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Wednesday, May 5, 1999

ECSU SOFTBALL ADVANCES IN LITTLE EAST TOURNAMENT *Karen Kaczynski continues mastery of Rhode Island College*

PROVIDENCE, RI -- Sophomore **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** pitched a complete-game three-hit shutout for her fourth win over fourth-seeded Rhode Island College in two years and the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team scored the only run of the game in the second inning to record the win in the opening round of the Little East Conference tournament Wednesday.

The fifth-seeded Warriors (19-20) advance to the four-team double-elimination round of the tournament and will meet top-seeded and host Keene State College (28-8) Friday at noon at Keene, NH in one of two first-round games. The Owls eliminated eighth-seeded Massachusetts Boston 15-0 Wednesday. Also on Wednesday, second-seeded and defending tournament champion University of Southern Maine advanced by eliminating seventh-seeded Massachusetts Dartmouth 3-0 while third-seeded Western Connecticut State University dropped sixth-seeded Plymouth State 2-1.

Western meets Southern Maine in Friday's first game. The two first-game losers meet at 2 p.m. Friday while the first-game winners meet at 4 p.m. The tournament continues at 11 a.m. Saturday, with either one or two games in the championship round scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

Kaczynski (9-11) improved her all-time record against RIC to 4-0 with yesterday's victory. Eastern scored the only run of the game in the second inning. With one out, sophomore shortstop **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** reached on an error by losing pitcher Lea Wiggins (11-11) and moved all the way to third on a botched pickoff attempt. Gray scored on a two-out single to center by senior first baseman **Cindy Baker (CROMWELL)**. The hit was the first of three on the day for Baker, who brought a .172 batting average into play.

The Anchorwomen (22-18) managed only one hit and five baserunners against Kaczynski through six innings. After getting an infield popup and infield ground out for the first two outs in the seventh, Kaczynski gave up consecutive singles. An outfield error on the second hit of the inning moved the tying run to third but Kaczynski got a comebacker to the mound to end the game.

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Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** matched Baker with three hits, pushing her average over the .400 mark to .403. She has 48 hits in 39 games. Senior rightfielder **Stacey Guertin (PUTNAM)** reached safely in all three plate appearances with two hits and a walk.

In four career wins over Rhode Island, Kaczynski has allowed only 15 hits and one earned run over 24 innings. She has not allowed an earned run to the Anchorwomen over the last 20.3 consecutive innings.

Eastern reached the championship round of last year's inaugural LEC tournament, falling to top-seeded host Southern Maine 3-0 but still qualifying for NCAA tournament play. The Warriors also defeated RIC in last year's first round, posting a 2-1 win at Spector Field in Willimantic.

This season, Eastern was shut out by Keene State in both games of an April 20 doubleheader at Keene, NH, losing 3-0 and 9-0. The second game was stopped after five innings due to the eight-run rule.

Eastern Conn. 1, Rhode Island College 0

Eastern Conn. (19-20)	010	000	0	--	1	10	2
R.I. College (22-18)	000	000	0	--	0	3	2

Karen Kaczynski (9-11) and Nadine Davis. Lea Wiggins (11-11) and Jen Sabatelli.

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Saturday, May 1, 1999

ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL SWEEPS PLYMOUTH STATE COLLEGE 9-1, 9-6
Seniors Christy Pabon, Michelle Rainey combine for eight hits, eight runs

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Senior co-captains **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)** and **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)** combined for eight hits and eight runs in the final regular-season games of their careers as the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team swept Plymouth State College 9-1, 9-6 Saturday in a Little East Conference doubleheader. The first game was stopped in the fifth inning due to the eight-run rule.

Eastern finishes its regular season 18-20 overall, 8-6 in the conference. Plymouth is 9-25, 4-10 in the conference.

Pabon, the leftfielder, had five hits, including the 100th of her career with a first-inning single in the second game. She also scored three runs and drove in two. Rainey, the second baseman, had three hits and scored five runs and stole three bases. Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** had four hits and scored three runs and stole two bases to give her 27 on the season -- two shy of the season record. Sophomore shortstop **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** had three hits, drove in four runs and scored two. She had two doubles in the first game and a triple in the second.

In the first game, sophomore pitcher **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** limited the Panthers to three hits and one unearned run. She fanned two without walking a batter.

Trailing 9-3 in the second game, Plymouth got three back in their final at-bats on two hits, a walk and an ECSU error. Plymouth senior DP Kerry Bickford reached base four times in the game with a single, double and two walks. She also scored two runs and drove in one.

Eastern stole 11 bases in the doubleheader, nine in the second game.

Eastern opens play in the Little East Conference tournament Wednesday. The site and opponent have not yet been determined.

First Game
Eastern Conn. 9, Plymouth State 1, 5 inn.

Plymouth State (9-24)	010	00	--	1	3	3
Eastern Conn. (17-20)	350	01	--	9	9	1

Amanda Murphy (3-8) and Steph Ruel. Karen Kaczynski (8-11) and Nadine Davis. 2B-Kelly Anderson (P), Amy Gray 2 (E).

Second Game
Eastern Conn. 9, Plymouth State 6

Plymouth State (9-25)	010	020	3	--	6	8	3
Eastern Conn. (18-20)	401	040	x	--	9	12	3

Heather Gadourey (1-8) and Steph Ruel. Erin Bundy (10-9) and Nadine Davis. 2B-Abby Russell, Kerry Bickford (P); 3B-Amy Gray (E).

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Thursday, April 29, 1999

BUNDY, RICHARD LIFT ECSU TO SOFTBALL WIN OVER TUFTS *Junior pair pitches, hits Warriors to second-game victory over Jumbos*

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Junior pitcher **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** pitched a complete-game six-hitter and junior third baseman **Katie Richard (HARWINTON)** drove in the tying and go-ahead runs with a fourth inning double as the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team edged Tufts University 3-2 in the second game of a doubleheader Thursday.

Tufts (14-17) erased a one-run deficit with four runs on five hits in the seventh inning of the opener to post a 7-4 victory.

With Eastern (16-20) trailing 2-1 in the fourth inning of the nightcap, Richard doubled her season's RBI output with a two-out, two-run double which plated senior rightfielder **Stacey Guertin (PUTNAM)** and senior first baseman **Cindy Baker (CROMWELL)**. Richard, batting ninth in the order, had two hits in the game, as did freshman DH **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** and senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)**.

Rainey and Rizzuto had given ECSU a 1-0 lead with back-to-back doubles in the first inning of the second game before Tufts scored an unearned run off Bundy in the second inning and moved ahead on Jen Mackey's RBI single in the third.

