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Due to yesterday's heavy rains and subsequent poor field conditions, today's Wofford College home baseball doubleheader with High Point has been postponed. No make-up date has been announced.

The Terriers (10-5) return to action Wednesday when they host Michigan State in a 7 p.m. game at Duncan Park.
The Wofford College baseball program has announced a pair of changes in its schedule.

The Terriers will host Purdue on Monday, Mar. 11, at 7 p.m. instead of Wednesday, Mar. 13. Sunday’s postponed doubleheader with High Point will be made up on Apr. 9 with a 2 p.m. single game.
Bryan Gale, an All-Big 10 selection and Freshman All-American last season, allowed just one run on three hits over eight innings in pitching Michigan State to a 5-1 victory over Wofford tonight in Spartanburg, S.C.

Gale (2-0) struck out seven and walked two in helping the Spartans improve to 6-2 on the year. The Terriers, playing their first game since Feb. 24, drop to 10-6.

Bob Malek, a two-time All-America selection, had three hits and two RBI to lead the Spartan attack. His two-run single in the eighth inning gave Michigan State a 5-0 lead and broke open a tight game.

The Terriers' lone run came in the bottom of the eighth when freshman Matt Lein homered down the rightfield line off Gale for his team-leading third roundtripper of the year.

The Spartans took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first when Malek scored from first on an errant pickoff throw to first by Wofford starter Andy Halligan (0-2). Halligan, a freshman lefthander making his second collegiate start, allowed just one earned run on three hits in four innings.

Michigan State scored in the third inning on a run-scoring single by James Moreno and in the fifth on a Chris McCuiston RBI double.

The Terriers open Southern Conference play Saturday when they host East Tennessee State in a 12 noon doubleheader.
The Wofford baseball team rallied for three runs in the bottom of the eighth to take a 5-3 victory over East Tennessee State in the first game of a doubleheader before completing the sweep with a 13-3 win in game two this afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, S.C.

In their fifth season of SoCon play, the Terriers have opened with a 2-0 league record for the first time. Wofford's 12-6 overall mark represents its best start to a season since the 1991 team was 13-5 after 18 games. ETSU drops to 5-7, 0-2. The teams will meet again at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Terrier shortstop Tony Carbone was 5-of-6 at the plate in the two games. Second baseman Kyle Raulinaitis and third baseman Matt Lein both had two hits in each contest. Lein totaled three RBI on the day while Raulinaitis drove in two.

The Terriers trailed 3-2 entering the bottom of the eighth in the opening game when Scott Holloway, who went 3-for-3, led off the inning with a single. After being sacrificed to second by Raulinaitis and advancing to third on a Carbone fly out, Holloway scored the tying run when Lein lined a two-out single to left. Strat Stavrou followed with a triple to left center to score Lein with the go-ahead run. Stavrou then scored on a wild pitch to increase the Wofford lead to 5-3.

The Buccaneers had taken a 3-2 lead in the top of the eighth when Matt Traylor hit a one-out double and scored on a single by Jeremy Terry.

George Lehr (5-0) picked up the victory by tossing the final 1.2 innings in relief for Wofford. Lehr, who had to bat for himself after designated hitter Chris Cotugno moved to first base, also picked up his first collegiate base hit with a double in the eighth inning.

Terrier starter Tate Osterman allowed one earned run on three hits while striking out three and not walking a batter in 7.1 innings.

The Buccaneers threatened in the ninth with runners on second and third and one out. However, Lehr got Ryan Hyder to pop to short and Davis Burkin on a foul out to the catcher to end the game.

Terry had two hits and two RBI to lead ETSU in the first game. Buccaneer starter Reid Casey surrendered just two earned runs on 11 hits in seven innings before Jackson Simerly (0-1) took the loss in relief.

Culley Kline (2-1) held ETSU to two earned runs on eight hits in seven innings for the game-two victory. Kline struck out two and walked two.

The Terriers used a five-run first inning, keyed by a two-run Cotugno double, to take control early. Cotugno later added an RBI single in a six-run fourth to increase the Terrier lead to 12-2. Wofford had just two hits in the inning while drawing seven walks off Buccaneer pitching.

