

Pitcher gets hurt at the plate

DENVER (AP) — Pitcher Masato Yoshii was envious of the hitting prowess of his Montreal Expos teammates. Yoshii won for the second time in 12 starts as the Expos hit a season-high six homers in a 13-5 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Wednesday night, but the right-hander left after five innings after straining his lower back in the third inning while trying to hit one out of the ballpark, too.

"I saw the other home runs and wanted one myself," said Yoshii, who allowed one run and three hits. "I swung too hard and had to come out of the game."

Brad Wilkerson bolstered his campaign for the NL Rookie of the Year award, going 3-for-4 with two homers, a double and three RBIs.

"I want that award," Wilkerson said. "I made that one of my goals in spring training and will do anything I can to win it."

He has 17 homers, two short of the franchise rookie record held by Andre Dawson (1977) and Larry Walker (1990).

"I know it's a prestigious award, one they can't away from you," Wilkerson said. "I also knew it was important to get Masato Yoshii some runs and get him a win."

Vladimir Guerrero, Jose Vidro, Wil Cordero and pinch-hitter Matt Cepicky also homered for the Expos, who climbed back to .500.

Shawn Chacon (5-11) is winless in his last six starts. Chacon, who last won July 27 at Montreal, was allowed seven runs and six hits in 5 2-3 innings. He is 0-5 with an 8.12 ERA in those starts.

"We just never could light a spark," Colorado manager Clint Hurdle said. "We weren't real efficient scoring runners from third with less than two out."

The Expos scored a run in the first inning when Rockies shortstop Juan Uribe's throw on Fernando Tatis' groundball sailed into the Colorado dugout for an error.

Wilkerson and Vidro hit back-to-back solo homers with two outs in the third to extend Montreal's lead to 3-0.

The Expos added two runs in the eighth on Jose Macias' sacrifice fly and Wilkerson's RBI double.



A little golf fun before school

Gage Ihrig (front, left picture) and his brother Gannon, both 7, took some practice swings before tackling the course at Sugar Hills Golf Club this morning with their mother, Deb. Gannon (below) putted at the first hole. The twins, who Deb says have been playing since they were 2-years-old, wanted to play all 18 holes for the first time before school starts Monday.

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dart results

Goodland Dart Club July 17

The B's over Last Call 12-4
Mudd Ducks over TSH 10-6
The Boobs over Silver Bullets 14-2
Eight dart out: Paul Simons
Fourth round out: Paul Simons
Lowton: Mel Bracelin (7), Paul Simons (7), Kevin Delano (6), Billy Mason (4), Krista Pummer (4), Bryan Varney (4), Duane Hanke (4), Ryan Robinson (3), Louis Yarger (3), Cindie Yarger (3), Shorty Warren (2), Jayne Melstrom (2), Jayne Melstrom (2), Mark Sieck (2), Kim Gonzales (2), Nikki Quain (2), Nan Linnell (2), Ben Haydock, Melody Abbott, Mike Yarger, Regina Barnes.

Hat trick: Paul Simons, Mike Yarger, Ben Haydock, Billy Mason, Duane Hanke.

Wins: Ben Haydock (7), Duane Hanke (6), Kevin Delano (6), Mel Bracelin (5), Paul Simons (3), Melody Abbott (3), Krista Pummer (3), Nikki Quain (2), Becca Schmidtberger (2), Bryan Varney (2), Shorty Warren, Ryan Robinson, Dwight Melstrom, Jayne Melstrom, Louie Yarger, Mark Seick, Mike Yarger, Regina Barnes, Nan Linnell.

White knight: Tina Wilson, Angel Corke.

July 24

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Standings: The Boobs 101, 27; The B's 75, 53; TSH 75, 53; Silver Bullets 44, 84; Last Call 48, 80; Mudd Ducks 36, 92.

Five cars from Goodland compete at county track

There were five cars from Goodland at the races Saturday at the Sherman County Speedway.

Jarod Smades, Alex West, J.R. Wolfrum and Val Gallintine raced in the bomber class, and Travis Gillihan and Kevin Delano drove a cruiser.

A total of 35 cars competed in four classes.

Results were:

Bombers

Heat 1: Wayne Williams, Wiley, Colo.; Earl Shannon, Atwood, Colo.; Keith Stegman, Lamar, Colo.; Allen Snethen, Levant; Seth Salisbury, Granda, Colo.; Wolfrum, Goodland; Gary Allaman, Scott City.

Heat 2: Johnny Ohrman, Colby; David Schemm, Sharon Springs; Jason Steven, Colby; Doug Bauer, Lamar; Gallintine, Goodland; West, Goodland; Smades, Goodland.

Cash dash: Williams.

Main race: Williams, Ohrman, Schemm, Shannon, Stegman, Bauer, Steven, Smades, West, Snethen, Allaman, Salisbury, Wolfrum, Gallintine.

Cruiser

Heat 1: Bruce Plumisto/Clinton Haukersmith, Colby; Ryan Cassaw/Jay Nichol, Colby; Gillihan/Delano, Goodland.

Main race: Plumisto/Haukersmith, Cassaw/Nichol, Delano/Gillihan.

Stock

Heat 1: Ron Hill, Sharon Springs; Randy Tipton, Weskan; Brad Wagoner, Colby; Justen Beakley, Lamar.

Cash dash: Hill.

Heat 2: Hill, Tipton, Beakley, Wagoner.

Modified

Heat 1: Brady Coen, Wiley; Wayne Houston, Aurora, Colo.; Brian Garrett, Westminster, Colo.; Chris Lueck, Stratton, Colo.

Heat 2: Darren DeLoach, Lamar; Jeff Hartwell, Colby; Bobby Joe Scott, Liberal; Gerald Deines, Weskan; Milo Lippelmann, Oberlin.

Heat 3: Nick Tubbs, Colby; John Icke, Colby; Michael Kiess, Denver; J.D. Greshman, Bennett, Colo.; Jeff Tubbs, Colby.

Cash dash: DeLoach.

Main: DeLoach, Hartwell, Coen, Kiess, Bobby Joe Scott, Houston, Garrett, Nick Scott, Jeff Tubbs, Deines, Lueck, Nick Tubbs, Icke, Lippelmann.

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