Bundy (9-9) fanned one and alked three in recording her third win in her last four decisions. She did not allow an extra-base hit.

ECSU sophomore **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** carried a 4-3 lead into the seventh inning of the opener but the Jumbos scored four times on five hits and two ECSU errors. Cloe Axelson tied the game when she scored from third on a ground ball to second and Carrie Hironaka scored the go-ahead from from second on Randee McArdle's RBI triple to center. Mackey and Tiffany Trahan each had three of Tufts's 13-hits while Trahan and Cora Thompson each drove in two runs.

Senior leftfielder **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)** drove in two runs with a first-inning single and finished with two hits, as did Rainey. In the doubleheader, Rizzuto reached base six times with three hits and three walks while Rainey had four hits. Pabon had three hits to move to within three of 100 in her career.

Eastern wraps up its regular season Saturday, hosting Plymouth State College in a 1 p.m. doubleheader.

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First Game
Tufts U. 7, Eastern Conn. 4

Tufts U. (14-16)	201	000	4	--	7	13	1
Eastern Conn. (15-20)	220	000	0	--	4	9	3

Rachel Brecher (6-3) and Randee McArdle. Karen Kaczynski (7-11), Erin Bundy (7) and Nadine Davis. 2B-Tiffany Trahan (T), Andrea Rizzuto (E); 3B-McArdle (T).

Second Game
Eastern Conn. 3, Tufts U. 2

Tufts U. (14-17)	011	000	0	--	2	6	2
Eastern Conn. (16-20)	100	200	x	--	3	8	1

Jill McCoy (4-4) and Randee McArdle. Erin Bundy (9-9) and Nadine Davis. 2B-Michelle Rainey, Andrea Rizzuto, Katie Richard (E).

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ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL SPLITS LITTLE EAST DOUBLEHEADER *Warriors gain win over third regionally-ranked opponent in four days*

DANBURY, Conn. -- The Eastern Connecticut State University softball team scored five runs in the fifth inning of the first game on just one hit and five Western Connecticut State University errors and went on to an 8-6 win and an eventual split of a Little East Conference doubleheader Tuesday.

In the second game, the Colonials scored six runs on five hits in the fifth inning in an 8-0 win in a game stopped due to the eight-run rule.

The doubleheader split against a team ranked among the leaders in the NCAA Division III Northeast Region is the third in four days for Eastern (15-19, 6-6). Prior to yesterday's split with second-ranked Western (21-14, 6-4), Eastern had taken one of two against No. 1 ranked Ithaca College Saturday and one of two against No. 3 ranked Cortland State Sunday.

Trailing 4-1 in the fifth inning of yesterday's first game, Eastern pushed five runs across on an infield hit, a wild pitch and five Western errors to take a 6-4 lead. Junior catcher **Nadine Davis (CORNWALL, NY)** and senior first baseman **Cindy Baker (CROMWELL)** each plated a run in the inning with infield ground balls.

The Colonials rallied to tie the game 6-6 with two runs in the bottom of the fifth on a two-run single by Julie Perrelli but ECSU went ahead for good in the sixth on a leadoff triple by sophomore shortstop **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** and a sacrifice fly to left by senior leftfielder **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)**. ~~Pitcher~~ **Christa Cooke's (PRINCETON, NJ)** pinch RBI double in the seventh added an insurance run.

Sophomore pitcher **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** stopped a personal four-game losing streak in winning for the seventh time against ten losses. Kaczynski allowed ten hits while fanning one and walking two. Three of the runs were unearned against Kaczynski, who left two runners stranded in the second inning and got a pop out and ground out to leave the bases loaded in the third.

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Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)**, senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)** and Gray each had two hits in ECSU's ten-hit first-game attack. Gray scored three runs as the team's No. 9 hitter while Rainey scored two and drove in one.

In the nightcap, Western first-team all-conference pitcher Kate Manning allowed only one hit -- Rainey's one-out single in the fourth -- through the five-inning game. Leading 2-0, Western ended the game in the fifth when the first seven batters reached safely on four hits, a walk, hit-by-pitch and fielder's choice. Perrelli, who knocked in four runs in the first game, put an end to the second game with a two-run single to right in the fifth inning.

Western's Kim Lynch reached safely five times in the doubleheader, drove in two runs and scored one. Lynch singled and hit her fourth home run of the season in the first game and doubled and walked twice in the second.

Eastern hosts Tufts University Thursday in a 6 p.m. doubleheader before closing out its regular season Saturday by hosting Plymouth State College in a Little East Conference doubleheader at 1 p.m.

First Game
Eastern Conn. 8, Western Conn. 6

Eastern Conn. (15-18)	001	051	1	--	8	10	2
Western Conn. (20-14)	022	020	0	--	6	10	5

Karen Kaczynski (7-10) and Nadine Davis. Stacey Miche (8-5) and Kim Lynch. 2B-Christa Cooke (E); 3B-Amy Gray (E); HR-Ki. Lynch (W) (4).

Second Game
Western Conn. 8, Eastern Conn. 0, 5 inn.

Eastern Conn. (15-19)	000	00	--	0	1	1
Western Conn. (21-14)	200	06	--	8	9	0

Erin Bundy (8-9) and Nadine Davis. Kate Manning (13-9) and Kim Lynch. 2B-Ki. Lynch, Rebecca Tabellione (W).

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ECSU SOFTBALL SPLITS WITH NATIONALLY-RANKED CORTLAND STATE *Pitcher Erin Bundy defeats second nationally-ranked opponent in two days*

CORTLAND, NY -- Junior pitcher **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** allowed ten hits over eight innings as the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team defeated Cortland State College in eight innings 5-3 Sunday to gain a split of a doubleheader.

In the first game, Eastern (14-18) couldn't push across the tying run from third in the seventh inning in dropping a 6-5 decision to the Red Dragons, ranked 22nd nationally.

Bundy (8-8), who shut out No. 4 nationally-ranked Ithaca College 3-0 Saturday, allowed only two earned runs against Cortland (23-14) in the second game and gained the win when the Warriors snapped a 3-3 tie with two runs in the top of the seventh inning. Bundy fanned five and walked two and also hit a batter.

Trailing 3-0, Cortland scored twice in the third and once in the fifth against Bundy to tie the game but freshman first baseman **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFVILLE)** plated senior leftfielder **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)** with a sacrifice fly to snap a 3-3 tie in the eighth and sophomore shortstop **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** added an insurance run with an RBI single.