ETSU issued a total of 12 walks in the second game which ended after six and a half innings due to the 10-run rule.
Tony Carbone was 4-of-4 with three RBI to finish the weekend 9-of-10 at the plate as Wofford posted its first-ever three-game sweep of a Southern Conference series with a 12-4 victory over East Tennessee State this afternoon at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, S.C.

The Terriers, in their fifth season of SoCon play, improve to 3-0 in the league and 13-6 overall, equaling their best start to a campaign since the 1991 team opened 13-6 on the way to a school record 30 victories.

Leading 2-1 in the top of the fourth, ETSU (5-8, 0-3) increased its margin to 4-1 on a two-run double by Matt Traylor, who had three hits and three RBI on the day.

However, the Terriers answered with four runs in the bottom of the inning to take a 5-4 lead. Steve Casey’s two-run single up the middle gave the Terriers the lead for good. Casey totaled two hits and three RBI in the game.

Chris Cotugno had a pair of run-scoring singles in the sixth inning as the Terriers batted around and broke the game open with seven runs. Wofford had five consecutive hits at one point, including a two-run Carbone single.

Matt Lein had four hits while Blake Timanus added three to help key a 19-hit Wofford attack. Strat Stavrou also had two hits for the Terriers, giving him 183 in his career as he closes in on the Wofford career base hit record of 193 (Clay Griffin, 1985-88).

Chad McGill (2-0) allowed four runs on seven hits in six innings to pick up the victory. He struck out three and walked three.

Trevor Smith (1-1) took the loss for the Buccaneers, allowing five runs on nine hits while walking three and not striking out a batter in 3.1 innings.

Wofford hosts Purdue tomorrow at 7 p.m. while East Tennessee State returns to action Tuesday with a 3 p.m. home game versus Tennessee Tech.
The Wofford baseball team (13-6, 3-0), off to its best start since 1991 and coming off its first-ever three-game sweep of a Southern Conference opponent, hosts Purdue tonight at 7 at Duncan Park.

The first-ever meeting between the Terriers and Boilermakers has been moved up from the original date of Wednesday seen on earlier published schedules.
Carbone Named SoCon Player of the Week
March 11, 2002

Wofford College shortstop Tony Carbone has received co-Southern Conference Player of the Week honors.

Carbone shares the honor with UNC Greensboro outfielder Ryan Galligan.

A junior from Columbia, S.C., Carbone was 9-of-10 at the plate over the weekend as the Terriers posted their first three-game sweep of a SoCon series since beginning league play in 1998. Carbone totaled four RBI, four runs scored, and two doubles while also not committing an error in 15 chances in the field.

Carbone becomes the first Wofford position player to receive a weekly honor from the SoCon. The Terriers have previously just had SoCon Pitcher of the Week selections.

After attending Duke his freshman year, Carbone started all 48 games at second base for Wofford last year before being moved to shortstop this season. Through 18 games, he is batting .408 with just two errors.

Wofford's 13-6 record represents its best start to a season since the 1991 team also opened 13-6 on the way to a school record 30 victories.
D.J. Rhodes hit a pinch-hit grand slam on the first pitch he saw in the bottom of the seventh to rally Wofford to a 6-5 victory over Purdue tonight at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, S.C.

George Lehr pitched the final two innings in relief to earn his fourth save of the year, tying him for the single-season school record.

Wofford has won four in a row to improve to 14-6 on the season, representing its best start to a campaign since the Terriers began NCAA play in 1989.

The Terriers trailed 4-1 entering the bottom of the seventh when Tony Carbone and Matt Lein singled with one out. After they advanced a base on a passed ball, Strat Stavrou walked to load the bases. Chris Cotugno drew another walk to force in Carbone and cut the Terrier deficit to 4-2. Rhodes then delivered the grand slam for his first home run of the season and third of his career, giving Wofford a 6-4 lead.

The Boilermakers (2-9) closed the deficit to 6-5 in the eighth on an Adam Fazio ground out.

Pinch hitter Andy Rempel opened the Purdue ninth with a single and advanced to second on a Mitch Koester ground out. However, Lehr then struck out Daniel Underwood and John Manuel, the top two hitters in the Purdue lineup, to end the game.

