

SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Flour Bluff's Mendiola flirts with no-hitter

Gives up late hit in victory against Ray

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Flour Bluff pitcher Will Mendiola was nearly unhittable Tuesday night just when his team needed him to be.

Mendiola came within one out of pitching a no-hitter in leading the host Hornets past Ray, 4-1.

Mendiola (3-2) — who settled for a one-hitter — actually came within two strikes of throwing the no-hitter before the Texans' Steve Sanchez blooped a 1-1 offering into right field for a single to break it up

Flour Bluff	4
Ray	1

with two outs in the seventh inning.

"It's more important that we came out with the win," Mendiola said of flirting with the no-hitter.

"We wanted it — there was no one talking in that dugout about a no-hitter, I can tell you that," Flour Bluff coach Ron Weikum said. "But it was nice for Will to rebound right after that and get a ground ball and get us out of that (last inning)."

Mendiola allowed just the one hit, walked six, hit a batter and struck out seven while pitching the complete game.

"He threw a lot of off-speed pitches," Ray coach

Mario DeLeon said of Mendiola. "He had a good curveball and we didn't adjust to it at all. We had the right people up in the last inning — our 2, 3 and 4 hitters. It just didn't work out for us."

Flour Bluff (16-9, 5-4 district) — which entered the game tied with Laredo Martin for the fourth and final playoff spot from 31-4A — pulled one game behind Ray (14-11, 6-3) and Alice for second place in the district.

"We went back to playing sandlot baseball — having a good time and it worked out for us," Mendiola said.

The Hornets also avenged a 7-6 loss to the Texans in the previous game between the teams

at Cabaniss Field.

Ray missed a chance to stay within two games back of 31-4A front-runner Moody.

"If we could've won this one, we would've been in good shape (for second place)," DeLeon said.

Mendiola retired the first eight batters he faced in the game before walking the No. 9 hitter in Ray's batting order, Emilio Gonzalez, with two outs in the third inning. Mendiola struck out the final batter of that frame to get out of the inning.

Mendiola struck out at least one batter through the first five innings. He struck out the side in the fourth but not before Ray's Michael Merino has hit by a pitch with

the bases loaded to bring home the Texans' run. That run was unearned, as it followed a Flour Bluff fielding error.

"We've had some good outings from him this season," Weikum said of Mendiola. "We've got a lot of confidence in him because he has done so many good things for us."

Flour Bluff earlier took a 3-0 first-inning lead thanks to four hits and one Ray error.

Kolton Mims had a run-scoring single for the Hornets in that frame, while Johnny Luby added a sacrifice fly. Flour Bluff scored its third run on the Texans' error.

Mendiola (a double), Tyler Hass (a single) and Steven Ulbrich (a single)

also had hits in that inning for the Hornets, as four of their first five batters reached base in that key frame.

Flour Bluff added an unearned run in the fourth inning — on a Ray throwing error — to push its lead to 4-1.

Texans pitcher Zach Smith took the loss despite pitching six innings, allowing the four runs on 10 hits, he didn't walk anyone, hit a batter and struck out three.

Ray	000 100 0 - 1 1 4
Flour Bluff	300 100 x - 4 10 1
W — Will Mendiola (3-2), L — Zach Smith (2-5), 2B — FB: Mendiola. Highlights — Ray, Smith 6 IP, 3 Ks; Steve Sanchez 1-3, FB, Mendiola 7 IP, 1 H, 7 Ks and 2-2; Tyler Hass 2-3; Kolton Mims 2-3, RBI, Steven Ulbrich 1-3; Trey Monette 1-3; Rivers Ewing 1-3; Garrett Foster 1-3; Johnny Luby RBI. Records — FB 16-9, 5-4 district; Ray, 14-11, 6-3.	

DISTRICT ROUNDUP

King golf teams sweep at District 28-5A tournament

By **staff reports**

SAN ANTONIO — The King golf teams made it a clean sweep at the District 28-5A tournament Tuesday at Olympia Hills Country Club.