In the fifth inning of the first game, freshman Corinne Aube plated senior Jill Payne with a single as the Red Dragons snapped a 5-5 tie. Payne had tripled with one out off complete-game loser **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)**.

Eastern made bids to tie the first game in both the sixth and seventh but couldn't break. In the sixth, ECSU had runners on first and second and one out but senior pitcher Leslie Lance came out of the bullpen to get strikeouts to end the threat. In the seventh, ECSU had the tying run on second with one out but Lance got a ground ball to second for the second out and left the tying run on third with another strikeout.

In the doubleheader, senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)** had three hits -- all doubles -- and three RBI. Junior catcher **Nadine Davis (CORNWALL, NY)** had two hits and three RBI in the opener for Eastern while Pabon had two hits and scored two runs in the nightcap.

Eastern, which entered the weekend averaging 1.7 errors per game, committed only five in four games, one in each game against Cortland State.

Eastern travels to face Western Connecticut State University in a Little East Conference doubleheader Tuesday at 5 p.m.

First Game Cortland State 6, Eastern Conn. 5

Eastern Conn. (13-18)	300	020	0	--	5	9	1
Cortland State (23-13)	320	010	x	--	6	7	0

Karen Kaczynski (6-10) and Nadine Davis. Kelly Ticco (9-3), Leslie Lance (6) and Carolyn Walsh. 2B-Michelle Rainey 2, Davis (E), Corinne Aube, Kristina Abbott (C). 3B-Jill Payne (C).

Second Game Eastern Conn. 5, Cortland State 3, 8 inn.

Eastern Conn. (14-18)	003	000	02	--	5	7	1
Cortland State (23-14)	002	010	00	--	3	10	1

Erin Bundy (8-8) and Nadine Davis. Kristen Machan (3-4) and Katie Crandall. 2B-Michelle Rainey, Andrea Rizzuto (E), Andi Noyes, Jill Payne (C).

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Saturday, April 24, 1999

ECSU SOFTBALL SPLITS WITH NATIONALLY-RANKED ITHACA COLLEGE Bundy's five-hit shutout in nightcap stops Bombers' seven-game winning streak

ITHACA, NY -- Junior **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** shut out Ithaca College on five hits in the nightcap as unranked Eastern Connecticut State University blanked the No. 4 nationally ranked Bombers 3-0 to earn a split of Saturday's doubleheader.

In the first game, second-team all-region junior Robin Bimson (17-4) stopped ECSU on three singles in Ithaca's 4-2 victory. Eastern's win snapped a seven-game winning streak for Ithaca (23-8), the top-ranked team in the Northeast Region.

In the second game, Bundy (7-8) didn't allow a hit until catcher Kristin Furdon's two-out double in the fourth inning. In the seventh, the Bombers had runners on second and third with one out but Bundy got second baseman Vanessa Montorsi to line to shortstop and rightfielder Lindy West to fly out to center to end the game.

In the second game, Eastern (13-17) broke through in the third when junior third baseman **Katie Richard (HARWINTON)** raced home from third as freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** was being tagged out between first and second. ECSU made it 2-0 in the fourth on two hits and an error and added its final run in the fifth on an RBI single by senior leftfielder **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)**. Neilson was caught stealing in the second after 24 successful stolen bases.

In the first game, Ithaca scored twice in the second and twice in the fifth against complete-game loser Karen Kaczynski (6-9). Two ECSU errors led to two unearned runs in the second and Ithaca had three hits in scoring twice in the fifth, including a two-run double by leftfielder Janine Lawler.

Eastern travels to face No. 22 nationally-ranked Cortland State Sunday in a 1 p.m. doubleheader.

First Game Ithaca College 4, Eastern Conn. 2

Eastern Conn. (12-17)	000	000	2	--	2	3	2
Ithaca (23-7)	020	020	x	--	4	7	3

Karen Kaczynski (6-9) and Nadine Davis. Robin Bimson (17-4) and Sharon Orchard. 2B-Lindy West (I).

Second Game Eastern Conn. 3, Ithaca College 0

Eastern Conn. (13-17)	001	110	0	--	3	9	1
Ithaca (23-8)	000	000	0	--	0	5	1

Erin Bundy (7-8) and Nadine Davis. Christie Davis (6-4), Robin Bimson (5) and Kristin Furdon. 2B-Furdon, Cheryl Wah (E).

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ECSU SHUT OUT IN SECOND STRAIGHT SOFTBALL TWINBILL

Keene State sweeps Little East Conference doubleheader 3-0, 9-0

KEENE, NH -- Senior pitcher Lindsey Blood broke her own school record by striking out 14 Eastern Connecticut State University batters in the opener and the Keene State College softball team scored seven times in the fourth inning of the nightcap in taking 3-0, 9-0 (5 inn.) Little East Conference decisions Tuesday.

Eastern (12-16, 5-5) has now been shut out in both ends of doubleheader for the second time in three days. Sunday, the Warriors were beaten 1-0, 8-0 at the College of New Jersey.

Blood (6-3), who had pitched two straight one-hitters prior to yesterday, stopped ECSU on two hits while fanning a program-record 14 batters, walking two and hitting a batter. Blood had held the old record of 13 strikeouts, a feat which she had accomplished three times.

In the first game, the Owls (17-8, 7-1) scored all of their runs in the fourth inning when they were aided by all three ECSU errors. Sophomore **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** allowed only four hits and had retired the first nine batters in order. In the fourth, leadoff hitter Kara Suhie doubled to open the inning and the only run Blood would need came home on an infield error.

Leading 2-0 in the nightcap, Keene sent 13 batters to the plate in the fourth inning and scored seven times on eight hits. Four of the hits in the inning were doubles for Keene, which drove ECSU junior starter **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** from the box in that inning.

Suhie was one of four Keene players with two hits in the second game. She drove in three runs with a double and her first home run of the year while winning pitcher Carrah Fisk (5-3) -- the niece of former major leaguer Carlton Fisk -- drove in two runs with two doubles.

Junior DH **Nadine Davis (CORNWALL, NY)** had two of ECSU's four hits in the second game.

Eastern hosts Tufts University Thursday in a 6 p.m. doubleheader.

First Game

Keene State 3, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (12-15)	000	000	0	--	0	2	3
Keene State (16-8)	000	300	x	--	3	4	2

Karen Kaczynski (6-8) and Amy Gray. Lindsey Blood (6-3) and Liane Blad. 2B-Andrea Rizzuto (E), Kara Suhie (K)

Second Game

Keene State 9, Eastern Conn. 0, 5 inn.

