3	5	2
Eastern Conn. (20-12)	011	000	000	--	2	5	0

T.J. Costello (4-0), Todd Sac (8) and Mike Micucci. Dave Chiasson (2-2) and Mike Moon. Save-Sac (2nd). 2B-Butch VanDunk, Dan Massaro (M), Mike Kopczuk, Rob Hausmann (EC); HR-John Pallino (M) (7), Moon (EC) (1).

SEVEN-RUN SEVENTH POWERS MONTCLAIR STATE BASEBALL PAST ECSU
Red Hawks win for 15th time in 16 games

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Montclair State College scored seven runs after two were out in the seventh inning en route to a 14-9 baseball win over Eastern Connecticut State University Sunday.

The win is the 15th in the last 16 games for Montclair (26-8) and tenth straight over Eastern (20-13). Montclair is ranked 29th nationally, Eastern 26th.

Trailing 2-0 and held without a hit by ECSU starter Chris Segalla (1-1), Montclair tied the game in the fifth, took a 6-2 lead with four runs in the sixth and put the game away with seven runs on six hits in the seventh.

In the seventh, eight straight batters reached safely after there were two out and a runner on first. A wild pitch on a third strike to cleanup hitter John Pallino before a run had scored helped ignite the rally.

Mike Micucci had three hits and three RBI for Montclair while Pallino had two hits and two RBI and scored three runs. Pallino hit his eighth home run in the sixth -- his second in as many games. Jason Scavalla had two hits, an RBI and scored three runs in the 15-hit attack. Every starter but one had at least one hit.

Trailing 14-3, Eastern scored six times on two hits and five walks in the ninth. Scott Coletti hit his team-leading eighth home run of the season in the inning -- a grand slam to right-center. Joe Funaro hit a solo home run to give ECSU a 2-0 lead in the third.

Eastern hosts UMass Dartmouth Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Montclair State 14, Eastern Conn. 9

Montclair State (26-8)	000	024	710	--	14	15	1
Eastern Conn. (20-13)	011	000	106	--	9	10	0

Chris Segalla (1-1), Sean Robertson (6), Scott Spaulding (7), Marc Angarano (7), Kirk Laakso (9) and Kevin Spagone, Vin Paquette (8). Keith Glauber (5-2), Chad McConnell (8), John Blacharski (9), Ralph Cinque (9) and Mike Micucci, Alex Torres (8). 2B-Jason Scavalla (MS), Dave O'Connor, Rob Hausmann, Mike Guillet (EC); HR-John Pallino (8) (MS); Joe Funaro (3), Scott Coletti (8) (EC).

GIERAS BROTHERS PITCH ECSU PAST PLYMOUTH STATE
Warriors sweep Panthers 4-0, 16-1

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- West Hartford sophomore Kevin Gieras threw his second shutout in six starts in the opener and senior brother John Gieras allowed one hit through the first five innings of the nightcap as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team swept Plymouth State College 4-0, 16-1 Wednesday.

In the first game, Eastern scored its runs on just three hits, two of which were unearned and came in a three-run fifth inning. Gieras (4-0) scattered three hits, allowing only one after the first inning. He struck out six and walked one.

Dave Caruso's second home run of the season gave ECSU (20-11) a 1-0 lead in the second and Joe Funaro drove in two with a double in the fifth.

Funaro, who had missed 15 of the last 17 games with ^aback injury, had two of Eastern's ten hits in the second game, hitting his second home run of the season to give Eastern a 2-0 lead in the first. Leading 5-0, Eastern sent 16 batters to the plate in the third, scoring ten runs on four hits, eight walks and two errors.

Funaro drove in four runs in the second game while Mike Guillet plated three, Gregg Martello and Mike Moon two each. Caruso joined Funaro with two hits.

John Gieras (4-2) and Scott Spaulding limited Plymouth (12-20) to five hits. Gieras allowed only a second-inning single through five innings. He struck out two and walked one.

Tony Pasquarosa had three of Plymouth's nine hits on the day.

The Warriors host Montclair State College Saturday at 7 p.m.

First Game

Eastern Conn. 4, Plymouth State 0

Plymouth State (12-19)	000	000	0	--	0	4	3
Eastern Conn. (19-11)	010	030	x	--	4	3	1

Tobey Gonnerman (3-1) and Kevin McCullough. Kevin Gieras (4-0) and Mike Moon. 2B-Joe Funaro (EC); HR-Dave Caruso (2) (EC).

Second Game

Eastern Conn. 16, Plymouth State 1

Plymouth State (12-20)	00	0	000	1	--	1	5	2
Eastern Conn. (20-11)	50	(10)	010	x	--	16	10	1

Mike Kilfoyle (2-3), Troy Chadbourne (3), Kevin Renaud (3) and Kevin McCullough. John Gieras (4-2), Scott Spaulding (6) and Mike Moon, Vin Paquette (4). 2B-Moon (EC); HR-Joe Funaro (2) (EC).

ECSU'S SEGALLA FANS 12 IN FIRST COLLEGIATE START'
Junior lefty wins first in Warriors' 7-3 victory at Western NE

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. -- Junior lefty Chris Segalla fanned 12 batters in his first collegiate start as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team defeated Western New England College 7-3 Tuesday in its final regular-season road game.

The win was the 28th straight and 31st in 32 outings for Eastern (18-11) over Western New England (6-19) since 1973.

Segalla (1-0), making his first career start after nine relief outings, got 12 of his 19 outs via the strikeout. He allowed five hits and three runs (two earned) while walking five. Junior Marc Angarano struck out four after replacing Segalla with one out and a runner on third in the seventh. He did not allow a hit while walking two.

Junior second baseman J.R. Chiappone had three hits and drove in two runs for Eastern in his first start since April 14. Chiappone gave ECSU a 2-0 lead with a double in the second. Aaron Kestenbaum had two hits and two stolen bases.

Eastern hosts Plymouth State College today in a 2 p.m. doubleheader. The Warriors close out the regular season with seven straight home games.

Eastern Conn. 7, Western New England 3

Eastern Conn. (18-11)	020	050	000	--	7	7	2
Western NE (6-19)	000	101	100	--	3	5	5

Chris Segalla (1-0), Marc Angarano (7) and Kevin Spagone. Ryan Flood (0-3), Matt Trottier (4), Bob Bergdoll (5), Chris Miller (6), Aaron Kady (7) and Jamie Coletti. 2B-J.R. Chiappone (EC), Todd McDonald (W); 3B-Kevin Larson (W).

College Baseball
at Willimantic, Conn.
First Game

William Paterson 5, Eastern Conn. 4

William Paterson (16-12)	011	010	020	--	5	11	7
Eastern Conn. (17-10)	000	003	010	--	4	7	0

Bob Slomkowski (4-2), John Sangis (9) and Manny Perez. Dave Chiasson, Marc Angarano (6), Chris Segalla (8), Scott Spaulding (8) and Mike Moon, Kevin Spagone (9). LP-Angarano (2-1); Save-Sangis (5); 2B-T.J. Fay (WP), Aaron Kestenbaum, Steve Hine (EC). HR-Ed Mitchell (4) (WP).

