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Appalachian State held off a late Wofford rally to post a 12-10 win over the Terriers in Southern Conference baseball action Sunday afternoon at Red Lackey Field. Appalachian, now 5-22 overall and 4-7 in the SoCon, take two-out-of-three games in the weekend series over Wofford, now 11-18 overall and 4-8 in league play.

Appalachian jumped to a 9-3 lead after scoring four runs in the bottom of the fifth inning. The big blow for the Mountaineers was a three-run home run by Luke Little. Wofford would cut the lead to 11-10 with two runs in the top of the eighth inning, but pinch hitter Kevin Jones led off the bottom of the eighth with a single and scored on a single by Chris Behne to give ASU a 12-10 lead.

In the top of the ninth inning, Wofford had men on second and third with no outs and then bases loaded with one out before Matt Wood got Aaron Price to hit into a game-ending double play.

Wood pitched out of two-on and no one out jams in both the eighth and ninth inning to earn his first save of the season. Starter Ben Hager (2-7) picked up his second win of the week for ASU, working five and two-thirds innings. Wofford starter Travis Trammell (1-4) took the loss.

Behne led the Mountaineers, going 3-3 with two RBI. Mike Lee also drove in two runs for ASU. Michael Thompson was 3-5 with three RBI for the Terriers. Strat Stavrou, Aaron Price and Brian Casey each had three hits, as well. Wofford outhit the Mountaineers, 17-12.
Wofford put runners on with no outs in the seventh and ninth innings, but Brown held the Terriers scoreless to record a 4-2 victory Friday afternoon in Spartanburg, SC.

Brown (4-7) took a 1-0 lead in the second inning. Todd Iarussi scored from third on a fielder’s choice on a groundball hit by Steve McCaughey.

Wofford (10-16) took the lead with two runs in the fourth inning. Chris Cotugno hit a one-out single. Danny Slade walked to put runners at first and second. Fritz Baier was hit-by-a-pitch to load the bases. Brian Casey singled to score Cotugno. Strat Stavrou drew a two-out walk to bring in Slade and put the Terriers ahead 2-1.

Brown tied the game in the fifth inning when Dan Kantrovitz scored on Iarussi’s sacrifice fly. The score remained tied until the seventh inning. Kantrovitz singled to lead off the inning. Iarussi followed two batters later with a two-run homer to put Brown ahead 4-2.

The Terriers threatened in the bottom of the seventh inning. Chad Livingston doubled to start things for the Terriers. Aaron Price walked to put runners at first and second. However, reliever Matt Galati recorded two strikeouts and a pop fly to end the Wofford threat.

The Terriers again threatened in the ninth inning. Livingston and Price again doubled and walked to lead off the inning. After a pitching change, Livingston and Price advanced to second and third on Matt Wunder’s sacrifice bunt. After another pitching change, pinch hitter Tommy Todd walked to load the bases. However, reliever Jonathon Stern recorded two strikeouts to get out of the inning and pick up the save.

Frank Philbrick (1-0), who pitched 0.1 of an inning, picked up the win, while Tate Osterman (2-1) took the loss.

Iarussi finished the day 2-for-4 with three RBI and two runs scored to lead Brown. Livingston was 3-for-5 and Casey finished 3-for-4 with one RBI to lead the Terriers.
Wofford travels to Appalachian State for a three-game weekend Southern Conference series Saturday and Sunday. Saturday’s doubleheader begins at 12:00 noon, while Sunday’s single game starts at 1:00 p.m.
Here's a recap from Tuesday's 4-3 extra-inning win over IUPUI.

Pinch runner Josh Gilbert scored when Danny Slade was hit-by-a-pitch with the bases loaded in the bottom of the 10th inning to lift Wofford over IUPUI 4-3 Tuesday afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, SC.

Gilbert pinch ran for Matt Wunder who drew a walk to leadoff the inning. Brian Casey sacrificed Gilbert to second. Jeremy Vigna was intentionally walked to put runners at first and second. After a pitching change, Gilbert and Vigna moved up one base on a wild pitch. Fritz Baier was then intentionally walked to load the bases to setup a force out at any base. However, Slade was hit on the first pitch to win the game for the Terriers.

Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI, 1-8) jumped out first with two runs in the top of the second inning. Matt Brown drove in Brandon Fay and Nathan Robertson on a double down the left field line.

Wofford (9-10) responded in the bottom of the third inning. Chad Livingston's single to left drove in Slade. Kevin Blocker then singled to drive in Aaron Price to tie the game.

The Terriers then took a 3-2 lead in the bottom of the fourth inning. Chris Cotugno led off the inning with a double and moved to third on Slade's single. Strat Stavrou then hit a sacrifice fly to bring in Cotugno.

IUPUI tied the game in the fifth inning. After Mike Kelsak reached on an error and advanced to second, he moved to third on Joseph Longnecker's sacrifice fly to center. Kelsak scored on Fay's single to center.

Slade finished 2-for-4 with an RBI and a run scored to lead Wofford. Livingston was 2-for-5 with and RBI.

Brown was 2-for-4 with two RBI to lead IUPUI at the plate.

Wofford and IUPUI will face each other in a doubleheader starting at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday at Duncan Park.
CORRECTION!!

In the notes I sent out yesterday, I mistakenly said Kyle Hadden has 14 starts on the year and would almost certainly start his 15th game this weekend. He actually has only started 13 games and will tie his own single-season Wofford record of 14 starts this weekend.

Sorry for any confusion.

Bill
Wofford travels to Athens, GA, on Wednesday to take on the Bulldogs of the University of Georgia at 7:00 p.m. at Foley Field. The Terriers stand 11-22 on the year, while Georgia is 19-10.

Against The Bulldogs...
Wofford stands 0-3 against Georgia. The series began in 1956 and took a 42-year hiatus until the Terriers made the trip back to Athens in 1998. Wofford has suffered losses of 11-2 in 1956, 23-1 in 1998, and 13-7 in 1999.

Getting The Most Out of The Pitchers...
Despite winning just once in the last 13 games, Wofford's pitching has done just about all it can do. After having nine pitchers heading into the season, the Terriers were reduced to seven on opening day. One hurler quit before the season and the other is still recovering from shoulder surgery performed late last summer. With seven pitchers struggling early in the season, the Terriers went to a unique rotation where every hurler threw at least one inning in every game. This worked well for Wofford as the Terriers turned a 2-8 record into a 10-10 mark. Included in the turnaround was a four-game sweep of Maine.

However, three Terrier pitchers went down with injuries, all to their shoulders, in the same week, reducing the staff to four. Charles Bobo, B.J. Turner, and Neil Wheaton are slated to return in two weeks, though the timetable remains uncertain.

The four remaining pitchers have held up well. Tate Osterman leads the team with a 4.71 ERA and a 3-2 record. George Lehr has a 6.00 ERA and a team-high 45 strikeouts. Kyle Hadden has an 8.32 ERA while working a team and Southern Conference-leading 66.0 innings. Finally, Travis Trammell has an 8.42 ERA while limiting opponents to a league-best .190 batting average.

