



# LONE STAR CONFERENCE BASEBALL

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### LSC BASEBALL

Lone Star Conference competition begins this week. LSC teams are playing a 10-week schedule with a four-game series and three-game series against every other team. Each four-game series shall consist of a 9-inning game Friday, a 7x7 doubleheader Saturday and 9-inning contest Sunday, and each three-game series shall consist of a 9-inning game Friday and a 7x9 doubleheader Saturday.

Angelo State (10-1) has won nine straight and leads the standings after three weeks of non-conference action.

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 championship will be played May 7-8-9, at the No. 1 seed.

LSC baseball teams are 40-24 overall this season including a 12-7 mark last week. In the NCAA South Central Region, the teams are currently 19-6 combined versus Heartland Conference teams and 7-6 against the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

#### HITTER

**Cline Andrews, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, SR, 3B, Sugar Land, Texas, Clements**

Andrews dominated in a three-game sweep over Texas College, leading the Javelinas with seven hits in 12 at-bats, including three extra base hits... the third baseman scored eight times and blasted a long ball to deep left field... he registered two hits in the series opener and three in each of Saturday's slates and drove in six... on the hot corner, he did not commit an error.

#### PITCHER

**Steve Naemark, Angelo State University, JR, LHP, Tucson, Ariz., Mountain View HS**

Naemark established a new Angelo State record by striking out 15 in a win over Regis last Saturday for the Rams who improved to 10-1 on the season with a three-game sweep last weekend. Naemark, who threw 77 of his 109 pitches for strikes, held the Rangers to three hits and a .130 batting average in his second win of the season and now has a 1.12 ERA and 38 strikeouts through 24 innings pitched this season. Naemark (2-0) has 27 strikeouts in his last two starts for the Rams and has allowed only 13 hits and three walks this season. A junior left-hander, he has also limited the opponents to only three earned runs. His 15 strikeouts against Regis followed a 12-strikeout performance against Lubbock Christian and an eight-strikeout outing against Texas A&M International. He was only four strikeouts shy of Texas A&M-Kingsville's Garrett Murdy for the LSC record of 19 strikeouts in a game. Murdy accomplished the 19 strikeouts against Tarleton State in 2004. Naemark and the Rams host Cameron this weekend in a four-game LSC series at Foster Field.

### OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Cody Knight, Cameron University, had multi-hit contests in all three games last weekend against Texas-Permian Basin hitting .636 with a robust 1.091 slugging percentage. Collectively against the Falcons, Knight had a pair of doubles and Cameron's first homer of the season, with three RBI. After the three-game series Knight saw a 220 point jump in his season batting average to .375.

Kevin Meredith, Tarleton State University, had a weekend for Tarleton State as the senior outfielder lifted the Texans to its second straight series win with a pair of victories over Texas A&M International. Meredith hit .545 over the three-game series with the Dustdevils, going 6-11 at the dish with half of his hits going for extra bases. The senior had a pair of doubles and a home run to go along with a team-high five RBIs, which moved him into the Lone Star Conference lead. For the weekend, Meredith also totaled 11 based, had a slugging percentage of 1.000, boasted an on-base percentage of .583 and stole two bases.

J.C. Snyder, Angelo State University, hit a game-winning home run with a solo home run in the bottom of the seventh inning to lift the Rams to a 2-1 win over Regis in the series opener last Saturday at Foster Field and finished the weekend with a .444 batting average. A senior transfer from BYU, Snyder had three doubles and two RBI to go along with his game-winning home run which extended his hitting streak to seven games. He leads the Rams this season with a .474 batting average on 18 hits. He has eight doubles, two home runs and 10 RBI through the first 11 games of the season and has a slugging percentage of .842. Along with his four hits last weekend, he reached base three times on walks and led the Rams with five runs scored. He also stole a base against the Rangers for good measure.

Colton Bursleson, Tarleton State University, earned his first win of the season Saturday afternoon by tossing four shutout innings of relief against Texas A&M International. The senior right-hander allowed six hits – five of them for one base – en route to clinching the series-sealing victory. He also struck out three batters and didn't allow a walk in his four innings of work. His four innings of work was the second-most pitched by a Texan hurler on the weekend.

Justin Disbro, West Texas A&M University, had another good outing as the Buffs split a twin bill at New Mexico Highlands on Friday. Disbro went 6.2 innings, allowing seven hits, one earned run, fanning three and walking one. He helped the Buffs to a 3-1 win silencing the hot bats of the Cowboys as it was the lowest run production for NMHU of the season and just the second game (in nine games) of not scoring double-digit runs. Overall this season, Disbro has a 1.00 ERA with a 2-0 record in 18.0 innings.

Dirk Masters, Cameron University, only allowed two hits for the second outing in a row beating Texas-

### STANDINGS

School	LSC	Overall	Streak
Angelo State	0-0	10-1	W9
West Texas A&M	0-0	8-4	L1
Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-0	6-3	W5
Tarleton State	0-0	6-4	W1
Cameron	0-0	6-5	L1
Eastern New Mexico	0-0	4-7	W1

### SCHEDULE

#### Tuesday, February 24, 2015

Texas A&M-Kingsville at Texas A&M Int'l, 6 p.m.

#### Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Cameron at McMurry University, 3 p.m.

#### Friday, February 27, 2015

\*Tarleton State at Eastern New Mexico, 6 p.m.

\*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 6 p.m.

#### Saturday, February 28, 2015

\*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 1 p.m.

\*Cameron at Angelo State, 2 p.m.

\*Tarleton State at Eastern New Mexico, 2 p.m.

\*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 3 p.m.

\*Tarleton State at Eastern New Mexico, 4 p.m.

#### Sunday, March 1, 2015

\*Tarleton State at Eastern New Mexico, 1 p.m.

\*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 1 p.m.

\*Cameron at Angelo State, 2 p.m.

\*Cameron at Angelo State, 4 p.m.

#### Monday, March 2, 2015

\*Cameron at Angelo State, 1 p.m.

All times are CST; \*denotes LSC game

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at lonestarconference.org.

### WEEKLY AWARDS

#### Date Hitter

F-11 Jonathan Schmitz, Tarleton State

F-17 Dylan Dyson, West Texas A&M

F-24 Cline Andrews, Texas A&M-Kingsville

#### Date Pitcher

F-11 Eythan Lenz, Tarleton State

F-17 Steve Naemark, Angelo State

F-24 Steve Naemark, Angelo State (2)



**LSC BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**MAY 7-8-9 | NO. 1 SEED**

Permian Basin 4-1 in a seven inning contest on Saturday. Masters only allowed one run and struck out eight Falcon batters who went .095 at the plate against him in six innings for the win. In the last 13 innings, Masters has held hitters to a .102 average and averaged a strikeout an inning.

Clyde Kendrick, Eastern New Mexico University, earned the only win of a three game series against Lubbock Christian University. The Junior earned his first career win in his first career start while giving up only one earned run through six innings pitched and recording a career-high eight strikeouts. The first time starter gave up only one extra base hit in 98 pitches thrown.

## NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

### Angelo State

The Rams improved to 10-1 on the season and extended their winnings streak to nine games after a dominant weekend where they swept a three-game set from Regis at Foster Field. ASU pitchers combined to strike out 42 batters during the weekend with Steve Naemark having 15 strikeouts, Bryce Zak adding in 11, Blake Bass at seven strikeouts and relievers Trae Davis (3), Dillon Becker (2), Matt Shannon (1), Joe Hauser (1), Kellen Rholl (1) and Graylon Brown (1) adding to the impressive total. While the pitchers were rolling, ASU hitters only struck out 10 time throughout the three-game series. Naemark established a new program record with his 15 strikeouts, while Zak (3-1) had a career-high with his 11. Bass picked up his third straight win and J.C. Snyder led the offense with a .444 batting average which included a game-winning home run in the series opener. The Rams return to action this weekend with the start of LSC play by hosting Cameron in a four-game series at Foster Field.

### Cameron

The Aggies took two of three at Texas-Permian Basin to move to 6-5 overall in non-conference play. Sophomore Cody Knight led the Aggies with a .636 batting average with a pair of doubles and a homer against the Falcons. Collectively the Aggies batted .330 and had a .431 on-base percentage against UTPB. Dirk Masters had his second outing in a row where he allowed only two hits in a 4-1 win. Masters gave up only an earned run and punched out eight batters for his second win of the season. The Aggies will play a non-conference contest at McMurry on Wednesday before opening LSC play at Angelo State this weekend.

### Eastern New Mexico

1-3 last week.

### Tarleton State

Tarleton State won its second straight series by taking two of three against Texas A&M International last weekend. The Texans won a 10-6 offensive showcase in the series opener and a 6-1 rout in the series finale for their two wins. Tarleton will head to Eastern New Mexico next weekend to begin Lone Star Conference play, beginning Friday.

### Texas A&M-Kingsville

Texas A&M-Kingsville extended its win streak to five games after a three-game sweep over Texas College... the Javelinas run-ruled the Steers, 15-4, on Friday and took Saturday's doubleheader, 12-5, and 9-2, respectively... as a team, the Hogs hit .393 and recorded 12 extra base hits and on the hill, all three starters went 5.0 innings to earn the win... the Javelinas head to Texas A&M International Tuesday before returning to Nolan Ryan Field for their LSC opener vs. West Texas A&M.

### West Texas A&M

The No. 10-ranked Buffs really struggled offensively this past week going 1-2 at New Mexico Highlands in a key regional series. WT hit just .156 for the series with 14 hits in 90 at bats. The Buffs had five doubles and one triple, while driving in five and scoring just six runs. NMHU hit .301 for the week as WT stymied the hot bats of the Cowboys in one game, a 3-1 win in the nightcap Friday holding NMHU to its lowest run production of the season and just the second game (to that point) in nine games of not scoring double-digit runs...WT left just 12 on base and forced six double plays for the series, but walked nine and fanned 12 in 24.1 innings. WT hit just .133 (4-30) with runners on base and 4 of 19 (.211) with runners in position.

