

THURSDAY SPORTS ROUNDUP: RESILIENT LADY CAVS BOUNCE BACK TO CRUSH OBION COUNTY 10-0



Above: Crockett senior second baseman Kinleigh Lamb smoked three line-drive base hits in three at-bats, driving home three runs as the Lady Cavs pounded Obion County 10-0.

“After losing to Arlington, and not having my best hitting performance, I kept my weight back (tonight) and just saw the ball,” Lamb said. “While hitting after Lynden, I take the approach of ‘just get a base hit,’ or if there are runners on, hitting them in. I was really proud of the whole team and how we came together and got a big win tonight, and played through the whole game without having a bad inning.”

Cole, who was 4-for-4 with a double and a home run against Arlington, said it was time to change things up.

“Right now I’m working out of a slight slump, so I’m just focusing on good contact and solid hits,” she said. “I’ve always been a big power hitter but sometimes we have to go back to the basics, such as focusing on line drives. That’s where I am right now.”

Crockett’s bounce back from the Arlington game began in the very first frame when leadoff hitter Piper White drew a walk and moved to second when Hannah Carter’s bunt was mishandled by Obion’s third baseman. Cole grounded out to short, but both runners advanced on the play, and they easily scored when Lamb blistered a liner to center for her first hit of the night.

Coach David Barker’s crew struck again in the third. Cole smoked a liner to center for a base hit, but courtesy runner Gabby Bursey was caught attempting to steal second. Lamb picked the rally right back up by sizzling another liner up the middle, and Brooklyn Haynes chased her to third with a single to right. Madison Solis got into the act by blasting a liner over the right fielder’s head for a two-run double, and Crockett led 4-0.

The Lady Cavs doubled that margin in the fourth. Destiny Foster drove a leadoff double to deep left field and took third when White beat out an infield single to short and then stole second. Carter laid down a drag bunt toward the second baseman for another infield hit, bringing Foster home and White to third. Carter then stole second, and she and White both raced home when Cole smashed a double to left. Bursey ran for Cole again and easily scored when Lamb laced her third straight bullet to center field.

Batting again in the bottom of the fifth, now with an 8-0 edge, Crockett scored twice more to end the contest. Foster worked a base on balls and took second when White ripped a hard single to right. After a fielder’s choice forced Foster out at third, Cole delivered another two-run double to center to reach the 10-run mercy limit.

White and Haynes each had two hits to back the three apiece by Cole and Lamb. Foster was 1-for-1 with a double and two walks in her three plate appearances. Carter and White scored three runs apiece for the winners, who are now 8-3 overall and 2-0 in district play.

Crockett hosts Munford Friday evening at 5:00 before playing two district games on the road next week, at Dyer County on Tuesday and at Dyersburg on Thursday.

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL: Crockett County Middle School’s volleyball team, which earlier this season won its own invitational tournament, completed a perfect 17-0 season Thursday night with a victory over Milan.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCCER: Lucas Morales and Caleb Ferguson, both in the sixth grade and members of the CCMS soccer team, are participating in tournaments this week in both Mexico City and Spain through their affiliation with Jackson Boom Academy through a previous involvement with Nido Aguila, a development academy of the prestigious Mexican club Club America.

In the fall of 2023, Nido Aguila and Jackson Boom merged to become Jackson Boom Academy. As a member of the Tennessee State Soccer Association and with a staff member participating in the Tennessee Olympic Development Program, the academy has strong connections and pathways for talented players. Morales and Ferguson, having played for Nido Aguila, were chosen along with other talented kids from West Tennessee to participate in the tournaments in Mexico and Spain.

These tournaments gather elite athletes from around the southeast region to compete at a high level. Additionally, the club is gearing up to play at the Disney Memorial Day Tournament this coming May.

By Ron Barry

After trying to dodge all the bullets Arlington was hitting against them Wednesday night, Crockett County’s Lady Cavalier softballers decided they’d rather be the ones firing them Thursday night.

The result was a 10-0 run-rule decision over district foe Obion County as Lynden Cole drove in four runs with a pair of doubles and Kinleigh Lamb sizzled three straight line-drive hits in as many plate appearances, knocking in three tallies. The resilient Lady Cavs bounced back from a 15-6 beating by Arlington the previous night.

Winning pitcher Anna Stallings spun a one-hit shutout over the five innings played before the “mercy rule” halted play after Cole belted her second double in the bottom of the frame, driving home the ninth and tenth runs.

“We didn’t do anything special with Anna tonight besides her usual,” said catcher Cole. “We just stayed on corners and worked hands and knees. She didn’t walk a single batter so she had the umpire’s strike zone down to the ‘t’.”

As for the offense, both Lamb and Cole said the best approach is keeping things simple.



Above: Senior catcher Lynden Cole now has eight hits and 10 RBIs in her last three games after plating four more teammates in the win over the Lady Rebels.



Above: Anna Stallings, the steady sophomore pitcher for the Lady Cavs, hurled another walk-free, one-hit shutout with nine strikeouts in five innings.



Above: Crockett County Middle School's volleyball team completed a perfect 17-0 season with a Thursday night victory over Milan.