



# LONE STAR CONFERENCE SOFTBALL

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### LSC SOFTBALL

West Texas A&M took over sole possession of first place in the Lone Star Conference by taking three of four games versus Cameron last week.

This week's conference schedule includes Texas A&M-Kingsville at WT, CU at Texas Woman's, Angelo State at Midwestern State, and Texas A&M-Commerce at Tarleton State.

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 170-110-2 overall this season. In the NCAA South Central Region, the group is currently 43-23 combined versus Heartland Conference teams and 36-11 against the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

#### HITTER

**Tyler Oppenheim, Texas A&M University - Commerce, FR, 2B, Marble Falls, Texas, Marble Falls HS**

Oppenheim raised her season batting average 62 points, from .286 to .348, after going 8-for-13 for a .615 batting average during four games against Texas Woman's. Oppenheim recorded four straight multi-hit games in the weekend series. She opened with a 2-for-3 performance with a walk and a pair of stolen bases in the Lions 2-1 loss on Friday, then followed with a perfect 2-for-2 game with a run scored and a RBI in the Lions 8-0 win over the Pioneers in game two. The freshman also added a walk and another stolen base. Oppenheim kept the momentum going with a pair of 2-for-4 games on day two of the weekend set. In game one, a 16-8 Lion win, she scored two runs and drove in a run along with another two stolen bases. Oppenheim is currently riding a six-game hitting streak, her longest of the season and the third longest by a Lion this season.

#### PITCHER

**Carlie Clark, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, SO, P, Warsaw, Va., Rappahannock HS**

Clark dominated in the circle in three starts. She went 3-0 with a 0.67 ERA, three complete games and a shutout. Opponents struck out 13 times and were held to a .231 batting average. Against Houston-Victoria, she struck out six and surrendered five hits and a walk in a 7-0 victory. Clark followed by holding Eastern New Mexico to two and one runs in her two starts. Versus the Zias, she combined to strike out seven. Clark also helped her own cause at the plate by going 3-for-7 with two runs scored, a RBI and double during the week.

### OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Audrey Velasquez, Eastern New Mexico University, batted .562 with three doubles and four runs batted in during last weekend's series at Texas A&M-Kingsville. She registered multiple hits in all four games, with a three-for-three performance and a double in the third contest. Velasquez is on a 10-game hit streak and has reached base safely in each of her last 28 contests. She has a team-best 16 multiple-hit games this year.

Tina Cisneros, Angelo State University, led the Rambelles to a series split with Tarleton State with a .556 average. She hit a RBI double in game three that proved to be the winning run in a 2-1 victory. The senior was tops on the team in walks (3), on base percentage (.692) and slugging percentage (.778).

Haley Boyett, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, batted .474 with a team-high .565 on-base and .632 slugging percentages. She also scored eight times, was 6-for-7 stealing bases and laid down two sac bunts as she helped Texas A&M-Kingsville to their longest winning streak (six games) in four years. In the four-game sweep of Eastern New Mexico, Boyett scored seven runs while going 6-for-13 at the plate with a double and triple and four steals. Playing in center field, she made four putouts during the week without committing an error.

Kendra Sancet, Texas Woman's University, helped the Pioneers to a 2-2 Lone Star Conference record on the road and hang on to their fourth spot in the LSC standings. In the four-game series at Texas A&M-Commerce over the weekend, she led the team with a .667 batting average, 8 RBI, five runs, 2 home runs, 2 doubles, 1.556 slugging percentage and .786 on base percentage. Sancet drove in the first run of the series in a 2-1 game-one win on Friday and then had six RBI in a 11-10 win on Saturday in game two. With TWU trailing 6-4 on Saturday, she tied the game with a 2-run home run in the fifth and then put the Pioneers ahead for good with a grand slam in the sixth. The grand slam is Sancet's fifth of her career and one away from tying the NCAA record. She is currently ranked 1st in LSC in doubles (14) and 2nd in batting average (.453), slugging percentage (.916) and on base percentage (.558). Sancet is also in top-5 in hits (43), home runs (10) and RBI (37).

Renee Erwin, West Texas A&M University, had a monster week for the No. 2 Lady Buffs as the senior outfielder hit .375 in six games with four home runs and 7 RBI for an incredible slugging percentage of 1.125 while walking four times and getting hit twice for an on-base clip of .565. The Anna, Texas native had a career day on Saturday as she went 4-for-5 at the plate on the day with four homeruns and six RBI while being hit by a pitch three times and walking once with her only out of the day coming in the first game with a fly ball to the center field wall in the top of the seventh inning.

