

Baseball season winding down; tournament set to start Friday

By Betty Jean Winston
 With the season-ending tournament coming up this weekend, C-team baseball players are finishing up their regular season schedule. Games reported below include those played on Monday, June 16 and on Friday, June 20.

The tournament begins on Friday with additional games being played on Monday. St. Francis will host the event.

Monday Sox 9, Reds 3
 The Sox added another win to their record on Monday, June 16, when they defeated the Reds 9-3 in the first game of a doubleheader.

David Stephens hit a double for the Reds and collected two runs batted in during the fifth inning and this provided the main scoring for his team.

Sox, hits, runs, runs batted in: Darris Keller, three singles, two runs; Ethan Zwegardt, two doubles, one run batted in, one run; Freddy Pacheco, one run; Jesse Pacheco, one single, two runs batted in, one run; Trent Raile, two singles, two runs, one run batted in; Ricky Bussell, one run batted in; Brooks Hobbrook, one double; Alex Jordan two doubles; Trevor Hilt, one run, one single, one run batted in.

"The kids were able to stand at the plate and get the hits they needed to win the game," Sox coach Clay Keller said.

"David's double and Terrance (Lamb) picking a runner off first were the highlight of the game for the Reds," Reds coach Larry Finley said. "The kids played hard and hung in but struggled with their hitting this game."

Lamb pitched the first three innings for the Reds and Stephens finished the game.

Reds 9, Sox 6
 The Reds turned right around and defeated the Sox in the second game of the doubleheader on Monday night. This time Jonathon Finley and David Stephens were on the mound with Finley pitching 3 1/2 innings and Stephens 1 1/2.

"This was our best game of the season," Reds coach Larry Finley said. "Everyone contributed in a very fun and tight game. Jonathon and David pitched very well. The kids has some good hits and played great defense. Team effort led to this victory. Great Job, kids!"

Hits, runs batted in, Sox: Darris Keller, one single, one run; Ethan Zwegardt, one double; Fred Pacheco, one run; Jeff Meyer, one run; Jesse Pacheco, one single, two runs batted in; Trevor Hilt, one double, one run, one run batted in; Trent Raile, one single; Alex Jordan, one double; Isaac Schiltz, one single.

Hits, runs, runs batted in, Reds: Finley, one single, one run batted in; T.J. Perry, one double, one single, one run batted in; Stephens, one single.

"Jonathon picked a runner off first which was a good play," Coach Finley said. "The great pitching and good defense were also outstanding."

The game was tied 3-3 after the first inning and as no one scored in the second, the score remained 3-3. During the third inning the Reds scored three and the Sox one followed by three more for the Reds in the fourth and one more for the Sox. The Sox scored the final run of the game in the fifth inning but it was not enough to overcome the Reds lead and the game went to the Reds.

Both the Reds and the Sox came through with one win on this outing.

A's 20, Cheylin 3
 The A's scored five runs in each of the first four innings on Friday evening to score a 20-3 victory over Cheylin. Cheylin scored their three runs in the bottom on the fifth.

Matt Raile pitched the complete game for the A's.

Hits, A's: Drew Zwegardt, two singles, one double; Garrett Zwegardt, two triples, one double, one home run; Trent Kinen, two doubles; Matt Raile, one single, one double, David Meyer, one double, one single; Garrett Figgins, one single; Dusten Laffond, two singles, one double; Alex Long, one single.

Runs batted in, A's: G. Zwegardt, two; Kinen, one; Raile, two; Meyer, one; Figgins, one;

Laffond, two.
 "The team made some good contacts with the ball and ran the bases well," Coach Rod Lampe said.

A's 20, Cheylin 6
 In game two of the doubleheader, the A's again scored five runs in each of the first four innings with Cheylin scoring one run in the second and five in the third for a final of 20-6.

Trent Kinen pitched two innings and had five strike outs while Garrett Figgins was on the mound for one inning and had one strike out and Garrett Zwegardt pitched one inning and also collected one strike out.

Hits, A's: Drew Zwegardt, one single G. Zwegardt, two singles, one double; Kinen, one triple, one home run; Matt Raile, one single, one home run; David Meyer, one single, one triple; Garrett Figgins, two singles; Brock Zwegardt, one single; Jeremy Meyer, one single; Dusten Laffond, one single; Alex Long, one home run.

Runs batted in, A's: G. Zwegardt, two; Kinen, three; Meyer, one; Figgins, one; B. Zwegardt, one; Long, one.

