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Softball



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Current record – 5-20 Overall (2-13 Mid-American)

BULLS TAKE ONE OF THREE FROM KENT STATE

The University at Buffalo softball team split a doubleheader with visiting Kent State on Saturday before losing the three-game series finale on Sunday at the UB Softball Stadium. Both of Saturday's games were shutouts, with Buffalo coming out on the winning end of a 5-0 decision in the opener and Kent State taking the nightcap by a 1-0 score. The Golden Flashes held on for a 6-4 win in Sunday's single game. With the 1-2 week, Buffalo's record now stands at 5-20 overall and 2-13 in the Mid-American Conference.

EVANS THROWS ONE-HITTER AGAINST KENT STATE, SETS UB SINGLE-GAME RECORD WITH NINE STRIKEOUTS

Freshman pitcher *Stacey Evans (Collinsville, IL/Triad)* earned her second collegiate victory on Saturday in impressive fashion, throwing a one-hitter and striking out a UB single-game record nine batters in seven innings. The only hit Evans allowed in the 5-0 shutout win was a one-out blooming single to center field by Kent State's Tammy Stires in the fifth inning.

Evans started the series finale on Sunday as well, giving up seven hits and four earned runs and striking out five batters before being replaced by junior *Andrea Sage (Depew, NY/Depew)* in the seventh inning. Evans leads the Bulls with 51 strikeouts on the season in a team-high 65.2 innings pitched.

ROUND KEYS WIN WITH FIRST HOMER OF THE SEASON

With the series opener knotted at 0-0 in the fifth inning, sophomore *Allison Round (Markham, Ontario/Markham District)* broke things open with her first home run of the season, a three-run shot over the center field fence to score freshman *Melissa Pace (Long Beach, CA/Millikan)* and sophomore *Marce Ross (Innisfil, Ontario/St. Peter's)*. Round was 3-for-4 against the Golden Flashes in Sunday's series finale, giving her four hits in the series and improving her season batting average to .244.

NASTI HITS SIXTH HOME RUN OF THE YEAR

Sophomore *Breanne Nasti (Baldwin, NY/Baldwin)* hit her sixth home run of the season on Sunday, a two-out, two-run shot over the fence in left center in the bottom of the seventh inning. Nasti was 4-for-10 in the weekend series, giving her a .412 batting average for the season. She entered the week ranked 29th in the nation in Division I in batting average (.414). A new NCAA statistics report will be released on Wednesday (www.ncaa.org).

NEXT UP

Up next for the Bulls are three non-conference doubleheaders against local rivals. The Bulls will host Canisius on Tuesday before traveling to St. Bonaventure on Thursday and hosting Niagara on Friday. Game time for all three doubleheaders is 3 pm. Buffalo then plays a three-game series at Bowling Green on Saturday and Sunday.

2002 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

March

at Charleston Southern Tournament

Sun., 3	vs. Charleston Southern	L, 6-7 (9)
	vs. Central Florida	cancelled
	vs. Furman	cancelled

at National Invitational Softball Tournament

Fri., 8	vs. No. 7 Arizona State	L, 0-2
	vs. Northern Iowa	L, 0-5
	vs. San Jose State	W, 3-2 (8)
Sat., 9	vs. UNC-Greensboro	L, 0-6
	vs. Syracuse	L, 4-9
Sat., 23	at Ohio* (DH)	L, 0-8; L, 3-11
Sun., 24	at Ohio*	L, 0-3
Mon., 25	at Canisius	L, 0-9
Fri., 29	at Marshall* (DH)	L, 3-4; L, 1-7
Sat., 30	at Marshall*	L, 2-7

April

Sat., 6	WESTERN MICHIGAN*	L, 1-2
Sun., 7	W. MICHIGAN* (DH)	W, 2-1 (12); L, 4-6
Tue., 9	at Colgate	L, 9-10
Wed., 10	ST. BONAVENTURE (DH)	W, 5-4; W, 6-1
Sat., 13	at Northern Illinois* (DH)	L, 0-9; L, 1-9
Sun., 14	at Northern Illinois*	L, 1-6
Sat., 20	KENT STATE* (DH)	W, 5-0; L, 0-1
Sun., 21	KENT STATE*	L, 4-6
Tues., 23	CANISIUS (DH)	3 pm
Thur., 25	at St. Bonaventure (DH)	3 pm
Fri., 26	NIAGARA (DH)	3 pm
Sat., 27	at Bowling Green* (DH)	1 pm
Sun., 28	at Bowling Green*	1 pm
Tue., 30	at Akron* (DH)	2 pm

May

Wed., 1	at Akron*	2 pm
Sat., 4	MIAMI (OH)*	2 pm
Sun., 5	MIAMI (OH)* (DH)	12 pm
Thur., 9-	at MAC Championships	TBA
Sat., 11	(at Firestone Stadium, Akron, OH)	

Home games in **BOLD CAPS**

*Denotes Mid-American Conference games

(DH) Denotes doubleheader

All times Eastern