Eastern Conn. (12-16)	000	00	--	0	4	0
Keene State (17-8)	101	7x	--	9	12	1

Erin Bundy (6-8), Karen Kaczynski (4) and Amy Gray. Carrah Fisk (5-3) and Liane Blad. 2B-Katie Richard, Nadine Davis (E), Fisk 2, Kara Suhie, Kristen Bailey, Erin Akerman (K); HR-Suhie (1) (K).

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ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL SWEPT BY COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

First-inning run decisive in opening 1-0 loss to Lions

EWING, NJ -- Sophomore pitcher **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** allowed only a first-inning run in the first game but the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team was held scoreless in a 1-0 first-game loss to the College of New Jersey Sunday.

Eastern (12-14) was shut out for the second straight game by a freshman pitcher as the Lions (21-6), ranked fourth in the NCAA Division III Atlantic Region, posted an 8-0, five-inning win in the second game.

In the first game, Kaczynski (6-7) gave up a leadoff triple to Krissy Medino in the first inning and a ground ball with one out plated her with what proved to be the only run of the game. Kaczynski limited New Jersey to just five hits while fanning one and walking none. New Jersey freshman Vickie Prevete won the pitcher's duel, however, allowing only one hit after the second inning -- a fourth inning single by sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)**.

Trailing 1-0, Eastern made its only bid to tie the game in the second inning. Freshman first baseman **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** doubled to lead off the inning and pinch runner **Cindy Baker (CROMWELL)** moved to third on a bunt single by freshman third baseman **Christa Cooke (PRINCETON, NJ)**. After Prevete got two outs with a strikeout and infield fly, Eastern's attempted double steal backfired when Baker was caught off third as pinch runner **Katie Richard (HARWINTON)** headed for second.

In the second game, New Jersey scored twice off ECSU junior **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** and chased the ECSU started when it added six more in the fourth. Five players drove in the six runs in the six-run fourth. Freshman Mandy Schenck blanked ECSU on four hits over five innings, fanning three without walking a batter.

New Jersey did not commit an error in either game, marking the first time this year that the Lions have done that in a doubleheader.

Eastern returns to Little East Conference action Tuesday with a 3:30 p.m. doubleheader at Keene State College.

First Game

College of New Jersey 1, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (12-13)	000	000	0	--	0	3	1
New Jersey (20-6)	100	000	x	--	1	5	0

Karen Kaczynski (6-7) and Amy Gray. Vickie Prevete (12-3) and Joane Tsai. 2B-Andrea Rizzuto (E); 3B-Krissy Medino (NJ).

Second Game

College of New Jersey 8, Eastern Conn. 0, 5 inn.

Eastern Conn. (12-14)	000	00	--	0	4	1
New Jersey (21-6)	002	6x	--	8	10	0

Erin Bundy (6-7), Karen Kaczynski (4) and Amy Gray, Nadine Davis (4). Mandy Schenck (7-2) and Joane Tsai. 3B-Christi Anthony (NJ).

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ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL SWEEPS TRINITY COLLEGE 12-1, 4-2 Eastern scores nine runs in first inning of opener en route to sweep

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- The Eastern Connecticut State University softball team scored nine runs in the first inning of the opener en route to 12-1, 4-2 wins over Trinity College Saturday.

Eastern (12-12) took a 9-0 lead in the first inning of the opener on six hits and four Trinity errors and sophomore Karen Kaczynski (**HARWINTON**) pitched the five-inning complete game by allowing only four hits while fanning three and walking one in evening her record at 6-6. The first-inning walk with two outs was the first issued by Kaczynski in 28 and one-third innings.

In the opener, senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)** drove in three runs with a first-inning double -- her first of two doubles on the day -- while freshman first baseman **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** and freshman third baseman **Christa Cooke (PRINCETON, NJ)** each drove in two runs in the game. Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** had two of ECSU's seven hits and stole her 23rd straight base. Freshman shortstop **Becky Iles (TERRYVILLE)** reached three times with a hit, walk and by error and scored three runs.

In the nightcap, Eastern scored twice to break a 2-2 tie in the bottom of the sixth to back the eight-hit complete-game pitching effort of junior **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)**, who evened her record at 6-6. Bundy fanned six and did not walk a batter.

The Warriors pushed across the go-ahead runs in the sixth on a leadoff double by sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** -- her second double of the afternoon -- an infield error and a ground ball by Kaczynski, who picked up her first collegiate RBI.

Gray had two hits in the game, as did Trinity (12-12) junior catcher Caitlin Luz.

Eastern visits the College of New Jersey Sunday in a 1 p.m. doubleheader. New Jersey is ranked fourth in the Atlantic Region.

Eastern Conn. 12, Trinity College 1, 5 inn.

Trinity (12-11)	010	00	--	1	4	5
Eastern Conn. (11-12)	900	2x	--	12	7	0

Beth Mooradian (9-11), Heather Standring (4) and Caitlin Luz. Karen Kaczynski (6-6) and Amy Gray. 2B-Clare Bullock (T), Gray, Michelle Rainey (E).

Eastern Conn. 4, Trinity College 2

Trinity (12-12)	010	100	0	--	2	8	2
Eastern Conn. (12-12)	001	102	x	--	4	6	0

Beth Mooradian (9-12) and Caitlin Luz. Erin Bundy (6-6) and Amy Gray. 2B-Melissa Pytlak (T), Gray, Andrea Rizzuto, Michelle Rainey (E).

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SOUTHERN MAINE SOFTBALL SWEEPS ECSU IN LITTLE EAST PLAY

Warriors have more errors than hits in 6-1, 14-2 losses

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Junior rightfielder Stacy Dube and sophomore catcher Melissa Buccieri each drove in three runs in the nightcap as the University of Southern Maine women's softball team completed a Little East Conference sweep of Eastern Connecticut State University with a 14-2 victory Friday.

In the opener, Southern Maine (18-12, 5-1) broke open a close game by scoring five runs on four hits and three ECSU errors in the sixth inning on the way to a 6-1 triumph. The second game was stopped after five innings due to the eight-run rule.

In the doubleheader, Southern Maine outhit the Warriors 24-7, with the hosts committing eight errors -- four in each game. Eastern (10-12, 5-3), had a four-game winning streak snapped with the two losses.

Sophomore Erica Gagnon (10-6) picked up the complete-game win in the opener, allowing six singles while fanning four. She did not walk a batter. In the second game, junior Jenn Kenney (7-5) allowed only one hit -- a bunt single by ECSU freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** with two outs in the third inning. Kenney fanned four and walked two.