Friday Sox 2, A's 1

Friday night the Sox and A's met in a low scoring baseball game. The game ended up in the win column for the Sox when they outscored the A's 2-1.

"The kids came to the plate able to hit," Sox Coach Clay Keller said. "Trevor (Hilt) was able to throw strikes to keep the game close and Trent Raile went in for the save."

Trent Kinen handled the pitching duties for the A's and collected nine strike outs during the game.

"We got several players on base but couldn't score before the inning was over," Coach Rod Lampe said.

The first inning was scoreless with each team scoring their first run in the second inning. The Sox added one more run in the fourth to seal the victory.

Hits, Sox: Hilt, one double; Alex Jordan, one single, Raile, one single, Darris Keller, one single,

Grady Brunk, one single.
 Runs batted in, Sox: Keller, one; Brunk, one. Ricky Bussell and Keller scored the runs.

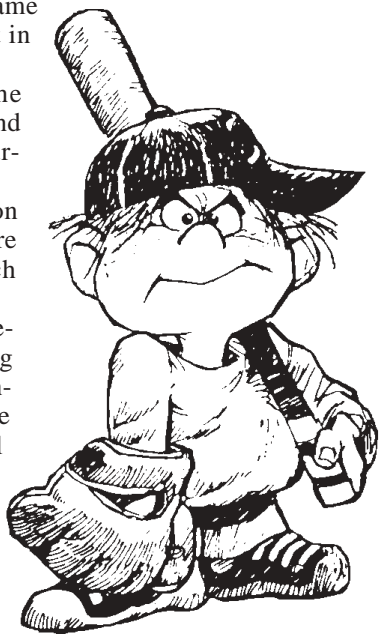
Reds 18, Cheylin 5
 The Reds started out strong in this contest and collected five runs in inning one and two. They added three more in the third and five in the fourth for their 18 points while Cheylin had three runs in the first and two in the second.

"The hitting continues to improve," Coach Larry Finley said. "The kids were aggressive and went after the ball. The kids played good defense again and made smart plays. The kids have made great improvement over the season and continue to work hard. You can see the confidence levels improvement over the season and they continue to work hard. You can see the confidence level improving with every game."

Terrance Lamb and David Stephens were on the mound for the Reds for this contest.

Hits, Reds: Stephens, two singles; Jonathon Finley, one single, one double; Adam Guthmiller, one single; T.J. Perry, two singles, one double; Cody Sherlock, one single; T. Lamb, two singles.

Runs batted in, Reds: Stephens, two; Finley, one; Guthmiller, one; Nathan Lamb, one; Perry, two; T. Lamb, three.



Emergency loans available

"Cheyenne County has been named as a contiguous county under a Secretarial Disaster Designation allowing county farmers and landowner's the opportunity to apply for low interest emergency loans," said Angie Berens, director of the Cheyenne County Farm Service Agency office. "This designation is based on drought, extreme heat, grasshopper infestation and high winds that occurred from July 1, 2002, and continuing."

Applications will be taken through Jan. 14 for those producers

who had actual physical or production losses due to these weather conditions. Emergency loans help cover a portion of farmers' actual losses taking into consideration the extent of losses, security available, and repayment ability. The loss must be at least 30 percent of any essential farm or ranch enterprise. Qualified applications will receive a 3.25 percent interest rate. Interested producers should contact the Farm Loan Program staff at the Goodland Farm Service Agency office at (785) 899-3070.

Deadline set for livestock program

The Livestock Compensation Program was reopened this year and allowed those that missed the sign up last year to come in and apply.

A deadline has now been announced of July 3 to sign into the Livestock Compensation Program II. Any livestock producer who has cattle weighing at least 500 pounds

as of June 1, 2002, that they owned for at least 90 days, including June 1, 2002, can sign up for this program.

Most ranchers have already done this during the initial sign, however, if you are one that has not, contact the Farm Service Agency office at 785-332-2183.

St Francis Herald Forecast June 25th - July 1st

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue
74/49	78/51	85/56	87/60	90/63	92/64	90/66
Normal High	87	Sunrise	6:20 to 6:23am			
Normal Low	59	Sunset	9:19 to 9:19pm			

A couple of random showers or thundershowers will be around Wednesday, but the rest of the week will be dry. Summertime heat is building over the West and that will be in place for quite a while. Temperatures will be back into the 90-degree range over the weekend. Readings over the Fourth of July weekend may reach close to 90s degrees with a slight chance of thundershowers. The weather looks like it will be warm and relatively rain-free heading into mid-July.

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Watch next week's paper for a picture of Spencer!!