

SPORTS

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Camp teaches more than just basketball



At the D.H. Hoops Basketball Camp Thursday, Wake Forest starter and Norcross graduate Al-Farouq Aminu, right in bottom right photo, was invited to talk to the youths. The camp is designed to give back to the community and teach the campers skills, drills and important life lessons about making a positive influence on the community. Aminu discussed being respectful and the importance of education. The camp is designed for children who perform well in school and is free. It has has been hosted by Daryl Hairston since 2000.



Youth games on tap

From staff reports Hunter Park will be busy this weekend. Not only is the annual MIA-POW Tournament scheduled for this weekend on Webb Field, but the park will hold several youth tournaments on various other fields.

Next week the District Pony Tournaments will be played at various area sites. Tournaments open June 27 and run through June 30 at Winston Park and Clarksdale Park in Austell. Any park holding other tournaments, can contact the sports department with schedules and pictures of the teams involved.

All those Pony League tournaments qualify teams for the State Meet, which is scheduled for July 4-8 at the Boundary Waters Complex. This is the third season state events have been held in the Pinto (age 7-8), Mustang (9-10), Bronco (11-12) and Pony age (13-14) divisions. Winners, and in some cases runners-up, will advance to region action.



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Braves blank Reds

CINCINNATI (AP) — Tommy Hanson allowed three hits in six impressive innings and Nate McLouth homered and drove in four runs, sending the Atlanta Braves to a 7-0 victory over the punchless Cincinnati Reds on Thursday.

One of baseball's top pitching prospects, Hanson got his first major league hit and RBI. Matt Diaz also homered for the Braves, who snapped a four-game skid and avoided a sweep in Cincinnati.

Hanson (2-0), who made his big league debut with a no-decision against Milwaukee on June 7, walked four and hit a batter with a pitch. But he escaped two jams in his third career start.

