



This one got away -- Sabrina Foy swings and misses in first game

Wildcat Girls Get It Working

Opportunity came knocking Monday, April 21, against Douglass, and Cara Ashlock answered.

It was kind of like answering with a 360-degree behind-the-back-two-handed slam dunk, using basketball parlance. After Douglass had rallied to slap down the Mulvane High School softball Cats in the opening game, Ashlock took the worry out of being close with a grand slam homer in the sixth inning to give the Wildcats plenty of room in an 11-2 trouncing.

The victory gave the Cats a 3-3 overall record heading into today's (April 24) double-header at Buhler. Games will start at 3 p.m.

In game one, Mulvane appeared to be taking charge after a four-run second inning, but the Bulldogs took advantage of some shoddy fielding by the Cats and busted loose for six runs in the fifth to gain the lead, then choked off a last-ditch rally by Mulvane in the bottom of the seventh.

Trailing, 9-4, Coach Charlie Mason's girls used an RBI single by Sabrina Foy in the sixth to get to 9-5, then made a run at the visitors in the seventh with the help of one error. Lindsay Kendrick tripled to start the final fling and scored when NiChelle Perry dropped in a double. Perry scored when Shelley Richards singled. Losing hurler Jamie Wilson reached on an error and both runners advanced a base with only one out, but that's where they stayed as the game ended.

Douglass had used three errors by Mulvane to fuel that six-run fifth. "Douglass hits the ball harder than about

any team we face," said Mason. "They've always done that, but it eventually comes down to the same old thing. I don't care who you're playing, if you given them more than three outs in an inning, they're going to get you. When your time comes, you have to make the play. Douglass is going to hit the ball and when they hit it at us, we have to make the play. One inning they did that and we didn't come up with the plays."

The Wildcats took the lead in the second when Jackie McColpin and Rachel Rose rapped RBI extra base hits.

The Cats scored three times in the first inning of the second game and finished with 12 hits to support a winning effort by the lefthander Foy. Richards relieved in the sixth and shut the door. Richards' triple and an error helped in the opening inning.

Mulvane put it away in the sixth when Ashley Wirths, seeing her first varsity action of the season, singled to start things. Both Rose and Perry reached on errors to load the sacks in front of Ashlock, who cleaned them with a long drive to the fence in centerfield. Richards followed with a triple and scored when McColpin singled. Crissy Carpenter singled and Wirths snapped off another base hit to drive in the last run if the uprising.

"We played better, more consistently in the second game," confessed Mason. "Our pitchers are doing just about everything we've asked them to do. They're not walking a lot of people and they're putting the ball in play. At times, we've let them down defensively, but I think that will come once we get into more of a routine and play twice a week."

Chisholm Trail League Girls Softball Standings

DIVISION I

Team	League		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Goddard	4	0	6	0
Matze	4	0	6	0
Andover	2	2	6	2
Mulvane	2	2	3	3
Valley Center	2	2	4	2
Buhler	1	3	1	3
Augusta	1	3	1	5
Wellington	0	4	5	5

DIVISION II

Rose Hill	4	0	4	2
Clearwater	3	3	4	8
Douglass	1	1	6	2
Medicine Lodge	0	0	0	0
Circle	0	0	0	0
Bluestem	0	2	0	4
Belle Plaine	0	2	0	6

FIRST GAME

Douglass	000 006 1 9 12
Mulvane	040 001 2 7 10

Keller and Glaves, Jamie Wilson and Shelley Richards

SECOND GAME

Douglass	100 100 0 2 4
Mulvane	301 016 0-11 12

Keller and Glaves, Sabrina Foy, Shelley Richards 6, and Richards, Jana Smith 6
HR--Cara Ashlock (M)

Jayvee Softball Results

FIRST GAME

Douglass	000 0 0 0
Mulvane JV	425 11 10

Mulvane battery: Kassie Hargrove and Sara Redinger

HR--Sara Redinger (M), 2

SECOND GAME

Douglass	001 1 5
Mulvane	523 0x--10 12

Mulvane battery: Kassie Hargrove and Sara Redinger
HR--Sara Redinger (M)