



LONE STAR CONFERENCE SOFTBALL

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LSC SOFTBALL

Softball season began last week with eight of the nine Lone Star Conference teams in action. Angelo State, Texas A&M-Commerce, and Texas A&M-Kingsville jumped out to perfect starts. Play continues with a full schedule of non-conference games this week.

LSC teams are playing a single round-robin schedule with a four games against each league opponent. The four-game series shall consist of a doubleheader Friday and a doubleheader Saturday.

The overall LSC Champion will be the team(s) with the best winning percentage in regular-season conference games, while the winner of the postseason championship will be recognized as LSC Tournament Champion and receive the league's automatic qualification into NCAA postseason. The single-elimination championship will be played May 1-2, at the No. 1 seed.

LSC softball teams are 30-11 overall this season. In the NCAA South Central Region, the group is currently 7-1 combined versus Heartland Conference teams and 5-3 against the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

HITTER

Katelyn Conlee, Tarleton State University, JR, UT/P, Stephenville, Texas, Stephenville HS

Conlee got off to one of the most incredible offensive starts in Tarleton State history last week, earning 10 hits in her first 10 at bats of the hits en route to a .692 batting average for the week. She has a hit in every game so far this season, including going 7-7 with 10 RBIs and three extra-base hits in the season-opening sweep of Southwestern Oklahoma last Monday. Among players with at least five at bats, Conlee is leading the Lone Star Conference in batting average after the opening week as well as leading the conference in hits (18), RBIs (14) and total bases (28). Her efforts at the dish led Tarleton to 62 runs scored over the first six games, which is the most by a team in the LSC, and a 6-1 record thus far for the best start to a season since 2007.

PITCHER

Brandy Marlett, Angelo State University, SR, Pitcher, Henderson, Nev., Rancho HS

Marlett opened her collegiate career in a big way. The freshman went 3-0 with a save and didn't give up an earned run in four appearances. The Henderson, Nev. native struck out 23 batters in 22.0 innings of work and held opponents to a .101 batting average. Marlett held St. Edward's, a 2014 NCAA Division II South Central Regional team, to just one hit and struck out a season-high seven batters in a 3-0 shutout win. She recorded two shutouts over the weekend and didn't allow more than two hits in any appearance.

OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Amanda Martinez, Eastern New Mexico University, picked up right where she left off last season and batted .600 with six runs scored over the first three games of the season. She had multiple hits in all three games, which included a two-for-four performance with three runs, a double and RBI in the Zias second-ever win over Washburn. Martinez also went two-for-two on stolen base attempts over the weekend and currently ranks seventh on the ENMU career list in that category.

Madison Greenwell, Angelo State University, led the Rambelles to its first 6-0 start since 2011 with a team-high .579 batting average. The freshman with 11-for-16 at the plate with one double and one triple in her first collegiate action. She scored six runs and batted in four more. She was perfect on the base paths going 6-for-6 in steals. The Flower Mound native ended the weekend with a .579 on-base percentage and a .737 slugging percentage.

Lacey Taylor, West Texas A&M University, had a standout weekend for the Lady Buffs at the NFCA Leadoff Classic as the junior hit .571 with a double and a homerun to drive in 3 RBI for a slugging percentage of .857 while reaching base at a .625 clips with 12 total bases on the weekend. The Byers, Texas native smashed a two-run homerun on Friday night in the season opener against East Central to spark a 10-7 WT win as the top ranked Lady Buffs finished the weekend 4-1.

Monica Cherry, Texas A&M University - Commerce, was a driving force for the Lions offense through the first six games of the season as the Lions are off to a 6-0 start in their inaugural season. Cherry struggled in the Lions inaugural game, but heated up with a single and an RBI in game two against St. Edwards. She also earned a walk in the first doubleheader in A&M-Commerce school history. Cherry heated up in the Lion Classic going a perfect 3-for-3 including a double with five runs scored and five RBI in wins over Southern Nazarene and Northeastern Oklahoma State. She also earned five walks on day one of the tournament. Her highlight of the first day was a three RBI double smashed down the right field line against Southern Nazarene. She remained perfect from the plate in game one of the second day going 1-for-1 with two runs scored with a solo homer and two stolen bases in the Lions win on the Crimson Storm. Her perfected streak ended in the second game with an 0-for-1 game but she kept alive her five-game on base streak with a pair of walks. Cherry, walked a total of nine times to help her sport .750 on-base percentage good enough to be tied for second in the LSC. On the base paths she was a terror swiping five bases on six attempts. She is fifth in the LSC in stolen bases.

