Ottawa silences Louisburg bats in sweep



Louisburg senior Cole Kramer reaches back to deliver a pitch Tuesday in Ottawa. The Wildcats couldn't keep up with Ottawa in a pair of 11-1 and 10-0 losses.

OTTAWA — It wasn't the doubleheader the Louisburg baseball team had hoped for.

The Wildcats couldn't overcome back-to-back quick starts by Ottawa as they fell in run-rule fashion 11-1 and 10-0 on Tuesday in Ottawa.

In the opener, Ottawa scored seven runs in the first three innings to take an early lead before Louisburg answered with a run of their own.

Senior Matt Risenhoover reached on an error, stole second and then scored on a double from Cale Schneider to cut the Ottawa lead to 7-1. Ottawa scored one more in the fourth and three more runs in the fifth to complete the run-rule win.

Ottawa scored those 11 runs on 10 hits and the Cyclones also worked eight walks and took advantage of a pair of Louisburg errors.

Louisburg (7-8) managed just four hits in the first game, and along with a double from Schneider, got singles from Korbin Hankinson, Alex Dunn and Risenhoover.

The nightcap didn't fare much better for the Wildcats as they managed just one hit in the five-inning game. Louisburg did walk five times, but couldn't string together a big inning.

Louisburg's lone hit was single from Cole Kramer, who also recorded a stolen base. Ottawa scored four runs in the second, a run in the third, three in the fourth and two more in the fifth.

The Cyclones scored those 10 runs on just seven hits and also worked seven walks.

Louisburg will try and snap its three-game losing skid today when it travels to De Soto for a doubleheader. First pitch is set for 4:30 p.m.

Wildcats fall to Chanute

The Louisburg baseball team found itself trying to beat a couple of different opponents when it traveled to Chanute on April 29.

Not only were the Wildcats trying to get a win on the road, but they were also racing to beat Mother Nature. Louisburg lost in both instances.

Despite a strong game from starter Dalton Stone, Louisburg couldn't muster much offense in a 2-0 loss to the Blue Comets in the opener. Rain then forced the postponement of the nightcap after the Wildcats were postponed earlier that week against De Soto.

Stone kept the Wildcats in it as he pitched six innings and gave up just two runs on two hits and struck out seven batters. It was a scoreless game into the sixth inning when Chanute struck for their two runs.

The Blue Comets scored twice thanks to a pair of walks, an

error, a sacrifice fly and then a single.

Louisburg managed just two hits, a single each from Austin Henderson and Grant Harding and never threatened to score.