

Quakers sweep ODAC doubleheader

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On Sunday, March 22, Eastern Mennonite and Guilford were in similar positions. Eastern Mennonite, at 8-3, had played only two games inside the ODAC. Guilford's overall record wasn't as good, at 9-9, but like Eastern Mennonite, they had played few games inside the ODAC and were only 2-1 in the conference. The Sunday ODAC doubleheader would go a long way in determining the conference fate of both teams.

The first game featured two undefeated starting pitchers—Tim Good (3-0) for Eastern Mennonite and the surprising K.C. Chambers, who led all Guilford pitchers with a 5-0 record. It looked like a good pitching duel was brewing.

It wasn't.

Chambers spotted Eastern Mennonite a run in the second. A leadoff double by star hitter and cleanup hitter Mike Gale, followed by a sacrifice bunt and a sacrifice fly gave Mennonite the lead, NL-style.

But Guilford came storming back in the third. Kevin Moore hit his fifth homerun of the year off Good, a two-run shot, and it clearly rattled him, as he then allowed an RBI double two batters later to Brian Chambers.

The Quakers then loaded the bases in the fourth, and once again it was Moore coming through with a two-out single to put the Quakers on top, 4-1. It wouldn't stop there.

The Quakers added two more in the fifth when Good hurt himself with a big two-base error with two runners on that scored a run and set up an RBI single by Chris Butcher. But the Quakers blew the game open in the bottom of the sixth with a huge eight-run inning, thanks largely to the control problems of Eastern Mennonite pitcher John Miller. Miller walked shortstop Toshimuro Sakamoto, then after a double by Moore, let him score on a wild pitch. Another double scored Moore, then another walk and two singles scored three more and kicked Miller out of the game without retiring a batter.

The new Eastern Mennonite pitcher then seemed to get out of the jam, only to give up a three-run homer



The Quaker nine have won eight of their past 11 games.

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by Sakamoto (the batter who led off the inning), which by that point was just icing on the cake. Chambers worked the full seven innings and gave up only two runs as the Quakers romped, 14-2.

included RBI's by Reed, Squirt Rochelle, and three off of a home run by (guess who?) Kevin Moore.

Guilford quickly and neatly added two more in the third on a two-run home

run by catcher Jason Rodriguez, then exploded for four more in the fourth, when walks loaded the bases twice for Guilford, and Butcher and Sakamoto were each able to turn those into two-RBI hits.

By the beginning of the fifth inning the score was 11-1, and the Quakers were rolling. Chad Coward (2-3), who has been effective all season for the Quakers, ended up giving up four runs in the last two innings en route to a complete game five-run outing, but by that point, the game was long over.

The Quakers had rolled over Eastern Mennonite by a combined score of 25-7, an utter thrashing that has put the Quakers on top of the ODAC in wins with four, and has given them a winning record at 11-10.

For his 6-for-12, two-HR performance, Kevin Moore was also awarded ODAC Player of the Week honors. The complete game in game one was KC Chambers' first of his career. Chambers leads Guilford with six wins.

The Quakers went on to lose to Salisbury State on Wednesday by the final score of 11-3, but will hope to continue riding their current 8-3 hot streak into their upcoming home games against Randolph Macon, Williams and Averett next week.

Quaker basketball players honored

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After a fantastic season which featured a 13-game winning streak and numerous school and ODAC records fall, two Guilford women's basketball players have been honored with awards.

Laura Haynes has become the first Guilford player ever to earn a spot on the WBCA Division III All-America team. This honor will go well with her previous extensive list of accolades, which include '97-'98 ODAC Player of the Year, first-team ODAC all-conference recognition four straight years, 18 school records, and 10 ODAC records.

She is the ODAC all-time scoring leader with 2,283 points and all-time rebounder with 1,021 rebounds.

In addition, Marija Preimats got a spot on the 1998 GTE College Division

Academic All-America women's basketball team. She is the first academic All-American at Guilford since 1985. The award goes to basketball players with a 3.20 GPA or above.

Preimats ended her career second on the team (to Haynes) with a career-high 16.2 ppg average.

She was named academic All-District III three times.

In addition, Preimats carries a 3.83

grade point average, and is a seven-time dean's list biology major. She has been accepted into dental school at the University of North Carolina.

Haynes and Preimats led the women's basketball team to an 18-8 season, and Guilford's fifth consecutive ODAC tournament semi-final appearance.

Preimats and Haynes end their careers along with stars Molly Hughes, Shannon Parker and Kami Deal.

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