Katelyn Vinson, Midwestern State University, hit .389 with three homers and five RBIs while helping Midwestern State to a 3-3 mark at the season opening NFCA Leadoff Classic last weekend in Tucson, Ariz. The junior outfielder from Southlake recorded her sixth career multiple homer game striking for a three-run shot in the first and solo blast in the second inning to lead the Mustangs to an 11-4 win over Southeastern Oklahoma State on Sunday. She launched her first homer of the season earlier in the afternoon against 13th-ranked Missouri-St. Louis. Vinson collected hits in five of the six games over the weekend and drew six walks to boast

STANDINGS

School	LSC	Overall	Streak
Angelo State	0-0	6-0	W6
Texas A&M-Commerce	0-0	6-0	W6
Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-0	2-0	W2
Tarleton State	0-0	6-1	W4
West Texas A&M	0-0	4-1	W1
Eastern New Mexico	0-0	2-1	W2
Midwestern State	0-0	3-3	W1
Texas Woman's	0-0	1-5	L3
Cameron	0-0	0-0	---

SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

Rogers State at Cameron, 1 p.m.
Texas A&M-Kingsville at St. Edwards, 1:30 p.m.
Rogers State at Cameron, 3 p.m.
Texas A&M-Kingsville at St. Edward's, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, February 13, 2015

Adams State vs Texas Woman's, 11:30 a.m.
MSU Denver vs Cameron, 11:30 a.m.
Chadron State vs Tarleton State, 11:30 a.m.
Colorado Mines vs Angelo State, 11:30 a.m.
St. Mary's vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 12:30 p.m.
St. Mary's vs Texas A&M-Kingsville, 12:30 p.m.
CSU-Pueblo vs Texas Woman's, 1:30 p.m.
Colorado Mesa vs Tarleton State, 1:30 p.m.
MSU Denver vs Midwestern State, 1:30 p.m.
Colorado Mines at West Texas A&M, 1:45 p.m.
Newman vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 3 p.m.
Texas A&M-Kingsville vs Southeastern Okla., 3 p.m.
Chadron State vs Midwestern State, 3:30 p.m.
CSU-Pueblo vs Angelo State, 3:30 p.m.
Colorado Mesa vs Cameron, 3:30 p.m.
St. Cloud State vs Eastern New Mexico, 4 p.m.
Adams State at West Texas A&M, 4 p.m.
St. Edward's vs Eastern New Mexico, 9 p.m.

Saturday, February 14, 2015

CSU-Pueblo vs Cameron, 11:30 a.m.
Colorado Mines vs Midwestern State, 11:30 a.m.
MSU Denver vs Tarleton State, 11:30 a.m.
Chadron State vs Texas Woman's, 11:30 a.m.
Southwestern Okla. vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 12:30 p.m.
Washburn vs Texas A&M-Kingsville, 12:30 p.m.
CSU-Pueblo vs Midwestern State, 1:30 p.m.
Fort Lewis vs Eastern New Mexico, 1:30 p.m.
Colorado Mesa vs Angelo State, 1:30 p.m.
Adams State vs Cameron, 1:30 p.m.
Chadron State at West Texas A&M, 1:45 p.m.
Washburn vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 3 p.m.
St. Mary's vs Texas A&M-Kingsville, 3 p.m.
Colorado Mesa vs Texas Woman's, 3:30 p.m.
Adams State vs Angelo State, 3:30 p.m.
Colorado Mines vs Tarleton State, 3:30 p.m.
Metro State at West Texas A&M, 4 p.m.
Texas-Permian Basin vs Eastern New Mexico, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 15, 2015

Texas A&M-Kingsville vs Southeastern Okla., 10 a.m.
MSU Denver vs Texas Woman's, 10:30 a.m.
Colorado Mesa vs Midwestern State, 10:30 a.m.
CSU-Pueblo vs Tarleton State, 10:30 a.m.
Chadron State vs Cameron, 10:30 a.m.
Adams State vs Tarleton State, 12:30 p.m.
Chadron State vs Angelo State, 12:30 p.m.

a team-best .542 on-base percentage while slugging .889 through the first six games of the campaign. Vinson ranks second on MSU's all-time home run list with 38.