Second Game

William Paterson 6, Eastern Conn. 3

William Paterson (17-12)	020	013	0	--	6	7	2
Eastern Conn. (17-11)	010	200	0	--	3	12	5

Matt Ramagli (3-2), John Sangis (6) and Manny Perez. Sean Robertson (0-1), Heath Mercier (6), Kirk Laakso (6), Scott Spaulding (7) and Kevin Spagone. Save-Sangis (6). 2B-Jeff Gensheimer, Bill Bellenger (WP), Scott Coletti, Spagone (EC); HR-Scott Coletti (7) (EC).

College Softball
at Willimantic, Conn.
First Game

Trenton State 7, Eastern Conn. 5

Trenton State (38-3)	001	100	5	--	7	9	2
Eastern Conn. (23-10)	200	000	3	--	5	8	5

Becky Koenig, Karen Stefanowicz (6) and Chris Owens. Michelle Silva (13-4) and Donna Mello. WP-Stefanowicz (5-0). 2B-Lori Franchina, Sarah Marchetti (EC).

Second Game

Trenton State 7, Eastern Conn. 3

Trenton State (39-3)	204	100	0	--	7	9	1
Eastern Conn. (23-11)	001	002	0	--	3	9	1

Erine Grove (19-1) and Sunny Montas. Rhonda Dray (10-7), Michelle Silva (3) and Donna Mello, Sarah Marchetti (5). 2B-Barb (T) Lubieski, Denise Marchese (EC); 3B-JoAnn Heckethorn (T); HR-Michelle Carlson (17) (T).

ECSU TRACK TAKES EIGHT FIRSTS AT WPI INVITATIONAL
Barrett takes three firsts as men place second

WORCESTER, Mass. -- Jimmy Barrett won at 100 and 200 meters and was a member of the winning 4x100 relay team as the Eastern Connecticut State University men's track team placed second at the WPI Invitational Saturday.

In women's competition, Sheri Sensenig (400) and Victoria Lyon (discus) captured firsts as the Warriors placed third.

Joining Barrett on a relay team which qualified for the New England Open championships in a time of 44.08 were James Macione, Clayton Kempain and Joshua Guptel. Kempain, last year's New England outdoor and indoor champion, won that event with a leap of 21-4.5 while Macione also won the 400 (51.96) and Todd Lohrman won at 1,500 meters in a time of 4:10.34.

Sensenig posted a time of 1:04.7 at 400 meters while Lyon measured a 104-8 in the discus.

ECSU BASEBALL SWEEP BY WILLIAM PATERSON COLLEGE 5-4, 6-3
Pioneers snap Warriors' five-game winning streak

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- The William Paterson College baseball team survived seven errors and snapped a tie with two runs in the eighth inning to post a 5-4 win en route to a sweep of Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday.

In the second game, the Pioneers snapped a 3-3 tie with three runs in the sixth inning of a seven-inning game and went on to a 6-3 victory.

The first-game loss snapped a five-game winning streak for Eastern (17-11) while William Paterson improved to 17-12 with the two victories.

In the first game, a wild pitch in the eighth inning scored the tie-breaking run and the visitors added another on Paul Bumbaco's sacrifice fly to take a 5-3 lead. ECSU got one back in the bottom of the eighth but left the tying run stranded on second in the ninth.

All four of ECSU's runs were unearned, thanks to seven Pioneer errors.

The Warriors took a 3-2 lead with two runs in the fourth inning of the second game but William Paterson tied the game on Jeff Gensheimer's RBI double in the fifth and the Pioneers won the game with three in the sixth off three ECSU pitchers. John D'Addett's sacrifice fly scored Bumbaco from third with the go-ahead run.

John Sangis gained the save in each game for Paterson, giving him six on the season.

Eastern travels to Western New England Tuesday at 4 p.m.

ECSU BASEBALL SWEEPS RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE
Warriors winners of eight of last nine

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Mike Moon drove in Mike Guillet from second with a single to right with no one out in the eighth inning to give the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team a 7-6 win over Rhode Island College and a sweep of Thursday's doubleheader.

In the first game, Kevin Gieras won his third game in as many decisions, scattering five hits in a ECSU's 5-1 win.

In the opener, Guillet doubled off the left field fence on the first pitch of the eighth and Moon ended the game when he singled on an 0-2 pitch.

Mike Kopczuk had three hits and three RBI for Eastern (17-9), Scott Coletti (double and triple) adding three hits and an RBI and Moon two hits and two RBI. ECSU, which had 14 hits in the second game, has won eight of its last nine. Guillet extended his hitting streak to nine.

Heath Mercier won his first career decision in his third appearance. Mercier left the go-ahead run in scoring position when RIC tied the game 6-6 in the seventh and worked a 1-2-3 eighth.

In the first game, Dave Caruso had two hits and four players contributed an RBI. Gieras had a shutout bid snapped when RIC (7-15) scored in the seventh.

Thursday's Results
at Willimantic, CT

First Game

Eastern Conn. 5, Rhode Island College 1

Rhode Island College (7-14)	000	000	1	--	1	5	3
Eastern Conn. (16-9)	210	002	x	--	5	7	0

Steve Price (1-4), Clint Little (6) and Jerry Coro. Kevin Gieras (3-0) and Mike Moon. 2B-David Hanson, Eric Edge (R), Dave O'Connor, Dave Caruso (EC).

Second Game

Eastern Conn. 7, Rhode Island College 6, 8 inn.

Rhode Island College (7-15)	200	300	10	--	6	9	0
Eastern Conn. (17-9)	030	021	01	--	7	14	1

Eric Edge, Clint Little (5) and Terrence Chartier. Scott Chesmer, Scott Spaulding (4), Chris Segalla (7), Heath Mercier (7) and Mike Moon. WP-Mercier (1-0). LP-Little (1-1). 2B-Aaron Kestenbaum, Mike Kopczuk, Scott Coletti, Mike Guillet, Mike Moon (EC); 3B-Coletti (EC).

Nope out when winning run scored

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little east conference

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Eastern hosts Rhode Island College today at 5 p.m. in a makeup doubleheader.

Wednesday's Result
at Hartford, Conn.

Eastern Conn. 16, Trinity College 6

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ECSU DEFEATS WENTWORTH INSTITUTE 8-4 IN COLLEGE BASEBALL

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Mike Kopczuk and Steve Hine combined to drive in five runs as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team defeated Wentworth Institute of Technology 8-4 Tuesday.

The win is the fifth in the last six outings for Eastern (14-9), ranked sixth in New England. The Leopards are 13-14.

Trailing 1-0, Eastern scored twice in the bottom of the first after there were two out and no one on base. Kopczuk drove in both runs with a single to center and was credited with a third RBI in a two-run fourth when he was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded. Kopczuk also walked twice and scored a run.

Hine had two hits, including a double, and drove in two runs while Dave Caruso and Mike Guillet had had two hits. Guillet hit safely in his sixth straight game, collecting 11 hits in 21 at-bats over that span.

Scott Spaulding (2-2), the second of three ECSU pitchers, pitched two-and-one-third innings to gain the win.

