

Despite loss to Chillicothe, THS softball wins Lexington Tournament **Sports**

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The Trenton Lady Bulldogs suffered their first loss of the season but were still able to win the championship of the Lexington Tournament on Saturday.

In the opening game of the day, against the Odessa Lady Bulldogs, Trenton struggled to get their offense going. In her first varsity start Daryian Otto struggled, allowing three runs in only one third of an inning. Scotlin Hurley would come on in the first and not allow another run of the final six and two-thirds innings.

Maddie Hooyman started the scoring with a walk in the third inning and would eventually score on a Scotlin Hurley single. Trenton would strike again in the 5th, this time for 4 runs. Hooyman, Madi Trump, Kate Lowrey and Avery Whitaker would all score in the inning; Whitaker had an RBI single and Cassidy Cotton also had a 2 RBI single. Trenton would get three more in the 6th when McKinley Hurley led off with a single, Hooyman added a bunt single, Scotlin Hurley would single; all three would eventually come home to score.

Hooyman was 1-2 with three runs scored, Scotlin Hurley was 2-4 with a run and 2 RBI, Avery Whitaker was 3-4 with an RBI, Cassidy Cotton was 2-4 with 2 RBI and Makaila Capeder was 2-3 with an RBI as Trenton pounded out 11 hits. Hurley would go 5.2 innings allowing no runs on 2 hits, 1 BB and 7 strikeouts.

In their second game against Chillicothe, Trenton was in control of the game until the 7th inning. Chillicothe was able to score a run in the top of the first but Trenton came right back with a run of its own in the bottom when Madi Trump singled home Maddie Hooyman. Trenton would get another run in the bottom of the second when McKinley Hurley singled home Cassidy Cotton. Trenton scored again in the 6th when Madi Trump would score on a ground out by Avery Whitaker.

Trenton would take a two run lead into the top of the 7th but a pair of Chillicothe hits and two Trenton errors would lead to three Hornet runs. Trenton would advance the tying run to third base in the bottom of the 7th but were unable to score, dropping their first game of the season 4-3. Hurley would go the distance, allowing one earned run, 6 hits, 1 walk while striking out 3.

Trenton would advance to the championship game of the tournament against Lexington because all 3 teams in their pool finished 1-1 but Trenton allowed the fewest runs. In the championship game, Otto would make up for her shaky start in the first game and pick up her first varsity win. The freshman hurler would throw four scoreless innings, allowing only 1 hit and walking three while striking out 3. Scotlin Hurley would provide all the offense the Bulldogs needed with a 2 run home run to left field in the bottom of the fourth, also scoring Madi Trump. Hurley would take over on the mound the next inning and strike out 6 Lexington batters over the last three innings, walking 2 and striking out two in picking up the save. Maddie Hooyman went 2-3 and Kate Lowrey went 1-3 with a double. Trenton is now 6-1, with home games coming off against Plattsburg (Monday night at 5 o'clock) and Lathrop (Tuesday night at 5 o'clock) this week.