Tugs Takes The Mound...
With the saga that is the Wofford pitching staff, one brave Terrier has stepped up to help alleviate the problems. Chris Cotugno, the starting catcher on opening day, threw two innings of relief at Western Carolina last weekend. He gave up just one hit and no runs, while holding the Catamounts to a .200 batting average.

Quick Hitters...
Tate Osterman's 26 appearances have surpassed the single-season school record of 22 held by Bill Lawton... with 23 games left on the slate, Osterman looks to shatter the record... Aaron Price has already broken two career records at Wofford and is chasing two more... Price's 602 at bats and 21 hit-by-pitches are the most ever by any Terrier... he is just 23 hits and 19 runs away from tying the all-time Wofford marks in those categories... he leads the team with a .311 batting average... despite hitting just .233, freshman Brian Casey tops the Terriers with 28 RBI... Strat Stavrou
Casey tops the Terriers with 26 RBI. Stu Stavrou, Price, and Chad Livingston have had 10 multiple-hit games.
Former Wofford standout shortstop Kevin Blocker was drafted by the Colorado Rockies in the 25th round of the 2000 Major League Baseball Draft Tuesday afternoon.

Blocker will report to mini-camp in Tucson, AZ, Sunday and will receive his assignment after camp breaks a week later.

Blocker finished his four-year career with a .354 batting average (181-for-512). He tallied 89 RBI and scored 89 runs. He hit 26 doubles, three triples, and nine home runs in his four years. He missed 23 games his senior season with a back problem, only to return to hit nearly .350 in the last 11 games of the campaign. His 16 doubles in his sophomore year stands as Wofford’s single-season school record.

Blocker became the first Terrier to earn Southern Conference Player of the Week honors when he went 9-of-13 (.692) at the plate as Wofford won two of three games at the College of Charleston (May 6-7). He also helped the Terriers to their highest win total since the 1994 campaign.

The Temple Terrace, FL, native is the second Terrier to be drafted since Wofford began Division I play in 1996. Pitcher Anthony Salley was selected in the 24th round of the 1997 draft by the Toronto Blue Jays and played two years in their organization.
Kevin Blocker was named the Southern Conference's Player of the Week and George Lehr was selected the conference's Pitcher of the Week as announced by the league office Monday afternoon.

Blocker went 9-for-13 with five RBI and four runs scored to lead Wofford to two victories over College of Charleston this past weekend. He recorded two triples and a home run against the Cougars. He leads the Terriers with a .340 batting average. After missing 21 games with a back injury the Temple Terrace, FL, native has hit .457 (16-of-35) with eight RBI and six runs scored in nine contests. He becomes the first Terrier baseball player to be named Player of the Week by the Southern Conference.

Lehr pitched a scoreless ninth inning to record a save in the 7-6 victory over Charleston. He tallied two strikeouts in the outing. He then turned around to pitch a complete game in Sunday's 7-2 win over Charleston, holding the Cougars to seven hits and two runs (one earned) with four strikeouts. The Largo, FL, native has thrown 103.1 innings this season and ranks second on the team with four wins. His four saves ties Wofford's single-season school record. He is the second Wofford pitcher in three years to win the Pitcher of the Week award. Charles Bobo earned the same recognition earlier this year.
Former Wofford standout infielder Kevin Blocker is making an impact with the Portland Rockies, a single-A affiliate of the Colorado Rockies.

Blocker, a 25th-round selection by Colorado in the 2000 Major League Baseball Draft, was hitting .269 (18-of-67) with three doubles and one triple in games through July 24. His 14 RBI are tied for fourth on the club. He's also fourth with four stolen bases in five attempts.

A native of Temple Terrace, FL, Blocker was the Southern Conference Player of the Week when he went 9-of-13 (.692) at the plate as the Terriers won two of three games at the College of Charleston this spring. He has helped the Rockies to a 17-16 record in the South Division of the Northwest League.

Blocker's progress can be followed on the Portland Rockies website at: www.portlandrockies.com.
Recent Wofford graduate and standout shortstop/third baseman Kevin Blocker went 2-for-5 with two RBI and two runs scored to help lead the Portland Rockies (a short-season single-A affiliate of the Colorado Rockies) to a 16-3 win over the Boise Hawks Thursday night.

Blocker started at third base and hit in the ninth spot. He also recorded eight assists and two putouts in his debut.

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Blocker Year-By-Year Statistics

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The injury-riddled Wofford pitching staff gets a shot in the arm with the return of Charles Bobo to the rotation. He is scheduled to throw a couple of innings against High Point on Wednesday.

Bobo last saw action in the first game of the doubleheader with IUPUI (Mar. 15) before being sidelined with a shoulder injury. However, he is set to return to aid a pitching staff that had been reduced from eight hurlers to four. B.J. Turner (shoulder) is also hopeful of returning to action before the close of the season.

A native of Florence, SC, Bobo leads the Terriers with four wins while posting a 5.19 ERA. He has thrown 26.0 innings in 13 appearances this year.
The Wofford College baseball program has announced the addition of Jason Eller as an assistant coach.

A native of Marietta, GA, Eller was an assistant at Martin Methodist College in Pulaski, TN, this past year. With the NAIA school, Eller helped guide the pitching staff to a No. 15 national ranking in ERA, complete games, and wins. He was also an assistant on the East Cobb (GA) Summer League team that captured the Continental Amateur Baseball Association (CABA) World Series in Homestead, FL.

A four-year letterman as an outfielder and first baseman at Georgia State, Eller also played two years of professional baseball.

Eller improved his batting average each of his four collegiate seasons. He ranks in the Georgia State Top 10 in career games played and doubles. He led the 1994 team with seven outfield assists while still holding the school record for most putouts in a game with 17.

Wofford Head Coach Steve Traylor has now completed his staff for the 2001 campaign. Eller joins Brandon McKillop and Todd Whitehead as assistant coaches.
Furman's pitching staff hurled two strong games to lead the Paladins to a doubleheader sweep of Wofford Sunday afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg.

Furman (16-21-1, 10-6-1) defeated Wofford (12-29, 4-16) 7-1 in game one and 4-1 in game two.

Tommy John, III went 4-for-5 with two RBI and three runs scored to lead the Paladins at the plate in the first game. He scored the first run of the game in the second inning, then drove in a run in the third inning to help Furman gain a 3-0 advantage after three innings.

Wofford responded with a run in the fourth inning after Aaron Price scored when Fritz Baier was hit-by-a-pitch with the bases loaded.

John again sparked Furman with a leadoff double in the sixth inning and later scored on Will Daugs single. He topped off the game with a solo homer in the seventh inning to give Furman the 7-1 advantage.

Corey Etheridge (4-5) threw five strong innings to pick up the win and Toby David (1) pitched four shutout innings of relief to notch the save. Kyle Hadden (1-7) took the loss for Wofford.

The second game saw Furman jump out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning on RBI singles by Clint Hill and Chris Valdes. The Paladins increased the lead to 4-0 a two-run, bases loaded single by Adam Etherington in the fifth inning.

Wofford closed the gap to within three runs in the sixth inning when Danny Slade doubled down the line in left to score Strat Stavrou with two outs. However, the Terriers could draw no closer to the Paladins.