Eastern travels to face Trinity College today at 3 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 8, Wentworth Institute 4

Wentworth (13-14)	100	030	000	--	4	8	3
Eastern Conn. (14-9)	211	220	00x	--	8	11	2

Scott LaFlamme (4-2), Bill Fleming (4), Chris Fontaine (5) and Eric Menconi, Rob North (8). Trevor Brown, Scott Spaulding (5), Chris Segalla (8) and Kevin Spagone, Colin McKeon (8). 2B-Ken Bliss (W), Steve Hine (EC).

KOPCZUK HOME RUN POWERS ECSU BASEBALL PAST ST. JOSEPH'S 7-5 IN TEN INNINGS

STANDISH, Maine -- Mike Kopczuk hit his first home run since the opening weekend of the season and Marc Angarano pitched three hitless innings in relief to power the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team to a 7-5 ^{ten inning} win over Saint Joseph's College Saturday.

~~#####~~ Kopczuk's second home run of the season -- first since March 13 -- snapped a 5-5 tie with two outs in the top of the tenth. The drive also plated Rob Hausmann with his fourth run of the game. Hausmann had walked to open the inning, stole second and moved to third with two out on a passed ball. It was ~~Kopczuk's first hit of~~ ^{the first hit of} the game for Kopczuk, the team leader with a .386 batting average.

Angarano (2-0), the third of three ECSU pitchers, didn't allow a hit over the final three innings. Angarano fanned two and walked three and ~~left~~ ^{stranded} the winning run on third base in the bottom of the ninth.

Trailing 5-4 in the eighth, Eastern tied the game. With two out and no one on base, Hausmann reached on an infield single and came all the way around to score on Aaron Kestenbaum's opposite-field RBI double down the left field line. The hit and RBI ~~was~~ ^{were} the fourth of the game for Kestenbaum, who had two doubles and his fifth home run of the season.

~~#####~~ Steve Wojtusik followed Kestenbaum with three hits, with Hausmann and Steve Hine adding two each. Hine's RBI triple to center had tied the game 4-4 in the sixth.

Eastern (12-8), a winner of three straight, travels to face the University of Southern Maine in a 1 p.m. doubleheader Sunday. ECSU defeated USM, New England's top-ranked team, to win the 1993 NCAA Division III New England Regional tournament.

Eastern Conn. 7, Saint Joseph's College 5, 10 inn.

Eastern Conn. (12-8)	100	021	010	2	-	7	13	0
Saint Joseph's (9-9)	010	210	100	0	-	5	11	1

Kevin Gieras, Scott Chesmer (5), Marc Angarano (8) and Kevin Spagone. Sam ~~Doyle~~ Doyle, Marc Therrien (6), Bob Quintal (7), Keith Cloutier (8), Frank Boutin (10) and Steve Simmons. WP-Angarano (2-0). LP-Boutin (0-1). 2B-Aaron Kestenbaum (E), John Kearney, Quintal, Peter McNally (S); 3B-Steve Hine (E); HR-Kestenbaum (5), Mike Kopczuk (2) (E), McNally (3) (S).

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ECSU'S CHIASSON THROWS PROGRAM'S SEVENTH NO-HITTER
Senior stops New England's top ranked team 3-0

GORHAM, Maine - Senior right-hander Dave Chiasson of Eastern Connecticut State University threw the seventh no hitter in the program's history, blanking the University of Southern Maine 3 - 0 to give the Warriors a split of Sunday's doubleheader.

In the first game, Southern Maine built a 12 - 1 lead after five innings and hung on for a 12-8 win in a game which featured ECSU senior Dave Caruso hitting for the cycle and driving in five runs after ~~com~~ coming off the bench.

Chiasson (2 - 1) needed 78 pitches and an hour and 38 minutes to record ^{the seven-inning} ~~his first collegiate~~ no-hitter and the program's first since Steve Boskus no-hit Saint Joseph's , ME April 8, 1990 at Standish ME.. Chiasson, who snapped a 14-game Southern Maine (17-4) winning streak, allowed six baserunners. He walked three and hit a batter, with two bat batters reaching on error. He struck out two.

Southern Maine, the top-ranked team in New England Division III, lost for the first time after ¹³ ~~12~~ northern ^{WINS.} ~~games.~~

Eastern (13-9) scored twice in the fourth inning after there were two out and no one on base. Scott Coletti was hit by a pitch and Caruso walked before Mike Kopczuk doubled to dead center field to plate both runners. Coletti walked with the bases loaded in the fifth to make it 3 0.

The Huskies, who entered the day with a .374 team batting average, had runners as far as second base three times.

In the first game, the Huskies collected 14 hits and got a first-inning grand slam from Pete Misiaszek. Eastern had 11 hits but committed six errors and had two runners called out for missing bases on extra-base hits.

Trailing 12-1, Eastern got one back in the sixth on Mike Guillet's RBI single and added five in the seventh on four hits. In the eighth, the Warriors pushed one run across to cut the gap to 12-8 but left a runner on third and two runners on in the ninth.

Caruso ~~recorded the third~~ became the ~~1st~~ third ECSU player to hit for the cycle, first since John McNally in 1987. Caruso, inserted into the lineup when Kopczuk was ejected in the bottom of the second, had an RBI single in the third, doubled and scored in the sixth, hit a three-run ~~hit~~ home run in the seventh and added an RBI triple in the eighth. He also doubled in the second inning of the second game and walked ~~in the~~ and scored in the fourth before popping foul to third with the bases loaded in the ~~5th~~ fifth.

Rob Hausman and Guillet each had two hits in the second game with Hausmann also walking and scoring twice.

Tom Balzano and Chris Ackerman ^{each} had four hits ^{and three RBI,} ~~with~~

~~Ackerman driving~~

First Game

Southern Maine 12, Eastern Conn. 8

Eastern Conn. (12-9)	001	011	510	- 8	11	6
Southern Maine (17-3)	503	013	00x	- 12	14	1

Bob Aronson (3-3), Sean Robertson (4), Scott Chesmer (5), Chris Segalla (7), Heath Mercier (8) and Mike Moon, Kyle Kennison (4-1), Shane Lewis (7), Tim Sullivan (7), Steve Giroux (8) and Pete Misiaszek. 2B-Dave Caruso (EC), 3B-Dave O'Connor, Rob Hausmann, Caruso (EC), Chris Ackerman 2, Tom Balzano (SM); HR-Caruso (1) (EC), ~~Pete~~ Misiaszek (2), Balzano (2) (SM).

Second Game
Eastern Conn. 3, Southern Maine 0

Eastern Conn. (13-9)	000	210	0	-	3	6	2
Southern Maine (17-4)	000	000	0	-	0	0	1

Dave Chiasson (2-1) and Kevin Spagone. Marty Devlin (3-2),
Chris Gadway (5) and Tom Balzano. 2B-Dave Caruso, Mike Kopczuk (EC).

ECSU SOFTBALL DEFEATS MAINE FARMINGTON IN EIGHT INNINGS
Warriors win two of three at St. Joseph's Invitational

STANDISH, Maine -- Danielle Barck scored from third base
on Sarah Marchetti's suicide squeeze in the eighth inning
and the Eastern Connecticut State University fastpitch softball
team defeated the University of Maine-Farmington 4-1 at
the Saint Joseph's College Invitational Sunday.

(Eastern (20-8) finished^e with two wins in three games in the two-
day round-robin tournament. Host Saint Joseph's won the tournament
with a 3-0 record. Farmington finished 1-2 and the University
of New England 0-3. In other games Sunday, Saint Joseph's defeated
New England 9 -1.

