



SOFTBALL



2007 Softball Standings								
(ties are disregarded in figuring winning %)								
School	OAC Games				All Games			
	Wins	Losses	Ties	Pct.	Wins	Losses	Ties	Pct.
Muskingum	13	1	0	0.929	27	7	0	0.794
Capital	12	2	0	0.857	23	11	0	0.676
Ohio Northern	11	3	0	0.786	25	7	0	0.781
Marietta	10	4	0	0.714	25	7	0	0.781
Mount Union	9	7	0	0.563	24	10	0	0.706
John Carroll	7	7	0	0.500	16	17	0	0.485
Otterbein	6	8	0	0.429	16	14	0	0.533
Baldwin-Wallace	2	12	0	0.143	8	20	0	0.286
Heidelberg	2	14	0	0.125	5	29	0	0.147
Wilmington	0	14	0	0.000	3	30	0	0.091

Up and Coming...

Schedule is subject to change

Tuesday, April 24

Wittenberg at Wilmington-3:30p.m.

Wednesday, April 25

Baldwin-Wallace at Ohio Northern-3:30p.m. **

Otterbein at Heidelberg-3:30p.m. **

Marietta at Wilmington-3:30p.m. **

Muskingum at Capital-3:30p.m. **

Saturday, April 28

Baldwin-Wallace at Wilmington-1:00p.m. **

Ohio Northern at Capital-1:00p.m. **

Marietta at John Carroll-1:00p.m. **

Otterbein at Muskingum-1:00p.m. **

Tuesday, May 1

Baldwin-Wallace at Allegheny-3:30p.m.

Heidelberg at Findlay-3:30p.m.

Marietta at Washington & Jefferson-4:00p.m.

Wooster at Muskingum-3:30p.m.

Ohio Northern at Ohio Wesleyan-TBA

Otterbein at Kenyon-3:30p.m.

OAC WEEKLY SOFTBALL NOTES

Baldwin-Wallace- vs. Otterbein, L 3-2/L 7-4...vs. Marietta, L 5-0/5-3...vs. Heidelberg, W 10-0/W 7-0...vs. Muskingum, L 8-2/L 8-3

Senior All-OAC catcher Molly Sersig (West Salem/ Northwestern) led the way offensively by hitting .450 (nine-of-20) with five runs scored, a double, two homeruns and 10 runs batted-in. She had a .542 on-base average and a .900 slugging percentage...Freshman Danielle Litton (Lodi/ Cloverleaf) has appeared in 13 games this season, 12 in relief, and has a 2-0 record with a team-leading 2.36 ERA in 26 and two-third innings pitched.

Capital-vs. Marietta, L 3-1 (8)/W 2-1...vs. John Carroll, W 9-0/W 2-1...vs. Otterbein, W 7-2/W 11-2

Capital has won five in a row and 12 of its last 13 games ... The Crusaders have clinched a spot in the OAC Softball Tournament ... Capital plays its final four regular season games at home this week ... Freshman Samantha Kennedy (Delaware/Hayes) hit a team-high .450 last week with 9 hits, 5 RBI and 2 doubles, while fellow freshman Brittany Stefano (Uniontown/Lake) was 2-1 with a save, had a 0.95 ERA with 20 strikeouts and 2 walks ... On the season, Stefano is 6-4 with a 1.39 ERA with 109 strikeouts and only 10 walks ... Stefano needs only one more strikeout to tie the single-season freshman strikeout record of 110 held by current Crusader junior hurler Erin Willeke (Newark/Licking Valley) ... Willeke is 11-4 on the season with 82.0 innings pitched and 72 strikeouts ... Junior Lindsay Shepherd (Phillipsburg/Northmont) is hitting a team-high .518 with 58 hits, 42 runs scored and a school-record 43 stolen bases ... Senior Brittany Cloud (Troy) has drove in a team-best 30 runs.

