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Cougars Reach Quarterfinals of GNT Oust Nutley Behind Morrison, Glynn

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

Mon 5/5 4pm

V & JV @Morristown

Frosh home

Tues 5/6 4pm

V&JV @ Chatham

Frosh Home

Weds 5/7 4pm

V & JV vs. M. Knolls

Frosh Away

Fri 5/9 4pm

V & JV vs W. Morris

Frosh Away

Sat 5/10 12:30

GNT Semis

Cougars vs SHP

@ Verona

Doc Goeltz Field, Verona NJ ~ The Columbia Cougars Varsity advanced to the semifinal round of the Greater Newark Tournament by defeating the Nutley Raiders 6-3. Dan Morrison (3-2) notched the victory, shutting down the potent Nutley bats in the complete game.

The Cougars took an early lead in the 1st inning after Sean Glynn doubled home Johnny Rio and Chris Porter. Glynn would later score on an infield error for a 3-0 lead. The Cougars struck



Dan Morrison pumps his fist after striking out a Nutley batter in the 6th

for 2 more in the 2nd inning for a 5-0 lead, capped by Dylan Joyce's RBI single.

Nutley cut the lead

to 5-3, scoring 3 times with 2 outs in the 3rd. However, Morrison would keep them in check the remainder of the game with help of solid defense, turning 2 double plays in the final 3 innings.

The Cougars will now play #1 seeded Seton Hall Prep, with whom they split with in the regular season.

Varsity Letters: The Cougars need to win 2 games this week to earn their 2nd straight state tourney bid... Morrison has not let up more than 2 earned runs in any game this season...

Improving J.V. Cougars trying to reach .500

The JV Cougars went 2-1 last week, improving their record to 6-8 with wins over Mt. Olive and East Side.

Andrew Rigassio pitched 3.2 innings of solid relief to earn the win vs. Mt. Olive. Rigassio also added 2 RBI's in the 5-4 extra inning affair. Armand Spears went

Robert Buchner pitched well and Joel Brown-Christenson had a home run vs. SHP

3-4, including driving in the winning run on a sac fly in the 8th inning. Spears also sparked the Cougars with stellar defense in the win.

The Cougars followed the

win by beating a solid Newark East Side club 14-4 behind sharp pitching of Spears and Brown—Christenson, who kept E. Side off balance all day. Andrew Rigassio, Andrew Vorhees, Robert Buchner and Eli Weiss led the 12 hit attack.

Notes: Joe Meola leads the team with 9 steals in 9 attempts...

Frosh, Walz no-hits E. Side, then stun 12-2 Roxbury

Mike Walz pitched a no hitter versus East Side as the Cougar Frosh dominated them 20-0 at Riverbank Park in Newark.

The Cougars slapped out 25 hits, 2 apiece from Sam Skoller, Justin Block, Dan Brauchli, and Walz.

The Frosh followed up the East Side massacre by stunning

a 12-2 Roxbury team, 4-2 behind a complete game by Henry Ertl. Matt McGriff got a big 2 out, 2 RBI hit in the 2nd inning. Columbia also got superb defense from Nick Walz and Max Nichols. With the victories, the freshman improved to 4-8.

Frosh Notes: Ben Surface has emerged as the ace of the staff,

pitching well in every game this season... Coach Fischetti praised catcher Matt McGriff and outfielder Ben Drucker. The two flip-flopped positions recently and have adjusted well. The same can be said for Aaron Brown, moving from infield to right field... E. Orange has chosen to forfeit their game vs. the frosh. Rumors have it that they feared another blowout after hearing about the East Side game....



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