Trenton battles rain, wind, and cold to 5-2 win at Putnam County
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The Trenton Lady Bulldog softball team fought its way through the Putnam County Lady Midgets, and the elements, to claim a 5-2 victory in Unionville on Monday night, in a game broadcast on KTTN FM 92.3 and www.kttn.com.
The win improves Trenton's record to 13-1, while dropping Putnam County to 8-8.

THS struck early, with Madi Trump reaching second base on a one-out throwing error, and scoring on a single by senior first baseman Avery Whitaker:

Click here to listen to Avery Whitaker's RBI single

After Trenton added a second inning run to make the score 2-0, Putnam County's Brooke Robinson drove in two runs in the bottom of the second inning to tie the game:

Click here to listen to Brooke Robinson's two RBI double

Both pitchers, in Trenton's Scotlin Hurley and Putnam County's Samantha Shipley, seemed to struggle in the early innings, battling wind and rain that pelted the field as a cold front passed through the area. However, Hurley rebounded in the middle innings, holding the Lady Midgets hit-less, and scoreless in the fourth and fifth frames.
Trenton's game-winning rally started in the top of the fifth inning on a bunt single by Maddie Hooyman, followed by a sacrifice bunt by Madi Trump. Scotlin Hurley came to the plate, and, first-pitch swinging, gave the Lady 'Dawgs the lead for good:

Click here to listen to Scotlin Hurley's RBI double

Trenton added to the lead with Hurley moving to third on a single by Whitaker, and scoring on a sacrifice fly by Makaila Capeder. Whitaker scored on a wild pitch to make the score 5-2.

With a three-run lead, Hurley had one more Lady Midget rally to work through. With the bases loaded and two out in the bottom of the sixth inning, Shaylee Salisbury stood at the plate representing the potential go-ahead run:

Click here to listen to Scotlin Hurley's sixth inning ending strikeout

Putnam County was retired in order in the seventh inning, ending the game. Head coach John Cowling commented in post-game about how the adverse weather conditions made it a challenge to face the tough Lady Midgets lineup:

Click here to listen to Trenton softball coach John Cowling

With Mallory Hooyman leading the way with four innings of strong pitching, the Trenton JV beat Putnam County 4-1 on Monday night. She allowed two hits and struck out five Lady Midget batters, with no base on balls allowed. Maggie McNabb had a hit and a run, Lexie Tolson a hit and a run, Daryian Otto a hit, and Abby Miller an RBI double for the JV Bulldogs.

The Trenton Middle School softball teams were both victorious on Monday night at Putnam County, winning by scores of 10-3 and 6-5. In game one, Ashten Whitaker was 2 for 4, Whitley Richman 2 for 4 with one RBI, Jaylen Neff was 3 for 4, and Katerina Black 2 for 4. Whitaker was the winning pitcher, with four strikeouts.

In the second game, TMS won 6-4, with the game lasting only two inning due to lack of lights at the field. Claire Utley was the winning pitcher, with five strikeouts.

Trenton's softball team will return home Tuesday night to take on a strong Lexington team, with coverage of the 5 o'clock game beginning with pregame at 4:50 on KTTN FM 92.3 and www.kttn.com . Video web-streaming of Tuesday night's game will also be available from the 'Internet TV' link on www.kttn.com.

Here are the rest of the MONDAY night softball scores from the area:

Grundy R-5 girls 19, Gilman City 2
Grundy R-5 boys 12, Gilman City 5
Gallatin 9, Lawson 8
Linn County 9, Brunswick 7
(BOYS BASEBALL) Linn County 17, Brunswick 2
Schuyler County 10, North Shelby 5
King City 7, North Andrew 2
DeKalb 12, Plattsburg 5
Stewartsville 18, Tri-County 2