

Melon losing skid continues

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Gothenburg Seniors fall to 0-6

Eight runs in six games is not the way the Gothenburg Seniors hoped to start the 2012 campaign.

The Melons continued on a losing streak last week, dropping four straight games by a total score of 57-5 and falling to 0-6 in the season.

They have a chance to get in the win column this week with games scheduled at Lexington Wednesday (today), at Kearney on Monday and at Cozad on Tuesday.

Since Lexington did not field a Senior team this year, the Melons will face the Pinnacle Bank Juniors. The matchup at Kearney was rescheduled from the first game of the season.

All three are scheduled for 7 p.m.

Corfield allows one hit

Ogallala pitcher Cody Corfield was just two throws away from a perfect game on May 29, leading his team to a 13-0 victory over Gothenburg on the Melons' home field.

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A walk by Chase Ostergard and a single from Trey Kolbo provided the only Melon base runners in the first and fourth innings, respectively.

Corfield threw 12 strikeouts against Gothenburg and was involved in every other Ogallala out.

At the same time, Corfield hit a two-RBI home run in the top of the third inning against Gothenburg pitcher Ben Tiedemann.

Ogallala teammate Trevor Neill smacked a three-run homer in the fifth, also against Tiedemann, to finish off the Melons.

Brandon Wlasiuk took the loss on the mound with Tiedemann in relief.

Double-wammy at Holdrege



Gothenburg opened the first game of a double-header at Holdrege on Wednesday with a single over third base.

Things went south from there, though, as the First Nationals took it to the Melons 22-0 in the first game and then defeated Gothenburg 12-5 in the night cap.

The Melons had three hits against Holdrege in four innings.

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After Trent Good led off with a single, Levi Walker and Chase Ostergard got base hits in the second and fourth innings, respectively.

None of them made it past second base.

At the same time, Holdrege scored eight runs in the first inning on two hits and five errors and then came back with 14 runs on three hits and seven errors in the second inning.

Trey Kolbo and Chase Ostergard shared time on the mound with Kolbo taking the loss.

In the second game, Gothenburg trailed 3-0 in the third inning when the Melons put two runs on the board.

Justin Larson struck out to open the inning and then Good reached on a Holdrege error at third base.

Good stole second before Brandon Wlasiuk walked and then both stole another base to set up the scoring play.

Ostergard was thrown out at first on a fielder's choice from second base that left Good to scoot home and gave Wlasiuk a chance to successfully gamble for another run.

The inning ended with an infield out by Trey Kolbo.

Gothenburg scored runs again in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings but not until the Melons were already significantly down.

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Holdrege ended any Melon threat with two singles two doubles and two triples in the fifth and sixth innings to score six runs in the final two frames.

Good, Ostergard and Levi Walker each recorded a single for Gothenburg.

Larson suffered the loss on the mound.

Melons lack offense

Shelton-Gibbon allowed only one Gothenburg hit in five innings as the Melons experienced their third shut-out of the season in a 10-0 loss on the road Sunday afternoon.

Jeff Rodriguez's single to center field in the top of the third inning and a walk by Justin Larson in the fifth provided Gothenburg's only base runners but neither made it past second.

At the same time, Shelton-Gibbon racked up all 10 runs in the bottom of the fourth on six singles, a double, a home run and three walks.

Ben Tiedemann spent three and two-thirds innings on the mound to earn the loss with Chase Ostergard and Trent Good each providing a short time in relief.