Eastern snapped a 1-1 tie with three runs in the eighth. ~~Bae~~
Barck singl^ed t^o open the inning and ~~✓~~ was sacrificed to second
by Collene Gregory. Denise Marchese ~~re~~ reached safely on a
fielder's choice, moving Barck to third and Marchetti's sacrificed
Barck ~~to~~ home. Carrie Loring added two more with a two-run single
to make it 4-1.

Michelle Silva (12-2) gained the win by allowing only one hit
in four innings in relief of starter Rhonda Dray. Silva fanned
two and did not walk a batter.

Donna Mello and Kim A. Wilson each had two hits for Eastern.

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Wednesday, April 20, 1994

ECSU BASEBALL STOPS WESTERN CONNECTICUT WINNING STREAK Warriors score five unearned runs in first in 8-5 win

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- The Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team scored five runs after there were two out in the first inning in handing Western Connecticut State University its first northern loss 8-5 Wednesday.

The win is the 33rd in 34 meetings with Western for Eastern (11-8), ranked sixth in New England. The loss is the first in ten northern games and snaps a nine-game winning and 11-game unbeaten (10-0-1) streak for Western (14-2-1).

The game featured nine errors (five by Eastern) and nine unearned runs.

An error on leadoff hitter Steve Hine helped pave the way for five unearned ECSU runs in the first. Steve Wojtusik drove in two runs with a single, Mike Guillet one with a single, and Dave Caruso one with a bases-loaded walk in the first. Another scored on a double steal.

The Warriors, who managed just five hits, led 8-2 before Western scored once in the fifth and pushed across two and had the bases loaded in the eighth.

Scott Spaulding worked out of the a bases-loaded jam in the eighth and went on to record his first career save. Spaulding fanned four while walking one and allowing a hit in two innings.

Guillet had two hits for Eastern while Caruso had two RBI and Aaron Kestenbaum his fourth home run of the season.

Nando Porzio and David Fish each had two of Western's six hits. Porzio had given the Colonials a 1-0 lead with a two-out solo home run -- his fifth of the season -- in the first. Porzio drove in two runs, walked and was hit by a pitch.

Eastern travels to face St. Josesph's College Saturday at 2 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 8, Western Conn. 5

Western Conn. (14-2-1)	100	010	120	--	5	6	4
Eastern Conn. (11-8)	501	020	00x	--	8	5	5

Tom Borio (4-2), Sean Elumba (2), Daron Balducci (8) and Nando Porzio. John Gieras (2-2), Sean Robertson (7), Scott Spaulding (8) and Kevin Spagone. Save-Spaulding (1). HR-Porzio (5) (W), Aaron Kestenbaum (4) (E).

BROWN WINS FIRST COLLEGIATE START FOR ECSU BASEBALL
Warriors collect 15 hits in 12-2 win at Nichols

DUDLEY, Mass. -- Freshman right-hander Trevor Brown of Clinton scattered four hits over seven innings in his first collegiate start as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team defeated Nichols College 12-2 Tuesday.

Eastern (10-8) collected 15 hits to back Brown (1-0), making his second appearance. Brown, the first of three ECSU pitchers, fanned two, walked two and hit a batter. He allowed two runs, one of which was earned.

Sophomore Mike Kopczuk and seniors Mike Guillet and Scott Coletti each had three hits for Eastern while seniors Rob Hausmann and Aaron Kestenbaum had two each. Kestenbaum unloaded his third home run of the season in the fifth -- a two-run blast which gave ECSU a 6-0 lead. Kestenbaum and Guillet each drove in three runs while Hausmann and Guillet scored two each.

Six of Eastern's hits were doubles. The Warriors defeated the Bison for the 22nd time in 23 meetings.

Chris ^ePeck had three of Nichols' five hits.

Eastern, ranked sixth in New England, hosts Western Connecticut Stat University Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Tuesday's Result
at Dudley, MA

Eastern Conn. 12, Nichols College 2

Eastern Conn. (10-8)	120	122	004	--	12	15	2
Nichols (7-9)	000	002	000	--	2	5	5

Trevor Brown (1-0), Scott Chesmer (8), Heath Mercier (9) and Mike Moon. Mike Filipkowski (3-2), Eric Hulland (7) and Scott Klapik. 2B-Steve Hine, Rob Hausmann, Scott Coletti, Mike Kopczuk, Dave Caruso, Mike Guillet (EC), Chris Peck (N); HR-Aaron Kestenbaum (3) (EC).

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UMASS DARTMOUTH BASEBALL SHUTS OUT ECSU ~~4-0~~ 1-0 IN KEY NEW ENGLAND GAME

NORTH DARTMOUTH, MA -- Pat Gallagher's first home run of the season was the difference as the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth shut out Eastern Connecticut State University 1-0 Monday in a battle of top New England Division III baseball teams.

Gallagher's blast -- coming with one out in the fourth -- made a winner of senior righty Fred Conley (3-1). Conley and ECSU's Dave Chiasson (1-1) ~~each~~ each allowed four hits in going the distance. Conley fanned six and walked two, one intentionally. Chiasson fanned two and walked two.

UMass, ranked in a tie for second in New England, improves to 9-3 while Eastern, ranked sixth, drops to 9-8 with its fourth loss in the last five decisions.

Eastern's biggest threat came in the eighth when the Warriors loaded the bases with two outs on a single by Kevin Spagone, a walk to Steve Hine and an intentional walk to Aaron Kestenbaum. Conley retired cleanup hitter Scott Coletti on a foul fly to catcher Jeff Copetta.

The Warriors' first threat came in the sixth when Hine led off with a double ~~and~~ and moved to third on Steve Wojtusik's ~~###~~ ground ball to ~~###~~ the right side. Conley struck out Kestenbaum and Coletti swinging to get out of the jam, *however,*

Chiasson, a senior righty, retired the first seven batters of the game before walking Ed Morais (two hits) with one out in the third.

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With one out in the fourth, Gallagher drove a 1-2 offering over the fence in left-center.

Eastern travels to Nichols College today at 3:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, April 12, 1994

RUN IN 11TH POWERS WESLEYAN OVER ECSU IN COLLEGE BASEBALL

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Number nine hitter Doug Stead's fourth hit of the game drove in John Churchill from second with two outs in the 11th inning as the Wesleyan University baseball team edged Eastern Connecticut State University 7-6 Tuesday.

The win was the first for Wesleyan (15-4) in Willimantic after five losses. The Cardinals are ranked 19th nationally, second in New England. Eastern (8-6) is ranked 25th nationally, fifth in New England.

ECSU senior Scott Coletti's fifth home run of the year had tied the game in the ninth. Churchill led off the 11th with an opposite-field single to left, moved to second on a sacrifice bunt and scored on Stead's opposite-field single to right.

Wesleyan, which stranded 17 runners, wiped out a 3-0 deficit with two runs in the fourth and two in the seventh to take a 4-3 lead. Three times thereafter Wesleyan took one-run leads before Eastern came up with the tying run.

The Cardinals, who banged out 16 hits off five ECSU pitchers, got two hits from Josh Pepe, Jed Hoyer, Mark Woodworth and Derek Butts, with Stead and Will Brandenburger each driving in two runs.