King's boys A team finished at 635, romping past second-place Cibolo Steele (691). The Mustangs' John Rafael was the top individual, finishing with a two-day score of 158, seven strokes better than teammate John Jones.

On the girls side, King (798) edged rival Carroll (805) by seven strokes. Carroll's Isabella Johnson, who shot a par 73 Tuesday, was the top individual at 153, with King's Raven Perrin (172) second.

Moody, Ray squads take 31-4A titles

ALICE — The Ray boys and Moody girls golf teams cruised to victory at the 31-4A tournament at Alice Municipal Golf Course.

Ray (613) finished 25 strokes ahead of second-place Alice (638) and 36 in front of third-place Flour Bluff (649). Miller's Renior Knox (144) was the top individual, besting Ray's Rudy Trevino by one stroke.

Moody's girls won their fifth consecutive district championship, finishing at 652, well above second-place Ray (731). Moody's Kelsey Canales (147) edged Trojans teammate Brittany Rodriguez by two strokes

for top individual honors.

T-M's Xac runs away with 30-4A title

VICTORIA — Tuloso-Midway's Kelly Xac won the 30-4A girls championship by 16 strokes at Riverside Golf Course, with Gregory-Portland's Brooke DeGaish (155) finishing second.

Calallen finished second to Victoria East for the girls team championship.

In boys competition, Gregory-Portland (663) finished second to Victoria West's A team (592). Tuloso-Midway's Hunter Freeman (152) tied for fourth to earn a regional trip.

Sinton, West Oso tops in 30-3A field

SINTON — West Oso and Rockport-Fulton claimed the boys and girls golf championships, respectively, at the 30-3A tournament at the Sinton Golf Course.

West Oso (362) beat out host Sinton (378) for the boys title. On the girls side, Rockport-Fulton (470) edged West Oso (477).

Ingleside's Connor Steadman shot a 68 to win the boys championship, besting Sinton's Tyler Kolb by one stroke. Rockport-Fulton's Jenny Beth Harris nipped teammate Rebecca Lopez in a one-hole playoff to win the girls title.

IWA sweeps TAPPS 3-4A tournament

AUSTIN — The IWA boys

golf team won their ninth consecutive TAPPS 3-4A district championship, shooting 311 at Grey Rock Golf Course. The Angels' girls team also won a team title, shooting 350.

The IWA boys were led by Lucas Trevino (75), who finished second overall, one stroke ahead of teammate Will Wallace and two ahead of Kevin Smith.

On the girls side, IWA's Jaimie Bibby won the individual title for the fourth straight year, shooting a 2-under 70. Teammate Gabi Rendon (88) was third.

TENNIS

Calallen, G-P lead way in 30-4A finals

Calallen and Gregory-Portland shined at the final day of the 30-4A tennis tournament, winning four of the five finals at Tuloso-Midway.

Beeville's Eric Dehnert (boys singles), G-P's Jake Davidson and Heath Warren (boys doubles), Calallen's Sarah Moses (girls singles), Calallen's Kendyl Kaufman and Danielle Watkins (girls doubles) and G-P's Jake Katz and Sydney Macha (mixed doubles) won their respective categories.

Calallen and G-P tied for the boys team title with 47.5 points apiece, with Calallen (55) outpacing G-P (27.5) for the girls crown.

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in the top of the first inning that put the Wildcats in front 2-0.

