

SPORTS

Despite only three hits, Arcola doubles up Argenta-Oreana 6-3

By Mike Monahan

ARGENTA - The Arcola softball team was outthit 7-3 Monday in a Lincoln Prairie Conference game at Argenta, but it didn't matter as the Lady Riders took advantage of nine walks by the Bomber pitcher Miriah Powell, a junior, who also had 10 strikeouts.

Arcola beat Argenta 6-3 to improve to 6-6-1 overall and 4-2 in the LPC, good for a tie for third place with the Bombers, who fell to 9-6 overall.

The Lady Riders tried to play a non-conference game at Catlin against Salt Fork last Thursday and did get through three innings, before the game was called due to rain. The contest was ruled a tie with no score. Both teams had three hits and no errors.

Arcola 6, Argenta-Oreana 3

Both teams scored three runs in the first inning.

The Lady Riders scored all three runs with one out, while the Lady Bombers had two singles by Abbey Matthews



ARCOLA'S EMA SIMPSON safely reaches third base in a game played with Villa Grove on Friday, April 7. Villa Grove defeated Arcola 6-2 in the game played at Moore Park in Arcola. Photo by Nancy Rairden.

and Gracie Manning before Powell helped her own cause with a three-run homer.

Arcola took the lead for

good in the fourth when Vanessa Condarco walked, advanced to second on a ground out by Makenzie

Thomas. Ema Simpson was hit by a pitch and Condarco scored on a ground out by Reyli Vega.

In the fifth the Lady Riders added two important runs when Sisk reached on a wild pitch on strike three; with one out Gracie Wagoner bunted on a fielder's choice after Sisk moved to third on a wild pitch. Sisk scored on an error and Condarco walked to load the bases. Kesser singled to score Wagoner for the three-run advantage.

Sisk picked up the win going four innings and allowing three runs on six hits. Hohlbauch picked up the save going the last 3 innings and allowing just one hit. Hohlbauch struck out the side in the seventh to end the game in what was the only time Argenta was retired in order.

With at least 10 games left Sisk leads the team in batting with an average of .415. She also leads in singles with 15 and in runs batted in with 11. Vega leads in doubles with three and Ava Simpson leads in walks with 13, while Vega also leads in sacrifices with three. Ema Simpson and Wagoner have a team-high five stolen bases.

In the pitching circle

Hohlbauch is 2-4 while Sisk is 4-2. Hohlbauch leads in strikeouts with 51 and an earned run average of 4.941, while Sisk's earned run average is 5.097.

Monday

Arcola 300 1200-6-3-2
Arg.-Or. 300 0000-3-7-3

Winning pitcher: Kacie Sisk 4 innings, 6 hits, 3 runs, 3 strikeouts, 3 walks; Save: Keira Hohlbauch 3 innings, 1 hit, 0 runs, 1 walk, 5 strikeouts

ARCOLA: Ema Simpson 2 stolen bases, run; Reyli Vega RBI; Ava Simpson run; Sisk 2 runs; Hohlbauch 1-for-4, 2 RBIs; Gracie Wagoner 1-for-4, 2 stolen bases, run, RBI; Vanessa Condarco run; Jaycee Kessler 1-for-2, RBI

April 20

Arcola 000-0-3-0
Salt Fork 000-0-3-0

Arcola pitcher: Sisk 3 innings, 3 hits, 0 runs, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks

ARCOLA: Hohlbauch 1-for-2, Gracie Wagoner 1-for-1, triple; Vega 1-for-1

Arcola baseball wins third consecutive game

By Mike Monahan

ARTHUR - Arcola went out of conference April 18 and the baseball team won its third straight game, topping Arthur Christian 10-6.

The Purple Riders took a 7-2 record to Neoga, a team that was 8-11, Tuesday and returns to Lincoln Prairie Conference action Friday at home against Villa Grove and Monday vs. Tri-County at Kansas.

Friday's LPC game at home against Cumberland was postponed to May 3 at 4:30 p.m.

Arcola 10, Arthur Christian 6

Arcola scored four runs in the first inning and led 7-1 after four and a half innings when Arthur Christian closed the gap to two with a four-run fifth as eight players batted for the then 3-5

Conquering Riders.

The Purple Riders didn't lose the lead and added on to it with a big three-run sixth that started with a bang as Brevyn Whisman hit a solo home run over the left field fence. Caiden Helmuth followed with a single to left for a single and then freshman Jackson Griffith who was 3-for-4 with two RBIs, smacked a double putting runners in scoring position. Jayden

Henson-Stice, the winning pitcher, grounded out, but drove in Helmuth. Braden Phillips singled to right to drive in Griffith before Arthur Christian ended the inning by turning an unassisted double play by the shortstop, catching a line drive and stepping on second.

Tanner Thomas was 2-for-4 with three stolen bases, while Henson-Stice drove in two runs. Phillips also helped the

offense by going 2-for-3 with two stolen bases and two RBIs. Gerardo Alanis was 2-for-4 with two RBIs and Anthony Garza was perfect in two at-bats.

Arcola 410 1130-10-13-4
Arthur Christian 100 040 1-6-4-5

Winning pitcher: Jayden Henson-Stice 2 innings, 1 hit, 1 run, 0 earned, 1 walk, 1 strikeout; relief: Braden Phillips 3 innings, 2 hits, 4 runs, 0 earned, 2 walks, 1

strikeout; Caiden Helmuth 2 innings, 1 hit, 1 run, 0 earned, 2 walks, 2 strikeouts

ARCOLA: Tanner Thomas 2-for-4, double, 3 stolen bases, 2 runs; Brevyn Whisman 1-for-5, run, home run, RBI; Helmuth 1-for-3, 2 runs; Jackson Griffith 3-for-4, double, 2 runs, 2 RBIs; Henson-Stice run, 2 RBIs; Phillips 2-for-3, 2 stolen bases, run, 2 RBIs; Gerardo Alanis 2-for-4, 2 RBIs; Anthony Garza 2-for-2

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