Heidelberg-vs. John Carroll, L 8-4 (10)/L 9-7...vs. Defiance L 12-2 (5)/L 17-1 (5)...vs. Baldwin-Wallace, L 10-0/L 7-0...vs. Marietta, L 3-0/L 13-0 (5)

Heidelberg dropped eight games on the week, including six OAC contests ... Leading the way on the week was freshman second baseman Dessiree Burtch (Prospect, Ohio / Elgin) hitting .333 (7-for-21) Also recording seven hits was sophomore designated hitter Crystal Killoran (South Euclid, Ohio / Brush) and freshman first baseman Andrea Gerdeman (Ottawa, Ohio / Ottawa-Glandorf) ... Burtch also recorded a home run and a double on the week.

John Carroll- vs. Heidelberg, W 8-4/W 9-7...vs. Capital, L 9-0/L 2-1...Otterbein, W 2-1/L 6-3...vs. Wilmington, W 9-1/W 6-3

The Blue Streaks won five out of its eight games last week ... After an eight-day weather imposed layoff, JCU swept Heidelberg by the scored of 8-4 and 9-7 Tuesday. JCU's 8-4 win took ten innings to accomplish – its longest game since a 4-3 victory in ten innings over Heidelberg on April 14, 2004 ... Starting pitcher Samantha Thompson (Cheektowaga, NY/Maryvale) earned a complete game victory by going ten innings -- the longest outing of the year by a JCU pitcher – and allowing ten hits and four runs (two earned), walking five and striking out six ... In the second game, the 'Berg jumped out to a 3-0 lead after two innings. The Blue Streaks answered with a seven-run third inning, highlighted by three-run home run by Laura Boselovic (Wexford, PA/North Allegheny) ... With JCU leading 8-7, junior Barbie Lewis (Warren, OH/Howland) came up big as she worked three and two-thirds innings in relief to record the save. Lewis allowed just one base runner (a lead off single in the seventh), striking out three and walking none ... Thompson tossed a three-hit complete game victory for John Carroll in the first game of a doubleheader Friday afternoon at Otterbein College, helping JCU win by a 2-1 score. She did not allow a hit beyond the third inning ... The deciding run was scored in the top of the seventh. Staci Ziobert (Youngstown, OH/Ursuline) doubled with one out, and then came across with the winning run on a two-out RBI single by Kelly D'Amato (Solon, OH/Solon) ... Despite losing 6-3 in the second game, Thompson was a hitting standout, going 2-3 with a home run and two RBI ... On Saturday at Bracken Field, JCU swept Wilmington by scores of 9-1 and 6-3. The first game was tied at 1-1 entering the bottom of the sixth, but JCU erupted for eight runs to end the game. The last seven batters all reached safely ... Every player in the line-up had at least one hit, while Ziobert, Julie Marlowe (Harmony, PA/Seneca Valley) and Jamie Smrdel (Kirtland, OH/Beaumont) and Staci Ziobert each had two RBI hits in the decisive sixth inning.

Marietta-vs. Mount Union, W 10-4/W 2-1...vs. Capital, W 3-1/L 2-1...vs. Baldwin-Wallace, W 5-0/W 5-3

No. 19 Marietta College (25-7, 10-4 OAC) went 7-1 last week with all games coming in the OAC. The Lady Pioneers opened the week by sweeping No. 12 Mount Union, split a doubleheader at second-place Capital and then took two from both Baldwin-Wallace and Heidelberg. Senior Kristen Quintana (Denver, Colo./Littleton) went 5-0 with 51 strikeouts and a 1.50 ERA in 36 innings. The right-hander threw a pair of no-hitters last week, walking a pair and hitting one, in victories over both B-W and Heidelberg. She is now 17-4 with 195 strikeouts and a 2.05 ERA in 140 1/3 innings this season. Quintana is now just three strikeouts away from breaking the school's all-time strikeout record, which stands at 590. Senior outfielder Lindsey Romick (Hannibal/River) batted .478 (11-for-23) with two home runs, six runs scored, one double and seven RBI. Senior Jenny Carroll (Lisbon/Beaver Local) went 10-for-23 (.435) with three home runs, six runs scored and six RBI. Sophomore Christina DeMoss (Bellville/Clear Fork) also had a hot week, hitting .409 (9-for-22) and going 2-1 with a 0.96 ERA in three appearances on the hill. DeMoss hit a walk off home run in MC's game-two, 2-1 win over Mount Union. The next day, Carroll and Romick hit back-to-back eighth-inning home runs to send the Pioneers to a 3-1 win. Marietta will look to wrap up a spot in the upcoming OAC Tournament when it finishes its OAC schedule this coming week with road games at Wilmington on Wednesday (Apr. 25) at 3:30 p.m. and at John Carroll on Saturday (Apr. 28) at 1 p.m.

