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Robison's 4-for-4 effort key during OCA victory

THE STAR-BANNER

ORLANDO - Katelyn Robison's two-run triple in the sixth inning gave the Ocala Christian Academy Crusaders enough cushion to hold off a late Heritage Prep rally as they picked up the 10-9 road win in Tuesday night softball action.

Robison was a perfect 4-for-4 at the plate while teammate Elise Crigar added two doubles and drove home three runs.

Heritage had the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh and was threatening a comeback when Casey Stephenson turned a double play to end the game.

Ashton Ellzey was credited with the win for OCA as she gave up two earned runs and tallied eight strikeouts in her five innings on the mound.

Ocala Christian improved to 7-2 overall and 6-1 in district play with the win and prepares to host Eastland on Friday at 7:30.

DUNNELLON 6, BELLEVIEW 4. At Dunnellon, Danielle Burns was the winning pitcher, striking out four and giving up no earned runs in the full seven innings on the mound for the Tigers.

Casey Fagan led Dunnellon at the plate by going 4-for-4 with two RBIs, while teammate Rachel Wilkinson was 3-for-4.

Dunnellon (16-5) is set to host Lake Weir on Friday at 7.

Baseball

SHORES CHRISTIAN 16, MEADOWBROOK 5. At Meadowbrook, Travis Bernard picked up the win by giving up two earned runs and striking out five in five innings of work to give the Tigers their first win of the season.

Colby Grahling was 2-for-3 with two RBIs to lead Shores at the plate and teammate Daniel Rivera went 3-for-4 with an RBI.

Shores Christian (1-2) makes a visit to Gainesville-Cornerstone Academy on Thursday.

VANGUARD 7, LEESBURG 3. At Leesburg, J.R. Rekully improved his record on the mound for the Knights to 9-0 as he gave up six hits, no walks and no earned runs in the complete seven inning contest.

Vanguard's Matt Wright notched his sixth home run of the season and Eric Grabe added two hits with three RBIs.

Joe Jones and Andy Paul both contributed two hits for Vanguard (14-5, 6-4) which visits Bell on Friday at 7 p.m.

CITRUS 10, WEST PORT 4. At Ocala, Justin Darley went 2-for-4 with a double and Mike Barnes was 2-for-3 with a run scored to lead the Wolf Pack at the plate in the loss.

Jesus Valle took the loss, pitching four innings and giving up five earned runs with two strikeouts for West Port (4-15) which hosts Crystal River on Tuesday.

FOREST 14, LAKE WEIR 2. At Candler, Tyler Carpenter went 3-for-4 and Blake Spires hit a home run to lead the Wildcats in a five-inning blowout.

Tres Ramirez was the winning pitcher and pitched a complete game for Forest.

Ryan Slyke took the loss, pitching three innings and also had an RBI at the plate for Lake Weir (6-11, 4-7) which plays at Wildwood on Thursday.

ST. JOHN 13, FIRST ACADEMY 0. At Ocala, Gage Reynolds and Eric Hall combined for a one-hitter with no walks.

The Saints' Austin Windham and Joel Cooper each went 3-for-4, while Charlie Windham and Vinny Carrizzo each went 2-for-4.

St. John (8-9, 6-2) host Hernando Christian at 6 p.m. Thursday.

WILDWOOD 2, BELLEVIEW 1. At Belleview, Kyle Peavy hit a run-scoring single in the bottom of the seventh for the Rattlers' lone RBI, but it was too little, too late as Wildwood held on for the win.

Michael Phipps pitched five innings and struck out seven as he took the loss for Belleview (9-9) which hosts Lecanto on Thursday at 7 p.m.

Boys Tennis

MIDDLEBURG 6, VANGUARD 1. At Middleburg, Kyle Fletcher was the Knights lone bright spot, with a 8-6 win over Mark Beebe at the No. 2 singles spot.

Vanguard (7-7) faces off against Forest today at Coehadjoe Park, 4 p.m.

Singles

1. Mike Bross (M) def. Sunil Rohatgi, 8-0; 2. Kyle Fletcher (V) def. Mark Beebe, 8-6; 3. Kyle Baldasso (M) def. Adam Hoit, 8-2; 4. Richie Allen (M) def. Casey Goodenow, 8-3; 5. Steven Weaver (M) def. Hunter Hoopengartner, 8-0.