In the doubleheader, Buccieri was 6-for-7 with three RBI and three runs scored. Junior shortstop Julie Plant was 4-for-7 with three runs scored and three stolen bases. In the second game, Southern Maine scored five runs on five hits in the third inning and eight runs on six hits in the fourth. In the game, Plant was 3-for-3 with two runs scored, Buccieri 3-for-3 with three RBI and two runs and Dube 2-for-3 with three RBI and a run scored. Dube's triple in the fourth cleared the bases. In that inning, the first 11 batters either had a hit or reached via a walk, hit-by-pitch or error. Dube led off the inning with a single but was thrown out attempting to reach second. The next ten batters reached safely, with Dube later adding her three-run triple in that inning.

In the first inning of the first game, ECSU sophomore righty **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** gave up her first earned run after 23 straight innings but managed to extend her streak of innings without a walk to 27.6 innings.

Eastern hosts Trinity College Saturday at 1 p.m. in a doubleheader.

First Game

U. of Southern Maine 6, Eastern Conn. 1

Southern Maine (17-12)	100	005	0	--	6	11	0
Eastern Conn. (10-11)	000	001	0	--	1	6	4

Erica Gagnon (10-6) and Beth Fulton. Karen Kaczynski (5-6) and Amy Gray. 2B-Julie Plant, Kelly McCaffrey, Becky Manson (S).

Second Game

U. of Southern Maine 14, Eastern Conn. 2, 5 inn.

Southern Maine (18-12)	105	80	--	14	13	3
Eastern Conn. (10-12)	001	10	--	2	1	4

Jenn Kenney (7-5) and Melissa Buccieri. Erin Bundy (5-6) and Amy Gray. 2B-Julie Plant, Kelly McCaffrey, Becky Manson, Buccieri (S); 3B-Stacy Dube (S).

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ECSU SWEEPS SECOND STRAIGHT LITTLE EAST DOUBLEHEADER

Warriors score twice in seventh to complete sweep of UMass Dartmouth

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Sophomore pitcher **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** shut out the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth for the second straight season in the opener and the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team rallied for two runs in the final inning of the nightcap in sweeping a Little East Conference doubleheader 8-0 and 6-5 Tuesday. The first game was stopped in the sixth inning due to the eight-run rule.

The conference sweep is the second for Eastern at home in four days, the Warriors blanking Massachusetts Boston 8-0, 8-0 Saturday.

The Warriors (10-10, 5-1 Little East) rallied from a 5-1 deficit in the second game, scoring three times in the fifth inning and winning the game with two runs in the seventh. Senior first baseman **Cindy Baker (CROMWELL)** singled and later score on an infield error to tie the game 6-6 in the seventh and senior shortstop **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)**, batting ninth in the order, doubled and scored from second with one out on a bunt single by freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)**.

Baker and UMass Dartmouth sophomore first baseman Erin LaPerriere were both 3-for-3 in the nightcap. LaPerriere drove in two runs with a single to cap a three-run fifth inning and give the Corsairs (4-11, 0-4) a 5-1 lead.

In the first game, Kaczynski (5-5) recorded her second straight 8-0, six-inning win over the Corsairs in as many years. Kaczynski allowed only three singles while fanning two. She did not walk a batter for the third consecutive start.

In the doubleheader, ^{PABON} Pabon was 4-for-5 with four runs and an RBI and Neilson was 4-for-5 with four runs, an RBI, two sacrifices and five stolen bases. Neilson is 20-for-20 in stolen bases in her career.

Eastern hosts two-time defending regular-season champion University of Southern Maine in a 2 p.m. Little East Conference doubleheader Saturday.

First Game

Eastern Conn. 8, UMass Dartmouth 0, 6 inn.

UMass Dartmouth (4-10)	000	000	--	0	3	4
Eastern Conn. (9-10)	230	102	--	8	10	1

Game stopped with two out in the sixth.

Erika Roderiques (4-10) and Heather Blaisdell. Karen Kaczynski (5-5) and Amy Gray. 2B-Gray (E).

Second Game

Eastern Conn. 6, UMass Dartmouth 5

UMass Dartmouth (4-11)	000	230	0	--	5	10	2
Eastern Conn. (10-10)	100	030	2	--	6	10	0

One out when winning run scored.

Erika Roderiques (4-11) and Heather Blaisdell. Erin Bundy (5-5) and Amy Gray. 2B-Erin LaPerriere 2, Jessica Braley (MD), Becky Iles, Christy Pabon (E); 3B-Katie Richard (E).

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Saturday, April 10, 1999

ECSU FASTPITCH SOFTBALL SWEEPS UMASS BOSTON 8-0, 8-0 *Warriors improve to 3-1 in Little East Conference with five-inning wins*

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Sophomore right-hander **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** and junior righty **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** limited the University of Massachusetts Boston to four hits as the Eastern Connecticut State University women's softball team swept the Beacons 8-0, 8-0 in a Little East Conference doubleheader Saturday.

Eastern (8-10, 3-1) scored six runs in the first inning of the opener and five runs in the first inning of the nightcap to put both games away early. Both games were stopped after five innings due to the eight-run rule. UMass Boston, playing its conference openers, falls to 0-10 overall.

Kaczynski allowed only one hit in the first game while fanning a career-high nine. She did not walk a batter. The hit came with one out in the second inning and the runner was erased while attempting to steal second. Kaczynski faced the minimum 15 batters.

In the second game, Bundy scattered three hits and faced only two batters over the minimum. She walked one and struck out six.

In the doubleheader, freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** had four hits, scored two runs and drove in two. Neilson also stole two bases, extending her streak this season to 15 straight.

Sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** and reached safely five times with three hits and two walks. She scored three runs, drove in two and stole two bases. Freshman DH **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** drove in three runs with two hits and also walked.

Eastern hosts UMass Dartmouth Tuesday in a Little East Conference doubleheader at 3 p.m.

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Thursday, April 8, 1999

ECSU DROPS SOFTBALL DOUBLEHEADER AT BRIDGEWATER STATE *Warriors manage only six hits, allow nine unearned runs in 6-0, 8-0 losses*

BRIDGEWATER, Mass. -- The Eastern Connecticut State University softball team was held to just six hits and committed seven errors which accounted for nine unearned runs as the Warriors were beaten 6-0, 8-0 by Bridgewater State College Thursday.

Bridgewater (14-7), ranked 14th nationally in Division III, scored five unearned runs in the sixth inning of the opener on five hits and two ECSU infield errors to break open a close game, then scored at least one run in each inning of the second game which was stopped due to the eight-run rule after the Bears scored once with one out in the fifth.