Carlie Clark, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, pitched a complete game shutout against Texas A&M International in Texas A&M-Kingsville's season opener doubleheader. She struck out eight with one walk in seven innings. Clark pitched 4.1 innings before allowing her first base runner and tossed 5.2 of no-hit ball before the Dustdevils recorded their first base knock.

Selena Rima, Texas A&M University - Commerce, had a dominate opening week for the Lions softball team in the inaugural season. In her first collegiate appearance Rima tossed a complete game allowing only two earned runs with two strikeouts in a 9-4 win over St. Edwards. She worked four innings of scoreless ball in a start against Southern Nazarene in the Lions 18-0 stomping of the Crimson Storm, then came in later in the day for an inning against Northeastern State to limit damage in at the Lions 11-9 win. On day two of the Lion Classic, Rima recorded the first save in A&M-Commerce softball history with a perfect inning including when she entered the game with a pair of runners on base and potential tying run on deck with no outs. She followed up the historic performance with a complete-game shutout allowing only four hits while striking out 11 batters. Her 11 Ks were the most in a single-game through the first week of the season in the league. She ranks second in the LSC in Ks with 19. She is fifth in the LSC with an ERA of 1.05 and second in the league in ERA for pitchers in double-digit inning totals on the season.

Haley Freyman, Tarleton State University, was spectacular for the TexAnns in her collegiate debut last week, pitching in six of Tarleton's first seven games this season and earning four wins and a save in those outings. The freshman right-hander has the second-most appearances in the LSC after the opening week as well as the most innings pitched (27.0), the third-most strikeouts (16) and the fourth-lowest opponent batting average among pitchers with at least 20.0 innings (.272).

Aja Secheslingloff, Eastern New Mexico University, tossed 12.1 innings for the Zias to open the season at the Southwestern Oklahoma State Round Robin. She is the first pitcher since Nicole Dickson to win her first two decisions of the season, since the 2008 campaign. Secheslingloff opened the season with a complete-game win over Oklahoma Science & Arts and earned her second win in relief against Washburn.

NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

Angelo State

The No. 11 Angelo State softball team started the season with a perfect 6-0 record at the George McCorkle Challenge ... It is the first time the Rambelles have started 6-0 since 2011 ... Brandy Marlett went 3-0 with a save in four appearances ... The freshman did not give up an earned run and did not allow more than two hits in a single appearance ... She is the LSC leader with 23 strikeouts ... Madison Greenwell led an offense that hit .393 ... Greenwell led ASU with a .579 batting average ... She had 11 hits, one double and one triple along with six stolen bases ... Kenedy Urbany went 3-0 in the circle and hit .500 with nine RBIs ... She recorded two doubles and two home runs with a 1.000 slugging percentage and a .556 on-base percentage ... Rachel Moore and Tina Cisneros also hit home runs this weekend for ASU ... The Rambelles had 15 different players score a run and 11 record a RBI during the George McCorkle Classic ... ASU will travel to Canyon to play in the WT Woodward Invitational.

Cameron

Did not play last week.

Eastern New Mexico

With wins over Oklahoma Science & Arts and Washburn, the Zias have won two of their first three games for the first time since the 2006 season. Freshman pitcher Aja Secheslingoff earned both victories in the circle and is the first ENMU pitcher to win her first two decisions since Nicole Dickson in the 2008 season. The Zias pounded out at least 15 hits in two of the three games and are hitting .385, with five players batting .375 or better. Amanda Martinez registered multiple hits in all three games and is batting .600 with two stolen bases. This weekend, the Zias will play in the Desert Stinger Tournament.

Midwestern State

Midwestern State went 3-3 at the season opening NFCA Leadoff Classic in Tucson, Ariz... Junior outfielder Katelyn Vinson hit .389 with three homers and five RBIs during weekend play... She connected on two homers in an 11-4 win over No. 4 Southeastern Oklahoma State on Sunday after striking for a solo shot earlier in the afternoon against 13th-ranked Missouri-St. Louis... Senior shortstop Katy Vandewater hit a home run in the season opener Friday against No. 3-ranked Dixie State then struck for a homer while driving in five RBIs in a 10-0 rout of Molloy (N.Y.) on Saturday... Junior first baseman Chelsey Wall hit a team-high .417 but collected all of her hits in two games going 2-for-3 against Colorado State-Pueblo and 3-for-5 against Southeastern Oklahoma... Junior second baseman Shelby Carter rides a five-game game hitting streak going 7-for-17 (.412) after posting an 0-for-3 in the opener against Dixie State... Carter hit her first homer of the season Saturday against Molloy (N.Y.)... Sophomore pitcher Tayler Jerrick spun a five-hit shutout in her MSU debut against Molloy... Sophomore Kaitlyn Holmes posted a 2-1 mark with a 4.38 ERA allowing 15 earned runs on 26 hits in 24 innings over the weekend... Midwestern State competes in West Texas A&M's Woodward Classic Friday through Sunday in Canyon...