Aaron Kestenbaum's two-run home run highlighted a three-run first inning for Eastern. Steve Wojtusik and Kestenbaum each had two hits for the Warriors, who had only one hit after the first until tying the game 4-4 with an unearned run in the seventh.

Eastern travels to face UMass Dartmouth Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. The Corsairs are ranked first in New England.

at Willimantic, Conn.

Wesleyan University 7, Eastern Conn. 6, 11 innings

Wesleyan (15-4)	000	200	211	01	--	7	16	2
Eastern Conn. (8-6)	300	000	111	00	--	6	9	2

Craig Brewer, Jed Hoyer (8), Scott Hevesy (8) and Derek Butts. Kevin Gieras, Sean Robertson (5), Scott Spaulding (7), Marc Angarano (9), John Gieras (9) and Mike Moon, Kevin Spagone (8). WP-Hevesy (3-1). LP-J. Gieras (1-2). 2B-Josh Pepe, Will Brandenburger (W), Steve Hine (EC); 3B-Derek Butts (W); HR-Aaron Kestenbaum (2), Scott Coletti (5) (EC).

ECSU BASEBALL SNAPS THREE-GAME LOSING STREAK

Hine's home run rallies Warriors to 7-6 triumph over Amherst

AMHERST, Mass. -- Steve Hine keyed a five-run rally with a three-run home run and reliever Marc Angarano worked out of bases loaded jams in the last two innings in Eastern Connecticut State University's 7-6 baseball win over Amherst College Sunday.

The win for Eastern (9-7), ranked fifth in New England, snaps a three-game losing streak. Amherst (9-5) is ranked eighth in New England.

With Eastern trailing 6-2, Hine hit a three-run home run in the sixth and Scott Coletti tied the game 6-6 with his team-leading sixth home run of the year on the first pitch of the seventh.

The Warriors scored the go-ahead run in the eighth when a pair of errors on a pickoff attempt at second allowed Kevin Spagone to score. Spagone had opened the inning with his second double of the game. Centerfielder Adam Slocum relieved Ian Downes (1-1) at that point but threw the ball into centerfield while trying to pick off Spagone. Centerfield replacement Dan Jin then threw the ball into the Amherst dugout on a throw to third which allowed Spagone to score.

Angarano, Eastern's third pitcher, left the bases loaded in the eighth by getting a fly ball to left and left the bases loaded in the ninth with a strikeout and infield ground ball.

Eastern committed three of its four errors when Amherst scored five times in the second. Bob Aronson (3-2) worked into the seventh inning, allowing eight hits while fanning five and walking four.

The Warriors collected 15 hits, three by Hine and two by Coletti, Steve Wojtusik, Dave Caruso and Spagone.

Eastern travels to face Massachusetts Dartmouth today at 3:30 p.m. in a makeup of a game originally scheduled for April 10. UMass is ranked first in New England, 11th nationally.

Thursday, April 14, 1994
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ECSU BASEBALL BEATEN BY BROWN 6-3 FOR THIRD STRAIGHT LOSS
Freshman pitches complete game in first collegiate start

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Freshman Glenn Miller won a complete-game decision in his first collegiate start to lift Brown University to a 6-3 win over Eastern Connecticut State University in baseball Thursday.

The win snaps a five-game losing streak for the Bruins (3-18) while the loss is the third straight for Eastern (8-7).

Miller (1-0) allowed ten hits while hitting two but did not walk a batter and was aided by a pair of double plays.

Brown snapped a 1-1 tie with three runs in the second, the first run coming in on Mark Arrigan's single and two more scoring on a throwing error by ECSU starter Kirk Laakso (0-1) on a sacrifice bunt.

Rob Hausmann had three hits for Eastern, with ^{Steve Hine,} Mike Kopczuk and Mike Guillet adding two each. ~~Steve~~ Hine hit his third home run of the year on Miller's third offering of the game to tie the game 1-1.

Matt DeFusco and Arrigan had two hits each for Brown while Arrigan scored twice in addition to his RBI single. The Bruins stole four bases.

Laakso fanned seven while walking four in four innings in his first career start.

The win was Brown's first after five straight losses at the hands of Eastern.

Eastern hosts Rhode Island College Saturday in a 1 p.m. doubleheader.

College Baseball
Thursday's Result
at Willimantic, Conn.

Brown U. 6, Eastern Conn. 3

Brown (3-18)	130	110	000	--	6	8	3
Eastern Conn. (8-7)	100	002	000	--	3	10	3

Glenn Miller (1-0) and Rich Shearer. Kirk Laakso (0-1), Scott Spaulding (5), Dave Chiasson (7), Marc Angarano (9) and Kevin Spagone. 2B-Dave Murphy (B), Rob Hausmann, Mike Kopczuk (EC); HR-Steve Hine (3) (EC).

ECSU BASEBALL SHUT OUT BY BRANDEIS 2-0

WALTHAM, Mass. -- Brandeis University's John Jeniski became the first New England Division III pitcher to shut out the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team in 17 years Saturday 2-0.

The loss is the first for Eastern (8-5) after three northern victories while the Judges improve to 12-6 overall, 6-4 up north with their fourth straight victory. Eastern is ranked third in New England, Brandeis eighth.

Jeniski (3-2), a senior righty, gave Brandeis its fourth straight regular-season win over Eastern by scattering five singles while fanning five and walking two. Jeniski allowed just five balls out of the infield -- three hits and two fly ball outs.

Brandeis broke open a scoreless duel in the seventh inning when cleanup hitter Tim Graham hit a two-run home run off complete-game loser Bob Aronson (2-2).

Aronson allowed just five hits while striking out three and walking two in his longest career stint. Aronson gave up a one-out single in the first but did not allow another hit until Jason Moreau led off the seventh with a single. Graham followed with his third home run of the season -- an opposite-field blast on a 1-0 delivery.

Jeniski helped himself by picking off three runners -- two at second base in the seventh inning. The Judges also turned a double play.

Mike Kopczuk had two hits for Eastern but was picked off twice. Only one runner reached third base for the Warriors.

Until yesterday, Eastern had not been shut out by a New England Division III opponent since a 1-0 loss at Rhode Island College April 19, 1977.

Eastern travels to face Massachusetts Dartmouth today at 1 p.m. UMass is ranked first in New England.

Saturday's Result at Waltham, MA

Brandeis University 2, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (8-5)	000	000	000	--	0	5	2
Brandeis (12-6)	000	000	20x	--	2	5	2

Bob Aronson (2-2) and Mike Moon. John Jeniski (3-2) and Chris Hall. HR-Tim Graham (3) (B).

Thursday, April 7, 1994
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ECSU BASEBALL IMPROVES TO 3-0 UP NORTH
Warriors blast fourth-ranked Bridgewater State 10-4

Scott Coletti drove in four runs with a double and his fourth home run of the season to pace the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team to a 10-4 win over Bridgewater State College in a battle of two of New England's top four teams Thursday.

The win is the third in as many northern home games for Eastern (8-4), ranked *third* in New England. Bridgewater, ranked *fourth* in New England, falls to 10-3.

Coletti's two-run home run in the third helped ECSU to a 5-0 lead before the Bears got three back in the fifth. In the sixth, Bridgewater added another run and had two runners aboard but couldn't tie the game.

