Krause helps Louisburg to split of Anderson County



Louisburg shortstop Nate Swenson turns a double play Thursday during the Wildcats' home doubleheader with Anderson County at Lewis-Young Park. The Wildcats won the opener 8-0, before falling in the second game.

Coming off a pair of losses to De Soto earlier in the week, the Louisburg baseball team needed a little pick-me-up.

And Jakob Krause was able to give it to them.

Krause pitched a complete game shutout Thursday in the doubleheader opener against Anderson County at Lewis-Young Park and helped the Wildcats to an 8-0 victory to get back on the winning track.

The Wildcats were unable to get the sweep as they lost, 3-0, in the nightcap. Still, the Wildcats had plenty of positives to build on, especially in the opener.

Krause, a junior, pitched seven innings and allowed no runs on six hits and struck out three batters as he gave the Wildcat pitching staff some much-needed rest.

Louisburg's offense did its job in backing him up as it scored eight runs on eight hits and took advantage of five Anderson County errors. Krause helped his own cause as he finished with a pair of hits and 2 RBIs. Sophomore Madden Rutherford also drove in a pair of runs and had two hits to help the Wildcats. Catcher Chase Norton finished with two singles and senior Garrett Caldwell recorded 2 RBIs on a single in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Sophomore Garrett Harding added an RBI and Michael Rogers finished with a double. Gabe Rader and Logan McClellan each scored a pair of runs.



Beckett Rasmussen makes contact with a pitch Thursday against Anderson County.

The Wildcats (7-9) took a 3-0 lead into the fourth inning where it scored three more times and added two more runs in the sixth to seal the win.

Louisburg had a difficult time getting anything going in the nightcap as Anderson County shutdown the Wildcats' offense.

Anderson County scored single runs in the third, fourth and sixth innings to pull away. The Bulldogs also took advantage of four Wildcat errors.

Jakob Krause, Andrew Krause, Noah Larson, Rutherford and Beckett Rasmussen each singled for the Wildcats in the loss.

Larson got the start for Louisburg and kept the Wildcats in the game as he pitched six innings and gave up just one earned run on four hits and struck out two.

Louisburg returns to action today when it travels to Ottawa for a doubleheader as it is the Wildcats' lone contests of the week. First pitch is set for 4:30 p.m.

De Soto blanks Louisburg

Louisburg had a tough time with the De Soto pitching staff last Tuesday at 3&2 Baseball Complex in Lenexa.

The Wildcats found themselves on the wrong end of a pair of shutouts against De Soto. Louisburg lost the opener, 4-0, and fell in the nightcap, 9-0.

Sophomore Madden Rutherford started the opener and tried to keep the Wildcats' in it. He pitched complete game and gave up two earned runs on eight hits and struck out two.



Louisburg catcher Chase Norton tracks down a De Soto player on a rundown last Tuesday.

De Soto's Conner Mackay was tough on the Wildcats as he struck out 13 batters in the complete game shutout and limited Louisburg to two hits, which were singles by Beckett Rasmussen and Logan McClellan.

The nightcap was much of the same for Louisburg as De Soto jumped out to a 5-0 lead after three innings and never looked back. Jakob Krause had a pair of singles to lead the Louisburg offense, while Rutherford added a double. Garrett Harding also singled as the Wildcats totaled four hits.