Doubles

1. Bross/Beebe (M) def. Rohatgi/Fletcher, 8-6; 2. Baldasso/Weaver (M) def. Goodenow/Hoit, 8-1.

TRINITY CATHOLIC 6, BELLEVIEW 1. At CFCC, Richie Bianculli led the Celtics off with a hard-fought tiebreaker win at No. 1 singles as they dominated the day.

Trinity Catholic (10-2) hosts Circle Christian at CFCC on Thursday.

Singles

1. Richie Bianculli (T) def. Ben Wollet, 6-3, 6-6, 7-4; 2. Troy Barrett (B) def. Leandro Lopez, 6-0, 1-6, 10-7; 3. Gregor Gaudin (T) def. Marx Santos, 6-1, 6-2; 4. Leonard Lopez (T) def. David Galat, 6-0, 6-0; 5. Thomas Casey (T) def. Daniel Ohlman, 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles

1. Bianculli/Lopez (T) def. Wollet/Barrett, 9-7; 2. Gaudin/Lopez (T) def. Santos/Galat, 8-2.

CITRUS 7, WEST PORT 0. At Ocala, West Port's Steve Kelsey fell to Citrus' Aaron Holzaetsel 9-7 at No. 2 singles.

West Port (6-7) next plays at 3:30 p.m. today at Lake Weir.

SINGLES: 1. Evan Thompson (C) def. Juan Castillo 8-3; 2. Aaron Holzaetsel (C) def. Steve Kelsey 9-7; 3. Craig Usher (C) def. Mark Gutierrez 8-2; 4. Kris Blasl (C) def. Daniel Nowery 8-2; 5. Jordan Barroso (C) def. Shaggy Ramon.

DOUBLES: 1. Thompson/Usher (C) def. Castillo/Kelsey 8-6; 2. Holzaetsel/Blasl (C) def. Gutierrez/Nowery 8-2.

Girls Tennis

FOREST 5, BELLEVIEW 2. At Coehadjoe Park, Terri Thomas led the way for the Wildcats with a No. 1 singles and a doubles win with teammate Kelly Chambers.

Forest (6-6) hosts St. John at Coehadjoe park on Tuesday.

Singles

1. Terri Thomas (F) def. Crissi DeJulio, 6-0, 6-0; 2. Karly Kerstin (B) def. Landyn Scudder, 7-5, 6-3; 3. Kaylee Raney (B) def. Savannah Sapienza, 6-4, 6-0; 4. Kelly Chambers (F) def. Heather Saddler, 6-2, 6-1; 5. Eve Lewis (F) def. Ashley Erwine, 4-6, 6-4, 1-0.

Doubles

1. Thomas/Chambers (F) def. DeJulio/Raney, 8-6; 2. Sapienza/Scudder (F) def. Saddler/Kerstin, 9-7.

CITRUS 5, WEST PORT 2. At Citrus, West Port's best showing came from Jessica Haviland, who had the only Wolf Pack singles win of the day when she beat Kaylee Larkin at the No. 5 spot.

West Port (7-8) visits Crystal River on Thursday.

Singles

1. Courtney Spafford (C) def. Mackenzie Hallahan, 6-1, 6-0; 2. Lindsey Spafford (C) def. Crissy McTaggart, 6-1, 6-0; 3. Ashton Connor (C) def. Mary Hallahan, 6-1, 7-5; 4. Jordan Connor (C) def. Melissa Sower, 6-4, 2-6, 6-0; 5. Jessica Haviland (W) def. Kaylee Larkin, 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles

1. Spafford/Spafford (C) def. Hallahan/Haviland, 8-1; 2. Sower/McTaggart (W) def. Connor/Connor, 8-4.

CRYSTAL RIVER 7, NORTH MARION 0. At Reddick, host North Marion was swept by the Pirates, falling to 3-10 overall and 2-8 in District 4A-6.

Next up for the Colts is a district meet against Belleview at 4.30 p.m. Thursday at Reddick.

Singles

1. Kaycee Hutchins (CR) def. Jessica Starr 8-2; 2. Alicia Rhodes (CR) def. Dianna Lester 8-2; 3. Tina Lin (CR) def. Bethany Touchton 8-1; 4. Sarah Wassen (CR) def. Anastasia Parker 8-0; 5. Kristin MacKenzie (CR) def. Brandi Hall 8-5.

Doubles

1. Hutchins-Rhodes (CR) def. Starr-Lester 8-3; 2. Lin-Wassen (CR) def. Touchton-Parker 8-0.

