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Section II rowers champs

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Section II rowers came away with three national titles at the Scholastic Rowing Association Nationals on Saturday in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

The Shenendehowa pair of Lauren Boudreau and Abby Knight fought through a crosswind to edge perennial powerhouse Holy Spirit High School of New Jersey by one second. Teammate Jackie Postulka won the senior women's single, and Ballston Spa's Sarah Martin and Meredith Venerus won the senior women's double.

Holy Spirit had been undefeated before Knight and Boudreau pulled away for a six-second victory at last week's Stotesbury Cup Regatta in Philadelphia. The national championship race was even closer.

This is the second national title in a two years for Knight, who was a member of Shenendehowa's women's lightweight four that won last year.

SOFTBALL

Unbeaten Hoosic Valley (18-0) swept to a pair of victories in the Mechanciville Tournament. In the first game, Jen Mineau tossed a four-hitter and struck out 15 as the Indians nipped Mechanicville 4-1.

Mineau allowed her first home run of the season when Kelly Murphy hit a solo shot in the third inning for the Red Raiders (17-3).

In the second game, Mineau and Carlee Chapko combined on a five-inning no-hitter as the Indians routed Glens Falls 17-0.

BASEBALL

Guilderland used a three-run third inning to defeat host Amsterdam 4-3 in nonleague action. Jose Ramirez had three singles for the Rams (11-11).

Adam Cutspec tossed a complete-game three-hitter in Fort Plain's 6-1 win over Broadalbin-Perth in nonleague play at Fort Plain.

Corey Caswell topped the Patriots (4-18) with an RBI single.

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