2024 2A Softball Championship Recaps

Southwestern Randolph tops Midway 13-0 in Game 1 of 2A Series

GREENSBORO – The Southwestern Randolph Cougars used an eight-run fourth inning to roll to a 13-0 win against the Midway Raiders in the first game of the 2A Championship Series at the UNCG Softball Stadium.

The Cougars took a 2-0 lead into the top of the fourth inning and then drew three straight walks to load the bases. Madelyn Smith doubled to plate the first two runs of the rally. Kami Dunn singled home Lillian Payne in the next at-bat and, after Smith scored when Dunn stole second, Alyssa Harris doubled to score Dunn.

Maddie Strider, who finished the game 3-for-5 with five RBIs, singled to left to plate two more runs and Hayleigh Thompson capped the rally with an RBI single up the middle to score Strider.

The Cougars added three more runs in the fifth before the 10-run rule ended the game after five innings.

Macie Crutchfield earned the win in the circle for working five innings and allowing just one hit, one walk and striking out nine batters.

The NCHSAA is committed to promoting and highlighting outstanding sportsmanship and has partnered with North Carolina Farm Bureau Insurance to recognize one athlete from each team who has displayed the ideals of sportsmanship throughout the year. The 2024 NC Farm Bureau Sportsmanship Award winners for the 2A Softball Championships were Payne from Southwestern Randolph and Peyton Herring from Midway.

Friday May 31, 2024

	1	2	3	4	5	R	Н	Е
STHW	1	0	1	8	3	13	17	2
MDWY	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

Southwestern Randolph	AB	R	Н	RBI	BB	SO
M Smith (CF)	4	1	2	2	0	0
K Dunn (3B)	4	3	3	1	0	0
A Harris (SS)	4	3	3	1	0	0
M Crutchfield (P)	4	1	3	2	0	1
M Strider (C)	4	1	3	5	0	0
M Wilson (RF)	4	0	1	0	0	0
N Parrish (LF)	2	1	0	0	1	0
J Alexander (LF)	1	0	0	0	0	1
H Thompson (1B)	2	0	1	1	1	0
S Marion	0	1	0	0	0	0
L Payne (2B)	2	1	1	0	1	0
CR: R Hineline	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	13	17	12	3	2

2B: A Harris 2, M Strider 2, L Payne, M Smith, TB: A Harris 5, M Wilson, M Strider 5, H Thompson, M Crutchfield 3, K Dunn 3, L Payne 2, M Smith 3, CS: M Smith, SB: M Crutchfield, K Dunn, LOB: 6

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W: M Crutchfield, P-S: M Crutchfield 78-57, BF: M Crutchfield 18

Midway	AB	R	Н	RBI	BB	SO
T Gwynn (CF)	2	0	1	0	0	1
K Ives (SS)	2	0	0	0	0	1
K Stonerock (LF, P, LF)	2	0	0	0	0	1
E McLamb (F10)	2	0	0	0	0	2
M Williams (2B)	2	0	0	0	0	1
M Bass (C)	2	0	0	0	0	2
J Christopher (3B, P)	2	0	0	0	0	0
P Herring (1B, 3B)	1	0	0	0	1	1
S Autry (P, LF, 1B)	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	17	0	1	0	1	9

TB: T Gwynn, LOB: 3

Midway	IP	Η	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
S Autry	3.0	7	2	1	0	1	0
K Stonerock	0.0	0	3	3	3	0	0
J Christopher	2.0	10	8	8	0	1	0
Totals	5.0	17	13	12	3	2	0

L: S Autry, P-S: K Stonerock 14-2, S Autry 48-39, J Christopher 40-26, BF: K Stonerock 3, S Autry 15, J Christopher 16

Southwestern Randolph walks off to 2A State Championship

GREENSBORO – The Southwestern Randolph Cougars grabbed a 3-2 walk off win in Game 2 of the 2A Championship Series to sweep Midway and earn the program's fifth NCHSAA Softball Championship at the UNCG Softball Stadium on Saturday.

The Cougars were trailing 2-1 heading into the final frame but Hayleigh Thompson reached base with a one-out single to put the tying run aboard. After a strikeout, Madelyn Smith singled to move Sara-Kate Marion, the pinch runner, over to second.

With two-out and two-on, Kami Dunn singled to left field and that allowed Marion to score and Smith also scored on the play after an error at the plate. The play sealed the win and the sweep after the Cougars took Game 1 on Friday night 13-0.

Macie Crutchfield pitched another complete game for the Cougars, this time striking out 10, to give her 19 Ks for the two games. She was named Most Valuable Player for her efforts in the series.

The Cougars finished the season 23-7 while the Raiders ended 2024 at 21-5 and finished as NCHSAA 2A Runner up for the second year in a row. Southwestern Randolph was making its seventh appearance in the finals, having previously won titles in 2001, 2007, 2009 and 2010.

Saturday June 01, 2024

MDWY STHW	1 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	4 1 1	5 0 0	6 1 0	7 0 2	R 2 3	H 6 8	E 2 1	
Midway					A	В	R	Н	RE	BI BB	SO
T Gwynn (CF)				4	4	0	1	1	0	0
K Ives (SS)						1	0	0	0	2	1
K Stonerock (P)				4	4	0	1	0	0	3
E McLamb (L	F)				í	3	1	0	0	0	1
M Williams (2	2B)				4	4	0	1	0	0	2
M Bass (C)					-	3	0	1	0	0	1
J Christopher	(3E	3)			í	3	0	0	1	0	0
P Herring					í	3	1	1	0	0	1
S Autry (1B)					í	3	0	1	0	0	1
CR: E Clark					(0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals					í	28	2	6	2	2	10

TB: K Stonerock, M Bass, M Williams, S Autry, P Herring, T Gwynn, SAC: M Bass, HBP: K Ives, E McLamb, LOB: 10

Midway	IP	Η	R	ER	BB SO	HR

K Stonerock 6.2 8 3 2 1 7 0 L: K Stonerock, P-S: K Stonerock 92-57, BF: K Stonerock 29

Southwestern Randolph	AB	R	Н	RBI	BB	SO
M Smith (CF)	3	1	2	0	1	1
K Dunn (3B)	4	0	1	1	0	0
A Harris (SS)	3	0	1	0	0	0
M Crutchfield (P)	3	0	1	0	0	0
M Strider (C)	3	0	1	0	0	1
M Wilson (RF)	3	0	1	1	0	0
M Aaron (RF)	0	0	0	0	0	0
N Parrish (LF)	2	0	0	0	0	2
K Hulin	1	0	0	0	0	1
H Thompson (1B)	3	0	1	0	0	0
S Marion	0	1	0	0	0	0
L Payne (2B)	3	0	0	0	0	2
CR: R Hineline	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	3	8	2	1	7

2B: A Harris, TB: H Thompson, A Harris 2, M Strider, M Smith 2, M Wilson, K Dunn, M Crutchfield, LOB: 5

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W: M Crutchfield, P-S: M Crutchfield 127-90, HBP: M Crutchfield 2, BF: M Crutchfield 33