

KCC softball begins with 2 shutouts

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DAVENPORT - The seventh-ranked Kirkwood softball team began the 2018 season by collecting a pair of shutouts at the Winter Dome Tournament in Davenport on Saturday.

The Eagles blanked the Saint Ambrose junior varsity, 7-0, in their first outing and topped Waubensee, 6-0, in the second game.

DoniRae Mayhew pitched five innings in the first game for Kirkwood. She allowed three hits with seven strikeouts and one walk. Alli Sprague tossed the last two innings to complete the five-hit shutout.

Audra Bridenstine collected three RBIs in the victory over Saint Ambrose. Sonya McCormick, a transfer from Iowa Central, had two hits and two RBIs in her first game with the Eagles.

Natalie Halvorson, a freshman from Cedar Rapids Prairie, pitched a complete game in the 6-0 verdict over Waubensee. She allowed only four hits with nine strikeouts and one walk.

Bridenstine had three more RBIs in the second game. Mayhew moved to shortstop against Waubensee and had three hits. Monika Bevans and McCormick had two hits. Lauren Kuch, another freshman from Prairie, had two RBIs.

Kirkwood will play two more games in the tournament on Sunday.

GAME 1

Kirkwood 020 140 0 - 7

Saint Ambrose 000 000 0 - 0

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W - Mayhew. 2B - Mayhew, Waugh.

GAME 2

Waubonsee 000 000 0 - 0

Kirkwood 024 000 x - 6

W - Halvorson. 2B - Mayhew, Kuch. 3B - Bevans.