

TRI-CITY RED DEFEATS ROSETOWN 9-4

Mounds View, Minn. (July 11) -- Tri-City Red continued its run through District 4 play, with a 9-4 win over Rosetown on Wednesday night at Mounds View High School. The win maintains Red's undefeated record in league play and moves them to an overall record of 17-4.

Red got the scoring started immediately, as Brett Bateman led off the bottom of the first with a single to left field and advanced to second on a bobble by the left fielder. He moved over to third when Jonah Sparks singled -- and scored when Ben Jepko grounded out to the shortstop.

After allowing a Rosetown run in the second, Red stepped on the gas in the third, tallying four runs, with hits coming from Bateman, Jepko, Carter Traczyk and Cole Stenstrom. Jepko's hit was a double that brought in two runs, while Traczyk and Stenstrom both brought in one run each.

Red was able to scratch across another run in the fourth, when Will Rogers led off by being hit by a pitch and then advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt from Hunter Ault. He moved over to third on a single from Bateman and scored, when John Solfest hit a sacrifice fly to center field.

Just for good measure, Red scored three runs in the fifth, including an RBI triple from Stenstrom and a one-out double from Langer. Rogers also picked up an RBI single in the inning.

It took just two pitchers for Red on the night, as Josh Bonde got the start and pitched five innings, allowing three earned runs and recording five strikeouts. Bateman came on in the sixth and threw the last two innings, allowing just a walk while striking out four batters.

Red will be in action twice on Thursday, when they host Arcade-Phalen for a doubleheader at Mounds View High School. The first game will start at 4 p.m., with the second game starting shortly after the first game ends.

Game 21: July 11, 2018 ***League Game 6***

RT -- 010 030 0 -- 4 2 2
TC -- 104 130 X -- 9 13 1

Red: Bonde, Bateman (6); Stenstrom

Winning Pitcher: Josh Bonde (4-0)

Losing Pitcher: #10

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