Tarleton State

Tarleton State is off to its best start to a season since 2007 with a 6-1 record over the first six games. Led the offensive power of Katelyn Conlee, the TexAnns opened the season with a sweep of Southwestern Oklahoma and the two-game total of 26 runs is the most runs scored in the first two games of a season in school history. They followed up by heading to Commerce for the Lion Classic and finish 3-1 there. The TexAnns won the tournament finale on the strength of a complete-game, two-hit shutout by Alyssa Ringhausen in her first career start. They completed the week with a 2-1 win Monday afternoon against Northwestern Oklahoma.

Colorado Mines vs Texas Woman's, 12:30 p.m.
Texas A&M-Commerce vs Southeastern Okla., 12:30 p.m.
Colorado Mesa at West Texas A&M, 12:45 p.m.
Central Washington vs Eastern New Mexico, 1:30 p.m.
Adams State vs Midwestern State, 2:30 p.m.
MSU Denver vs Angelo State, 2:30 p.m.
Colorado Mines vs Cameron, 2:30 p.m.
CSU-Pueblo at West Texas A&M, 3 p.m.

All times are CST; *denotes LSC game

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at lonestarconference.org.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Date Hitter

F-10 Katelyn Conlee, Tarleton State

Date Pitcher

F-10 Brandy Marlett, Angelo State



LSC SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
MAY 1-2 | NO. 1 SEED



Texas A&M-Commerce

In its inaugural season the Lions are off to a 6-0 start ... A&M-Commerce won the first game played in program history thanks to a December Rivers three-run homer in the bottom of the sixth inning to give the Lions a 3-0 win over St. Edwards ... A&M-Commerce has swiped 33 bases through six games to lead the LSC ... Aundria Romero worked a complete game shutout to earn the first win in program history in a 3-0 decision over St. Edwards ... Selena Rima earned the first save coming into a two-on and nobody out situation against Southern Nazarene ... Head Coach Richie Bruister earned his 350th career win in the Lions 7-0 win over Northeastern State on February 7 ... Bruister is 350-196 in his 11th season as a head coach ... He spent five seasons and Henderson State (161-92) and five seasons at Texas Woman's (183-104) prior to coming to Commerce.

Texas A&M-Kingsville

Texas A&M-Kingsville swept Texas A&M International at home in the only two games they played this past week. They defeated the Dustdevils 4-2 and 1-0. The second game saw the Javelinas win on a walk-off walk. Carlie Clark pitched a complete game shutout in game two while not allowing a base runner for the first 4.1 innings and no base hits for the first 5.2 frames. Karri Smith threw a complete game in the season opener while giving up two runs on six hits as both runs were unearned. This week TAMUK plays at St. Edwards on Tuesday before competing in the Southeastern Regional Invitational this weekend in Durant, Oklahoma.

Texas Woman's

The TWU softball team opened its 2015 season at NFCA Division II Lead-Off Classic and posted a 1-5 record. Sophomore Alyssa Galaz led the Pioneers on offense with a .500 batting average going 11-for-22 at the plate. She scored five runs and recorded two doubles, one home run and a .773 slugging percentage. Freshman Tylia Sylestin drove in a team best five runs and hit two home runs over the weekend. Junior Bailee Wortham was the leader among the pitching staff with a 2.14 ERA and 10 strikeouts. She tossed 16.1 innings in four appearances. TWU will travel to Canyon, TX, to play in the WT Woodward Invitational on Feb. 13-15. The Pioneers will play six games over the three days.

West Texas A&M

The top ranked Lady Buffs of West Texas A&M finished the 2015 NFCA DII Leadoff Classic with a 4-1 overall record this past weekend in Tucson. WT registered wins over East Central, Western Oregon, Colorado Mesa and #3 Dixie State while following to eventual champion #16 St. Mary's. WT returns to action this weekend as they host the WT Woodward Invitational at Schaeffer Park with matchups scheduled against Colorado School of Mines, Adams State, Chadron State, Metro State, Colorado Mesa and CSU-Pueblo.