Wofford newcomers Matt Lein, Kyle Raulinaitis, and Scott Holloway all had two hits. Lein, a freshman third baseman, is now batting .452 on the season. Holloway, a freshman catcher, had an RBI single in the sixth inning to cut the Purdue lead to 3-1.

Andy Halligan (1-2) picked up his first collegiate victory in relief for the Terriers. Starter Blake Timanus allowed three runs on five hits while striking out five and walking one in six innings.

Purdue starter Sean O’Neil allowed just one run on five hits in six innings. He struck out five and walked four. Heath Uppencamp (0-1) took the loss.

Underwood and Koester each had two hits for Purdue. A two-run double by Manuel in the fifth inning had given the Boilermakers a 3-0 lead.
Despite home runs from Matt Lein and Steve Casey in each game, the Wofford baseball team dropped a doubleheader by scores of 6-3 and 12-4 to Western Carolina this afternoon in Cullowhee, N.C.

All seven of Wofford’s runs in the doubleheader came off home runs.

Solo shots by Lein, Casey, and Chris Cotugno accounted for Wofford’s three runs in the game-one loss.

After Western Carolina (10-6, 3-2) took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second on RBI doubles by Donovan Minero and Doug Myers, the Terriers (14-8, 3-2) closed to within 2-1 in the top of the third on Lein’s blast to right. Casey’s home run to center leading off the fourth, his first collegiate roundtripper, evened the game at 2-2.

However, the Catamounts took the lead for good in the bottom of the fifth on a Ryan Schade two-out single.

Tate Osterman (1-4) took the loss for Wofford, allowing six runs on nine hits in 5.1 innings. He struck out two and walked three. Nick Hewitt tossed 2.2 innings of scoreless relief, allowing just one hit while striking out three and not walking a batter.

Lein’s two-run homer, his fifth of the season, in the first inning of the second game gave Wofford a 2-0 lead. However, Western Carolina answered with four in the bottom of the first and a single run in the second to take a 5-2 lead.

The Catamounts eventually extended their margin to 8-2 before Casey’s second homer of the day, a solo shot to center, brought Wofford within 8-3 in the top of the sixth. Wofford’s final run of the game came on a D.J. Rhodes homer in the ninth.

Culley Kline (2-2) allowed six earned runs on nine hits in 4.2 innings for Wofford, striking out two and walking two. Eric Omohundro did not allow a hit while retiring all eight batters he faced, including four on strikeouts, to finish the game for the Terriers.

Minero drove in three runs in each game for Western Carolina, going 5-for-9 with six RBI on the day. Myers was 5-for-7 with five RBI in the doubleheader while Alan Beck was 3-for-3 with four RBI in the second game.

Jared Burton (3-2) struck out 10 in eight innings, allowing three runs on eight hits, for the game-one victory while Seth Foster (4-0) surrendered three runs on six hits in the second game. He struck out six while not issuing a walk. Catamount pitchers struck out a combined 17 Wofford batters while walking just two in the doubleheader.
Strat Stavrou's first collegiate home run keyed a five-run comeback as Wofford rallied for a 12-10 victory at Western Carolina this afternoon.

George Lehr (6-0) allowed just one run and six hits over the final 5.2 innings in relief. He struck out five and walked one to pick up the win in relief in his longest outing of the season. With four saves, Lehr has accounted for 10 of the Terriers' 15 victories this year.

A D.J. Rhodes sacrifice fly in the top of the ninth broke a 10-10 tie and gave Wofford (15-8, 4-2) the lead for good. Brian Casey added an insurance run with a safety squeeze bunt to score Chris Cotugno.

Stavrou, with two hits in the game, now has 188 hits in his career as he closes in on Wofford's all-time record of 193 (Clay Griffin, 1985-88).

Stavrou's three-run homer capped a five-run sixth inning, which included a two-run single by Scott Holloway, to give the Terriers a 10-9 lead. Wofford trailed 9-4 after four innings.

Kyle Raulinaitis had four hits and three RBI for the Terriers while Tony Carbone and Steve Casey each added two hits.

