

Tri-City Red Falls to Coon Rapids, 6-4

BLOOMINGTON, MN (June 18, 2021) — Tri-City Red scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth Friday afternoon, but it wasn't enough, as Coon Rapids scored five runs in the middle frames -- before adding an insurance run in the seventh, to take a 6-4 win in the first game of Bloomington's Red Haddox Wood Bat Tournament. The loss drops TC Red to 0-1 on the season.

Reid Thurston led off the sixth for Red with a stand-up triple into the right-center field gap. That was the first of four consecutive hits for Red, with Paul Diekoff and Leo Fleischacker both recording RBI doubles to get Red on the board. In total, Red scored four runs on five hits in the inning. Half of those runs came on a one-out single off the bat of Maddox Folska -- that allowed Diekoff and Fleischacker to score.

Red started the game well, with Cooper Kleppe hitting a leadoff single and stealing second base, where he ended up stranded. Red got another leadoff base runner in the second, but was unable to scratch across a run, leaving the game scoreless.

Cole Hinkel got the opening day start on the mound and threw four solid innings, allowing two earned runs on three hits, with four strikeouts. Brandon Cook came on in the fifth and threw three innings, recording a strikeout and conceding five hits. Offensively, seven players recorded hits for Red, with Folska leading the way, going 1-3 with a pair of RBI.

Red will play a doubleheader Saturday afternoon at Red Haddox field, starting at 4 p.m., when they take on Richfield -- before facing the host team, Bloomington Blue, to close out pool play.

Game Summary

Coon Rapids 6, Tri-City Red 4

Game 1, June 18, 2021: (Bloomington Tournament, Game 1)

CR - 0 0 0 2 1 2 1 --- 6 8 1
TCR - 0 0 0 0 0 4 0 --- 4 7 2

Coon Rapids: Vlasaty; Petroff
Tri-City Red: Hinkel, Cook (5); Folska

Winning Pitcher: Jack Vlasaty
Losing Pitcher: Cole Hinkel
Save: Andrew Racine

All 1st Day Tournament Scores: (8-run rule, after 5 innings)

Pool A

Bloomington 18, Richfield 0 (5 inn)
Coon Rapids 14, Richfield 0 (5 inn)
Coon Rapids 6, Tri-City Red 4

Pool B

Prior Lake 21, Hibbing 5 (5 inn)