

LONE STAR CONFERENCE SOFTBALL WEEKLY RELEASE | FEBRUARY 17, 2015

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LSC SOFTBALL

Three Lone Star Conference teams - Angelo State, West Texas A&M and Cameron - are rolling through non-conference play with just one loss each.

Action continues with a full slate 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 67-29 overall this season including a 37-18 mark last week. In the NCAA South Central Region, the group is currently 12-6 combined versus Heartland Conference teams and 34-11 against the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

HITTER

Renee Erwin, West Texas A&M University, SR, Outfielder, Anna, Texas, Anna HS

Erwin had a breakout weekend for the #1 Lady Buffs as the senior hit .500 with two triples and three home runs to drive in 11 RBI while scoring 13 runs and walking six times for an on-base clip of .696. The Anna, Texas native registered an amazing 1.429 slugging percentage on the weekend as she tallied 20 total bases during the WT Woodward Invitational. Erwin had her best game of the weekend on Saturday afternoon as the Lone Star Conference Preseason Player of the Year drove in 6 RBI with a two run triple and a grand slam as #1 WT routed Chadron State, 16-0 in five innings.

PITCHER

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Hokianga, the Lone Star Conference Preseason Pitcher of the Year, dominated this past weekend at the WT Woodward Invitational as the senior lefty went 2-0 in the circle with a 0.00 ERA as the Lady Buffs moved to 10-1 on the season with a perfect 6-0 weekend. The Hawke's Bay, New Zealand native tossed 9.1 scoreless innings this past weekend, allowing just seven hits while striking out 15 batters to go 2-0 with a save. Hokianga allowed opponents to hit just .194 on the weekend as she allowed just two extra base hits with only three walks.

OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Rachel Moore, Angelo State University, led the Rambelles to a 5-1 record at the WT Woodward Classic with a .550 average. The senior went 11-for-20 and slugging clip of .650. She recorded two doubles and led ASU with six RBIs over the weekend. She leads ASU with a .818 slugging percentage this season and four doubles.

Taylor Bermudes, Midwestern State University, broke out to slug 1.067 with two doubles and three triples while helping Midwestern State to a 5-1 showing at the Woodward Invitational last weekend in Canyon. The 5-4 sophomore from Houston tied a school record with two triples while driving in a career-high five runs in a 17-1 win over Adams State. Bermudes went 2-for-3 with a double and a triple while driving in two runs in her season debut Friday against Chadron State. She followed up with a another two-hit performance Saturday against Colorado Mines before stroking a double later in the afternoon against Colorado State-Pueblo. Bermudes hit .533 (8-for-15) while driving in seven runs and stealing a base during tournament play.

Kendra Sancet, Texas Woman's University, led the Pioneers on offense with a .524 batting average and a 1.190 slugging percentage. She scored nine runs and drove in 13 runs on 11 hits including three home runs and five doubles during the week. On the season she is batting .500 with a .950 slugging percentage and a .574 on base percentage. In the 12 games this season she has 6 double and 4 home runs and drove in 16 runs.

Elizabeth Velasquez, Eastern New Mexico University, batted .500 with a double, homer and three runs batted in to help the Zias post a 3-2 at the Desert Stinger Tournament. She also played multiple defensive positions without committing an error in six chances. Velasquez registered a three-for-three outing with a homer against St. Edwards. She also went two-for-three with a double in a victory over Fort Lewis.

December Rivers, Texas A&M University - Commerce, paced the Lions with .438 batting average in five games for the Lions who went 2-3 on the weekend. Rivers delivered for the Lions at the biggest time of the tournament driving in the game-tying run against No. 4 Southeastern Oklahoma in the Lions 2-1 upset win. Rivers had 16 official at bats on the weekend and did not strikeout. She went 5-for-7 in the first two games with two runs scored and six RBI. She also had a pair of doubles and a home run. On day two, she recorded went 1-for-3 in both games.

Jaeleen Castro, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, led the Texas A&M-Kingsville softball team with a .409 average, five RBI and two stolen bases over seven games. She had nine hits while posting a .545 slugging and .435 on-base percentages as well. Castro recorded three multi-hit games with three coming against Southwestern Oklahoma State in a 12-11 slugfest victory at the Southeastern Regional Invitational. In the field she recorded 10 putouts and an assist without recording an error for the Javelinas.