Tom Mastny (4-2) took the win for Furman, while Rob Purvis (6) picked up the save. Charles Bobo (4-4) took the loss for Wofford.
Doc Brooks went 2-for-3 including a two-run home run to lead 19th-ranked Georgia past Wofford 6-2 Wednesday at Foley Field in Athens, GA.

The Bulldogs (20-11) planned to use several pitchers in the game and six ended up seeing action including junior Andy Hussion. Hussion earned his first win with 2.1 innings of scoreless relief. He allowed a hit, one walk and struck out two.

Georgia went up 1-0 in the first on a bases loaded walk issued by Kyle Hadden (1-5). The right-hander allowed four runs on seven hits in six innings. Georgia gave the run right back in the top of the second on three walks and a wild pitch by starter Brandon Anglin. Fritz Baier crossed the plate for the tying run.

The Bulldogs took the lead for good in the second. Mark Thornhill singled and went to second on a passed ball by Baier. Josh Hudson singled up the middle, scoring Thornhill for a 2-1 advantage. Georgia extended its lead to 4-1 in the fifth on a run-scoring double by Andy Neufeld who then scored on a base hit by Adam Swann.

Wofford manufactured a run in the seventh off Mark Miller. After a leadoff walk to Strat Stavrou and a base hit by Aaron Price, Chad Livingston executed a sacrifice bunt and Brian Casey followed with a sacrifice fly, scoring Stavrou. Miller struck out Danny Slade to end the threat.

In the bottom half of the inning, Brooks' two-run blast gave Georgia a 6-2 lead.
Wofford sophomore hurler George Lehr pitched a complete game to lead Wofford to an 8-5 victory over East Tennessee State Sunday afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, SC.

The win by Wofford (14-34, 5-21) prevented a sweep by East Tennessee State (17-26, 13-14) in the three-game Southern Conference series.

Lehr, who threw 156 pitches in nine innings, shutdown the Buccaneer offense. East Tennessee State was held to one run through seven innings. As Lehr became tired, the Buccaneers rallied for a run in the eighth inning and three in the ninth. However, the pitcher was provided breathing room.

Wofford exploded for six runs in the bottom of the second inning to take control of the game. Kevin Blocker walked and advanced to second on Chris Cotugno’s single to begin the inning. Danny Slade’s single down the right field line scored Blocker. Matt Wunder reached on an error and Cotugno scored on the play. Fritz Baier then singled to bring in Slade. Tommy Todd’s bunt to third turned into a single and loaded the bases. Strat Stavrou singled to bring in Wunder for an unearned run. After a double play that scored Baier, Chad Livingston singled to bring in Todd.

Six runs looked like it would be all the Terriers would need. With Lehr tiring and an injury-riddled pitching staff that is now down to three hurlers, Wofford needed some insurance runs. They got them in the bottom of the eighth inning. Wunder smashed a one-out homer over the wall in right field. Todd followed with a two-out single to left. Stavrou doubled down the line in left to score Todd and put the Terriers ahead 8-2.

East Tennessee State scored three runs, all on a home run by Ed Sparks, to bring the Buccaneers to within 8-5 with two outs in the top of the ninth inning. Lehr, though, struck out Ryan McBride to end the inning and pick up the win.

Wunder finished the game 2-for-3 with two RBI and two runs scored to lead Wofford. Stavrou was 2-for-4 with two RBI.

Danny Pugh was 2-for-4 with a run scored to lead East Tennessee State.

Wofford travels to UNC Asheville Tuesday for a 3:00 p.m. non-conference battle, while East Tennessee State hosts Belmont Saturday in Johnson City, TN.
The Wofford College baseball program has announced the hiring of former Terrier standout Brandon McKillop as an assistant coach.

A 1995 Wofford graduate, McKillop was an assistant at Newberry College this past spring. He previously worked two years as an assistant at Wofford (1998-99) after completing his Master's degree in sport management from the University of Florida.

McKillop is also the head coach of the Spartanburg American Legion baseball team. He has led Post 28 to a 77-20 record in three years, including a 64-8 mark the last two summers as the team advanced to the Final Four of the State Tournament. With that squad, he coached current Terrier Brian Casey and incoming freshman Nick Hewitt.

"I'm very excited to bring in a coach of Brandon's caliber," Wofford Head Coach Steve Traylor said. "He's a Wofford graduate and a perfect fit for us. He has collected a great deal of experience on the collegiate level at Newberry and Wofford as well as being very successful with the American Legion team. Brandon has a lot to offer Wofford and our baseball program."

McKillop holds the Wofford record for consecutive stolen bases with 34 over a three-year span (1993-95). It's a mark that still stands as the sixth-best in NCAA Division II history (Wofford was a Division II school at the time). A Team Captain as a senior, McKillop hit .357 and stole 26 bases as the Terriers' leadoff hitter.

"The opportunity to return to your alma mater is something everybody, especially coaches, have in the back of their mind," McKillop said. "I'm very excited to work with Coach Traylor. He's done some outstanding things in his career.

"There are still a lot of good players left from my previous time at Wofford. I'm also excited to work with some of the players I recruited, but didn't get to see play. I did follow the team last year to see how they did. With the very good recruiting class we have coming in, there's a lot of potential with our squad this year."

A native of Boiling Springs, SC, McKillop will also serve as Wofford's Director of Intramurals.
Five Wofford College pitchers combined on a two-hitter as the Terriers defeated High Point, 6-2, this afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg.

Travis Trammell, Charles Bobo, Tate Osterman, Kyle Hadden, and George Lehr also totaled seven strikeouts as Wofford improved to 12-27. High Point fell to 11-24-1.

Osterman (4-2) picked up the victory with three scoreless innings, allowing just two hits and two walks while striking out three.

Bobo, making his first appearance in nearly a month because of a shoulder injury, did not allow a hit in 2.1 innings. The only Panther to reach base on him came off an error and he was erased on a double-play ball by the next batter.

Hadden pitched a hitless seven and eighth inning while Lehr closed the game with a perfect ninth.

High Point opened the scoring with two runs in the first without the benefit of a base hit. The Panthers used three walks, three wild pitches, and a hit batter to take a 2-0 lead. High Point's first hit of the game didn't come until the fifth inning.

Wofford countered with a run in the bottom of the first when Strat Stavrou led off with a double before scoring on an Aaron Price single.

The Terriers evened the game in the second on an RBI groundout by Kevin Bowyer.

Wofford then took the lead for good at 3-2 in the fifth. Bowyer led off the inning with a single. He later scored when Andrew Linn grounded into a double play.

The Terriers added some insurance with a three-run eighth. Chris Cotugno doubled to open the inning. He then scored on a two-out single by Jason Ray. A throwing error by Panther shortstop Tim Dixon allowed the final two runs to come home.

Stavrou had three hits and Price had two as the Terriers totaled eight hits on the afternoon.

Wofford returns to action Saturday when it hosts Furman in a 12 noon doubleheader at Duncan Park.
Wofford College baseball players claimed the Southern Conference's Player of the Week and Pitcher of the Week awards as announced today by the Conference office.