With the bases loaded in the sixth inning of the first game, Eastern got two outs on a pair of force outs at the plate but an infield throwing error allowed all three runs to score and a two-run home run by senior catcher Carrie Kuprycz later accounted for two more.

In the nightcap, the Bears scored two unearned runs in the first inning on two hits, a walk, hit batter and an infield error and freshman pitcher Betsy Ahearn held ECSU hitless until the fifth, when freshman rightfielder Courtney Burke (ROCKLAND, MA) single with one out.

Eastern makes its home debut Saturday, hosting Massachusetts Boston in a 1 p.m. Little East Conference doubleheader at Howard Spector Field.

First Game

Bridgewater State College 6, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (6-9)	000	000	0	--	0	4	3
Bridgewater State (13-7)	100	005	x	--	6	13	1

Karen Kaczynski (3-5) and Amy Gray. Amanda Sanson (8-4) and Carrie Kuprycz. 2B-Andrea Rizzuto, Christy Pabon (E), HR-Kuprycz (B).

Second Game

Bridgewater State College 8, Eastern Conn. 0, 5 inn.

Eastern Conn. (6-10)	000	00	--	0	2	4
Bridgewater State (14-7)	221	21	--	8	11	2

Erin Bundy (3-5) and Amy Gray. Betsy Ahearn (6-3) and Carrie Kuprycz. 2B-Kuprycz, Raven Pina (B).

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Thursday, April 1, 1999

ECSU SOFTBALL SPLITS LITTLE EAST DOUBLEHEADER WITH RIC *Karen Kaczynski's four-hitter in nightcap gives Warriors split*

PROVIDENCE, RI -- Sophomore righthander **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** pitched a complete-game four-hitter and didn't allow an earned run in lifting the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team to a 3-1 Little East Conference victory over Rhode Island College Thursday and a split of a doubleheader.

In the first game, the Anchorwomen (7-9) scored twice in the first inning off complete-game loser **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** to post a 5-1 win over the Warriors (6-8).

They were the first conference games for both teams.

Eastern managed only three hits in the second game but Kaczynski (3-4) allowed only an unearned run in the second inning. Trailing 1-0, Eastern scored twice in the third inning on a two-out RBI single by freshman DH **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** and an error and adding an insurance run in the sixth on an RBI single by junior third baseman **Katie Richard (HARWINTON)**.

Kaczynski, who allowed only one baserunner as far as second base over the final three innings, fanned one and walked three.

In the opener, Rhode Island scored twice in the first after two were out on three consecutive hits and an outfield error and added two more in the third when it strung together four straight hits after a walk and sacrifice bunt opened the inning.

Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)**, senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)**, sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** and Richard each had two hits in the doubleheader, with Rainey scoring twice and reaching twice when hit by pitch. Neilson stole two bases in the nightcap. She has not been caught in 13 tries this year.

Eastern visits Bridgewater State College Thursday for a 3 p.m. doubleheader.

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First Game

Rhode Island College 5, Eastern Conn. 1

Eastern Conn. (5-8/0-1)	001	000	0	--	1	9	2
R.I. College (7-8/1-0)	202	010	x	--	5	10	1

Erin Bundy (3-4) and Amy Gray. Lea Wiggins (4-6) and Jen Sabatelli. 2B-Jen Cook, Christie Moreira, Lori Poirier (R); 3B-Gray (E).

Second Game

Eastern Conn. 3, Rhode Island College 1, 6 inn., darkness

Eastern Conn. (6-8/1-1)	002	001	--	3	3	2
R.I. College (7-9/1-1)	010	000	--	1	4	3

Karen Kaczynski (3-4) and Amy Gray. Beth Covill (1-3), Stacy Perruzzi (6) and Jen Sabatelli. 2B-Rachel Medeiros (R).

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Tuesday, March 30, 1999

ECSU SOFTBALL SPLITS NORTHERN-OPENING DOUBLEHEADER

Warriors split twinbill at Massachusetts College -7-8, +10-0

NORTH ADAMS, Mass. -- Junior righthander **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** pitched her third career shutout and sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** tripled twice in the nightcap as the Eastern Connecticut State University women's softball team opened its northern schedule by splitting a doubleheader with Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts. *Thursday.*

A three-run seventh-inning rally fell short as ECSU (5-7) dropped the opener 8-7 but the Warriors scored six runs in the second inning and rode Bundy's complete-game four-hitter to a 10-0 win over the Mohawks (5-11) in a second game stopped after five innings.

Leading 1-0 in the second game, Eastern scored six runs in the second inning on four walks, back-to-back extra-base hits by Gray and freshman DH **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)**, a stolen base and an error to move out to a 7-0 lead. Bundy (3-3) didn't allow an extra base and allowed only three balls out of the infield while fanning three and walking two. Of the four hits, two were bunts, one an infield safety and one a bloop which dropped into shallow right field.

Gray reached base in six of seven plate appearances on the day with two triples, a single and three walks. She scored four runs and drove in two while also stealing a base. Senior shortstop **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)** reached base in all three plate appearances in the second game with two hits and a walk. She scored once and drove in a run.

Trailing 8-4 in the first game, Eastern scored three runs in the seventh and had the tying and go-ahead runs in scoring position before winning pitcher Sue Plankey (4-8) got a strikeout to end the game. Junior third baseman **Katie Richard (HARWINTON)** drove in the first run of the inning with a single, Rizzuto plated the second run with an infield ground ball and the third run scored on an infield error. Plankey walked nine and threw seven wild pitches but stranded ten runners and helped her own cause by driving in two runs with a sixth-inning triple and also scored a run in the first inning.

Eastern opens its Little East Conference season Thursday with a doubleheader at Rhode Island College at 3 p.m.

Massachusetts College 8, Eastern Conn. 7

Eastern Conn. (4-7)	030	010	3	--	7	5	2
Mass College (5-10)	300	203	x	--	8	10	3

Karen Kaczynski (2-4) and Amy Gray. Sue Plankey (4-8) and Jen Roberts. 3B-Plankey (M).

Eastern Conn. 10, Massachusetts College 0, 5 inn.

Eastern Conn. (5-7)	162	10	--	10	7	0
Mass College (5-11)	000	00	--	0	4	3

Erin Bundy (3-3) and Amy Gray. Julie Young (1-3) and Sue Plankey. 2B-Andrea Rizzuto (E); 3B-Amy Gray 2, Katie Richard (E).