Melody Mayse, Tarleton State University, put up dominant numbers from the lead off spot for Tarleton State last week as the junior outfielder lifted the TexAnns to three wins over in-region foes at the West Texas A&M Woodward Invitational. Mayse hit .400 over the last six games, going 10-25 at the plate with eight runs scored and five RBIs. The junior from Grandview also belted two triples to boost her slugging percentage to .560.

STANDINGS

LSC	Overall	Streak
0-0	11-1	L1
0-0	10-1	W7
0-0	7-1	W5
0-0	8-3	W1
0-0	9-4	L1
0-0	8-4	W5
0-0	5-3	L1
0-0	4-5	W1
0-0	5-7	W4
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SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Texas A&M Int'l at Texas A&M-Commerce, 2 p.m. Texas A&M Int'l at Texas A&M-Commerce, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

NM Highlands at Eastern New Mexico, 2 p.m. Huston-Tilloston at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 3 p.m. NM Highlands at Eastern New Mexico, 4 p.m. Huston-Tillotson at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 5 p.m.

Thursday, February 19, 2015

Lubbock Christian vs Midwestern State, 1 p.m. Texas-Permian Basin vs Cameron, 1 p.m. Lubbock Christian vs Cameron, 3 p.m. Texas–Permian Basin vs Midwestern State, 3 p.m.

Friday, February 20, 2015

Oklahoma Christian vs Texas Woman's, 10 a.m.
Texas-Permian Basin vs Cameron, 12 p.m.
Lubbock Christian vs Midwestern State, 12 p.m.
Texas A&M International vs Tarleton State, 12 p.m.
Okla. Christian vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 12:30 p.m.
Central Oklahoma vs Texas Woman's, 2 p.m.
Oklahoma Panhandle vs Midwestern State, 2 p.m.
Newman vs Eastern New Mexico, 2 p.m.
Lubbock Christian vs Cameron, 2 p.m.
Texas A&M Int'l vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 2:30 p.m.
St. Edward's at West Texas A&M, 3 p.m.
Newman vs Eastern New Mexico, 4 p.m.
Tarleton State at St. Mary's, 4 p.m.
St. Edward's at West Texas A&M, 5 p.m.

Saturday, February 21, 2015

Oklahoma Panhandle State vs Cameron, 10 a.m. Oklahoma Christian vs Tarleton State, 10 a.m. Texas—Permian Basin vs Midwestern State, 12 p.m. Oklahoma Christian vs Texas Woman's, 12 p.m. Central Oklahoma vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 12 p.m. Newman at West Texas A&M, 1 p.m. St. Edward's vs Eastern New Mexico, 1 p.m. Tarleton State at St. Mary's, 2 p.m. Texas A&M International vs Texas Woman's, 2 p.m. Newman at West Texas A&M, 3 p.m. St. Edward's vs Eastern New Mexico, 3 p.m. Texas A&M-Commerce at St. Mary's, 4 p.m.

Sunday, February 22, 2015

Texas A&M Int'l vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 10 a.m. St. Mary's vs Texas Woman's, 12 p.m. Central Oklahoma vs Tarleton State, 12 p.m. Texas-Permian Basin at Angelo State, 1 p.m. Texas-Permian Basin at Angelo State, 3:30 p.m.

All times are CST; *denotes LSC game

Mayse was a rally starter by going 8-12 last weekend when leading off an inning, but also did damage with runners in scoring position by hitting .400 in those situations. She also was a perfect 6-6 in stealing bases and fielded 1.000 on 13 putouts in the outfield.

Paige Daino, Cameron University, had a career week for the Aggies that was highlighted with five homers and 16 RBI in eight contests played. In her first game of the season against Rogers State she hit a grand slam and a two run homer in a 14-0 run-ruled contest. This last weekend she had at least a homer in each day with all of them being two RBIs against Colorado Mesa, Adams State, and Colorado School of Mines. Presently she leads the LSC in homers and is second in RBIs with at least three fewer games played than the other league leaders. Daino hit .387 in 31 official at-bats, with a pair of doubles, and a slugging percentage reaching .935.

Erin Knox, Midwestern State University, didn't allow an earned run over two starts and 12 innings in circle and clubbed two homers to help Midwestern State to a 5-1 showing at the Woodward Invitational last weekend in Canyon. The 5-4 sophomore weaved a six-hitter while fanning four in a 6-3 win over Colorado Mines then limited Colorado Mesa to six hits over five innings in a 9-1 run-rule victory to improve to 2-1 on the season. Knox also blasted a homer against Colorado State-Pueblo and Colorado Mesa at the dish.