Kevin Blocker, Wofford's third baseman, is the SoCon Player of the Week while George Lehr was named the Pitcher of the Week.

Blocker, a 6-2, 190 lb senior from Temple Terrace, Fla., hit .692 (9-for-13) as the Terriers won two of three games from College of Charleston this weekend. Blocker was 4-for-4 with a pair of triples and three RBI in Sunday's 7-2 Wofford win. Blocker also collected three hits in five at-bats with three runs scored, a home run, and two RBI in Saturday's 7-6 victory over the Cougars.

Lehr, a 5-11, 165 lb. sophomore from Largo, Fla., earned a win and a save in the series against CofC. Lehr came on in relief and recorded the save in Saturday's 7-6 victory. He helped the Terriers escape a jam of runners on first and third with none out. Just 15 hours later, Lehr was back on the mound throwing a complete-game win as the Terriers won 7-2. For the weekend, Lehr pitched 10 innings, allowing just seven hits and two runs (one earned). He walked four and struck out six in posting a 0.90 ERA. The save was the fourth of the year for Lehr, tying the Wofford single-season school record.
Wofford head baseball coach Steve Traylor will be seen on ESPN2 as part of a feature on the Deuce's Baseball Today program Sunday at 12:00 noon.

The feature is on standout pitcher Scott Schoneweis of the Anaheim Angels. Traylor was Shoneweis' coach when the two were at Duke. ESPN flew one of its producers down to tape the segment on Friday.

Traylor led Wofford to the most victories in the program since 1994 and has recruited what could potentially be the best recruiting class in Wofford's Division I era.
Just when it looked like Wofford was back in the game, UNC Asheville posted five runs in the fifth inning to deflate the Terriers and take a 12-5 victory Tuesday afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, SC.

UNC Asheville (11-13) took a 3-0 in the second inning. Jason Ronai scored on Tim Nettles’ double and Nettles came across on a sacrifice fly by Stephen Deyo in the first inning. Corey Mercer scored on a wild pitch in the second to round out the Bulldog scoring.

Wofford (11-19) responded with three runs in the bottom of the fourth inning to tie the game. Brian Casey hit a two-run homer to bring the Terriers to within 3-2. Chad Livingston scored on the dinger. Danny Slade scored on Tommy Todd’s single to tie the game.

However, UNC Asheville countered with five runs in the top of the fifth inning to steal Wofford’s thunder and seal the victory. Three of the runs came on wild pitches while the Bulldogs recorded only one hit in the inning.

Aaron Rembert (4-1) tossed four innings of relief to pick up the win, while Travis Trammell (1-5) took the loss.

Nettles finished the game 2-for-4 with an RBI and three runs scored to lead UNC Asheville. Deyo was 2-for-3 with two RBI and two runs scored. Willie Stewart, who finished 1-for-4 with an RBI and two runs scored, increased his hitting streak to a UNC Asheville school record 18 games.

Slade finished 2-for-4 with an RBI and two runs scored to lead Wofford. He hit his second homer of the year to pull the Terriers to within 8-4 in the sixth inning.

The Terriers travel to Cullowhee, NC, to take on Western Carolina in a three-game Southern Conference series Saturday and Sunday.
South Carolina 17, Wofford 2

COLUMBIA, SC - Brennan Dees hit for the cycle, plus a second double, and drove in five runs Wednesday night as second ranked South Carolina improved its record to 23-1 with a 17-2 college baseball win over Wofford.

Dees beat out an infield single in the first inning, doubled to drive in a run in the third, hit a solo home run, his fifth of the season, in the fifth, and tripled with the bases loaded in the seventh. He added a double in the eighth inning to go five for six in the game. Sophomore left-hander Brett Price, 3-0, pitched the first five innings to earn the win. Wofford starter George Lehr, 2-4, took the loss as the Terriers dropped to 10-15. Price gave up three hits, walked five and struck out nine. South Carolina used three other pitchers.

Wofford scored both of its runs in the ninth inning with three hits, including back to back doubles by Tommy Todd and Strat Stavrou off Rico Bravo, a freshman reserve catcher making his pitching debut for South Carolina. Stavrou also had three infield hits to account for half of Wofford's eight hits. Chad Livingston had a double for the Terriers.

Chris Plummer had three hits for South Carolina and Tripp Kelly had two, including a double. He drove in two runs. South Carolina scored twice in the second inning, three times each in the third, fifth and eighth, and six times in the seventh inning.

The cycle by right fielder Dees was the third time a South Carolina player has had a single, double, triple and home run in the same game. Both of the previous times were by Derick Urquhart in in 1995 and 1998.

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Lehr, Osterman (4), Hadden (6), Trammell (8) and Baier.
Price, Bascuas (6), Wesley (8), Bravo (9) and Pack, Whittaker (8). W: Price (3-0). L: Lehr (2-4). 2B:WC, Stavrou, Livingston, Todd; USC, Dees, Kelly.
3B: USC, Dees.
HR: USC, Dees (5).
Jason Dubois went 4-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored to lead Virginia Commonwealth to a 9-4 victory over Wofford Saturday afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, SC.

Wofford (16-37) and VCU (35-20) traded runs in the first inning and the Terriers took a 2-1 lead in the second stanza. Chris Cotugno scored on a single by Tommy Todd for Wofford in the inning.

The lead was short-lived, though, as Virginia Commonwealth scored six runs in the top of the third to take a 7-2 lead and control of the game. Dubois homered to start the frame and Jose Pabon, Robbie Gragnani, Barry Blake, and Matt Davis had RBI hits in the inning. Kevin Elrod’s sacrifice fly scored the sixth run in the inning.

Wofford cut the lead to 7-3 in the fourth inning, but VCU scored twice in the sixth to put the game out of reach.

Chad Baumann (3-0) tossed five innings to take the win and Bo Acors threw four innings of relief to pick up the save. Kyle Hadden (2-10) took the loss for the Terriers.

Chris Cotugno led Wofford at the plate, finishing 2-for-4 with two runs scored, while Fritz Baier was 2-for-3 with a run scored for the Terriers.

Davis finished the game 3-for-6 with an RBI and a run scored for VCU. Danny Lopaze and Pabon also had solid games at the plate. Lopaze finished 3-for-5 with two runs scored, while Pabon was 2-for-5 with two RBI and a run scored. Brian Mohr was 4-for-5 with a run scored on the day.

Wofford will conclude its season with a 2:00 p.m. game against VCU Sunday at Duncan Park.
Head Coach Steve Traylor and the Wofford College baseball program have announced the recruiting class for the 2001 baseball season.

Fourteen newcomers will battle for playing time when practice begins in the fall. Traylor will bring in nine players who can pitch, four of whom also play the infield. Two other infielders along with two outfielders and a catcher will join the Terriers for the 2001 season.

"We needed to improve the overall look of the team," said Traylor. "I think we have done that. Specifically, we needed to improve team speed and offensive production. We also needed to improve the depth of our team, especially in our pitching."

