

WCHS softball

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After Maddie Cantrell, who got the win by going the first four innings, retired Coffee County in the first, the Lady Pioneers got back to work with the bats.

McKenna Mason reached on an error, and would score on another miscue. When Grace Rains chopped a ball to third, she sped up the line hoping for an infield single. Rains was able to beat the throw, which got away at first and allow Mason to score and Rains to reach third.

Rains scored on a single by Wood, pushing the Lady Pioneers ahead 4-0.

Rutledge made her presence felt in the third, starting a big inning for the Lady Raiders with a triple. West came up clutch with a two-out single to score Rutledge, and Shelby Scrivnor made Warren County pay for an error with a double to make it 4-2.

Evans slashed the lead to 4-3 with an RBI single, against scoring Rutledge after she reached on a single.

Warren County added a run in the fifth when Ashton Whiles singled and eventually scored on back-to-back passed balls.

It proved to be a huge run for the Lady Pioneers,

who saw Johnson retire the first six batters she faced before pitching out of a jam in the seventh.

The victory continues a strong start for Warren County, which has won nine of its first 12 games. Martin believes it puts his team right on track on where they wanted to be, but stresses there's plenty of work left to do.

"We want to be prepared, compete and play as hard as we can each time we step on the field. We've had a little success, but we want to sustain it for a long time, not just one season," said Martin. "Our girls believe in each other and our staff. Our goal is to continue to get better throughout the season and peak at tournament time."

Cantrell and Johnson combined to limit Coffee County to seven hits and four runs while striking out three. Mikkola and Mason led the Warren County offense with three hits apiece, while Wood and Bri Young each had two hits.

Warren County got its first taste of District 6AAA play Tuesday with a road game against Cookeville. Results were unavailable at press time.

The Lady Pioneers return home Thursday for a match-up with Huntland. Action is set to start at 5:30 p.m.

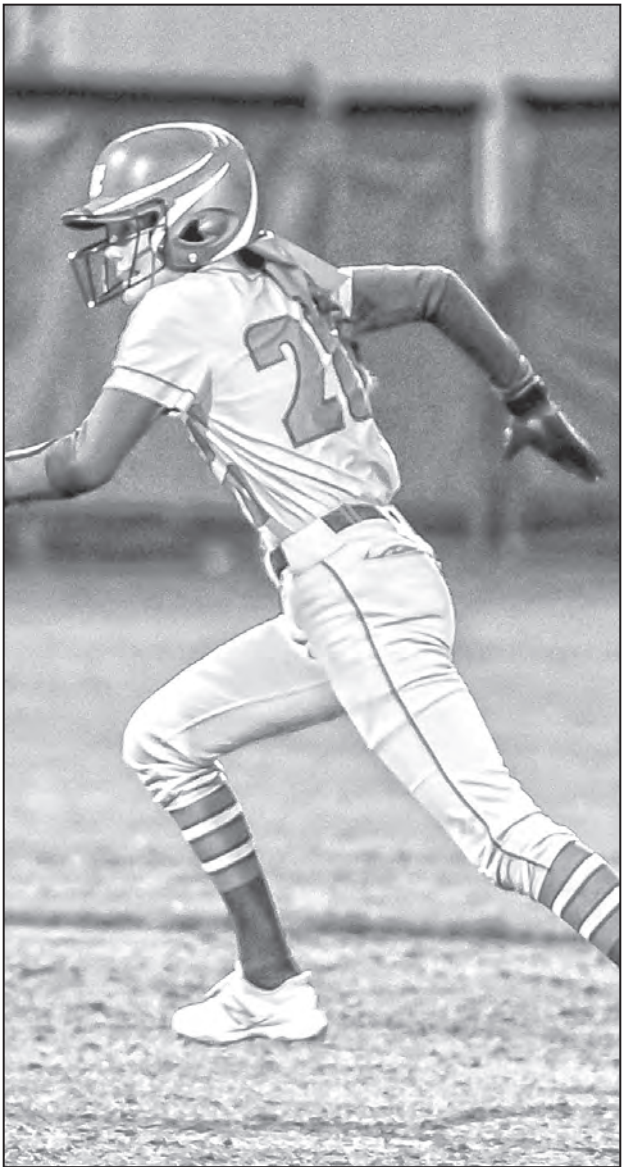


Photo courtesy of Painted Barn Media
Junior Hailey Wood had two hits in Monday's 5-4 victory over Coffee County.

Vols' Kirkland out after 'minor little cleanup'

KNOXVILLE (AP) — Tennessee linebacker Darrin Kirkland Jr. will miss the next two to three weeks of spring practice as he continues his comeback from a knee injury that sidelined him for the entire 2017 season.

Volunteers coach Jeremy Pruitt said Saturday that Kirkland's knee had "a minor little cleanup." Pruitt said Kirkland might return for "the last couple of practices of spring."

Tennessee holds its spring game April 21. Kirkland was expected to be one of Tennessee's top defensive players last year before the injury knocked him out. He made a combined 16 starts in 2015 and 2016.