Sean Robertson earned his first save in relief of winning pitcher Dave Chiasson (1-0). Robertson got the final out of the sixth and allowed only a leadoff single in the seventh over the final three-and-one-third innings.

Coletti put the Warriors up 7-4 with a two-run double in the sixth and Mike Kopczuk followed with a two-run double to make it 9-4.

Three of Eastern's first five runs were unearned when Bridgewater committed three errors. The Warriors allowed two home runs but equalled a program record by turning four double plays.

Steve Hine had three hits *and two RBI* to pace an 11-hit ECSU attack while Coletti and Aaron Kestenbaum each scored twice.

The Warriors, who have outscored three northern opponents 45-8, travel to face eighth-ranked Brandeis Saturday and top-ranked UMass Dartmouth Sunday.

at Willimantic, Conn.
Eastern Conn. 10, Bridgewater State 4

Bridgewater State (10-3)	000	031	000	--	4	8	3
Eastern Conn. (8-4)	122	004	10x	--	10	11	4

Todd Preble (2-1), Jason Newhall (5), Mark Mischley (7) and Mike Troup. Kevin Gieras, Dave Chiasson (3), Sean Robertson (6) and Mike Moon. WP-Chiasson (1-0). 2B-Troup (B), Steve Hine, Scott Coletti, Mike Kopczuk (E); HR-Jim Martorano (1), Kevin O'Leary (1) (B), Coletti (4) (E).

ECSU BASEBALL SHUTS OUT WESTFIELD STATE 20-0
Steve Hine ties record by scoring six runs

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Joe Funaro, Scott Coletti and Mike Kopczuk each had three hits to highlight a 17-hit attack and Steve Hine tied a program record by scoring six runs in Eastern Connecticut State University's 20-0 baseball win over Westfield State College Tuesday.

Funaro drove in four runs and scored twice and J.R. Chiappone had two hits, scored two runs and drove in two for Eastern (7-4), ranked third in New England and 11th nationally. Coletti drove in three runs, Kopczuk, Hine, Aaron Kestenbaum and Eric Anthony two each.

Hine, batting leadoff, became the third ECSU player to score six runs in a game -- first since 1991. Hine had one hit, walked twice and reached three times on errors.

Westfield (7-3), which received votes in the most record New England poll, collected three of its four hits in the final inning.

John Gieras (1-1) allowed one opposite-field single in winning his first northern start. Gieras pitched the first six innings, fanning seven and walking three. Relievers Scott Spaulding and Marc Angarano combined on the shutout.

Eastern hosts Bridgewater State (10-2) Wednesday at 4 p.m. Bridgewater, ranked fourth in New England, defeated No.-1 ranked Massachusetts Dartmouth 8-3 Tuesday.

College Baseball
Tuesday's Result
at Willimantic, Conn.

Eastern Conn. 20, Westfield State 0

Westfield State (7-3)	000	000	000	--	0	4	5
Eastern Conn. (7-4)	053	620	31x	--	20	17	0

Randy Manseau (2-1), Frank Cavagnaro (3), Kevin Connolly (4), Phil Langone (8) and Jeff McEnaney, Cory Dion (6). John Gieras (1-1), Scott Spaulding (7), Marc Angarano (9) and Mike Moon, Kevin Spagone (6). 2B-Joe Funaro, Scott Coletti, Mike Kopczuk, Rob Hausmann (EC)

College Baseball
Thursday's Result
at Willimantic, Conn.

Eastern Conn. 15, Framingham State 4

Framingham State (2-6-1)	003	000	100	--	4	6	6
Eastern Conn. State (6-4)	153	004	20x	--	15	18	2

Dan Curtin (0-1), Jody Sammarco (2), Mike Curran (7) and Paul Pellegrini. Bob Aronson (2-1), Kevin Gieras (7), Marc Angarano (9) and Michael Moon, Kevin Spagone (8). 2B-Chris Gray, Eric Roepsch (F); HR-Steve Hine (2), Joe Funaro (1), Scott Coletti (3) (E).

ECSU BASEBALL DEFEATS FRAMINGHAM STATE 15-4

WILLIMANIC, Conn. -- Steve Hine and Mike Kopczuk combined for seven hits, five runs and five RBI to power the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team to a 15-4 win over Framingham State College Thursday in its 1994 northern-opener.

Ranked 11th nationally, Eastern (6-4) won its ~~northern~~^{home-} opener for the 11th straight year. Framingham is 2-6-1.

The Warriors collected 18 hits off three Framingham pitchers, with Hine, Joe Funaro and Scott Coletti hitting home runs. Hine was 4-for-5 with three runs and three RBI while Kopczuk was 3-for-4 with two runs, two RBI and two walks. Funaro drove in three runs with a home run in the third while Coletti highlighted a five-run second inning with his team-leading third home run of the year. Mike Guillet also drove in two runs with a single and sacrifice fly.

The Rams committed six errors which paved the way for ~~nine~~¹¹ unearned runs. Chris Gray drove in two runs for Framingham with a two-run double in the third.

Bob Aronson (2-1) pitched the first five innings to win his first career home start. Aronson allowed six hits while ~~fanning one and~~ walking four. Two of the three runs he allowed were unearned.

Eastern hosts Westfield State Tuesday at 4 p.m.

ECSU Sports Information 203-465-5172
Saturday, March 26, 1994

ECSU BASEBALL DROPS DOUBLEHEADER TO UC-SAN DIEGO
Warriors conclude California trip 4-3

CHULA VISTA, Calif. -- The University of California San Diego played flawless defense and limited the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team to 13 hits en route to a 4-3, 4-2 doubleheader sweep Saturday in a battle of nationally-ranked Division III teams.

Eastern (5-4), ranked in a tie for sixth nationally, concludes its California trip with four wins in seven outings. The Tritons, ranked fourth nationally, improve to 15-2.

In the first game, San Diego snapped a 3-3 tie with a run in the sixth inning and the Warriors were held to just two singles over the final three innings.

The Warriors had tied the game 3-3 with two runs in the top of the sixth on an RBI triple by Scott Coletti (2-for-4, two runs) and an infield ground out by Mike Kopczuk.

Ryan Flanagan (4-1) and Kurt Luhrsen combined on an eight-hitter for San Diego. Bob Aronson (1-1) allowed ten hits over six innings for Eastern.

In the second game, five Eastern pitchers allowed eight hits, with San Diego leading throughout. No.-9 hitter Armando Sanchez hit a two-run double in the second inning to give UCSD a 2-0 lead and the Tritons added another in the third when they chased starter Scott Spaulding (1-2).

Mark Hartmann (4-0) and Luhrsen limited ECSU to five singles -- three by leadoff hitter Steve Hine.

Aaron Kestenbaum (.700) led ECSU in hitting on the trip but appeared in only the first three games before pulling a hamstring muscle. Kestenbaum was followed by Dave Caruso (.462) and Joe Funaro (.458).

College Baseball
Saturday's Results
at Chula Vista, Calif.