The Terriers have won a Wofford Division I record 16 games this season, topping the 1998 squad that won 15. In addition, the 16 wins are the most since 1994. The Terriers have also won five series overall in 2000, the most since Wofford joined Division I. Several individual records have also been equaled or broken this season.

"We want to build this program to be the best it can be," said Traylor. "We have, in essence, recruited a whole team. We have 14 kids coming in and are waiting on a few more. We have someone coming in at every position and we have some versatile athletes who can play the infield as well as pitch. We wanted to work on our depth while also improving the quality of the team."

2000-2001 Recruiting Class
Lawson Burnat – 3B/OF, 5-10, 180, Atlanta, GA (Episcopal HS)
Steve Casey – 1B/LHP, 6-1, 180, Roswell, GA (Pope HS)
Joey Cress – RHP, 5-11, 165, Charlotte, NC (Vance HS)
Matt Davis – SS, 5-11, 170, Seneca, SC (Seneca HS)
David DuFour – OF, 6-3, 212, Morrow, OH (Little Miami HS)
Nick Hewitt – LHP, 5-10, 190, Spartanburg, SC (Dorman HS)
Jason Lynch – RHP/1B, 6-3, 200, Florence, SC (West Florence HS; Spartanburg Methodist College)
Chad McGill – RHP, 5-10, 155, Greenville, SC (Greenville HS)
Erik Omohundro – RHP, Fredericksburg, VA (Massaponax HS)
D.J. Rhodes – C, 5-11, 185, Charleston, SC (St. Andrews HS)
Steve Sizemore – SS, 6-0, 160, Ft. Myers, FL (Ft. Myers HS)
Keith Sturkie – LHP, 6-2, 175, West Columbia, SC (Airport HS)
Blake Timanus – 1B/RHP, 6-5, 200, Fountain Inn, SC (Hillcrest HS)
Casey Urban – INF/RHP, 5-11, 175, McDonald, OH (Mineral Ridge HS)
Kevin Blocker went 4-for-4 with two triples and three RBI while George Lehr pitched his fourth complete game of the season, surrendering two runs on seven hits, as Wofford defeated the College of Charleston 7-2 in the Cougars’ final Southern Conference matchup of the season Sunday at Park West Field in Mt. Pleasant.

The Cougars move to 23-26-1 overall and 14-15-1 in conference play. With the win, the Terriers go to 16-36 overall and 7-22 in conference action. The win is the most wins by a Terrier squad since the 1994 squad won 17 games and is the most in Wofford’s Division I era.

Wofford struck first in the third inning when Blocker tripled down the right field line, driving in Fritz Baier and Chad Livingston for the 2-0 lead.

Charleston got a run back in the fourth when Kris Conrad hit a bunt single to first base and Hank Stepleton followed with a bunt single to the pitcher. Conrad then advance to third on a throwing error by the catcher. With runners at first and third and no outs, Mitch Miggenburg hit into a double play, bringing Conrad home for the Cougars’ first run.

For the Terriers in the fifth, Aaron Price reached on a throwing error by the shortstop and stole second. Price scored on Blocker’s second triple of the game to get the run back and move the lead back to two runs at 3-1.

After Wofford added another run on a double and a single in the top of the seventh, Charleston brought the lead back to two runs in the bottom of the inning. With one out, John McCarty tripled to right center and later scored on Brett Spivey’s single to first base to being the game to 4-2.

In the eighth, the Terriers used four hits and added three runs for the final margin.

Lehr (4-9), who picked up the save in Saturday night’s 7-6 victory over the Cougars, pitched nine innings, surrendering two runs, only one of them earned, on seven hits for the win. Travis Parker (0-5) pitched 6 and 1/3 innings, giving up four runs on six hits in the loss.

Wofford wraps up the 2000 campaign with a two-game homestand next weekend against Virginia Commonwealth. Saturday’s game starts at 11:00 a.m., while Sunday’s contests begins at 2:00 p.m.
ROCK HILL, SC— The Wofford Terriers used 12 hits and six Winthrop errors to defeat the Eagles 9-4, Wednesday afternoon at Eagle Field.

The Terriers (13-29) scored two runs in the first, three in the fifth and that was all they needed for the win. They added insurance runs in the seventh and eighth. Winthrop (23-21) took a 3-2 lead after the first inning thanks to a triple to right center by Chris Wallace and a double down the leftfield line by Todd Leathers. Conrad Funk followed with an RBI single to score Leathers. But Wofford didn’t stop there.

In the third inning, Wofford got three runs as Brian Casey had a triple to right center that scored two. Casey added the third run off a wild pitch from Winthrop starter Jeff Reeves.

Wofford’s insurance came in the eighth, as Winthrop had three errors that led to two runs for Wofford. Casey led off the inning with a walk and then Michael Thompson reached on an error by Jason Colson. Then Fritz Baier reached on an error by pitcher Christian Tomsich and the bases were loaded. Tomsich struck out the next batter, but then Strat Stavrou reached on an error by Jordan Webb. Casey scored and then Thompson scored on a Livingston single.

The loss was the third straight for the Eagles and the ninth in the last 12 games. Leathers finished the day 2-for-4 with a run scored and an RBI. Jordan Webb also had two hits with a double and a run scored. Reeves pitched six and a third inning, allowing seven runs on eight hits, he walked three and struck out seven.

Wofford’s Livingston was 3-for-5 with two RBIs, a run scored and a double. Casey also had three hits with three RBIs and two runs scored. George Lehr pitched three innings and allowed four runs on six hits with no walks and four strikeouts and picked up the victory.

Winthrop will host Radford in a three-game series this weekend, starting Saturday with a double-header at 1 p.m. The Sunday game will also be at 1 p.m.
I just wanted to let you guys know about a couple of articles that have appeared in the Spartanburg Herald-Journal and The State newspapers in the last two days.

The Spartanburg Herald-Journal article is about Steve Traylor and Mike Roberts, who used to battle each other when they were coaches at Duke and North Carolina. The web address for the article is:

www.goupstate.com/hj/sports/0329terriers.htm

The article in The State is about having just four healthy pitchers on the staff. The web address for the article is:

www.thestate.com/sports/baseballdocs/wofford30.htm

I hope you enjoy the articles.

Bill
As the season draws to a close and the Terriers look forward to this weekend against Virginia Commonwealth, here's a look at some team notes.

Saturday's game against VCU has been changed from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 a.m. Sunday's game will be played at 2:00 p.m. following graduation in the morning. Sunday will also be senior day as we honor Fritz Baier, Kevin Blocker, Kyle Hadden, Aaron Price, and Jeremy Vigna.

Since returning to the lineup after missing 21 games with a back injury, Kevin Blocker has hit .457 (16-of-35) with eight RBI and six runs scored in nine contests.

Aaron Price, who already holds the Wofford all-time record for at bats (674) and being hit-by-a-pitch (22), is closing in on the all-time hits record. With two games remaining, Price has 188 hits, five away from tying the all-time record of 193 held by Clay Griffin (1985-88). Price will go down as No. 2 all-time on the runs scored list having crossed the plate 136 times to date in his career, just 10 shy of the all-time mark also held by Griffin.

