

Cowgirls get two no-hitters against Ulysses

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The Goodland High School varsity softball team stymied Ulysses in a home doubleheader on Friday, holding the Lady Tigers scoreless and taking advantage of weak pitching to win 15-0 and 21-0.

The Cowgirls were to play next at Colby on Monday. They will face Stanton County in Johnson next Tuesday.

With one exception, the Cowgirls retired the Lady Tigers in order in every inning. Pitcher Stephani DeLaRosa got eight strikeouts in game one.

In the bottom of the first, Brianna White walked and stole second. Lindsay Bauman also walked. Hope Cochran hit a line drive to left field that bounced past the fence for a ground rule double. That scored Brianna White to make it 1-0.

Bauman came home on a wild pitch and Berkley White walked. Then Gabby Rangel belted a three-run homer to center field to make it 5-0.

Megan Siruta and Natasha Gaydusek each grounded out, then Miranda Hernandez hit a double to right center field. She went home when DeLaRosa hit a ground rule double. Back at the top of the order, Brianna White walked and stole second and Bauman grounded out to end the inning with the Cowgirls up 6-0.

After taking down the Tigers in order in the top of the second, the Cowgirls got to work again on offense. Cochran struck out swinging, then Berkley White, Rangel, Siruta and Gaydusek all walked. White and Rangel came home on passed balls to make it 8-0. Hernandez hit a single to left field, which advanced



Hope Cochran (above) made a throw to Megan Siruta at first to get a runner out in Friday's games against Ulysses. Berkley White (right) slid into second and was safe when the throw went past. White tried for another base and got caught between two Lady Tigers. She made it safely on third but tried for home on another passed ball, but was thrown out at the plate.

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Siruta to third and Gaydusek to second. With the bases loaded, DeLaRosa hit into a fielder's choice. Siruta scored but Gaydusek was thrown out. Brianna White hit right to the first baseman to get out. The inning ended with the Cowgirls up 9-0.

The Lady Tigers were scoreless

again in the top of the third. In the Cowgirls' half of the inning, Amber Smith, who had been recovering from an injury, came in to bat. She grounded out to the pitcher. Cochran hit a line drive to left field for a single. Berkley White got on base on an error, advancing Cochran to second. Siruta hit into a fielder's

choice. Cochran was thrown out at third. Gaydusek and Maddie Mayer walked, forcing home Berkley White to make it 10-0.

Brianna Salinas got a single up the middle, batting in Siruta. Gaydusek scored as well to make it 12-0. Sarah Baker struck out to end the inning.

The Lady Tigers would have their

last chance in the top of the fourth, but DeLaRosa retired them in order with three straight strikeouts.

Leading off in the bottom of the fourth, Smith was hit by a pitch. She went to second on a wild pitch and then home on a double by Cochran, who then stole third. Berkley White walked and stole second. With the

score at 13-0, Rangel hit a two-RBI double to left field to end the game 15-0.

Facing Cochran on the mound in game two, the Lady Tigers would get their only base runner of the series in the top of the first inning on an error. She was left stranded.

The Cowgirls would go through their batting order in the bottom of the first, scoring seven runs. Bauman flew out to end the inning.

Cochran got a lead-off home run to open on the bottom of the second to make it 8-0. Berkley White was caught stealing home after successfully getting out a jam while stealing third. Rangel was safe at third on the play and later went home on a wild pitch. After a Ulysses pitching change, the bases were loaded for DeLaRosa, who hit a line drive that bounced off the right fielder's glove, allowing Siruta and Gaydusek to score.

With the score at 11-0, Brianna White hit a single, scoring Hernandez and DeLaRosa. She later came home on a sacrifice grounder by Bauman. Cochran hit a single and tried for two, sliding safely into second on an error by the second baseman. She went to third on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Berkley White to make it 15-0.

Rangel and Thornburg walked to load the bases for Mayer, who was hit by a pitch. White was forced home to make it 16-0. Hernandez got a base hit to score Rangel and Thornburg, then DeLaRosa hit a three-run home run to make it 21-0. Brianna White walked, but Smith grounded out to end the inning.

The Lady Tigers had one more chance, but were retired in order to end the game with a 21-0 Cowgirl victory.

Cowboys baseball team wins one of two against Tigers in Ulysses

In a double header on Friday afternoon at Ulysses the Cowboys won the first game 8-2, but lost the second 7-5.

The Cowboys have won three and lost five for the season. Their next game is at 3 p.m. on Tuesday at Memorial Field in Goodland against Colby.

In the first game both teams remained scoreless until the top of the fourth when the Cowboys scored two runs. At their turn at bat Ulysses scored two runs of their own. In the top of the sixth Goodland added three more. In the final inning Goodland added three more to make eight. Goodland won, 8-2.

In the second game the Cowboys started off strong with a hit that scored in the top of the first. They added another run in the top of the second. Ulysses came back to add a run in the bottom of the third. In the bottom of the fourth Ulysses added three runs. Ulysses lead 4-2. Ulysses added two more runs in the bottom of the fifth and one in the bottom of the sixth. The Cowboys caught a second wind to score three runs in the top of the seventh but it was not enough to give them the win. Ulysses won, 7-5.