Mount Union- vs. Marietta, L 10-4/L 2-1...vs. Muskingum, L 3-2/L 6-0...vs. Ohio Northern, L 2-0/L 4-2

Senior/first baseman Amanda Yackmack (Mantua/Twinsburg) connected on a pair of homers this week, bringing Mount Union's total to 17 on the year. That number breaks the old school mark set in 2005...Junior/pitcher Lindsey Royer

(Louisville/Marlington) recorded three complete games on the week, bringing her total to 14 on the season...In game two at Marietta, Yackmack was 3-for-3 while senior/centerfielder Cortney Frederick (Vermilion) was 2-for-3 with a pair of steals.

Muskingum-vs. Ohio Northern, L 10-7/W 15-1 (5)...vs. Mount Union, W 3-2/W 6-0...vs. Baldwin-Wallace, W 8-2/W 8-3

The Muskingum College softball team was ranked 10th in the latest National Fastpitch Coaches Association Division III Top 25 Poll. The poll is voted on by NCAA Division III head coaches representing each region.

On the year, Muskingum has a 5-2 record against teams currently ranked in the top 25. The Black & Magenta have notched wins against fifth-ranked Moravian College (2-1), 15th-ranked Mount Union College (3-2, 6-0) and 19th-ranked Marietta College (4-3, 5-4). Muskingum has been ranked in the top 25 every week since 1999.

Senior first baseman Amy Iammarino (Mantua/Crestwood) batted .529 for the week with six RBI, four doubles and one home, while junior third baseman Heather Fields (Bradford/Covington) hit .500 with four RBI...

junior catcher Kari Hoying (Russia/Russia Local) hit .476 with 10 RBI, six runs and two home runs... Sophomore designated hitter (Randi Dance (Olmsted Falls), junior shortstop Jamie Echelberger (Ashland/Hillside) and freshman outfielder Tiffany Hoover (Perrysville/Loudonville) each belted two home runs on the week...

sophomore pitcher Amy Mattin (Delta) was 4-0 with 11 strikeouts and one shutout...Senior hurler Jen Klutts (Buchanan, Mich.) notched one save...With the 5-1 week of play, Muskingum clinched a spot in the upcoming Ohio Athletic Conference Tournament.

Otterbein-vs. Baldwin-Wallace, W 3-2/W 7-4...vs. Tiffin, L 11-1/K 15-0...vs. John Carroll, L 2-1/W 6-3...vs. Capital, L 7-2/L 11-2

The Cardinals went three for eight this week, competing in three OAC doubleheaders ... **Freshman pitcher Emily Kistler (Pittsburgh/Penn-Trafford)** led the team, turning in noteworthy performances both offensively and defensively ... The freshman collected a .357 batting average due to her three runs, five hits and three RBI(s) in 14 at-bats ... On top of the mound, Kistler tossed nine strikeouts in the 14 innings she pitched, to improve her record to 5-2 ...

Senior SS Beth Rowland (Champion) led the team, turning in a .353 batting average by turning in six hits, three RBI(s) and two runs during the week ... The senior was also handed four walks, and turned in 15 assists ...

Sophomore left fielder Kristen Black (Canal Winchester/Bloom Carroll) notched a .350 batting average for the week, collecting seven hits, five runs and one RBI in 20 at-bats ... The Cardinals will take the field again on Monday at 3:30 p.m. in a doubleheader with Denison University.