Pruitt also said running back Tim Jordan had his appendix removed before spring practice but could return before the end of spring practice. Jordan rushed for 52 yards on 11 carries last season.

Titans make deals

NASHVILLE (AP) — The Tennessee Titans have agreed to terms on deals with quarterback Blaine Gabbert and offensive lineman Xavier Su'a-Filo.

Both deals were announced Tuesday.

The 28-year-old Gabbert is expected to replace Matt Cassel as Marcus Mariota's back-

up. The Titans announced March 9 they intend to release Cassel.

Gabbert, the No. 10 overall pick in the 2011 draft, started 27 games with the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2011-13. He played the next three seasons with the San Francisco 49ers, making eight starts in 2015 and five in 2016.

Lady Pioneers successful in invitational

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After dropping two games Friday in the Ooltewah Invitational, the Lady Pioneers rallied back on Saturday.

Warren County strung together four wins before ultimately falling to Grace Christian in the championship game of the tournament portion of the event. Here's a breakdown of Saturday's games:

WARREN COUNTY 8
HARDIN VALLEY 3

The Lady Pioneers bounced back from losing their first two pool play games to beat the Lady Hawks in the first game Saturday.

Freshman Sadie Simmons got her first varsity win, going five innings in the shortened game and allowing three runs on five hits while

striking out six – the second most for a Lady Pioneer starter this season.

Fellow freshman Elia Atterson sparked the offense with a two-run double in the second inning, helping the Lady Pioneers build an early 5-1 lead. Rhealee Johnson also had two RBIs in the victory, while Bri Young, Maddie Cantrell and Kaydee Rains each finished with one hit and one RBI.

WARREN COUNTY 4
LIVINGSTON ACADEMY 3

In the first tournament game, Warren County broke a late tie with two runs in the sixth inning to defeat the Lady Wildcats.

Ashton Whiles was the hero at the plate, as her two-run homer in the sixth proved to be the difference as the teams took part in international rules for the late innings. The game was played on a

time limit and, upon expiring, teams started with runners on second base each inning to try to break the tie.

Whiles broke it with one swing, sending the first pitch of the sixth over the wall in center-field to put Warren County ahead 4-2.

Livingston Academy took advantage of its courtesy runner to score in the bottom of the inning, but Maddie Cantrell finished with two strikeouts sandwiched around a fielder's choice to lock up the victory.

Cantrell pitched the final three innings for the win, relieving Johnson after three strong innings.

Kyra Hillis finished with two of her team's four hits, including a triple that knotted the score at 2-2 in the third. Whiles' homer and Grace Rains' double in the fourth were the only other hits for Warren County.

WARREN COUNTY 6
C'NOOGA CENTRAL 2

Young had three hits and Atterson added two hits and two RBIs to push the Lady Pioneers past the Lady Chargers.

Young helped break open the game with a RBI single in the fourth inning, when Warren County scored three runs after going into the frame up 3-2.

Simmons took the ball in the bottom of the inning and promptly shut down Chattanooga Christian, her second strong showing in the circle Saturday. Cantrell earned the victory by pitching the first three innings and allowing just three hits.

Hailey Wood, Hope Mullican, Hillis and Cantrell all finished with one hit in the win.

WARREN COUNTY 11
SEQUOYAH 6

The Lady Pioneers recovered from a six-run third inning by the Lady Chiefs to earn a berth

into the championship game.

Warren County trailed 6-4 entering the fourth, but scored four runs in the frame and three more in the sixth to win and advance.

Mullican knotted the game at 6-6 with a two-run triple, while Young's two-out single in the fourth helped the Lady Pioneers take the lead for good. Emily Mikkola added her own run-scoring single to make it 8-6.

The Lady Pioneers pushed their lead in the sixth on RBI doubles by Johnson and Atterson, along with a run-scoring single by Wood.

It was more than enough for Whiles, who entered after Sequoyah took the lead in the third and shut down the Lady Chargers. Whiles pitched the final three innings and retired nine batters in order, the last two by strikeout to end the game.

Mullican paced the offense with three hits and four RBIs, while Wood reach base five

times – three hits, two walks – and scored four times. Atterson and Young had two hits each, while Whiles, Simmons, Johnson and Rains had one hit apiece.

GRACE CHRISTIAN 8
WARREN COUNTY 4

Time ran out on the Lady Pioneers in the championship.

Grace Christian scored six runs in the bottom of the third before the game was stopped, leaving Warren County no time to mount a comeback after leading 4-2 entering the inning.

Johnson did the most damage at the plate, finishing with an RBI double and two RBIs in the championship. Mikkola also had one hit and one RBI, while Hillis and Whiles had one hit apiece.

Whiles took the loss, pitching into the third inning against the Lady Rams. Grace Christian scored eight runs on six hits, benefitting from seven walks to win.

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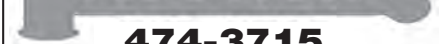
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
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MaKenna Mason, shown in a home game, was behind the plate for two wins Saturday in the Ooltewah Invitational. The Lady Pioneers won four games Saturday, helping push their overall record to 9-3 this season.