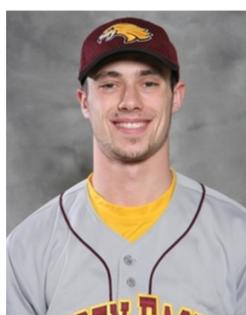


News Release

Dakota State University Sweeps Golden Eagles by 3-2 & 5-3 Scores

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(Crookston, Minn.) – Dakota State University held off rallies by the University of Minnesota, Crookston in both non-conference games as the Trojans swept the Golden Eagles 3-2 and 5-3 scores in the season opener for both squads today at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis, Minn.

Game One Recap

The Golden Eagles opened up a 1-0 lead in the top of the first when **Paul Krebs (Sr, RHP/OF, Little Falls, Minn.)** scored off a single by **Kayle Lewellen (Sr, IF, Forest Lake, Minn.)**. Dakota State University countered in their half of the first when **Brian White** scored an unearned run off an error. The game remained scoreless until the bottom half of the fourth inning when the Trojans scored two runs to take a 3-1 lead. White's two RBI single gave Dakota State University a 3-1 lead. U of M, Crookston cut the lead to 3-2 in the top half of the seventh when pinch-runner **Paul Myers (Fr, RHP, Arden Hills, Minn.)** scored on a wild pitch. Unfortunately, this would be as close as the Golden Eagles would get in the 3-2 loss. Lewellen was two for three with a triple and an RBI. Krebs threw 3.2 innings to take the loss. He gave up three runs (two earned) on four hits while striking out seven and walking three. He was relieved by **Steve Schroer (Fr, RHP, Coon Rapids, Minn.)** who was solid in relief allowing no runs on no hits over 2.1 innings. He struck out three and walked two. **Jared Burleson** picked up the win for the Trojans going three innings and striking out three. **Dan Rhodes** threw the next three innings in relief striking out five. **Zach Weber** threw the seventh inning striking out one to record the save.

Game Two Recap

The Trojans opened up a 3-0 lead in the third inning and held on for a 5-2 victory over the Golden Eagles. White's three-run double ignited Dakota State University. U of M, Crookston countered in the bottom of the fifth with two runs. **Devin Croal (FR, IF, Coon Rapids, Minn.)** hit a triple that scored Krebs from first. Croal later scored on an error. However, it was not to be for the Golden Eagles as the Trojans broke the game open in the top of the seventh inning with two unearned runs. **Chris Moffat** hit a two-run triple to propel Dakota State University. **Jake Poehler (So, OF, Coon Rapids, Minn.)** was two for two. **Lincoln Messner (Jr, RHP, Winthrop, Minn.)** threw five innings allowing three runs (two earned) on three hits. He struck out five and walked three. **Kyle Kovnesky (Fr, LHP, Coleman, Wis.)** threw the final two innings allowing two unearned runs on two hits. He struck out three and walked none. **Bob Olson** threw three innings for Dakota State University allowing no runs on one hit to get the win. He struck out five and walked none. **Lincoln Gassman** threw the final three innings allowing two runs (one earned) on three hits to record the save. He struck out five and walked one.

Dakota State University opens the 2009 season with a 2-0 record while U of M, Crookston falls to 0-2. The Golden Eagles return to action tomorrow at 12 p.m. when they play Bemidji State in a non-conference doubleheader at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome.

For more information, visit the Golden Eagle Athletics website at www.goldeneaglesports.com.

The University of Minnesota, Crookston is a NCAA Division II Institution and a member of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC). Golden Eagle Hockey is a member of the Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association (MCHA). The Golden Eagle Equestrian team is a member of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA).

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