

Tri-City Red Blasts Past North St. Paul

Arden Hills, Minn. (July 1, 2021) — Tri-City Red brought the offense early, scoring ten runs in the first three innings, en route to a 10-6 win over District 4 rival North St. Paul on Thursday night. Landon Both led the Tri-City offense, going 2-3 with two runs scored and an RBI.

After Ike Mezzenga set the 39ers down in the top of the first, Tri-City wasted no time scoring, putting four runs on the board in the bottom of the inning on four hits -- including a two-RBI triple from Reid Thurston, who then scored on a wild pitch. Landon Both then doubled, later scoring when Rosin singled into left field.

Red scored two more in the second, starting when Thurston drew a one-out walk. He stole second and third, before scoring on a throwing error by the catcher. Sean Goldman then singled, before eventually scoring on a single off the bat of Paul Diekoff.

In the third inning, Red scored four more runs, with all of the damage coming with two outs on the board. The inning started when Mezzenga and Cooper Kleppe both drew consecutive walks; Mezzenga scored on an RBI single by Brendan Goldman, and Kleppe scored when Landon Both singled up the middle. Goldman ended up scoring on a wild pitch, while Both scored when Ben Rosin drew a bases-loaded walk, giving Red a 10-0 lead.

Mezzenga got the win for Tri-City, throwing three and two-thirds of an inning, allowing two earned runs on four hits, with five strikeouts. Leo Fleischhacker came on in the fourth inning, and he threw three and one-third of an inning, striking out three batters to earn the save.

The team now takes a well-deserved break for the 4th of July holiday, before returning to league play on Monday. Red will host Hamline Purple at 5:30 p.m., when the suspended game from earlier this season will first be completed. Monday night's 6:00 p.m. scheduled league game will begin thereafter.

Game Summary

Tri-City Red 10, North St. Paul 6

Game 13, July 1, 2021:

(4th District League game 9)

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North St. Paul: Wilebski, Shoenecker (3); and Z. Peterson
Tri-City Red: Mezzenga, Fleischhacker (4); and Hinkel

Win: Ike Mezzenga, Tri-City Red
Loss: Teddy Wilebski, North St. Paul
Save: Leo Fleischhacker, Tri-City Red