Ohio Northern-vs. Muskingum, W 10-7/L 15-1...vs. Wilmington, W 5-4/W 9-1...vs. Concordia, W 6-1/W 10-7...vs. Mount Union, W 2-0/W 4-1

The Ohio Northern softball team (25-7 overall, 11-3 OAC) posted a 7-1 record last week with sweeps of Wilmington, Concordia (Minn.) and No. 12-ranked Mount Union and a split with No. 10-ranked Muskingum. Junior Erin Kenny (Rocky River) went 6-1 with six complete games and a shutout in 41.2 innings of work last week. She also set the ONU single-season wins record with her 18th of the season. In 17 appearances this season, Kenny has an 18-3 record with a 2.13 ERA, six shutouts and 82 strikeouts in 141.1 innings of work. She is ranked fourth all-time at ONU with 174 strikeouts and is fifth with 41 complete games. Freshman Tina Mangola (Cranberry Twp., Pa./Seneca Valley) hit two more home runs to increase her single-season record total to 10. She is now only one home run off the career mark of 11 held by current senior Melanie Ward (Plain City/Fairbanks). Mangola leads ONU with a .510 average, 51 hits, 47 runs scored and a .920 slugging percentage. She also has nine doubles, 39 RBI and is 11-for-11 in stolen bases this season. Ward has hit four home runs this season and has 11 for her career. This season, she is hitting .264 with 26 RBI. Three more home run records fell against Marietta. The two teams combined for 10 home runs in the twin-bill and hit seven in Game 2 alone. ONU has now hit 33 home runs in 32 games, easily bettering the previous record of 18 set last season. The Bears have also set single-season records with 75 doubles, 235 RBI and 532 total bases. ONU's .587 slugging percentage is more than 100 points above the school record .478 set in 1994. Sophomore Matti McFarlin (Ashland) is hitting .443 (43-of-97) with six home runs and a team-best 45 RBI. Freshman Mandi Fought (Toledo/Whitmer) is third on the team in hitting at .415 (44-for-106) with 44 runs scored, six triples and 17 stolen bases. Freshman Liz Decima (Freedom, Pa./Ambridge) is hitting .390 (39-of-100) with a team-high 12 doubles and 25 runs and 25 RBI. The Polar Bears are scheduled to play three times this week. ONU will play at Kenyon on Mon., will host Baldwin-Wallace in the home finale on Wed. and will play at Capital on Sat.

Wilmington-vs. Ohio Northern, L 5-4/L 9-1...vs. John Carroll, L 9-1/L 6-3

Wilmington's bid for a first-game upset win came up a run short as the Quakers dropped an Ohio Athletic Conference doubleheader to Ohio Northern. The Quakers rallied for four fourth-inning runs to take a 4-3 lead in the opener. The Polar Bears, though, scored single runs in the fifth and sixth innings and held on for the win. Freshman left fielder Cory Sheets (Wanamaker, Ind./Franklin Central) had three hits in as many at-bats to wrap up a 5-for-6 day at the plate. Sheets also knocked in a run.

Amanda Smith (Delaware/Hayes) had a pair of hits, both coming in the opener. Wilmington battled the Blue Streaks in both games. Wilmington took a 1-0 lead when freshman Stefanie Tirey (Bellbrook) was hit by a pitch, forcing home Smith. In search of her fourth win of the season, Smith held the 1-0 lead until John Carroll tied the game with a marker in the fifth. The Blue Streaks broke open and ended the game with a sixth-inning explosion that produced seven hits and eight runs. Smith returned to the circle for game two and yielded a pair of runs in the first. Wilmington rallied to hang three on the board in the fifth inning to take a 3-2 lead when sophomore left fielder Jena Suffel (Bryan/Fairview) doubled home three runs. The Streaks regained the lead with three in the home fifth and plated an insurance run in the sixth. Suffel had two of Wilmington's four hits.