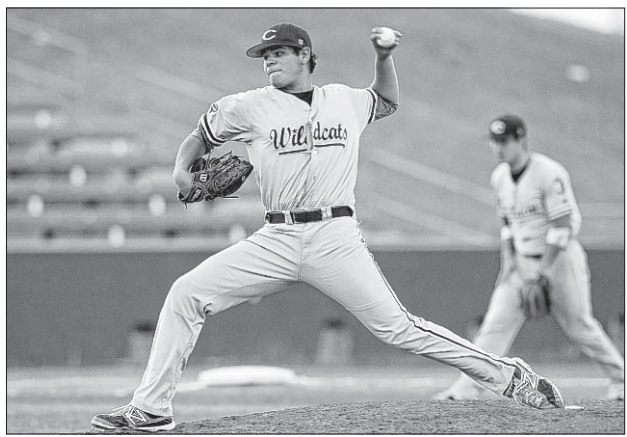
T-M (16-10, 3-6) cut the deficit in half in the bottom half of the inning off a long double by Mario Alvarado that scored Mason Hellums.

Both teams then went silent at the plate until the top of the fifth, which Calallen designated hitter T.J. Arredondo led off by reaching third after a costly fielding error. Jake Baca followed with a walk and was replaced at first by courtesy runner Connor Lowrance.

With no outs, Chase Whetsel delivered a base hit to right that scored both Arredondo and Lowrance. Leading 4-1, Dorsey continued the assault with a single to left that drove in Whetsel.

Dorsey then scored on a double by Mike Leal to give the Wildcats a 6-1 advantage.

"We noticed the last few weeks we've been getting a lot of outs on pop-ups," Lopez said. "During practice we work on hitting a lot of ground balls and line drives and just trying to make contact. That's our philosophy."



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Calallen's Dylan Dvarte improved his record to 5-1 with the win over Tuloso-Midway on Tuesday at Fairgrounds Field in Robstown.

designated hitter Cameron Havelka in the bottom of the sixth scored Caleb Rozypal and brought the Warriors to within four runs. Calallen responded by scoring four more runs in the top of the seventh, including two on one of three T-M errors in the inning.

"In the first part of the game, we were pretty solid," Warriors coach Mike Davila said. "In the second part of the game, we fell apart a little bit. They put the ball in play and it hurt us."

Calallen left-hander Dylan Duarte went the distance to improve to 5-1, scattering eight hits and striking out seven. Given the wind, Lopez said Duarte had to be extra careful on each delivery.

"In this wind it was very tough to pitch," Lopez said. "He did a hell of a job. Being a left-handed pitcher I know he had to really focus on spotting it up a little more than usual."

"We just went out there and played aggressively, but under control. We played each inning at a time and hoped things would work out for us. We knew if we could get ahead early we'd be in a position to close them out."

CALALLEN 10, TULOSO-MIDWAY 2

Calallen	200 040 4 - 10 8 1
Tuloso-Midway	100 001 0 - 2 8 5
W — Dylan Duarte (5-1), L — Ryan Vilalobos, 2B — Calallen, Mike Leal (2); T-M, Mario Alvarado. HR — Calallen, Derek Scheible. Highlights — Calallen, Chase Whetsel 2-4, 2 RBIs, 2R, Leal 2-4, RBI, R; T-M, Jeremy Brittain 2-4, Ben Garcia 2-4. Records — Calallen 23-2, 7-1 district; T-M 16-10, 3-6.	

High school results and schedule

BASEBALL

DISTRICT 28-5A	
SA EAST CENTRAL 8, CARROLL 4	
Carroll	202 000 0 - 4 6 0
East Central	150 002 x - 8 14 3
W — Cantu, L — Isaiyah Lybarger. 2B — EC, Guajardo, Cantu. 3B — Trace Bucuey. Highlights — C, Rene Pineda 2-2, 2 RBIs, BB; Michael Berglund 1-3, RBI. Records — Carroll 16-8, 2-4 district. East Central 11-8, 2-2.	

CIBOLO STEELE 4, KING 3	
King	001 010 1 - 3 6 0
Steele	001 002 1 - 4 5 0
W — Brewer, L — Justin Sanchez (3-2), 2B — K, Dominque Lane, Zamudio, Eric Perez; Frank Houser. 3B — K, Zamudio, Jonathan Contreras. Highlights — K, Zamudio 2-3; Contreras 2-4, 2 RBIs; Lane 1-3, RBI; Perez 1-3. Records — King 13-10-1, 3-3 district. Steele 5-1 district.	

