

The teams are so evenly balanced in the Iowa Women's Softball League this year that it's hard to pick a winner.

That was the case Sunday when three of the four games at Busse Field ended in ties.

The IWSL carefully monitors each pitcher, to make sure they do not throw too much in a summer league game and jeopardize their careers. So when a pitcher is done for the day, she's done. And if a team does not have a deep bullpen, a game can end in a tie.

Emil's Hideaway blanked Hawkeye Convenience Stores, 3-0, on a combined no-hitter by Kelsey Aikey of Western Kentucky and Abby Carlin of Western Illinois in the first game of their doubleheader. The second game of the twinbill ended in a 4-4 deadlock.

Bosch Financial and Ironside Apparel, which have the two best records in the IWSL, then played two straight games that ended in 3-3 ties in both contests.

The purpose of the lowa Women's Softball League is to give all the players an opportunity to play during the summer and sharpen their skills, with little concern for wins and loses. Or ties.

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Willie Guy collected his first victory as the head coach of Emil's Hideaway with a 3-0 victory over Hawkeye Convenience Stores in the first game of their doubleheader.

Aikey and Carlin did not allow a hit in the ballgame and Aikey collected nine strikeouts.

Olivia Allen of Simpson had an RBI double for Emil's Hideaway. Kaitlyn Moses of Iowa State and Jenny King of Grand View contributed RBI singles.

Sarah Lehman of Iowa pitched a complete game for Hawkeye Convenience Stores.

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Moses went 2-for-2 with a double and two RBIs for Emil's Hideaway in the 4-4 tie in the second game. Ari Rolle of Virginia Wesleyan was also 2-for-2 with an RBI single for Emil's. Taylor Kurtz from the University of Dubuque contributed a sacrifice fly.

Madi Parrott of Northwestern Oklahoma State was 2-for-2 with two doubles and scored twice for Hawkeye Convenience Stores. Lehman drove in two runs. Brie Tauber and Jenna Schwartzhoff, both from Clarke, had RBIs in the ballgame.

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