

Crown Point finds gem to replace Bemis

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CROWN POINT — Crown Point rivals happy to see pitching ace Hilary Bemis graduate may not be smiling for long. Jonalee Ross instead put a smile on the faces of Crown Point fans Thursday with a sparkling 2-hitter in the Panthers' 15-2 victory over Chazy in Mountain & Valley Athletic Conference softball. Ross carried a no-hitter into the seventh before yielding a lead-off single to shallow center by Madeline Guay.

After an infield error put two runners on, Brigid Daul followed with a double to score one run. However, the Panthers cut down Helen Giroux trying to score on a beautiful play from left-fielder Page Dolback to shortstop Trish Lacey to catcher Marijane Ross.

Jonalee Ross finished with nine strikeouts and no walks issued in the season opener for the defending MVAC and Section VII Class D champions.

Giroux went the distance for Chazy, allowing nine hits while striking out two and walking three.

Crown Point 15, Chazy 2

Chazy 100 000 1 — 2 2 5

Crown Point 400 137 x — 15 9 2

Giroux and Olds. J. Ross and M. Ross. WP- J. Ross. LP- Giroux. 2b- Daul (Ch), H. Lacey (CP), Dolback (CP), T. Lacey (CP).

Willsboro 33

Schroon Lake 7 WILLSBORO — Stephanie Marcotte homered and drove in four runs to lead the Willsboro to a 33-7 victory over Schroon Lake.

Codia Holland and Ashley Sherman each added two hits to pace the Warriors (1-0). Holland drove in three runs and Sherman added two RBI.

Ashley Witty homered for the Wildcats (0-1), but took the loss on the hill. Randi Swires struck out two batters and allowed just five hits to earn her first varsity win.

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Willsboro 642 5(10)6 — 33 11

A. Witty and Horton. Swires, Holland (7) and Holland, Mero (7). WP- Holland. LP- A. Witty. HR- A. Witty (SL), Marcotte (Wills).