Ryan Schade was 4-for-4 with three RBI for Western Carolina (10-7, 3-3), including a two-run single in a six-run Catamount fourth inning that also featured a three-run homer by Alan Beck and a solo shot from Donovan Minero.

Joe Camac (1-2), the third of four Catamount pitchers, took the loss.

Wofford returns to action Wednesday with a 7 p.m. game at No. 4 South Carolina.
The Wofford College baseball team will face No. 4 South Carolina Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Columbia, S.C.

Sophomore righthander Blake Timanus will be the starting pitcher for the Terriers. He'll oppose Gamecock freshman southpaw Matt Campbell in a meeting of former Hillcrest High School (S.C.) teammates.

Wofford (15-8, 4-2) is off to its best start since opening 16-7 on the way to a school record 30 victories in 1991. The Terriers have nearly equaled their win total for all of last season when their 17 victories represented their highest total since beginning Division I play in 1996.

South Carolina (18-3, 2-1), ranked fourth nationally by Collegiate Baseball, opened SEC play this past weekend by winning two of three games at Mississippi State.
The Wofford baseball team had the tying run on deck in the eighth inning before No. 4 South Carolina held on and then pulled away for a 15-6 victory Wednesday night in Columbia, S.C.

The Gamecocks (19-3) built an 11-0 lead after five innings before the Terriers (15-9) nearly came back. Wofford scored four runs in the seventh, including three on freshman third baseman Matt Lein's team-high sixth home run.

Lein then delivered a two-run single in the eighth to close the Terrier deficit to 11-6. Following a David Dufour walk to load the bases with just one out, the tying run came to the on-deck circle. However, Chris Spigner struck out Chris Cotugno and Kyle Raulinaitis to end the threat.

USC then scored four runs in the bottom of the eighth to break open the game.

Wofford's six runs represented its highest total against USC in the last 20 meetings, dating back to a 6-3 win in 1947 -- the Terriers' last victory in the series.

Lein and Strat Stavrou each totaled three hits in the game. Lein increased his batting average to .433 and now has 22 RBI in 24 games. Stavrou continued to close in on Wofford's career base hit record. He now has 191 hits, just shy of the Terrier mark of 193 (Clay Griffin, 1985-88). Stavrou had a run-scoring double off the wall in center during the Terriers' four-run seventh inning.

Blake Timanus (0-1), the first of five Wofford pitchers, took the loss.

The Terriers return to SoCon action this weekend when they host VMI on Saturday at 7 p.m. and in a 12 noon Sunday doubleheader.
Matt Lein's two-out game-winning single in the bottom of the 10th inning capped a night of Wofford comebacks in a 5-4 victory over VMI.

In the at bat prior to Lein, the Terriers (16-9, 5-2) had tied the game at 4-4 on Strat Stavrou's double down the left field line. Stavrou's second double of the game tied him with Clay Griffin (1985-88) as Wofford's career base hit leader with 193.

The Terriers trailed 3-0 in the bottom of the eighth before a Kyle Raulinaitis RBI single closed the deficit to 3-1. Wofford then loaded the bases with no outs in the bottom of the ninth. A Lein sacrifice fly brought home Scott Holloway to bring Wofford within 3-2. The Terriers tied the game when Chris Cotugno's pop to short left fell to the ground when VMI shortstop Matt Smith and third baseman Jason Annis collided while trying to make the catch. Tony Carbone scored on the play.

After George Lehr (7-0) struck out the first two batters in the Keydet 10th inning, Chris Brooks and J.R. Royston singled to put runners at first and third. Brooks then scored on a wild pitch to give VMI a 4-3 lead.

The Keydets scored a pair of unearned runs in the top of the second to take a 2-0 lead on Henry Lynch's two-run single. Another Wofford error contributed to a VMI run in the eighth inning as a single by Annis brought home Brooks to give the Keydets (7-13, 0-4) a 3-0 lead.

Tate Osterman did not allow an earned run in seven innings of work for Wofford, allowing seven hits while striking out seven and walking three. Andy Halligan also did not surrender an earned run in two innings of relief.