DISTRICT 30-4A	
GREGORY-PORTLAND 7, PORT LAVACA CALHOUN 0	
Pt Lavaca Calhoun	000 000 0 - 0 2 1
Gregory-Portland	150 001 x - 7 11 0
W — Brewer, L — Kveton, 2B — GP, Tanner Geiser. HR — GP, Tr. Geiser. Highlights — GP, Geiser 13 Ks, 2-4, HR, RBI; Blane Hamon 2-3 R; Alex Jasso 2-3, 2 RBIs; Carlos Flores 1-2, RBI; Tanner Geiser 1-3, R; Pablo Garcia 1-2; Buddy Rodriguez 1-1, R; Mickie Erwin 1-2, R. Records — Gregory-Portland 20-6-1, 6-3 district; Calhoun 3-6 district.	

DISTRICT 31-4A	
MOODY 3, ALICE 2	
Moody	000 010 2 - 3 7 1
Alice	100 001 0 - 2 5 0
W — Kenneth Saenz, L — Rony Chavarria. 2B — M, Saenz, M, Cantu; A, D, De La Cruz. Highlights — M, Saenz 1-2, 2 RBIs; J. Garcia 2-3, R; C. Estrada 2-3, RBI; B, Cantu 2, R. A. J. Gonzalez R, P. Valenzuela 2-3, R. Ramos R; De La Cruz 1-1, RBI.	

DISTRICT 30-3A	
ROBSTOWN 11, WEST OSO 1	
West Oso	000 011 - 1 2 3
Robstown	413 3x - 11 10 1
W — Brandon Garza (5-0), L — Michael Garcia. 2B — WO, Garza, R, Efrain Gonzalez, D.J. Rivera. 3B — R, Garza. Highlights — WO, Garcia 4 Ks, 2-3; Justin Haywood 0-1, BB, R, R; Garza 9 Ks, CG, 1-2, BB, 2 Rs; Mike De Los Santos 1-2, BB, 2 Rs; Victor Leal 2-3, 2 Rs; Gonzalez 2-3, RBIs, R, Jon Leal 1-1, 2 RBIs, 2 Rs; Rivera 1-2, 2 RBIs; Chris Esquivel 1-2, SB, R; Jesse Ray Garcia 1-3, SB, RBI, R.	

DISTRICT 31-2A	
BANQUETE 7, TAFT 6	
Taft	001 400 1 - 6 5 5
Banquete	200 012 2 - 7 11 1
W — A. Gomez. Highlights — B, Gomez 6 Ks, 3 hits, 2 RBIs; R. Sanchez 2 hits, 2 RBIs, T, J. Flores 3 hits, 2 RBIs. GEORGE WEST 10, SKIDMORE-TYNAN 0	
Skidmore-Tynan	000 00 - 0 2 3
George West	202 33 - 10 14 0
W — Andrew Katzfey, L — Jonathan Hernandez. 2B — GW, Enrique Nieto, Lukas Barcak, Brady Jones 2; ST, Kyle Nelson. 3B — GW, Katzfey. Highlights — GW, Katzfey 11 Ks, 2-3; Jones 3-4; Mike Palacios 2-3; Xavier Paiz 2-3; Barcak 2-4. Records — George West 9-2 district. Skidmore-Tynan 4-7 district.	

FREER 7, ODEM 4	
Freer	400 300 0 - 7 11 3
Odem	001 120 0 - 4 5 3
W — Mike Juarez, L — Sammy Jasso. 2B — F, Jacob Cantu; O, Aaron Moore. 3B — F, Joseph Tamez. Highlights — F, Cantu 4 Ks, 2-4, R, 2 RBIs; Lando Balboa 2-3; Aaron Serrato 2-4, R; David Sanchez 1-3, R, RBI; Tamez 2-4, R, 3 RBIs; Junior Cadena 1-3, RBI; Jose Guajardo 1-2, R; James Garcia R, O, Dylan Ceballos RBI; Aaron Naranjo 1-3, R; Aaron Moore 1-4, R, RBI; Hunter Rodriguez R; TJ Vela R; Payne Whatley 1-2, RBI.	

