

No. 6 Eagles split with No. 4 Bears

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BOONE - Bradee Bouman tossed a complete game and got lots of support from her offense Saturday as sixth-ranked Kirkwood topped No. 4 DMACC, 8-3, in the second game of their ICCAC doubleheader in Boone.

DMACC nipped the Eagles in the opener, 2-1.

The DMACC Bears lead the conference standings at 11-1. NIACC, which is ranked seventh in the country, sits in second place at 10-3. Kirkwood is in third place at 9-3 in the tight race among three top-10 ballclubs.

Bouman (13-3) allowed two earned runs on six hits in the 8-3 victory in the nightcap. Lauren Kuch went 3-for-5 and scored twice. London Jackson was 2-for-4 with two runs, two RBIs and her 13th home run. Lauren Klaahsen, Jayme Finn and Autum Barthelman had two hits in a 16-hit attack.

Kirkwood had only three hits in the 2-1 loss in Game 1. Klaahsen hit a double and Shelby Hulsebus had a triple. Erin Hocker (14-6) was the tough-luck losing pitcher, allowing two runs on four hits.

Kirkwood is 28-9 overall. DMACC is 28-5.

GAME 1

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Hocker and Butler. L - Hocker (14-6). 2B - Klaahsen. 3B - Hulsebus. SB - Barthelman.

GAME 2

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Bouman and Butler. W - Bouman (13-3). 2B - Kuch, Klaahsen. HR - Jackson. RBI - Kuch, Jackson 2, Stewart, Finn, Smith, Albaugh. SAC - Smith. SF - Albaugh. SB - Hulsebus 2.