

## WHS Sports Round Up for Thursday April 2nd

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The Appalachian State baseball team won its third consecutive game as the Mountaineers knocked off High Point University 4-3 in 11 innings at Smith Stadium/Beaver Field on Wednesday night.

David Towarnicky's line drive to center field drove in Rand Smith with the winning run. The ASU bullpen turned in a solid effort as well, giving up two earned runs on six hits over eight innings of work. Taylor Miller picked up his first win of the year with two innings of scoreless relief. With the win, the Apps improve to 11-15 on the year. Offensively, the Mountaineers pounded out 14 hits. Nick DeRose paced the attack with three hits. Wes Hobson, Chris Alessandria and Jeremy Dowdy each had two hits apiece. ASU travels to Furman for a three-game weekend series beginning Friday night in Greenville, SC. Our next broadcast of ASU baseball will come your way next Tuesday as the Mountaineers take on Tennessee in Knoxville. The air time, 6:40 pm on WATA.

In other games in the SoCon yesterday:

Wofford 12, North Carolina A&T 9.  
Wake Forest 4, UNC Greensboro 3  
Winthrop 12, The Citadel 9  
Duke 3, Elon 2  
South Carolina 10, Furman 0  
Alabama-Birmingham 9, Samford 2  
Western Carolina 11. UNC Asheville 0

SoCon Standings

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College of Charleston	10-2; 20-5
Western Carolina	8-3; 18-6
Elon	8-4; 14-10
Georgia Southern	4-3; 10-7
The Citadel	5-4; 15-10
Davidson	5-4; 10-12
Samford	6-6; 10-17
Wofford	3-5; 12-11
Furman	4-8; 10-13
ASU	3-10; 11-15
UNC-Greensboro	0-7; 8-14

The ASU softball team split a pair of games with East Tennessee State on Wednesday night. ASU won the opener, 3-2. Katie Boyd hit her 10th home run of the year, breaking her own school record, which she set last year. Ashley Gaston went deep as well for the Mountaineers. ETSU won the night cap, 1-0. The softball team returns home to play College of Charleston in a three-game weekend series beginning with a double-header on Saturday.

The ASU women's tennis team (6-11 overall; 1-3 SoCon) lost to Furman, 7-0 on Wednesday at the Grandfather Mountain Tennis Courts. The women's tennis team takes on Samford in Birmingham, AL on Saturday.

In men's tennis, former Pioneer Bobby Lake has been ranked 125th in the country in singles play by IATennis.com. Lake, a senior, is 11-8 overall, 3-4 in the SoCon playing No.1 singles for the Apps. The Mountaineers entertain Elon on Tuesday.

In middle-school golf, Watauga captured second place with a team score of 129 at the Mimosa Country Club on Wednesday. Burke County paced the field with a 124. Alexander County (142) was third, and Caldwell County (143) finished fourth. Rhyne Jones of Watauga was the leading

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medallist with a one under par 35. Cameron Taylor had a 44, and Austin Northern had a 50. The Watauga middle-school team is scheduled to play in a match at Ceder Rock next Wednesday.

The Watauga High women's soccer team had its match with Alexander Central rained out last night. They will try to make it up tonight in Taylorsville.

The WHS men's tennis team will host McDowell at the Sports Complex this afternoon. The WHS tennis team is 11-2 overall; 7-0 and in first place in the Northwestern 4A Conference.

And congratulations to West Epply and the Watauga Storm 17-and-under boys basketball team for winning the War on the Floor Tournament in Elizabethan, TN this weekend. The Storm went 5-0, and beat the Copperheads White Team, 97-81 in the finals. The Copperheads White Team was made up of players from Eastern Tennessee. Dylan Epply was the leading scorer, averaging 19 points-per-game. Casey Quinn averaged 12.8 ppg, and Damian Edwards poured in 11.4 ppg. Epply, Quinn and Edwards were joined in the team by Will Kopenhaver, Caleb Watson, Andy Ferrell, Wes Moyer, Josh Coffey, Elliott Willis, and Brandon Calhoun. Former Pioneer, Chad Epply, was an assistant coach on the team.