Kenedy Urbany, Angelo State University, went 3-0 over the weekend with back-to-back two hit performances at the WT Woodward Classic. The sophomore is now 5-0 on the season. She struck out a season-high six against Colorado Mesa and held Mesa and Chadron State to two hits in back-to-back games. The Helotes native only allowed three runs the entire weekend and held opponents to a .164 batting average.

Aundria Romero, Texas A&M University - Commerce, turned in a terrific weekend for the Lions going 2-0 in three appearances with two starts and two complete games. She opened the weekend with a six-hit complete game performance in a 13-4 rout of Newman. She worked three innings in relief allowing no runs and recording four strikeouts in the Lions 2-1 loss to Washburn. But, with the Lions facing their biggest test of the season and the tournament Romero responded with a complete game four-hitter to lift the Lions over No. 4 Southeastern Oklahoma 2-1. Romero struck out five batters in the win. Romero leads the Lions with a 1.75 ERA in 36 innings.

Aja Secheslingloff, Eastern New Mexico University, turned in a stellar performance for the Zias at the Desert Stinger Classic with a 3-1 record and 2.00 earned run average over four games with 11 strike outs and just four walks. She blanked St. Cloud State on three hits in the opener and followed with a two-hitter against Fort Lewis. On Saturday, she allowed just three runs to Texas-Permian Basin to become the first Zia pitcher to open the season with a 5-0 record. Secheslingloff allowed just two earned runs in Sunday's setback to Central Washington and fanned four batters.

Haley Freyman, Tarleton State University, continued her early run of success as a true freshman with the TexAnns. Last week at the WT Woodward Invitational, Freyman threw a team-best 17.1 innings in four of the six Tarleton games. She posted an ERA of 4.04 while striking out 14 batters. She earned the winning decision in three of the four games she pitched in.

NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

Angelo State

The Rambelles are 11-1 on the season after going 5-1 at the WT Woodward Classic ... Kenedy Urbany went 3-0 with a shutout including back-to-back two hits games ... She leads the conference holding opponents to a .168 batting average ... ASU is hitting .395 as a team and leads the LSC in ERA with a 0.82 as a team ... Brandy Marlett leads the LSC with a 0.49 ERA and strikeouts with 40 ... ASU will host UTPB on Sunday for a doubleheader at Mayer Field.

Cameron

The Aggies went 7-1 last week and they are on their best start in program history besting a 6-1 start set during the 1982 season. Cameron's offensive attack has them batting above .400 with Paige Daino leading the LSC with five homers, she is second in RBI with 16 overall. Carly Allerheiligen has the top conference batting average a .565 with 13 hits, and 10 runs scored. Sophomore outfielder Breezy McComas has an eight game hitting streak to start the season. Presently, Tara Martini needs 12 doubles to tie Megan Young (2006-09) who had 55 doubles in her four year career at Cameron and needs 33 RBI to be CU's all-time leader, Young holds the program mark with 165. Misty Dooley is nearing the open the runs list and needs nine to move up to second all-time at Cameron, presently she is at 109. Cameron will return to action for five games this weekend in Mansfield. Texas.

Eastern New Mexico

Eastern posted a 3-2 record over the weekend at the Desert Stinger tournament and opened the season with five wins in the first seven contests for just the third time in team history. Aja Secheslingloff went 3-1 for the weekend and became the first ENMU pitcher to open a season with a 5-0 record. On the trip, ENMU posted wins over St. Cloud State, Fort Lewis and Texas-Permian Basin. This week, Eastern will host New Mexico Highlands before heading to Canyon, Texas, for games against St. Edwards and Newman.

Midwestern State

Midwestern State rolled to a 5-1 showing at WT's Woodward Invitational last weekend in Canyon... The Mustangs hit .385 as a team over the weekend scoring 9.7 runs per game... The MSU pitching staff combined for a 1.84 team ERA while limiting the opposition to a .266 average while permitting 41 hits in 38 innings... MSU set a school record by scoring 12 runs in a single inning (6th) in a 17-1 run-rule win over Adams State on Sunday... Senior third baseman Kelley Schaefer recorded her 200th career hit on an RBI single down the right-field line Sunday against Adams State... Schaefer is the seventh player to record 200 hits in MSU program history joining Kristen Stonecipher (270), Elena Bennett (265), Courtney Bingham (263), Kim Jerrick (253), Mallory Mooney (236) and Jessica Rodriguez (215)... Junior outfielder Haley Howerton tied a school record by scoring four runs Sunday against Adams State equaling the feat previously set by Maranda Bishop (2009) and Kateyn Vinson (2013)... Sophomore outfielder Taylor Bermudes became the fourth player to leg out two triples in a single game Sunday against Adams State joining Allison Tidwell (2004), Kortney Kemper (2004) and

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at lonestarconference.org.

