TRI-CITY RED DEFEATS HAMLINE RED 10-0 IN 5 INNINGS

Arden Hills, Minn. (June 26) -- Tri-City Red picked up their first District 4 league win of the season on Wednesday night, when they beat Hamline Red 10-0 in 5 innings. The game ended early due to the 10-run rule.

Red put up six runs in the second on five hits, starting with a leadoff double from Ike Mezzenga. Mitchell Gutzkow came in to run, and he scored on a single from Cole Stenstrom. Ben Kettelhut then drew a walk, before John Abercrombie bunted for a hit to load the bases for Brett Bateman, who ripped a single that scored Stenstrom, making it a 2-0 lead.

Kettelhut scored when Jonah Sparks was hit by a pitch to keep the bases loaded for Robert Hogan, who continued his hot streak with a bases-clearing triple, to make it 6-0 in favor of Red.

Red added two runs in the fourth, when Sparks led off with a single -- before advancing to second on a single from Hogan. Sparks then scored, when John Solfest singled -- while Hogan stole third, and then scored on a wild pitch.

In the fifth, Red added the final nail to the coffin, as Solfest hit a walk-off double to score Sparks and Hogan to give Red the win. Solfest ended up 2-4 with three RBI, while Hogan was 2-2 with three RBI. Abercrombie added three hits, as well, for Red.

On the mound, it was a near immaculate performance, as three Red pitchers combined to allow just one hit with six strikeouts. Hogan had three of the strikeouts in his two innings of work.

Red now gets a day off before opening the Fargo-Moorhead Invitational on Friday at 1 p.m. at Matson Field in Moorhead against Watertown (SD). The team will also play immediately after against Millard West (Omaha, Neb).

Game Summary

Tri-City Red 10, Hamline Red 0 (5 innings)

Game #8, June 26, 2019: (4th District League Game #3)

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Hamline Red: Reinhurdt, Spencer (4), and Winter Tri-City Red: Mezzenga, Bateman (3), Hogan (4), and Abercrombie

Winning Pitcher: Isaac Mezzenga (1-0), TCR Losing pitcher: Eddie Reinhurdt, HR

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