Taylen Smith was the pitcher for the first game against Ulysses. Ryder Kling was the catcher.

Lead-off hitter Ryan Hillmer walked. Austin Avelar hit a ground ball that Ulysses caught for a double play. Gunner Helton hit

a line drive to third and didn't beat the ball to first base.

Chase Newell was the first batter for Ulysses. He was walked by Smith. The second batter Cade Higgs hit a ground ball to Laine Herl and was thrown out at first. Newell just missed being tagged out by Avelar. Tyler Watie struck out. Kling blocked several low balls so the runner couldn't advance. Braden Langston hit a ground ball to second and was thrown out at first.

At the top of the second Kling walked but was out when Herl hit into a fielder's choice. Tyler Amthor struck out. Smith was thrown out first. For Ulysses, Alec Meierhoff hit a line drive to first and was out at first. Damiean Chavez and Luke Hanev struck out. Neither team had scored.

John Hendrich led in the top of the third, hitting right to the first baseman for out one. Tyler Jones struck out. Hillmer hit a single and made it to first and then slid into second. Avelar struck out.

In the bottom half of the inning, Chase Rudzik hit a ground ball to Smith on the mound and was thrown out at first. Kiano Sosa hit a ground ball to second, Herl made the throw to first for the out. Newell hit a fly ball to Avelar to end the inning.

In the top of the fourth Gunner Helton hit a grounder, but made it to first. Kling hit a line drive to right field. Helton made it to second, third and then slid home to

score the first run of the game. Herl struck out. Amthor batted Kling in to make it 2-0. Amthor got on base and then went over to second. Hendrich made it to first on a throwing error, but Jones struck out to end the inning with the Cowboys in the lead 2-0.

Ulysses' Higgs walked and made it around to third in the bottom of the fourth. Watie hit a grounder to Hillmer, who was not able to get the ball to first in time. Pitcher Braden Langston was hit by a pitch and made it to second before he was tagged out when Meierhoff struck out. Chavez batted in Higgs and Watie to tie the game 2-2. Hanev struck out to end the inning.

Hillmer led off in the fifth with a grounder to the left and made it on base when his ball went under the glove of Langston. He was out when he tried to steal second. Avelar struck out and Helton was out at first.

In the bottom of the fifth, Rudzik hit a ground ball and was out when Herl made the throw to first. Sosa made it to first when his hit to center wasn't caught. Newell hit a ball to left and Hendrich caught the ball with a diving slide. Higgs hit the ball to center and Amthor did a diving catch.

In the top of the sixth Kling hit a double to right field. Herl followed with another double, driving Kling across home plate. Herl would score later to make it 4-2. Amthor walked and advance to second and third. Smith hit a single and drove Amthor in

to score. Hendrich struck out. Jones walked to first, but Hillmer and Avelar struck out.

Goodland led 5-2 going into the bottom of the sixth. Waite hit a grounder to Helton and was thrown out at first. Langston hit a single to the middle to make it to first. Meierhoff walked to first, advancing Langston to second. Chavez was out on an infield fly and Hanev struck out.

The first batter for Goodland in the top of the seventh was out on a fly ball. Kling hit a single, advanced to second and third and was batted in by Amthor. Herl was out from a fly ball. Amthor hit a single to make it to first, then second and third and was batted in by Smith's home run to make it 8-2.

Ulysses' batters got out in the bottom of the seventh when Hillmer caught Rudzik's fly and Avelar caught Sosa's fly. Newell walked, stole second and made it to third before Higgs struck out to end the game.

In the second game Hillmer hit a ball to the center made it to first, then second, third and scored. Avelar hit the ball was out at first. Helton was out and Kling struck out. Goodland led 1-0. With Helton pitching, the first three Ulysses batters were retired in order.

In the second inning Herl was out at first, Amthor struck out, Smith walked to first and Cy Paxton struck out. For Ulysses Langston was out when Amthor caught his fly. Waite walked to first. Sosa and Rudzik

were out at first.

In the top of the third Jones struck out and Hillmer walked. Hillmer advanced to second and third when Avelar hit a double and was out at third. Helton hit a single and went to second when Kling hit a single. Herl hit a ground ball to third but was out at first. Ulysses' Higgs walked to first. Newell out when his fly was caught. Chavez made it to first on an error by Hillmer and Higgs advanced to second. Chavez hit a ground ball down the middle and an error by Hillmer allowed Higgs to score. Langston hit a hard short to Herl and was out. The score was Goodland, 2-1.

In the fourth inning Amthor, Smith and Jones struck out with Paxton on first from a walk. Ulysses scored three runs at their turn at bat. Ulysses led, 4-2.

At the top of the fifth the Cowboys had three out with runners left on first and second. Ulysses added two runs to their lead to make it 6-2.

In the sixth the Cowboys left runners stranded at first and second. In the bottom of the sixth Hillmer relieved Helton as the pitcher. The first batter, Newell, walked, went to second, stole third and was batted in by Meierhoff.

In the top of the seventh Avelar, Helton and Kling scored but couldn't make up the difference to win. Ulysses won 7-5.

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