Katelyn Conlee, Tarleton State University, continued her torrid pace at the plate last weekend as the junior slugger from Stephenville led the TexAnns to a split in the series and the first sweep of a doubleheader against Angelo State since 2004. Conlee hit .333 for the series against the No. 6 Rambelles and in Tarleton's two wins,

### STANDINGS

School	LSC	Overall	Streak
West Texas A&M	13-3	27-6	W3
Cameron	8-4	25-6	L3
Angelo State	9-6-1	24-7-1	W2
Texas Woman's	6-5-1	14-17-1	W1
Texas A&M-Commerce	7-7	18-16	L1
Tarleton State	5-5	18-14	L2
Texas A&M-Kingsville	5-7	13-14	W6
Midwestern State	3-9	16-13	L2
Eastern New Mexico	3-13	15-17	L4

### SCHEDULE

#### Tuesday, March 31, 2015

Central Oklahoma at Cameron, 1 p.m.

Central Oklahoma at Cameron, 3 p.m.

Lubbock Christian at West Texas A&M, 4 p.m.

Lubbock Christian at West Texas A&M, 6 p.m.

Southwestern Okla. at Eastern New Mexico, cncl'd

#### Wednesday, April 1, 2015

Eastern New Mexico at NM Highlands, 1 p.m.

Eastern New Mexico at NM Highlands, 3 p.m.

#### Thursday, April 2, 2015

\*Cameron at Texas Woman's, 5 p.m.

\*Cameron at Texas Woman's, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, April 3, 2015

\*Cameron at Texas Woman's, 1 p.m.

\*Cameron at Texas Woman's, 2 p.m.

\*Texas A&M-Commerce at Tarleton State, 5 p.m.

\*Texas A&M-Kingsville at West Texas A&M, 5 p.m.

\*Angelo State at Midwestern State, 5 p.m.

\*Texas A&M-Kingsville at West Texas A&M, 7 p.m.

\*Texas A&M-Commerce at Tarleton State, 7 p.m.

\*Angelo State at Midwestern State, 7 p.m.

#### Saturday, April 4, 2015

\*Texas A&M-Commerce at Tarleton State, 1 p.m.

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

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

\*Texas A&M-Commerce at Tarleton State, 3 p.m.

\*Angelo State at Midwestern State, 3 p.m.

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

All times are CST; \*denotes LSC game

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at [lonestarconference.org](http://lonestarconference.org).

### WEEKLY AWARDS

#### Date Hitter

F-10	Katelyn Conlee, Tarleton State
F-17	Renee Erwin, West Texas A&M
F-24	Katy Vandewater, Midwestern State
M-3	Kyra Sirag, Eastern New Mexico
M-10	Nicole Nordie, Texas Woman's
M-16	Allie Smith, West Texas A&M
M-24	Katelyn Conlee, Tarleton State (2)
M-30	Tyler Oppenheim, Texas A&M - Commerce

#### Date Pitcher

F-10	Brandy Marlett, Angelo State
F-17	Rita Hokianga, West Texas A&M
F-24	Kelsey Watson, Cameron

the left-handed slugger hit .556 with a double and five RBIs for a .667 slugging percentage and a .556 on-base percentage.

Haley Freyman, Tarleton State University, kept her stellar freshman season going strong by appearing in all four games against No. 6 Angelo State last weekend, including a pair of complete game starts in the circle. The freshman added to her league-best workload with 19.2 innings, allowing seven runs for an ERA of 2.49 and striking out nine.

## NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

### Angelo State

The Rambelles moved to 24-7-1 overall and 9-6-1 in the LSC after splitting the season series with Tarleton State ... Tina Cisneros went 5-for-9 (.556) over the weekend with two doubles, three walks and two RBIs ... Madison Greenwell recorded the most hits with seven ... Megan Granado saw action at second base and in the circle ... The senior threw 6.2 innings and only allowed five hits ... Brandy Marlett with 1-0 with a save in 12.0 innings ... She won the third game by limiting TSU to one hit and one run ... The Rambelles will head to Wichita Falls this weekend to face Midwestern State.

### Cameron

The Cameron softball team made its first appearance in the NFCA poll last week coming in at number-25 and hosting number-2 ranked West Texas A&M on Friday and Saturday. Cameron took game one 4-0 as Kelsey Watson tossed a one-hit, 12 strikeout, shut out against the Lady Buffs. Tara Martini hit two homers this last weekend with five RBI to bring her career total up to 161, which are five away from breaking a program record. The Aggies went 1-3 against the defending Nation Champions and they will play the 2013 Champions, Central Oklahoma this Tuesday in non-conference play and then play at Texas Woman's on Thursday and Friday.