Kyle Hadden has tossed a Wofford single-season record 113.2 innings and will add to that amount this weekend. The old record of 109.0 is held by Chad McLain (1990). Interestingly enough, George Lehr (103.1) will almost assuredly surpass the old record as well, but will not pass Hadden. Hadden has also tied his own single-season record for games started. He shares the record of 14 with Chad McLain (1991) and is expected to top the mark with a start this weekend.

More records have been broken or tied. Lehr's save in Saturday night's 7-6 victory at College of Charleston was his fourth of the year, tying the single-season Wofford mark held by Brain Mathis (1988) and Jason Derrick (1994, 1995).

Lehr and Tate Osterman currently are tied for the team lead in appearances with 35. That mark has shattered the old single-season record of 22 held by Bill Lawton (1998). Both hurlers are scheduled to see action this weekend.

Chad Livingston's 208 at bats this season eclipses the old mark of 184 held by Clay Griffin (1985). Livingston's 164 assists also eclipses Griffin's single-season mark of 120 set during the 1988 campaign.

Danny Slade's 12 sacrifices this season is a single-season Wofford record, bettering the 11 sacrifices by Mitch Shaw (1988).

The 16 wins thus far are the most since the Terriers won 17 games in 1994, the next to last year of NCAA Division II action for Wofford. The 16 wins are the most of any Terrier squad since joining Division I.
Strat Stavrou, second on the team with a .303 batting average, is one double away from tying the single-season record of 16 held by three Terriers, most recently by fellow Terrier Kevin Blocker (1998).
Wofford’s baseball game this afternoon at High Point has been canceled due to rain. There will be no make-up date.

The Terriers return to action this weekend when they host East Tennessee State at Duncan Park. First pitch is at 12 noon for Saturday’s doubleheader and 1:30 for Sunday’s single game.
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VCU, a member of the Colonial Athletic Association, is 34-20. Under first-year Head Coach Steve Traylor, Wofford has posted 16 wins this season for the highest victory total in its five years of Division I play. It's also the most wins for the Terriers since the 1994 campaign. If Wofford wins both games this weekend, the 18 victories would represent the most at the school since 1992. The Terriers enter the VCU series having won three of their last four games.

Senior righthander Kyle Hadden (Simpsonville, SC; Mauldin High School) will make the final appearance of his Wofford career in Saturday's game. He will also tie the single-season school record with his 14th start, a mark shared by Chad McLain in 1991 and Hadden last year. Hadden has already set a new Wofford record with 113.2 innings pitched this spring, breaking McLain's mark of 109.0 in 1990.

Southern Conference Pitcher of the Week George Lehr will start Sunday's season finale. The sophomore from Largo, FL, allowed just one earned run in 10 innings (0.90 ERA) last week. He picked up a save and a complete-game victory as the Terriers won two of three games at the College of Charleston. Lehr has back-to-back complete-game wins in his last two starts. He also defeated East Tennessee State on Apr. 30.

The Terriers actually swept the SoCon weekly honors as third baseman Kevin Blocker (Temple Terrace, FL) was the Player of the Week. He was 9-of-13 (.692) at the plate with two triples, a home run, and five RBI in the CofC series.

Senior outfielder Aaron Price (Villa Rica, GA) enters the weekend needing five base hits to tie Clay Griffin's career mark of 193 (1985-88). He is already Wofford's all-time leader in at bats and hit by pitches.

Sunday will represent the final game for Wofford's five seniors: Hadden, Blocker, Price, catcher Fritz Baier (Griswold, IA), and designated hitter Jeremy Vigna (Evans, GA). The quintet will graduate Sunday morning before taking the field in the afternoon.
Daniel Wheeler and Brett Lewis tossed complete-game victories to lead Georgia Southern to a doubleheader sweep of Wofford this afternoon in Spartanburg.

Wheeler’s two-hit shutout in the opener gave the Eagles a 4-0 victory while Lewis allowed just two runs on six hits in a 10-2 victory in the nightcap. Lewis (6-3) struck out five while not walking a batter.

Georgia Southern moves into second place in the Southern Conference while improving its record to 21-13, 12-3. The Eagles have also won nine of their last 10 SoCon games. Wofford falls to 11-27, 4-14.

Leading just 1-0 in the seventh inning of game one, the Eagles broke the game open with a three-run outburst. John Durik had an RBI double before Matt Easterday closed the scoring with a two-run single. Durik paced the Eagle offense in the opener with three hits and two RBI. He added two hits and three RBI in the second game as he finished the day 5-for-9 with five RBI.

Wheeler struck out seven and walked three in improving to 4-2. He allowed just an infield single to Strat Stavrou in the third and a base hit to left by Jeremy Vigna in the seventh.

Kyle Hadden (1-6), working on three days rest after six strong innings Wednesday at No. 19-ranked Georgia, went the distance for the Terriers. He allowed four runs (all earned) on eight hits while striking out five and walking four.

RBI hits by Durik and Easterday in the fifth inning of game two broke open a 2-1 game and sparked the Eagles to the 10-2 victory. Durik added a two-run double to close a five-run sixth inning as Georgia Southern pulled away.

Stavrou had two hits in the nightcap for the Terriers, who scored on an Aaron Price RBI single in the third and a Fritz Baier sacrifice fly in the seventh.

George Lehr (2-7) took the loss for Wofford, allowing four earned runs in five innings. He was working on two days rest after going five innings at High Point on Thursday. Injuries have left the Terriers with just four healthy pitchers.

Georgia Southern hosts Winthrop Tuesday night while Wofford is home Wednesday for a 2 p.m. game with High Point.
Wofford travels to Western Carolina for a three-game Southern Conference series Saturday and Sunday. Saturday's doubleheader begins at 12:00 noon, while Sunday's single game starts at 1:00 p.m.

Wofford stands 11-19 overall and 4-8 in the Southern Conference, while Western Carolina is 7-23 overall and 3-12 in the league.

Terrier senior Aaron Price has put his name in the Wofford record books. His 589 at bats stand as the all-time record at Wofford, as does the 21 times he has been hit-by-a-pitch. The Villa Rica, GA, native is closing in on two other records as well. Price has 162 hits, just 31 away from the all-time mark held by Clay Griffin (1985-88). He has scored 124 runs in four years, just 22 shy of the all-time mark also held by Griffin.

The Wofford pitching staff, already thin at the start of the year with just nine hurlers to choose from, is now down to four healthy pitchers. Tate Osterman leads the way with a 3.66 ERA and a 3-1 record. George Lehr has a solid 5.54 ERA and has two wins and two saves. Travis Trammell has an 8.35 ERA and is holding opponents to a team-low .200 batting average. Finally, Kyle Hadden, the work horse of the bunch, has an 8.39 ERA in 59.0 innings.

Finally, going against conventional wisdom and risking the dreaded jinx, I can tell you that Wofford is poised to record the most wins by a baseball team since 1992 when the Terriers finished 19-17 in NCAA Division II. The most wins by a Wofford team in Division I is 15 in 1998, Wofford’s first year as a member of the Southern Conference. With 26 games remaining in the regular season, the 2000 Terriers are poised to become the most successful Wofford baseball team in recent history.