First Game

Eastern Conn. (5-3)	010	002	000	--	3	8	2
UC-San Diego (14-2)	000	121	00x	--	4	10	0

Bob Aronson (1-1), Sean Robertson (7) and Mike Moon. Ryan Flanagan (4-1), Kurt Luhrsen (9) and Al DelFavero. Save-Luhrsen (3). 2B-Scott Coletti (EC), Ric Ramirez (C); 3B-Coletti (EC).

Second Game

Eastern Conn. (5-4)	000	100	001	--	2	5	0
UC-San Diego (15-2)	021	000	10x	--	4	8	0

Scott Spaulding (1-2), Scott Chesmer (3), Dave Chiasson (6), Kirk Laakso (7), Marc Angarano (8) and Kevin Spagone, Moon (7). Mark Hartmann (4-0), Luhrsen (9) and DelFavero; 2B-Armando Sanchez (C).

ECSU Sports Info 619-222-0561 ext. 193
Thursday, March 24, 1994

College Baseball
Thursday's Result
at Los Angeles

Eastern Conn. 16, Occidental College 0, 6 inn.

Eastern Conn. (5-2)	000	592	--	16	10	0
Occidental (6-13)	000	000	--	0	2	5

Kevin Gieras (2-0) and Kevin Spagone. Chris Zamor (0-1), Will Leung (5), Jason Thielbahr (5) and Jason Bradshaw. 2B-Steve Hine, Mike Kopczuk, Steve Wojtusik, Kevin Spagone (EC); Gerome Najera, Geoff Taylor (O); HR-Scott Coletti (2) (EC).

ECSU SHUTS OUT OCCIDENTAL IN COLLEGE BASEBALL THURSDAY 16-0

LOS ANGELES -- Scott Coletti hit a grand slam to break a scoreless tie in the fourth inning and the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team went on to a 16-0 victory over Occidental College Thursday in a game stopped after six innings due to rain.

Sophomore righty Kevin Gieras (2-0) posted the complete-game shutout in his first career start. Gieras allowed two hits--both doubles -- while fanning five, walking one and hitting a batter.

Coletti's grand slam highlighted a five-run fourth inning. In the fifth, the first 11 batters reached safely -- the first nine scoring -- as the Warriors added nine more runs to put the game away.

Coletti finished with four RBI while Steve Wojtusik drove in three with a double and sacrifice fly and Steve Hine and Kevin Spagone drove in two each. Hine and Rob Hausmann each had two hits to key a ten-hit attack which was aided by seven walks and five Tiger (6-13) errors.

The first five hitters in the order scored twice while No.-6 hitter Dave Caruso scored three times.

Eastern, ranked sixth nationally, faces fourth-ranked UC-San Diego Friday at 5 p.m. ET at La Jolla, CA.

ECSU Sports Information 805-493-3153
Wednesday, March 23, 1994

**College Baseball
Wednesday's Result
at Thousand Oaks, CA**

California Lutheran U. 7, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (4-2)	000	000	000	-	-	0	6	3
California Lutheran (14-3-1)	111	000	31x	-	-	7	7	0

John Gieras (0-1), Chris Segalla (5) and Michael Moon, Colin McKeon (8).
Marc Weiss (5-0) and Mike Shwartz. HR-Chris Fick (9), Ed Campaniello (2) (C).

CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN SHUTS OUT ECSU BASEBALL 7-0

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. -- Junior right-hander Marc Weiss threw his fourth complete game in as many starts and Chris Fick hit his ninth home run of the season in California Lutheran University's 7-0 win over Eastern Connecticut State University Wednesday in a battle of nationally-ranked Division III teams.

The win is the fourth straight for the Kingsmen (14-3-1), ranked eighth nationally. The loss snaps a four-game winning streak for Eastern (4-2), ranked in a tie for sixth nationally. Eastern had beaten Lutheran 1-0 in the second round of last year's NCAA Division III national tournament at Battle Creek, MI.

Cal Lutheran scored single runs in the first three innings off ECSU senior John Gieras (0-1), making his first start of the season and Fick hit a two-run home run to cap a three-run seventh inning for the Kingsmen. Four of Lutheran's runs in the game were unearned, including all three in the seventh.

Weiss (5-0) allowed just six singles while fanning six and walking just one.

Eastern travels to face Occidental College (5:30 p.m. ET) Thursday at Los Angeles.

ECSU Sports Info 909-626-2411 x314
Tuesday, March 22, 1994

College Baseball
Tuesday's Result
at La Verne, CA

Eastern Conn. 6, University of La Verne 4

Eastern Conn. (4-1)	010	000	032	--	6	10	0
La Verne (15-6)	001	000	300	--	4	7	1

Sean Robertson, Scott Chesmer (6), Kirk Laakso (7), Marc Angarano (8) and Michael Moon. Sean Martinez, Donald Bundy (1), Josh Brooks (8) and Eric Larson. WF-Angarano (1-0); LP-Brooks (2-1). 2B-Joe Funaro, J.R. Chiappone (EC); George Jones (L); 3B-Jeff Polinsky (L).

ECSU SCORES FIVE IN FINAL TWO INNINGS TO CATCH LA VERNE 6-4

LA VERNE, Calif. -- Dave Caruso's two-out, two-run pinch single in the eighth inning tied the game and the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team went on to its fourth straight win -- a 6-4 victory over the University of La Verne Tuesday.

Trailing 4-1, the Warriors (4-1) scored three times in the eighth and snapped a tie in the ninth with two runs. The Leopards are 15-6.

Mike Guillet drove in a run with a ground ball to make it 4-2 in the eighth and Caruso singled down the left field line to tie the game.

With two outs in the ninth, Eastern strung together four straight singles by Joe Funaro (3-for-5), Aaron Kestenbaum (four walks), Mike Kopczuk and Scott Coletti (2-for-3, two walks, two runs). The latter two hits drove in the two runs.

Junior Marc Angarano (1-0) gained his first win at Eastern. Angarano allowed one bunt single over the final two innings.

Eastern travels to California Lutheran University (5:30 p.m. ET) Wednesday.

BASEBALL - Monday

at Claremont, CA

Eastern Conn. 17, Claremont-Mudd 3

Eastern Conn. (3-1)	221	420	204	-	17	20	4
Claremont-Mudd (10-11)	001	101	000	-	3	7	3

Dave Chiasson, Scott Spaulding (5), Kevin Gieras (9) and Kevin Spagone, Colin McKeon (9). Brian Zinda (3-3), John Shipp (4), Alan Heuberger (8) and Tyler Laughery, Mike Nutting (8). WP-Spaulding (1-1). 2B-Joe Funaro 2, Dave Caruso 2, Spagone (EC); HR-Scott Coletti (1) (EC).

FUNARO PACES 20-HIT ATTACK IN ECSU's 17-3 BASEBALL WIN
Junior shortstop collects 100th career hit

CLAREMONT, Calif. -- Junior shortstop Joe Funaro paced a 20-hit attack with four hits -- including the 100th of his career-- as the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team crushed Claremont-Mudd College 17-3 Monday.

The win is the third straight (3-1) for Eastern, ranked sixth nationally in Division III. The Stags are 10-11.

Funaro, who also had four hits a year ago in a '7-4 win at Claremont-Mudd, collected No.-100 with a one-out double off the center field fence in the seventh inning -- his final hit of the day. Funaro had two doubles and three RBI.

