Preator Almost Perfect in Lady Raider Win

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Middle Tennessee softball (22-15) shutout Lipscomb (17-19) 2-0, 8-0 Wednesday at Lady Bison Field.

Designated player Brandy Davis broke open a scoreless game one when she knocked an RBI double, her first double of the season, through left center field to plate Jennifer Dorais. The Lady Raiders added one more run when Kip Phillips hit a single and then Davis scored on a Lipscomb miscue.

Senior Hurler Stayc Preator (14-6) was almost flawless as she threw a one hit shut-out. She sat down 12 batters in a row, before Lipscomb's Kristen Tidwell broke up Preator's perfect game with a single. She also recorded seven strikeouts.

In game two, sophomore catcher Leah Grothause hit the second homerun of her career in a three RBI effort in the top of the third inning. After Cortney Mitchell reached base by drawing a walk and Dani DeCamino got on base on a fielder's choice, Grothause took the first pitch over the left field wall.

Middle Tennessee exploded for five runs in the top of the fourth inning. With the bases loaded, Mitchell got the scoring started when she hit an RBI single that sent home Kip Phillips. DeCamino then came to the plate and knocked around two runs , and then Dorais sent in DeCamino on an RBI single and Mitchell scored on a Lipscomb error.

The Lady Raiders return home for the beginning of a three day homes stand when Middle Tennessee hosts Austin Peay on Thursday at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. A double header with Lipscomb has also been added for Friday at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to make up the game the two teams had to cancel last week.

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