

Softballers 'Zoo-m' Past Lions With Late Heroics

It was a wild and wooly affair Tuesday, April 12, when Goddard's first-year softball program came to Mulvane. The Wildcat girls put together two straight games and came away with a double-header sweep.

The Wildcats won a 13-11 opener, then rallied for six runs in the last inning in the nightcap (after Goddard had taken the lead with six in the top of the 7th) to tie and won it in one extra inning by again coming from behind with two runs to take a 17-16 verdict.

"It was a zoo," said MHS softball coach Nancy Winter. "We learned that a group of kids who don't want to lose won't lose."

The double dip comes on the heels of a season-opening double loss at Valley Center, 10-1 and 9-6, Thursday, April 7.

In the first game, Mulvane was sailing along with a 9-2 lead against the Lions when the roof fell in and Goddard scored seven runs in the sixth to tie the game. The Cats bounced back with four in the bottom of the inning. Shanda Vangas went 4-for-5 and scored three times and Shellene Palmer went 4-for-5 with one run scored.

In the nightcap, things looked bleak when the Lions pushed across six runs in the top of the seventh. After two were out, the MHS girls went to work. Palmer doubled, Tammy Kissinger walked, Kim Kysar tripled, Kandi Miller walked, Heather Donaldson singled, Delinda Gonzalez walked and Sherri Ranger tied things with a two-run single.

Mulvane won it in the first extra frame after the Lions had scored once in the top of the inning. Stacey Palmer and Kim Prickett both singled and were sacrificed to second by Kissinger. Kysar delivered a two-run single to win.

In the season-opener at Valley, walks hurt. The Cats' pitchers gave up 25 in the two game VC sweep. Vangas

First Game

Goddard	200	207	2--11	8
Mulvane	305	014	x--13	15
Murphy and Jarzlau, Shanda Vangas and Shellene Palmer				
HR--Schmidt (G)				

Second Game

Goddard	103	410	61--16	18
Mulvane	020	420	62--17	21
Murphy and Jarzlau, Shanda Vangas and Nicole Infinger, Shellene Palmer 4				

First Game

Mulvane	000	10--	1	8
Valley Center	210	7x--10	10	
Shanda Vangas and Shellene Palmer, Verbeck and Rowley				

Second Game

Mulvane	204	000	0--6	10
Valley Center	301	023	x--9	8
Shanda Vangas and Shellene Palmer, Verbeck, Sherry Nordstedt 5, and Rowley				
HR--Nicole Infinger (M)				

singled in the only run in the first game. In the second game, Prickett went 2 for 3 and Nicole Infinger and Stacey Palmer had RBI hits.