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Bombers win Ames tournament

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Sports Editor

Pitching was the name of the game Tuesday during the final day of the annual Ames Fourth of July softball tournament at River Valley Park.

Only five runs were scored during the 28 innings of competition—and none of the winning teams gave up a run in the three games.

The Des Moines Bombers captured the tournament championship by defeating Webster City 1-0 on a seventh inning home run by Roger Buddin.

Don Bailey was the winning pitcher for the Des Moines team. He gave up just one hit.

Terry Wells took the loss for Webster City despite giving up just three hits.

Shutout Streak

Wells, however, had plenty of company in the hard-luck department.

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Des Moines Dodge	0	1
Des Moines Reams	0	1
Des Moines Jets	0	1
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fourth inning with one out, but couldn't score.

In the fifth inning Dennis Healy smacked a one-out triple, but was thrown out at the plate later in the inning.

The Ames team put runners on first and second with no outs in the sixth inning, but again Yates snuffed out the threat, and in the ninth inning Palmas again put two on with no outs.

Standout Fielding

Yates got some outstanding support from leftfielder Roger Knutson in the 10th inning. Knutson made a running catch near the fence to rob Steve Fagen of a hit to open the inning, then made a diving catch to steal a hit from Mark Larson for the second out.

Olson and Stan Green paced Ames' seven-hit attack with two hits each.

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Olson, who gave up just one hit through the first six innings, struck out nine Webster City batters.

Sutton Homers

Monday night Palmas defeated the Des Moines Dragons 5-2 to advance to the semi-finals.

Ken Sutton hit a home run to spark a three-run spree for Palmas in the second inning. Stan Oppedahl was the winning pitcher for Palmas. The only Dragon runs were provided by Chapman's pair of home runs.

In other games Monday Webster City edged Boone 3-1 and Kirksville topped the Des Moines Merchants 2-0.

Tuesday's results (championship game)

Webster City 000 000 0—0 1 0
D.M. Bombers 000 000 1—1 3 0

Terry Wells and Ben Halupnick;
Don Bailey and Dave Mount.

(semi-final games)

Palmas 000 000 000 0—0 7 0
Webster City 000 000 000 1—1 6 0

Gene Olson and Steve Fagen; Andy Yates and Ben Halupnick

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Kirksville 000 000 000 00—0 3 5

Dean Olson and Dave Mount; Jerry Sands and Gary Minor

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Webster City 000 101 1—3.7 1
Boone 100 000 0—1 4 1

Andy Yates and Ben Halupick; Dick Thenhous and Al Dannett

Palmas 032 000 0—5 6 0
D.M. Dragons 100 010 0—2 7 3

Stan Oppedahl and Ron Swanson;
Carl Davenport and Ed Violette

D.M. Merchants 000 000 0—0 2 0
Kirksville 200 000 x—2 2 0

Tom Poston and Chuck Collins;
Jerry Sands and Gary Minor.

Palmas wins Boone tournament

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Gene Olson smacked a two-run home run and pitched two and two-third innings of scoreless relief Sunday night to lead Palmas Restaurant to a 5-4 victory over the Boone Merchants in the championship game of the Boone Invitational Softball Tournament.

Olson's home run, his second of the eight-team, one-day tournament, came in the seventh inning and provided the winning runs for the Ames team.

Earlier in the day Olson tossed a one-hitter as Palmas defeated Ames McDonald's 2-0 in a semi-final contest.

One-Hitter

Palmas, now 16-9 for the season, blanked Des Moines C and P Vending 4-0 in a first-round game, as righthander Stan Oppedahl threw a one-hitter.



OPPEDAHL



SWANSON

Catcher Ron Swanson belted a pair of home runs (both with the bases

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Palmas	010 110 2-5 7 3
Boone	011 020 0-4 6 1

Oppedahl, Olson (5) and Swanson; Martin and Danett Home runs; Swanson 2, Olson 1 (Palmas)

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empty) for Palmas in the Boone game. Two dropped fly balls by the Palmas outfield, however, helped Boone take a 4-3 lead after six innings.

Olson took over for Oppedahl in the fifth with a runner on second and one out, then retired eight of the next nine batters he faced, striking out seven.

Ken Sutton's RBI triple in the first inning proved to be all the scoring Palmas needed in the win over McDonald's. Beamon had the only hit, a single in the fifth inning with one out, for McDonald's.

Four-Hitter

Gus Guydon was the losing pitcher for McDonald's, giving up only four hits.

Against Des Moines C and P Vending Olson hit a bases empty in the fourth inning. Stan Green had an RBI single in the third.

Boone's Bill Martin, the losing pitcher in the championship game, hit two home runs to account for all of his team's scoring in a 2-1 win over the Boxholm Swedes in another semi-final game.

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TOURNEY RESULTS (first round)

Ames McDonald's 5, Fort Dodge Tap 0
Palmas Restaurant 4, Des Moines Vending 0

Boone Merchants 12, Ames Sandy's 2
Boxholm Swedes 6, Des Moines Jets 4

(semi-final round)

Palmas Restaurant 2, Ames McDonald's 0

Boone Merchants 2, Boxholm Swedes 1

(championship game)

Palmas Restaurant 5, Boone Merchants 4

Palmas sweeps D.M. Bombers!

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A dropped fly ball gave pitcher Gene Olson and Palmas Restaurant a 1-0 victory over brother Dean Olson and the Des Moines Bombers in the second game of a benefit softball doubleheader at Boxholm Tuesday night.

Palmas also won the first game, 5-4, in 10 innings.

Palmas, now 22-10 for the season, got the lone run of the second game in the sixth inning when the Bomber centerfielder dropped a two-out, three-and-two fly ball by Steve Fagen. Dave Childs, who had singled to open the inning, scored all the way from the first base on the error.

Gene Olson gave up only two hits and struck out 11.

Dean Olson gave up only three hits and struck out 12.

In the opener Stan Oppedahl pitched the Palmas win, giving up six hits in the 10 innings.

Fagen led the Palmas attack in that contest with a home run, a double, a single and four RBIs.

The doubleheader sweep produced the first wins of the year for Palmas



FAGEN

against the Bombers after four losses. The Des Moines team won the annual Ames Fourth of July Tournament this summer.

Leads
Palmas
attack

First game

Bombers	020	200	000	0-4	6	2
Palmas	002	020	000	1-5	7	1

Bailey and Mount; Oppedahl and Swanson

Second game

Palmas	000	001	0-1	3	0
Bombers	000	000	0-0	2	1

Gene Olson and Swanson; Dean Olson and Buddin