Blue Raiders Win 2-1 over Louisiana-Monroe

Pick up fourth SBC victory on season

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Corrie Abel was 2-for-3 with a homerun and aRBI as the Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders (11-16, 4-5) picked up their fourth conference victory on the season in a 2-1 win over the Louisiana-Monroe Warhawks (9-21, 1-6) at Blue Raider Field on Sunday morning. The game was originally scheduled for 1 PM on Saturday, but due to poor weather conditions it did not begin until 5:01 PM on Saturday evening. The contest lasted only five outs as the game was halted at 5:21 PM with the Blue Raiders leading 2-1. The Warhawks took an early lead before Corrie Abel nailed a two run homerun to put the hosts in front. Lindsey Vander Lugt (8-9) picked up the win for the Blue Raiders. The sophomore gave up just one earned run on six hits, while striking out four in 7.0 innings. Kandace Causey (4-8) got the loss for the visitors. The righty gave up two runs on five hits, while striking out seven and walking four in the complete game outing. Middle Tennessee had a chance to widen their lead in the 4th inning when Katie Mielke nailed a two-out double to left field. Brittney Banania was hit by and pitch and advanced to second base on a Causey wild pitch but Ashley Cline flied out to the shortstop to end the inning. Katie Mielke was 2-for-2 with two stolen bases for the Blue Raiders. Martha Davis provided the Blue Raider defensive highlight of the season as she made a spectacular diving catch off sharply driven shot to right field and threw to first base for the double play, ending the game. The Blue Raiders are tentatively scheduled to return to action as they continue their Sun Belt Conference series against Louisiana-Monroe at Noon. Follow the action live at GoBlueRaiders.com with Russell Luna providing play-by-play.

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