DISTRICT 32-2A	
BISHOP 10, SANTA ROSA 0	
Santa Rosa	000 00 - 0 2 1
Bishop	310 33 - 10 12 1
W — Joseph Rubio (7-0), L — Marco Perez. 2B — B, Jamin Lira, Rubio, Victor Vera. 3B — B, Jared Garcia. Highlights — B, Garcia 1-2, 2 Rs; Noel Luna 2-4, 2 RBIs, 2 Rs; Lira 1-2, RBI; 3 Rs; Rubio 3-4, 3 RBIs; Vera 2-4, 2 RBIs; Ray Garza 1-2, RBI; Sam Reyes 1-1, RBI; Kobrey Garcia 1-2, 2 Rs. Records — Bishop 17-6-1, 9-0.	

SANTA GERTRUDIS 8, RIVIERA 3	
Riviera	100 110 0 - 3 4 3
Santa Gertrudis	102 023 0 - 8 11 3
W — Noel, L — Emmos. 2B — SG, Ma. Gonzalez, Mi. Gonzalez, C. Castillo, K. Gonzalez, K. Ruiz; R, Jimenez. 3B — SG, Noel, Gonzalez. Highlights — SG, Noel 1-4, 2 R; D. Gonzalez 2-4, R; Ma. Gonzalez 1-3, 2 R, R, Jimenez 2-3, 2 R; Allen RBI. FALFURRIAS 19, EDINBURG QUEST 0	
Edinburg Quest	000 00 - 0 0 2
Falfurrias	81 (10) 00 - 19 13 0
W — Lorenzo Vela (2-1), L — Jacob Garza. 3B — F, Michael Carrasco, Abel Guerra. Highlights — F, John Gonzales 2-3; Carrasco 2-3; Darren Saenz 2-3; Guerra 4 RBIs; Vela 3 RBIs; Lupe Munoz 1-2, 3 RBIs. Records — Falfurrias 17-5, 8-1 district. Quest 0-8 district.	

DISTRICT 30-3A TOURNAMENT at Sinton GC	
BOYS	
Team results — 1. West Oso, 362; 2. Sinton, 378; 3. Ingleside, 379	
Individual leaders — 1. Connor Steadman, Ingleside, 68; 2. Tyler Kolb, Sinton, 69; 3. Jordan Davison, West Oso, 81; 4. Mick Garcia, WO, 86; 5. Jose Luis Martinez, WO, 90; Jacob Zabel, Ingleside, 90.	
Other local results — Connor Guidry, Rockport-Fulton, 95; Bradford Loeffler, Orange Grove, 98; Gerard Galloway, Sinton, 99; John Alanis, OG, 100; Heston Henkhaus, R-F, 101; Brooks Langford, R-F, 101; Derek Shedd, Sinton, 104; Cory Alvarez, WO, 105; Hayden Sager, Sinton, 106; Donovan Ralston, Ingleside, 107; Patrick Hernandez, WO, 111; Paul Rodriguez, Ingleside, 114; Devin Carranza, Sinton, 116; Wyatt Moody, Ingleside, 125	