### Eastern New Mexico

The Eastern New Mexico University softball team dropped a Lone Star Conference series at Texas A&M-Kingsville but received a number of strong contributions. Audrey Velasquez registered four multiple-hit games and tied for the team lead, with four runs batted in. Eastern had four batters hit at least .357 for the weekend. This Tuesday, the Zias will host Southwestern Oklahoma State.

### Midwestern State

Midwestern State was idle last week... The Mustangs have lost five of the last six and nine of their last 12 since winning 10 straight from Feb. 13-21... Sophomore outfielder Taylor Bermudes leads the team with a .375 batting average to go along with six doubles, three triples and a homer... Junior Katelyn Vinson paces the team with 10 homers... Senior shortstop Katy Vandewater has eight homers while driving in a team-high 35 RBIs... Sophomore pitcher Tayler Jerrick has posted three shutouts in eight starts...

### Tarleton State

Tarleton State recorded its third doubleheader sweep of Angelo State in school history Friday night en route to a series split. The TexAnns will return home next weekend for a four-game set with Texas A&M-Commerce in the first-ever meeting between the teams.

### Texas A&M-Commerce

2-2 last week.

### Texas A&M-Kingsville

Texas A&M-Kingsville won all six games they played this week with a midweek doubleheader sweep of Houston -Victoria and won all four contests against Eastern New Mexico. It is their longest winning streak in four seasons. The Javelinas also won their first conference series since March 25-26, 2011 on the road in Portales, New Mexico and swept a series since March 12-13, 2010 against the Zias. Loren Donaldson hit .476 with five runs and four RBI while both Haley Boyett and Valerie Ramirez batted .474 for the week. Boyett scored a team-high eight times and stole six bases. Ramirez drove in a team best seven runs as well. In the circle, Carlie Clark was dominate as she went 3-0 with a 0.67 ERA, three complete games and a shutout. She struck out 13 and allowed opponents to hit only .231 off her. Karri Smith won two games and Bella Rosas picked up a win in relief. This weekend TAMUK plays at the defending NCAA Division II national champions and nationally-ranked West Texas A&M.

### Texas Woman's

The TWU softball team is 14-17-1 on the season and 6-5-1 in the Lone Star Conference. The Pioneers dropped a doubleheader against No. 10 St. Mary's on Wednesday before going 2-2 in the four-game series at Texas A&M-Commerce over the weekend. Senior Kendra Sancet led the team with a .667 batting average, 8 RBI, five runs, 2 home runs, 2 doubles, 1.556 slugging percentage and .786 on base percentage in the four games against the Lions over the weekend. She drove in the first run of the series in a 2-1 game-one win on Friday and then had six RBI in a 11-10 win on Saturday in game two. With TWU trailing 6-4 on Saturday, Sancet tied the game with a 2-run home run in the fifth and then put the Pioneers ahead for good with a grand slam in the sixth. The grand slam is Sancet's fifth of her career and one away from tying the NCAA record. She is currently ranked 1st in LSC in doubles (14) and 2nd in batting average (.453), slugging percentage (.916) and on base percentage (.558). Sancet is also in top-5 in hits (43), home runs (10) and RBI (37). Sophomore Nicole Nordie leads the conference with a .454 batting average and sixth in runs (31), doubles (10) and on base percentage (.514). Junior Laura Mabary is tied for second in triples (3), 4th in batting average (.442) and 5th in runs (33).

M-3	Kenedy Urbany, Angelo State
M-10	Rita Hokianga, West Texas A&M (2)
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	Rita Hokianga, West Texas A&M (3)
M-24	Kelsey Watson, Cameron (2)
M-30	Carlie Clark, Texas A&M - Kingsville



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



**West Texas A&M**

The No. 2 Lady Buffs of West Texas A&M took over sole possession of first place in the Lone Star Conference this past week as they went 4-2 with a doubleheader split at Lubbock Christian following a series win at No. 25 Cameron to move to 27-6 (13-3 LSC) on the season. WT dropped the opening game in Lawton to the No. 25 Aggies before responding with a 4-2 nightcap win followed by two huge victories on Saturday as the Lady Buffs crushed nine home runs on the afternoon including four by senior outfielder Renee Erwin to take both games of the doubleheader and the series from Cameron (11-7, 13-5). The Lady Buffs return to action on Tuesday afternoon as they host the Heartland Conference leading Lady Chaps of Lubbock Christian at Schaeffer Park in Canyon, Texas with first pitch of a doubleheader set for 4 p.m. WT and LCU played two great games last weekend in Lubbock as they teams split the midweek non-conference doubleheader with 4-3 scores in both games.