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ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL SPLITS OPENING PAIR AT REBEL GAMES

Bundy's four-hitter leads Warriors over UW-Superior 2-1 in opener

ORLANDO -- Junior righty **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)** pitched a four-hitter and freshman DH **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** drove in her first collegiate run to break a 1-1 tie in the fifth inning as the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team defeated the University of Wisconsin-Superior 2-1 in its season opener Sunday at the Rebel Spring Games.

In the second game, Eastern (1-1) scored once in its final at-bat but left the bases loaded in a 3-1 loss to Allegheny College (2-0)

Against Superior, Bundy gave up an RBI double with two outs in the first but shut out the Yellowjackets (1-1) on three hits the rest of the way. She also allowed five walks while fanning one. The Warriors tied the game in the third on a bunt single by senior shortstop **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)** and went ahead for good in the fifth on Rizzuto's RBI single to right.

Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** had two of ECSU's six hits while sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** reached twice on walks.

Trailing 3-0 against Allegheny, Eastern got one back in its final at-bat when freshman rightfielder **Courtney Burke (ROCKLAND, MA)** was walked with the bases loaded but winning pitcher Jacelyn Peterson (1-0) got a ground ball to second base to end the game.

The Gators took a 1-0 lead with three hits in the first and added two more runs in the top of the sixth on five hits. In between, sophomore righty **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** allowed only one hit. Kaczynski fanned one and did not walk a batter.

Rizzuto, who singled to load the bases in the sixth, had two of ECSU's six hits against Allegheny while Gray scored the run after walking in the sixth.

Eastern Conn. 2, UW-Superior 1, 6 inn.

Eastern Conn. (1--0)	001	010	--	2	6	3
UW-Superior (1-1)	100	000	--	1	4	2

Erin Bundy (1-0) and Amy Gray. Judy Jensen (0-1) and Lyndsay Coffin, Brandi Bames (5). 2B-Corinne Drennan (W).

Allegheny College 3, Eastern Conn. 1, 6 inn.

Allegheny (2-0)	100	002	--	3	9	1
Eastern Conn. (1-1)	000	001	--	1	6/5	2

Jacelyn Peterson (1-0) and Jill Staaf. Karen Kaczynski (0-1) and Amy Gray. HR-Jen Lorenzen (A).

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Monday, March 22, 1999

ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL LOSES TWO AT REBEL GAMES

Warriors allow seven runs in final two innings against Mass. College

ORLANDO -- The Massachusetts College softball team wiped out a three-run deficit by scoring seven runs on eight hits in its final two at-bats in defeating Eastern Connecticut State University 7-3 Monday at the Rebel Spring Games.

The loss was the second of the day for Eastern (1-3), which earlier managed just three singles in a 5-1 loss to Coe College.

Against Mass. College (3-7), senior rightfielder **Stacey Guertin (PUTNAM)**, freshman DH **Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)** and sophomore leftfielder **Christie Silva (ENFIELD)** each drove in runs to lift ECSU into a 3-0 lead but the Mohawks tied the game with three runs on three hits and an ECSU error in the fourth and moved ahead with four runs on five hits in the fifth.

For Eastern, Rizzuto and Silva each had two hits in a nine-hit attack. Winning pitcher Sue Plankey (2-4) was 3-for-3 with two doubles and two runs scored for the Mohawks while cleanup hitter and third baseman Kristin Parzych had two hits and scored two runs. Shortstop Emily Bouplon also had two hits and an RBI for Mass. College.

Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** had two hits and sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** the other for Eastern against Coe (4-0), whose pitchers fanned ten batters and walked only one. Paige Stamp recorded the save and also drove in two runs and scored one for the winners.

On Tuesday, Eastern plays Kalamazoo College at 9 a.m. and Wilmington (DE) College at 10:45 a.m.

Coe College 5, Eastern Conn. 1, 6 inn.

Eastern Conn. (1-2)	100	000	--	1	3	2
Coe College (4-0)	101	030	--	5	8	2

Erin Bundy (1-1) and Amy Gray. Candice O'Connor (1-0), Paige Stamp (5) and Tiffany Mehaffy. Save-Stamp. 2B-Stamp, Jodi Bauer, Alison Rohdy (C).

Massachusetts College 7, Eastern Conn. 3, 5 inn.

Mass. College (3-7)	000	34	--	7	11	1
Eastern Conn. (1-3)	012	00	--	3	9	2

Karen Kaczynski (0-2) and Amy Gray. Sue Plankey (2-4) and Jenn Roberts. 2B-Plankey 2, Nicole Stanasek (M), Andrea Rizzuto, Christie Silva (E).

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Tuesday, March 23, 1999

ECSU WOMEN'S SOFTBALL WINS TWO GAMES AT REBEL GAMES

Karen Kaczynski records win and a save for Warriors

ORLANDO -- Senior rightfielder **Stacey Guertin (PUTNAM)** drove in pinch runner **Cheryl DePault (COVENTRY)** from third base with two outs in the bottom of the fifth inning of a five inning game to lift the Eastern Connecticut State University softball team to a 5-4 win over Wilmington College (DE) Tuesday morning at the Rebel Spring Games.

In Eastern's first game of the day, sophomore righty **Karen Kaczynski (HARWINTON)** gained her first career save by getting a pair of infield outs to strand the tying run at third base in the Warriors' 8-7 victory over Kalamazoo College.

Against Wilmington (1-8), Guertin's game-winning RBI capped a two-run rally. The Wildcats had scored twice in the top of the fifth on an RBI double and an infield error to move ahead 4-3 but ECSU won the game in the bottom of the inning with two runs. ECSU sophomore catcher **Amy Gray (SPRAGUE)** singled with one out and later stole third and scored the tying run on a passed ball before Guertin drove in DePault with a two-out, RBI single to left. DePault was running for freshman **DH Andrea Rizzuto (TAFTVILLE)**, who reached safely after being hit by a pitch.

Kaczynski (1-2) allowed seven hits while fanning three and walking one in going the five-inning distance against Wilmington. Only two of the runs she allowed were earned. Gray had two of ECSU's eight hits, scored and drove in a run while senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)** had two hits.

The Warriors (3-3) carried an 8-1 lead into the fifth before Kalamazoo (0-5) got one back in that inning and rallied for five runs on two hits, two hit batters, a walk and an ECSU error in the sixth and final inning. With ECSU leading 8-6 and runners on second and third with one out, Kaczynski was summoned in place of sophomore starter **Erin Bundy (MANSFIELD)**. Kalamazoo pulled to within 8-7 on an outfield error but Kaczynski got a ground out to senior **Christy Pabon (SOUTHINGTON)** at short for the second out and ended the game by inducing a ground ball to Rainey at second.

