RED RALLIES TO EDGE TRI-CITY MAROON

Arden Hills, Minn. (July 16) -- Tri-City Red used a four-run fifth inning to edge crosstown rival Tri-City Maroon 4-3 on Tuesday night at Mounds View High School. The win also allowed Red to move past Maroon -- and into first place -- in the 4th District League standings. Red got solid pitching performances from Sean Goldman, Josh Bonde and John Solfest, with Solfest also scoring the winning run.

Red was down 3-0 entering the bottom of the fifth inning. Ben Kettelhut started Red's rally with a leadoff single and then advanced to second on a wild pitch. After a strikeout, Brett Bateman singled to score Kettelhut, putting Red on the board; meanwhile, Bateman advanced to second on the throw home. Jonah Sparks followed with a bunt single, which moved Bateman to third.

With one out, runners at the corners, and Solfest at the plate, Bateman and Sparks engineered a double steal, with Bateman scoring. Sparks then stole third base -- and, when Solfest singled, he scored to tie the game.

Ike Mezzenga drew a walk, moving Solfest to second base. After a strikeout, Cole Stenstrom then drew a walk, and Mezzenga and Solfest executed a double steal; Solfest came home to score, putting Red in the lead 4-3. Meanwhile Mezzenga was out, caught stealing.

Sean Goldman started on the mound for Red, going three innings and recording three strikeouts. Josh Bonde pitched the next three innings, picking up the win -- allowing one hit and no runs, while recording four strikeouts. Solfest chalked up the save, allowing just one hit in the 7th and striking out two.

Red now has a 15-2 record on the season (6-2 in league play) and will put a 10-game winning streak on the line Wednesday night against Rosetown. The game is scheduled for an 8 p.m. start at Siebert Field on the University of Minnesota campus.

Game Summary, July 16, 2019:

Tri-City Red 4, Tri-City Maroon 3 Game #17 / League Game #8

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Maroon: Foley; Strong Red: Goldman, Bonde (4), Solfest (7); Herold

Winning Pitcher: Josh Bonde (1-0) Losing Pitcher: Nate Foley Save: John Solfest (1)

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