Don't forget to check out the Wofford College web page for updates, news, and statistics on Terrier baseball, as well as all of our athletic teams. The web address is:

www.wofford.edu/athletics

Until next time...
Freshman lefthander Ryan Gordon set a UNC Greensboro single-season record for strikeouts as three Spartan pitchers combined on a five-hitter to defeat Wofford, 9-0, this afternoon in Greensboro, NC.

Gordon (8-1) struck out eight in six innings while allowing three hits and no walks. He now has a new UNCG mark with 93 strikeouts on the year. It’s a total that also tops the SoCon this season.

The Spartans keep alive their hopes for a SoCon title as they improve to 29-16, 17-6. The Terriers drop to 13-32, 4-19.

Travis Trammell (1-7) started for Wofford and walked the first three men he faced to load the bases. Chris Cotugno then relieved Trammell and surrendered a grand slam to Chris Mittendorf to give the Spartans all the offense they would need.

Jeremy Purcell hit a two-run homer and Shane Schumaker added a two-run single in a four-run second inning as the Spartans took an 8-0 lead.

Cotugno, normally a first baseman/catcher, then settled down and allowed just one run over the next six innings.

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Tim Nettles went 3-for-4 with a homer and a double to lead UNC Asheville to a 10-4 victory over Wofford this afternoon in Asheville, NC.

The Terriers had 11 hits in the losing effort, including a two-run homer by Andrew Linn. Aaron Price had two hits for Wofford. He now has 186 career hits and needs just seven more in the final five games to tie Clay Griffin (1985-88) at 193 for Wofford's career record.

Strat Stavrou, Tommy Todd, and Fritz Baier also had two hits each for the Terriers. Wofford left seven men on base.

Travis Trammell went 6.1 innings for the Terriers, allowing seven earned runs on 11 hits. He struck out seven and walked four. Chris Cotugno relieved Trammell in the bottom of the seventh and induced a double-play grounder from the first batter he faced. He then pitched a perfect eighth.

With the score tied 2-2, UNCA broke the game open with four runs in the fourth and seventh innings to take a 10-2 lead.

Linn's two-run homer provided the final margin in the top of the eighth. Baier had an RBI single in the second to put Wofford up 1-0. The Terriers also scored in the third on a double-play grounder by Chad Livingston.

UNCA, enjoying its third-most successful season in school history, improves to 23-25. Wofford drops to 14-35. The Terriers travel to College of Charleston for a three-game series this weekend. First pitch is at 4 p.m. for Saturday's doubleheader and 1 p.m. for Sunday's single game.
Danny Lopaze went 4-for-4 with two RBI while Jason Dubois had three hits and Kevin Elrod added three RBI to lead Virginia Commonwealth to a 15-8 victory over Wofford this afternoon in the Terriers' season finale at Duncan Park in Spartanburg.

The Rams improve to 36-20 while the Terriers end the year at 16-38. The 16 wins are the most for Wofford in its five years of Division I play and its highest win total since 1994.

Leading 1-0, VCU broke the game open with four unearned runs in the second inning after the first two batters were retired. Elrod had a two-run single and Dubois also knocked in a run with a base hit to key the uprising. Dubois was 4-for-4 in yesterday's 9-4 win to finish the two-game series 7-for-8 at the plate with four RBI and four runs scored. He was 3-for-4 with two runs and two RBI today.

The Terriers answered in the bottom of the second when Brian Casey hit his team-leading fourth home run of the year to trim the deficit to 5-1. However, that would be as close as Wofford would be the remainder of the afternoon.

VCU scored in seven of nine at bats, including a five-run seventh. The Rams and Terriers both had 15 hits on the day.

Casey, Kevin Blocker, Danny Slade, and Fritz Baier each had two hits for the Terriers. Casey added an RBI double in Wofford's three-run sixth inning while Kevin Bowyer closed out the Terrier scoring with a three-run pinch-hit homer in the bottom of the ninth.

John Korn (4-3) went six inning for the win. He allowed four runs, all earned, on seven hits while striking out three and walking three. George Lehr (4-10) took the loss for Wofford. He went seven innings before giving way to Travis Trammell to open the eighth.
The Wofford, Furman doubleheader scheduled for Saturday was rained out. The teams will play a twinbill Sunday beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Duncan Park.
Wofford College has announced the hiring of Todd Whitehead as an assistant baseball coach.

Whitehead will serve as the Terriers’ pitching coach. He was an assistant this past season for the Volunteer State (TN) Community College team that concluded the regular season with a No. 1 ranking in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA).

“We are very excited to have Todd join our program,” Wofford Head Coach Steve Traylor said. “He’s an up and coming coach who brings a lot to the table with his energy and enthusiasm. He has also acquired a significant amount of experience at such a young age.”

A 1996 graduate of Tennessee Wesleyan, Whitehead served as the assistant head coach at his alma mater as it captured the Tennessee-Virginia Athletic Conference Tournament championship for three consecutive years. He also had coaching stints at Spalding University (KY) and Hiwassee College (TN).

Whitehead has spent this summer as the pitching coach of the Peninsula Oilers in the Alaskan League. He helped guide Peninsula to the league championship and a fourth-place finish at the National Baseball Congress World Series.
A five-run Terrier rally in the bottom of the ninth fell just short as East Tennessee State held on for a 9-7 victory in the second game of a Southern Conference doubleheader at Duncan Park in Spartanburg. ETSU took a 6-3 decision in the opening game.

ETSU improves to 17-25, 13-13. Wofford falls to 13-34, 4-21. The teams will meet again in a 1:30 p.m. single game tomorrow.

Trailing 9-2 entering its final at bat, Wofford put together five runs on six hits and two Buccaneer errors to pull within 9-7. The Terriers then had runners on second and third with two outs, before ETSU reliever Jackson Simerly induced Danny Slade to ground to second to end the game.

Slade had opened the inning with a single. Strat Stavrou, Aaron Price, Chad Livingston, and Chris Cotugno had RBI singles in the ninth inning.

A six-run ETSU sixth broke open a tight 2-0 game. A grand slam by Buc shortstop Jeremy Terry highlighted the inning. Terry now has a 14-game hitting streak.

Matt Baber (8-6) when 8.2 innings for the win. He allowed 12 hits while four of the seven runs charged to him were earned. He struck out six and walked two.

Chad Boruff had three hits and two RBI for the Bucs, including a run-scoring double in the fourth inning for ETSU's first run of the game.

Kevin Blocker had run-scoring base hits in the sixth and eighth innings for Wofford. Stavrou and Livingston each had three hits for the Terriers.

Tate Osterman (4-3) went the distance for Wofford, allowing nine runs on 11 hits while striking out six and walking four.

A three-run homer by Boruff in the first inning gave ETSU a quick 3-0 lead in the opening game. He later added a run-scoring double in the fifth for his fourth RBI of the game.

With the Bucs leading 4-2 in the top of the eighth inning, Nathan Copeland broke the game open with a two-run homer to give ETSU a 6-2 lead. Copeland, Boruff, Danny Pugh, and Ed Sparks each had two hits for the Bucs while Reid Casey went eight solid innings in improving his record to 5-6.

