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Ross rallies to defeat Napoleon in seventh

News-Messenger reports

FREMONT -- After Napoleon took a 2-0 lead after 1 1/2 innings, Fremont Ross scored single tallies in the fourth, fifth and seventh to gain a come-from-behind a Greater Buckeye Conference win Monday at Alumni Fields.

Alexis Schneider broke a 2-all tie in the seventh inning with a single down the third base line to score Tashia Novitski, who drew a one-out walk and was bunted to second on a sacrifice from Missy Lewis.

Casey Clark's fourth-inning single drove in Jordyn Gallagher to cut the Little Giants' deficit to 2-1.

In the fifth inning, Novitski was hit by a pitch and reached second on a fielder's choice off the bat of Lewis. With courtesy runner Courtney Gabel running for Novitski, Schneider hit an infield grounder to advance Gabel to third.

But when a relay throw from first base went over the head of the Wildcats' third baseman, Gabel trotted home with the tying run.

Gallagher went the distance, giving up two runs on seven hits, striking out 11 and walking two as the Little Giants improved to 10-6 overall and 6-1 against the GBC.

HOPEWELL-LOUDON 2, SJCC 0

BASCOM -- Hopewell-Loudon scored twice in the first inning en route to shutting out St. Joseph Central Catholic during a Midland Athletic League game Monday.

Eva Tanner blanked the Crimson Streaks on four hits -- a double by Whitney Drown, and singles from Kayla Yeckley, Lindsay Crockett and Jessica Long.

"We're in a hitting funk," SJCC coach Mark Boukissen said. "Over the last three or four games, we have wasted excellent pitching performances. I don't know why we're not hitting the ball. It just seems like there are times when the hits aren't coming for us."

Sonya Kwiatkowski, who struck out seven Hopewell-Loudon hitters over seven innings, took the loss by allowing two earned runs on seven hits with one walk.

SJCC is 10-11 overall and 2-3 against the MAL. Hopewell-Loudon improved to 6-9, 1-3.

MOHAWK 8, OLD FORT 3

OLD FORT -- Paige Polyak went 3-for-4 and scored a run as Old Fort dropped a MAL game against Mohawk on Monday.

The Warriors scored four times in the second inning and led 5-0 after adding a run in the fourth. The Stockaders generated a run in their fifth inning before Mohawk rallied for three runs in the sixth.

Elisha Guth took the pitching loss for Old Fort (3-11, 2-4).

CLYDE 15, HURON 1 (5 INNINGS)

HURON -- After Huron grabbed a 1-0 lead, Clyde scored 15 unanswered runs to win a Sandusky Bay Conference game Monday.

Trailing 1-0 after two innings, the Fliers scored three times in the third and 11 times in the fourth to take control.

Kaylea Griffin went 3-for-3 with a home run and a pair of singles for Clyde (12-6, 7-2), while Aliesha Boonie's only hit of the game was a grand slam home run in the fourth inning. Aubrie Burkett added a 2-for-3 effort with a double and a single.

Brooke Billings pitched five innings for the victory. She allowed one earned run on three hits, struck out five and walked four.

WOODMORE 1, LAKOTA 0

KANSAS -- Sami Michaelis outdueled Abby Durst during a Suburban Lakes League pitching battle as Woodmore held off Lakota.

Michaelis threw a one-hit shutout and struck out 13 for the complete game win. Durst allowed run on three hits as the Wildcats scored the only run of the game in the bottom of the seventh.

Elishia Stone and Kayln Tate each hit singles for Woodmore (11-5, 5-2).

Alicia Bickford went 1-for-3 for Lakota (4-10, 0-6).

GIBSONBURG 8, OTSEGO 0

OTSEGO -- Samantha Stainbrook and Taylor Henline combined to fire a three-hit shutout as Gibsonburg blanked Otsego during an SLL game Monday.

The Golden Bears (11-4, 4-3) built a 5-0 lead after three innings before scoring a single tally in the fifth and plating two insurance runs in the sixth.

Katie DuShane (2-for-4, double) and Kati Bailey (2-for-4) backed Stainbrook, who went 1-for-3 with a double.

Stainbrook struck out three and walked one over five innings. Henline struck out two over the final two innings.