Against Kalamazoo, freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** led ECSU's 12-hit attack by going 4-for-4 with two runs scored and a stolen base while Rainey had three hits and scored twice. Sophomore leftfielder **Christy Silva (ENFIELD)** drove in two runs and scored once.

On Thursday, Eastern faces Hope College at 3:15 p.m. and Hartwick at 5 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 8, Kalamazoo 7, 6 inn.

Eastern Conn. (2-3)	114	200	--	8	12	2
Kalamazoo (0-5)	100	015	--	7	7	4

Erin Bundy (2-1), Karen Kaczynski (6) and Amy Gray, Nadine Davis (6), Gray (6), Becky Hunyady (0-3) and Dawn Todd. Save-Kaczynski (1). 2B-Gray, Christie Silva, Stacey Guertin (E), Meredith Dodson (K).

Eastern Conn. 5, Wilmington College (DE) 4, 5 inn.

Wilmington (1-8)	011	02	--	4	7	3
Eastern Conn. (3-3)	002	12	--	5	8	4

Two out when winning run scored.

Elaine Wright (1-4) and Cherie Huhn. Karen Kaczynski (1-2) and Amy Gray. 2B-Cindy Darwicki (W), Gray (E).

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ECSU BASEBALL POSTPONED

The game between Eastern Connecticut State University and Chapman U. scheduled for Thursday at Orange, CA was **postponed** due to rain. It is scheduled to be played Friday, March 26 at 4:30 p.m. ET on the campus of Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Colleges at Pomona, CA. The game is schedule to be played following the completion of ECSU's regularly-scheduled game against North Central College at 1:30 p.m.ET at Claremont-Mudd.

ECSU SOFTBALL LOSES TWO GAMES AT REBEL SPRING GAMES Warriors lose to Hope 3-2, Hartwick 4-0 to fall to 3-5 overall

ORLANDO -- The Eastern Connecticut State University softball team allowed runs in only two innings but was beaten twice at the Rebel Spring Games Thursday, losing to Hope College 3-2 Hartwick College 4-0.

Against Hope (8-0), the Warriors gave up three runs in the third and managed only three hits off complete-game winner Lisa Larzeire (4-0), against Hartwick (4-4) giving up four runs in the first and stranding eight baserunners.

Trailing 3-0 against Hope, Eastern (3-5) scored two unearned runs in the fourth on an RBI double by senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey (COVENTRY)** and an infield error but was held scoreless the rest of the way. Larzeire fanned 11 and walked only one. Cleanup hitter Carrie Scott was 4-for-4 while Gina Zanin had two hits and two RBI for Hope.

The Warriors outhit Hartwick 8-7 but stranded runners in six of seven innings and managed as many as two hits in an inning only once.

Winning pitcher Tania Meck drove in three runs with a two-out double off the left field fence in the first inning for Hartwick. Meck (4-3) fanned seven and walked only one. Freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson (SALISBURY)** was 2-for-3 for Eastern while senior rightfielder **Stacey Guertin (PUTNAM)** was 2-for-3.

ECSU closes out its trip Friday, playing Calvin College at 9 a.m. and Ramapo College at 12:30.

Hope College 3, Eastern Conn. 2

Hope (8-0)	003	000	0	--	3	9	2
Eastern Conn. (3-4)	000	200	0	--	2	3	1

LARZEIRE
Lisa Larzeire (4-0) and Carrie Scott. Karen Kaczynski (1-3) and Amy Gray. 2B-Larzeire, Gina Zanine (H), Michelle Rainey (E).

Hartwick College 4, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (3-5)	000	000	0	--	0	8	1
Hartwick (4-4)	400	000	x	--	4	7	0

Erin Bundy (2-2) and Amy Gray. Tania Meck (4-3) and Ashley Lucht. 2B-Christy Pabon, Stacey Guertin, Gray (E), Meck (H).

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ECSU SOFTBALL SPLITS FINAL TWO GAMES AT ORLANDO

Warriors give away 4-3 decision to Ramapo, bounce back to defeat Calvin 7-1

ORLANDO -- Sophomore righthander **Karen Kaczynski** (HARWINTON) scattered six hits and five different Eastern Connecticut State University batters drove in at least one run as the Warriors posted a 7-1 win over Calvin College Friday in their final softball game at the Rebel Spring Games.

In the first game of the day, Ramapo College of New Jersey scored four unearned runs in the bottom of the sixth and final inning to nip Eastern 4-3.

Kaczynski (2-3) did not allow a run against Calvin (2-5) until first baseman Marissa Slager's leadoff home run over the left field fence in the sixth. Kaczynski did not walk a batter while fanning three.

Senior second baseman **Michelle Rainey's** (COVENTRY) RBI single in the first inning plated freshman centerfielder **Julia Neilson** (SALISBURY) to give the Warriors (4-6) the early lead. Senior shortstop **Christy Pabon** (SOUTHINGTON) drove in two runs with a sacrifice bunt in the second and a sacrifice fly in the fifth. Senior rightfielder **Stacey Guertin** (PUTNAM) walked twice, scored twice and drove in a run.

Junior right-handed pitcher **Erin Bundy** (MANSFIELD) allowed only one hit through five innings against Ramapo (2-7) but the Roadrunners wiped out a three-run deficit by scoring four runs in their sixth and final at-bat on two hits, a walk and an infield error. An infield error with the bases loaded and one out cleared the bases and allowed Ramapo to tie the game and an infield ground ball one batter later scored the winning run from third.

Rainey's two-out RBI single had given ECSU a 1-0 lead in the first and a two-out, two-run single by senior first baseman **Cindy Baker** (CROMWELL) made it 3-0 in the second. Rainey and sophomore catcher **Amy Gray** (SPRAGUE) each had two hits.

ECSU opens its northern season Tuesday with a 3:30 p.m. doubleheader at Massachusetts College.

Ramapo College 4, Eastern Conn. 3, 6 inn.

Eastern Conn. (3-6)	120	000	--	3	5	3
Ramapo (2-7)	000	004	--	4	3	2

Two out when winning run scored.

Erin Bundy (2-3) and Amy Gray. Leah Verde (2-3) and Robin O'Neil. 2B-Michelle Rainey (E).

Eastern Conn. 7, Calvin College 1, 6 inn.

Eastern Conn. (4-6)	110	131	--	7	6	1
Calvin (2-5)	000	001	--	1	6	2

Karen Kaczynski (2-3) and Nadine Davis. Alison Camp (0-3), Lindsay McHolme (5) and Sara Plasman. 2B-Amy Gray (E); HR-Marissa Slager (C).

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