Kyle Hadden (2-8) took the loss for Wofford. He went the distance, allowing five earned runs on 12 hits. He struck out three and walked five.

Livingston and Price had two hits each for the Terriers. Livingston was a combined 5-for-10 with two RBI in the doubleheader.
Appalachian State split a Southern Conference baseball doubleheader with Wofford on Saturday afternoon at Red Lackey Field. The Mountaineers won the first game 10-8, before the Terriers earned with split with a 10-6 win in the nightcap.

In the opener, Appalachian scored three runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to take the lead for good. The big blow for Appalachian was a two-run single by Ben Wellborn. ASU added three runs in the sixth inning, with Marko Little driving in two runs with a double.

Ryan Kelly (2-3) earned the win with three and two-thirds innings of one-run relief. Little was 4-5 for the game, with three RBI. Travis Trammell (1-3) took the loss for the Terriers. Brian Casey was 4-5 with two RBI, while Casey and Danny Slade each homered for Wofford.

In the second game, Wofford scored three runs in the top of the sixth inning to break open a 3-3 game. Slade drove in two runs with a single. Wofford starter Tate Osterman (3-1), who threw three innings of relief in game one, was the winning pitcher in the nightcap, allowing just four hits in his six innings of work. Slade was 3-5 with five RBI for the Terriers. Chad Livingston homered for Wofford. Rodney Lemonds (0-4) took the loss for the Mountaineers, while Chris Behne had three hits for ASU.

Appalachian is now 4-22 overall and 3-7 in the SoCon, while Wofford is 11-17 overall and 4-7 in league play. The two teams complete the series Sunday afternoon at 1:00 pm at Red Lackey Field.
Danny Slade singled in the winning run in the top of the ninth inning and George Lehr came in to pick up the save in the ninth inning to lift Wofford over College of Charleston 7-6 in the second game of a Southern Conference doubleheader in Charleston Saturday.

The College of Charleston (23-25-1, 14-14-1) won the first game of the twinbill 10-2 over Wofford (15-36, 6-22). With the win in the nightcap, the Terriers have equaled the most wins in the program since 1992. Wofford jumped out to a 3-2 lead after the first inning of game two. Livingston doubled to bring in Strat Stavrou who himself began the game with a double. Kevin Blocker then came up and belted a two-run homer. The College of Charleston responded with two runs in the bottom of the inning and captured the lead in the bottom of the second with two runs to make the score 4-3.

The Terriers tied the game in the top of the fourth inning when Fritz Baier scored on a ground out by Jason Ray. However, the lead was brief as the Cougars added a run in the bottom of the inning to take a 5-4 lead.

In the sixth inning, Aaron Price singled to score Baier to tie the game. Price is chasing Wofford's all-time hit record and finished the day with one hit. He needs six hits to tie the record of 193 held by Clay Griffin.

Wofford took the lead in the seventh inning when Blocker scored on a wild pitch. The Terriers added another run in the ninth inning Slade singled to score Blocker, putting Wofford ahead 7-5.

The ninth inning was a little wild for the Terriers. The Cougars' Hank Stepleton began the inning being hit-by-a-pitch. Mitch Miggenburg's double scored Stepleton to cut the Wofford lead to 7-6. Lehr came in to relieve starter Tate Osterman. Matt Lauderdale's sacrifice bunt turned into a hit to put runners at first and third with no outs. However, Lehr hung tough and got back-to-back strikeouts of Rene Perez and Brett Spivey. Lehr then hit Josh Edgeworth to load the bases, but got Karl Morris to ground out to end the game and pick up his fourth save of the season. Lehr's four saves ties Wofford's single-season record held by Brian Mathis (1988) and Jason Derrick (1994 and 1995).

Blocker finished the game 3-for-5 with three runs scored and two RBI. He scored the sixth and seventh runs for Wofford. Livingston was 2-for-5 with an RBI and a run scored. Osterman picked up his fifth win of the year after giving up six runs, four of which were earned, on five hits through eight innings. He also struck out six Cougars.

In the first game, Charleston scored five runs in the bottom of the fourth inning to take a 5-1 lead and added three runs in the sixth inning to up the lead to 8-1 to cruise to the victory.
Spivey went 2-for-4 with two RBI and three runs scored to lead the Cougars at the plate. Charleston pitcher Charlie Wentzky and Wofford hurler Kyle Hadden both went the distance. Wentzky picked up his sixth win of the year, while Hadden dropped his ninth game of the year.
The Wofford College baseball team will close its Southern Conference season when it travels to College of Charleston for a three-game series this weekend at Park West Field in Charleston.

First pitch is at 4 p.m. for Saturday's doubleheader and 1 p.m. for Sunday's single game.

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CofC won two of three games from Wofford last season at Duncan Park in Spartanburg.

Senior outfielder Aaron Price will continue his assault on the all-time base hit record at Wofford. The Villa Rica, GA, native has 186 hits in his career and needs seven to equal Clay Griffin’s Terrier mark of 193 (1985-88).

Price (.297) is currently in a battle with Strat Stavrou (.308) and Chad Livingston (.304) for the team batting lead. Stavrou has a team-high 13 doubles while hitting out of the leadoff position.

Against East Tennessee State in SoCon play last weekend, the Terriers received complete-game pitching performances from Kyle Hadden, Tate Osterman, and George Lehr.

At the conclusion of the CofC series, the Terriers will take a week off for final exams before closing the 2000 campaign next weekend with a visit from Virginia Commonwealth. The Terriers and Rams will play at 11 a.m. on May 13 and at 2 p.m. on May 14.
The Wofford College baseball team returns to the road this afternoon as it faces UNC Asheville in a 4 p.m. game in Asheville, NC.

The Terriers will look to continue the momentum from Sunday's 8-5 win over East Tennessee State. With 14 victories, Wofford has equaled its win total from last year. Two more wins in the final six games would give the Terriers their most victories since moving to Division I and its highest win total since 1994.

Senior outfielder Aaron Price will continue his assault on the all-time base hit record at Wofford. The Villa Rica, GA, native has 184 hits in his career and needs nine to equal Clay Griffin's career mark of 193 (1985-88). Price already holds the all-time at bat record with 657.

Sophomore righthander Travis Trammell will get the starting nod for Wofford this afternoon. In a three-game series over the weekend with East Tennessee State, the Terriers received complete-game performances from Kyle Hadden, Tate Osterman, and George Lehr.
When Wofford travels to Columbia, SC, to take on South Carolina Wednesday night, the Terriers will battle the nation's No. 2 team according to two recent baseball polls.

Collegiate Baseball and USA Today both have the Gamecocks ranked No. 2, while Baseball America rates South Carolina as the third-ranked squad.

The Gamecocks stand 22-1 on the year, their only loss coming at the hands of Florida in Sunday's finale of a Southeastern Conference three-game series. South Carolina's 22-game winning streak to open the 2000 campaign is an SEC record.

Wofford enters the contest with a 10-14 record, having gone 8-6 in the last 14 games. Wofford's overall win total in 1999 was 15.

The Wofford-South Carolina game starts at 7:00 p.m.