WEEKLY AWARDS

ate Hitter

F-10 Katelyn Conlee, Tarleton State

F-17 Renee Erwin, West Texas A&M

Date Pitcher

F-10 Brandy Marlett, Angelo State

F-17 Rita Hokianga, West Texas A&M



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Courtney Bingham (2011)... Bermudes also drove in a career-high five runs against Adams State going 3-for-5 at the plate... Sophomore catcher Emily Lasky hit .625 (10-for-16) with four doubles and seven RBIs in four games at the Woodward Invitational.... Lasky extended her hitting streak to five games -- all over the weekend... Bermudes hit .533 with two doubles and three triples while driving in seven runs over the weekend... Sophomore pitcher Erin Knox did not allow an earned run in 12 innings in the circle at the Woodward Invitational and also connected for two homers at the plate... Junior outfielder Haley Howerton collected multiple hits in each of her last three games while extended her hitting streak to six games... Howerton hit .435 with two triples and three stolen bases while scoring 11 runs during weekend play... Junior outfielder Paige Stevens hit .421 (8-for-19) with a double and a triple during tournament play... Senior shortstop Katy Vandewater hit .409 (9-for-22) with a homer and 10 RBIs at the Woodward Invitational...

Tarleton State

Tarleton State improved to 9-4 on the season after splitting a six-game stretch at the West Texas A&M Woodward Invitational last week. Tarleton earned wins over Chadron State, Colorado Mines and Colorado State-Pueblo. The TexAnns will head to San Antonio this weekend for the final pre-conference tournament before opening league play against West Texas A&M on Feb. 27.

Texas A&M-Commerce

2-3 last week.

Texas A&M-Kingsville

Texas A&M-Kingsville went 2-5 last week. They split a midweek doubleheader at St. Edward's and followed with a 1-4 mark in the Southeastern Regional Invitational in Durant, Okla. The Javelinas lone victory in Durant came against Southwestern Oklahoma in a 12-11, eight-inning slugfest. In the game, Haley Boyett hit two home runs to become the first TAMUK player to do so since the 2013 season. The Blue and Gold bashed four homers total, their highest total in a single game in four years. Jaeleen Castro led the squad with a .406 average, five RBI and two stolen bases. This week the Javelinas host Huston-Tillotson for a twinbill on Wednesday for their only games of the week.

Texas Woman's

The TWU softball team is 5-7 on the season after posting a 4-2 record at WT Woodward Invitational last weekend. After dropping the first two games on Friday, the Pioneers' offense erupted for 61 runs in the next four games to finish the weekend with four straight wins. Senior Kendra Sancet was the leader on offense with 13 RBI, nine runs, five doubles, three home runs, .524 batting average, 1.190 slugging percentage and .614 on base percentage. Sophomore Katy Stephens batted 7-for-11 in the six games over the weekend and drove six runs while junior Laura Mabary recorded nine RBI and senior Sarah Wittenburg brought home eight runs. Sophomore Nicole Nordie scored 10 runs while junior Tealey Farquhar, Mabary and Sancet crossed the plate nine times each. Junior Bailee Wortham and sophomore Tori Bice picked up two wins each in the circle.

West Texas A&M

The #1 Lady Buffs of West Texas A&M moved their overall record to 10-1 this past weekend as they went a perfect 6-0 at the WT Woodward Invitational with wins over Colorado School of Mines, Adams State, Chadron State, Metro State, Colorado Mesa and CSU-Pueblo. WT was led at the plate by Lacey Taylor who hit .538 with two home runs to drive in a team leading 13 RBI while Renee Erwin hit .500 on the weekend with two triples and three long balls to register a staggering 1.429 slugging percentage. Rita Hokianga (2-0), Hannah Newcomb (3-0) and Tori Bayer (1-0) all picked up wins in the circle for WT while Hokianga and Kilee Halbert also registered a save. The Lady Buffs return to action this weekend as they host the 2015 Lady Buff Invite on Friday and Saturday with doubleheaders set against St. Edward's (Fri. at 3:00 p.m.) and Newman (Sat. at 1:00 p.m.) at Schaeffer Park in Canyon.