Senior Aaron Kestenbaum had three hits and four RBI while senior Dave Caruso (two doubles, two RBI), senior Scott Coletti (home run, two RBI), junior Gregg Martello and senior Rob Hausmann (two walks) added two hits each.

Junior Scott Spaulding (1-1) gained his first career victory with four innings of three-hit middle relief. He fanned two without walking a batter and allowed only one unearned run.

Eastern meets the University of La Verne Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. ET in a makeup of a Saturday rainout

ECSU BASEBALL SHUTS OUT PACIFIC UNIVERSITY 13-0
Aronson gains first victory in starting role

CLAREMONT, Calif. -- Sophomore righty Bob Aronson and three relievers combined on a three-hit shutout to lift the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team to a 13-0 victory over Pacific (OR) University Sunday.

The game was the first of seven in seven days for Eastern (2-1), which has been idle since splitting two games in Maryland last weekend. Pacific, an NAIA affiliate, is 3-7.

Aronson (1-0) gained his first win as a starter. The Milford, Conn. native allowed only two singles and one runner as far as third base. Aronson walked two and fanned three. Three successive pitchers limited the Boxers to one single over the final four innings.

The Warriors, ranked sixth nationally, pounded two Pacific left-handers for 16 hits (15 singles), with senior Aaron Kestenbaum collecting three and sophomore Steve Hine, senior Rob Hausmann, junior Joe Funaro and sophomore Mike Kopczuk adding two each. Funaro drove in three runs; Hausmann scored three runs and drove in two and walked twice while Kestenbaum added three runs, two stolen bases and a walk and RBI.

Kopczuk improved his team-leading batting average to .667 (8-of-12).

The first four ECSU batters of the game hit safely, with Hausmann driving in the first run with a triple and Funaro plating Hausmann with a single in a three-run first inning.

Five Pacific errors in the game led to six unearned runs.

The final margin was the largest by shutout since a 14-0 win over Rhode Island College April 21, 1990.

Eastern faces Claremont-Mudd College (10-10) today at 5:30 p.m. ET before facing the University of La Verne Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. ET in a makeup of Sunday's scheduled game washed out by rain.

College Baseball

Sunday's Result
at Salisbury, MD

3/12

Eastern Conn. State U. 14, Salisbury State U. 10

Eastern Conn. (1-1)	114	121	004	--	14	15	2
Salisbury State (3-2)	040	402	000	--	10	11	1

Dave Chiasson, Keith MacDonald (3), John Gieras (4), Kirk Laakso (4), Scott Chesmer (6), Kevin Gieras (8) and Kevin Spagone, Mike Moon (5). Jim Berwick, Keith Zukowski (3), Chris Yagesh (5), Bill DeAtley (6) and Bill Ewe. WP-K. Gieras (1-0). LP-DeAtley (0-1). 2B-Mike Guillet 2, Rob Hausmann (EC), Mike Franklin, Jon Joines (S); HR-Steve Hine (1), Aaron Kestenbaum (1), Mike Kopczuk (1) (EC).

Saturday's Result
at Salisbury, MD

3/13

Salisbury State U. 6, Eastern Conn. State U. 5

Eastern Conn. (0-1)	000	100	022	--	5	9	3
Salisbury State (3-1)	001	100	301	--	6	9	2

One out when winning run scored.

Bob Aronson, Sean Robertson (6), Scott Spaulding (7), Marc Angarano (9) and Michael Moon, Kevin Spagone (7), Colin McKeon (9). Lee Stanley, Pat Fachet (8) and Bill Ewe. WP-Fachet (2-0). LP-Spaulding (0-1). 2B-Joe Funaro, Aaron Kestenbaum (EC); HR-Mike Brogden (SS) (1).

ECSU BASEBALL SPLITS TWO GAMES AT SALISBURY STATE Kopczuk has six hits and five RBI in two games

SALISBURY, Md. -- Aaron Kestenbaum hit a long two-run home run to snap a tie in the top of tenth inning and propel the Eastern Connecticut State University baseball team to a 14-10 victory and a split of a season-opening two-game set against Salisbury State University Sunday.

In the Warriors' season-opener Saturday, a one-out wild pitch in the bottom of the ninth inning lifted the Sea Gulls to a 6-5 victory.

Eastern Conn. 14, Salisbury State 10

Kestenbaum, a first-year senior transfer from Central Connecticut State University, drilled a long two-run home run with one out in the top of the ninth inning to lift the Warriors to their first win of the season. It was the first hit of the game for Kestenbaum, whose two-out, two-run double with two strikes in the ninth inning Saturday had tied the game 5-all.

The Warriors had taken a 10-8 lead into the sixth inning but an infield throwing error with two outs allowed the tying run to score.

Rob Hausmann (two hits, two runs, three RBI) opened the ninth with a single and was sacrificed to second before Kestenbaum unloaded on the first pitch from Salisbury loser Bill DeAtley (0-1). The Warriors added a pair of insurance runs later in the inning on an RBI single by Mike Guillet (three hits, two runs, two walks, two RBI) and a wild pitch.

Kestenbaum and Steve Hine each homered and drove in three runs for Eastern while Mike Kopczuk had four hits, including a home run, three runs, two RBI and two stolen bases. Kopczuk, the leading hitter as a freshman at Ramapo College of New Jersey last spring, had six hits and five RBI on the weekend.

Kevin Gieras (1-0) recorded his first win in his first varsity appearance. Gieras, the last of six ECSU pitchers, allowed one hit while working a scoreless one-and-two-thirds innings.

The game, which lasted nearly four hours, featured ten pitchers who combined to allow 24 runs, 26 hits and 24 walks.

Salisbury State 6, Eastern Conn. 5

The ninth-inning wild pitch spoiled ECSU's season-opener and foiled a comeback which had produced four runs over the final two innings. It was only ECSU's second loss in its season-opener in 18 years.

Trailing 5-1, the Warriors rallied behind Kopczuk's two-run single in the eighth and the double by Kestenbaum in the ninth.

Playing its first game outdoors this year, Eastern was unable to solve Salisbury starter Lee Stanley. With a batting order featuring just three returning starters from a year ago, Eastern managed only base hits by Hausmann and Kopczuk (two hits, three RBI in the game) through the first seven innings.

Pat Fachet (2-0) replaced Stanley to start the eighth, however, and the move appeared to wake up ECSU's bats.

ECSU's Scott Spaulding (0-1) retired four straight batters after replacing Sean Robertson with two outs in the seventh but ran into problems with the game tied 5-5 in the ninth.

Jon Joines opened the Salisbury ninth by grounding a single to center and was sacrificed to second by clean-up hitter Brian Hollamon. After an intentional walk, Angarano, a junior transfer making his ECSU debut, replaced Spaulding. Angarano walked Kevin Powell to push the winning run to third, however, and his 2-2 pitch to Damon Garrison (two hits, two RBI) sailed to the backstop as pinch runner Bill Fennelly scored the tying run.

Bob Aronson, who equalled an ECSU record with seven saves as a freshman last spring, pitched five inning in his first collegiate start. Aronson allowed two runs, only one of which was earned, while fanning seven and walking two.

Aronson allowed an unearned run in the third and left with ECSU trailing 2-1 after giving up a solo home run by Mike Brogden with one out in the fourth.