Wofford touched VMI starter Phil Hendrix for just one run on 10 hits. He struck out nine and walked one in eight innings. Jeff DeMara (0-1), who entered the game with a 1.23 ERA, took the loss. He allowed four runs, three earned, on four hits with three walks and two strikeouts in 1.2 innings.

Tony Carbone had three hits to pace a 14-hit Wofford attack. Steve Casey, Blake Timanus, and Raulinaitis also added two hits.

Wofford and VMI will meet in a 1 p.m. doubleheader tomorrow, one hour later than the original start time of 12 noon.
Strat Stavrou became Wofford's career base hit leader while George Lehr broke the school's single-season save record as the Terriers swept a doubleheader from VMI this afternoon by scores of 9-3 and 7-6 at Duncan Park in Spartanburg, S.C.

Stavrou's single to right in the bottom of the first inning of the first game gave him 194 career hits to surpass the previous Wofford record of 193 (Clay Griffin, 1985-88). Stavrou went on to post a 5-for-5 day at the plate in the first game. It was his second career five-hit game. He now has 198 hits.

Lehr retired all four batters he faced to record his record-setting fifth save. He then improved his season record to 8-0 as he pitched hitless ball over the final two innings of the second game as Wofford rallied from a 6-0 deficit for the 7-6 seven-inning win. With eight wins and five saves, Lehr has taken part in 13 of Wofford's 18 victories.

Brian Casey hit a two-out, two-run single to even the second game at 6-6 in the bottom of the fifth and then delivered the game-winning base hit in the bottom of the seventh. Casey also had a run-scoring double in the second inning as he finished the game with three hits and four RBI.

The Terrier bullpen of Nick Hewitt, Joey Cress, and Lehr combined to pitch scoreless relief over the final 5.1 innings. The trio allowed just three hits while striking out six and walking three.

Wofford (18-9, 7-2) now has its highest win total in seven years of Division I play. In each of Head Coach Steve Traylor's three seasons, the Terriers have set a new school Division I win mark. Wofford won 16 games in 2000 and 17 last year. The Terriers, with already their highest win total overall since the 1992 team had 19 victories, are off to their best start since the 1991 squad also opened 18-9 on the way to a school record 30 wins.

The Terriers also posted their second three-game sweep of a SoCon opponent this season. In its first four years of league play, Wofford had never swept a three-game SoCon set.

A two-run double by Chris Brooks highlighted a five-run first inning as VMI (7-15, 0-6) took a 5-0 lead in game two. An Elliott Erbe RBI double in the second inning increased the Keydet margin to 6-0.

Wofford trailed 2-0 in the seventh inning of game one before erupting for seven runs. A Stavrou single evened the game before a Matt Lein base hit gave the Terriers a 3-2 lead. D.J. Rhodes later added a two-run single to make the score 6-2.

Lein had three hits in the first game as he added an RBI single in the eighth inning.

Culley Kline allowed just two earned runs on six hits in 5.2 innings for Wofford, striking out two and walking one.

VMI starter Duke Acors (2-3) sailed through six scoreless
The starter Duke Acors (2-3) sailed through six scoreless innings but left after not retiring any of the four batters he faced in the seventh. He was charged with four runs, two earned, on eight hits while striking out seven and walking one.

The Keydets had taken a 2-0 sixth-inning lead on a two-run single by Matt Smith.
Wofford College closer George Lehr has received Southern Conference Pitcher of the Week honors for the second time this season and third time in his career.

Lehr picked up two wins and a save as the Terriers (18-9, 7-2) swept VMI this weekend. The save for Lehr was his fifth of the year to set a new single-season Wofford record. With 10 career saves, he is just one shy of the Terriers' all-time mark (11, Brian Mathis, 1986-89).

A senior from Largo, Fla., Lehr did not allow a hit while pitching a combined 3.1 scoreless innings of relief in Sunday's doubleheader. He retired 10 of the 12 batters he faced, including six on strikeouts. He also struck out the side in his one inning of work while earning the victory in Saturday's 5-4 win over the Keydets.

With an 8-0 record and five saves, Lehr has taken part in 13 of Wofford's 18 victories this season. He tops the SoCon in wins and appearances (18) while placing second in saves.