DISTRICT 30-4A TOURNAMENT at Olympia Hills CC, San Antonio Kings	
BOYS	
Team results — 1. King A, 635; 2. Cibolo Steele, 691; 3. King B, 701; 5. Carroll, 770.	
Individual leaders — 1. John Rafael, King A, 79-72-15; 2. John Jones, King A, 83-75-158; 3. Diego Baldwin, King A, 83-79-162; 4. Scott Bartkowski, King A, 83-81-164; 5. Ryan Thomas, King B, 84-81-165.	
Other local results — Matt Melendez, King A, 85-85-170; Brandon Hespel, King A, 83-88-171; Austin Dolch, King B, 88-91-179; Troy Lopez, Carroll, 86-100-186; Ben Stocketh, King B, 97-90-187; Franky Gaono, King, 98-94-192; Dylan Mayne, Carroll, 89-110-199; Nicholas Cuoco, Carroll, 100-104-204; Paul Escamilla, Carroll, 106-99-205; Matt Pantoja, King B, 96-109-205.	

GIRLS	
Team results — 1. King 406-392-798; 2. Carroll 402-403-805; 3. Cibolo 405-410-815.	
Individual leaders — 1. Isabella Johnson, Carroll 80-73-153; 2. Raven Perrin,	

SOFTBALL

DISTRICT 28-5A	
SA SOUTHWEST 16, CARROLL 8	
Southwest	215 113 3 - 16 19 3
Carroll	100 610 0 - 8 10 6
W — Kameale Vidales, L — Alyssa Acuna (13-17), 2B — SW, Vidales 2; C, Gabby Contreras, Acuna, Brenda-Leal Flores. 3B — SW, Elizabeth Phillips. HR — SW, Miranda Medina. Highlights — C, Jaylin Olivares 2-2, R; Karla Serrato 1-2, RBI; Acuna 2-4, 2 RBIs; Leal-Flores 1-3, R, 3 RBIs; Contreras 2-2 2 Rs. Records — Carroll 13-18, 2-6.	

KING 9 SOUTH SAN	
King	100 030 5 - 9 11 4
South San	202 202 0 - 8 10 5
W — Destiny Vega (7-2), L — Nikki Velasquez. 2B — K, Kristina Nuncio, Gabrielle Casas, Eliza Revis 2. HR — K, Bianca Frank. Highlights — K, Nuncio 3-4, RBI; Frank 2-4, 4 RBIs; Casas RBI; Revis RBI. Records — 9-17-1, 1-7. King 21-9, 5-3.	

DISTRICT 31-4A	
MOODY 15, LAREDO MARTIN 0	
Moody	546 - 15 12 1
Martin	000 - 0 0 1
W — Amaber Alaniz (9-1), L — Reilly, W, M, Alaniz 2, Lisa Guzman. HR — M, Reynana Escobar, Anessa Sanchez. Highlights — M, Jessica Mendez 2-3, 2 Rs, 3 SBs; Delia Pacheco 2-3, 2 Rs, 3 SBs; Alaniz 2-2, 2 Rs, 3 RBIs; Valerie Hernandez 2-3, 2 Rs. Records — Moody 26-4, 12-0 district.	

FLOUR BLUFF 13, LAREDO CIGARROA 0	
Flour Bluff	017 104 - 13 16 2
Laredo Cigarroa	000 000 - 0 2 2
W — Michelle Revels (6-1) district. L — Clarissa Medina (5-7), 2B — FB, Lauren Silver, Calleigh Campbell, Alexis Perez; LC, Griselda Herrera. Highlights — FB, Michelle Revels 3-4, 4 Ks; Silver 4-4, 3 RBIs; Campbell 3-3, 2 RBIs; Perez 1-3, 2 RBIs, LC, Denise Loreda 1-3; Herrera 1-3. Records — Flour Bluff 10-2 district. Laredo Cigarroa 5-7 district.	

DISTRICT 30-3A	
ROBSTOWN 15, WEST OSO 0	
West Oso	000 - 0 0 0
Robstown	915 - 15 5 5
W — Pori Carrion (7-7), L — Kimberly Vera. 2B — R, Lauren Sepulveda, Mia Pamez. Highlights — R, Sepulveda 1-2; Pamez 2-3, 4 RBIs; Carrion 8 Ks. Records — Robstown 12-12, 5-3.	

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