

Roll To 6-2

SB Girls Gain Hit Momentum

The Mulvane softball team is getting some momentum going. The Lady Cats are hitting the ball solidly, they're fielding well, and they may have just gotten their best pitcher back from injury.

Mulvane swept their home doubleheader against Circle Monday, April 18, winning the opening game 12-0 in five innings and rolling in the nightcap, 10-1. Mulvane has won six games in a row after losing their first two.

"We hit the ball fairly well, but they gave us some help, too," said MHS head coach Charlie Mason. "We're still not hitting the ball consistently up and down the lineup, but we're getting timely hits. We have to hit to be successful. If the wind hadn't been blowing in about 30 miles an hour, we might have had a couple of homers in there."

The 'Cats made quick work of the T-Birds in the opening game, scoring five runs in the second inning, four in the third, and three in the fourth. Tara Roberts went 3-for-3 with two runs scored while Devyn Redford and Amy Phillips also scored twice each. Stephanie Hughes drove in two runs.

The biggest story, though, was pitcher Christy Hartley, who pitched a one-hit shutout, facing just two batters over the minimum. She retired 10 batters in a row at one point. "We were expecting Christy to be one of our top two pitchers to start the season," said Mason. "Unfortunately, she got hurt before the season started. She pitched very well for her first game of the season, and our offense did a lot to back her up."

Mulvane busted the second game open with a four-run fourth, giving the 'Cats a 7-

FIRST GAME

Circle	000 00—0 1 2
Mulvane	1054 3x—12 7 2
Moore and Rounds, Nicole Hartley and Stephanie Hughes.	

SECOND GAME

Circle	000 100 0—1 7 4
Mulvane	102 421 x—10 9 0
Banwart and Poe, Whitney Phillips, Whitney Sullivan 3, and Stephanie Hughes	

AVCT League Softball Standings

DIVISION III

Team	LEAGUE		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
Rose Hill	3	1	8	2
El Dorado	3	1	6	2
Augusta	3	1	6	4
Wellington	1	1	2	4
Mulvane	0	2	6	2
Buhler	0	2	0	4

DIVISION IV

Andale	4	0	7	3
Andover Central	2	2	3	5
Clearwater	1	1	6	3
Circle	1	3	1	9
Andover	0	2	0	6

1 lead. Mulvane got back-to-back RBI singles from Whitney Sullivan and Abby Sorensen, followed by a two-run double by Roberts, all with two out. Sorensen went 3-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored. Jordan Cox had two hits and scored twice. Sullivan also scored twice while Roberts drove in another two runs.

The Wildcats are now getting into the toughest part of their schedule. Next up is a key AVCTL doubleheader at Wellington today (April 21), starting at 4:30 p.m.