Roanoker Signs

With Va. Tech

BLACKSBURG -- A baseball and football player from Roanoke’s Patrick Henry high is one of two scholastic infielders to sign with Virginia Tech.

Bobby Fisher, 5-10, 170, also is expected to see service as a relief pitcher. Head Coach Bob Humphreys said Fisher “is the kind of young man you’d like to have in your program anytime, but I’m especially looking forward to his versatility, including as a relief pitcher.”

Dan Griel, 5-10, 160 of Robinson high in Fairfax, is described as “a fundamentally sound, steady player” especially adept at turning the double play.

During the 1974 season Griel batted above .300 and his fielding average of .591 was exceptional.

Griel will be a candidate to take over the second base position vacated by graduated Vince Carbaugh, almost a neighbor, from Falls Church.

Fisher of the Patriots is expected to fit in well at either of his positions, although the stronger need is for a reliever.

Earlier first-year coach Humphreys recruited two pitchers and a catcher to help recharge the Gobbler’s battery.