Moreland strikes out 11 to lead Wildcats in shutout of Baldwin



Louisburg senior Izzy Moreland struck out 11 batters Thursday in the Wildcats' road win at Baldwin.

BALDWIN CITY – Nothing like going into the postseason with a winning streak and that is exactly what the Louisburg softball team is doing.

The Wildcats won their third consecutive game Thursday as they shutout Baldwin, 10-0, in their regular season finale.

Louisburg did it with timely hitting and a strong performance on the mound from starter Izzy Moreland. The Wildcat senior

earned the complete game victory with 11 strikeouts and gave up just four hits.

“Izzy threw really well again,” Louisburg coach Nick Chapman said. “Her defense had her back with only one small error that didn’t affect anything. I’m proud of how our defense is playing right now.”

The Wildcats jumped on Baldwin early as they scored five runs in the first two innings, which was more than enough for Moreland.

Louisburg got production from up and down its lineup as eight of its 14 hits on the night were doubles.

Senior Jenna Cauthon had a big night at the plate with four hits, including two doubles, and scored four runs. Moreland and junior Addy Stohs each recorded two hits.

Seniors Megan Quinn and Rylee Hickey each tallied 3 RBIs, while Moreland, sophomore Shyloh Waite and junior Brynley Bauer each had an RBI of their own.

Stohs, Bauer, Quinn, Hickey, Waite and Emily Brotherton each had a double for Louisburg on the night.

“Every girl hit the ball really really well again,” Chapman said. “It was a great night at the plate for us. We used the whole field to move and score baserunners. It was a good night to end our regular season and give us a lot of confidence going into this week.”

Louisburg finished its season with an 11-14 record as the Wildcats head into regional tournament action this Tuesday. The Wildcats are the No. 10 seed and will face off with No. 7 Tonganoxie at 3 p.m. at Eudora High School.

If the Wildcats advance, they will play the winner of Eudora/Paola for the regional championship later on in the evening.