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SPORTS RELEASE: SOFTBALL – Friday, May 6, 2005

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5/6 – ALL-CONFERENCE: Halvorson First Team, Coleman Second Team All-Northwest Conference

NEWBERG, Ore. – Center fielder **Cassie Halvorson** and catcher-infielder **Kimberly Coleman** of George Fox University, who played major roles in the Bruins tripling their number of wins from a year ago, have been named to the 2005 All-Northwest Conference Softball Teams as voted on by the league's eight softball coaches.

Halvorson, a junior from Hillsboro, Ore., was chosen for the First Team, while the versatile Coleman, a freshman from Morton, Wash., was named to the Second Team. The Bruins, under former assistant and first-year head coach Mark Vergets, improved from 4-32 to 12-25 this season, and went from 2-26 and last in the conference to 7-19 and 7th in the league this year.

Halvorson is the first Bruin to make First Team All-Conference since pitcher Laura Steenson in 2001. She led the team in batting (.289), at bats (114), hits (33), triples (3), total bases (48), slugging pct. (.421), and had one of three home runs the Bruins hit, a grand-slam at Lewis & Clark College. She was 2nd in runs scored (15), doubles (6), and stolen bases (7). She was especially tough in conference games, batting .329 against the league, and earned NWC Hitter of the Week for Apr. 4-10 after batting .458 (11-24) with 2 doubles, a triple, a home run, 9 RBI and 7 runs scored in 6 games. Over the season's final 10 games, she hit an even .500 (18-36). One of the nation's toughest hitters to strike out, she fanned only 4 times this year after not striking out at all last season, going 186 at bats between strikeouts, the 3rd-longest such streak in NCAA Division III history.

Coleman, who saw action for the Bruins behind the plate and at both short and third, led the team in runs scored (16) and stolen bases (8) while finishing 2nd in walks (12) and 3rd in batting (.280). She had 3 doubles among her 23 hits and drove in 5 runs. She also was at her best against the league, hitting .323 against NWC competition. Another good contact hitter, she fanned only 6 times in 97 total at bats.

Infielder Gretchen Ruecker of Pacific Lutheran University was named the NWC Player of the Year, and coach Jackson Vaughan of league champion Linfield College was named Coach of the Year. The entire All-Northwest Conference First Team, Second Team, and Honorable Mention honorees are available on the NWC web site at <http://www.nwcports.com/sports/Softball/All-NWC.htm>.

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4/24 – PACIFIC 4-0, GEORGE FOX 1-3: Wade Whitwashes Boxers to Earn a Split for Bruins in Finale

NEWBERG, Ore. – Lacey Wade tossed a six-hit shutout, Katie Plumb hammered a long home run, and Kerstyn Tsuruda went 3-3 as the George Fox University Bruins defeated the Pacific University Boxers 3-0 to earn a split in a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader Sunday afternoon here at Morse Field. The Boxers took the opener 4-1 behind the two-hit pitching of Andrea Bansen.

Bansen did not allow a safety until there were two out in the 5th inning of the first game. Kim Backhaus doubled off Bansen for the Bruins' first hit, driving in Lacey Wade, who had reached on a force out and moved to second on a ground out, to tie the game 1-1 in the 5th. Tsuruda singled into the hole at short in the 6th for the only other George Fox hit. Bansen struck out five and walked three in raising her record to 6-10.

Pacific scored an unearned run in the 1st as Trinity Smith walked, stole second and third, and came home on an errant throw by catcher Kimberly Coleman. The Boxers broke the game open with three in the 6th to pin the loss on the Bruins' Michelle Roberts (5-11). After walks to Alison Hennes and Caitlin Mastenbroek, Kim Whittaker doubled to left for the tie-breaking run, Ryanne Horton hit a sacrifice fly to right for another, and Megan Holley's infield single to short scored Whittaker.

Bansen also pitched the second game for Pacific but was outdueled by Wade (4-6), who struck out five and walked two. The Bruins pinned the loss on Bansen (6-11) with the only run they would need in the 1st inning as Cassie Halvorson and Coleman singled and Tsuruda lined her first hit of the game up the middle to score Halvorson.

The Bruins added a pair of insurance runs in the 6th, Plumb leading off with a towering shot down the left-field line, fair by inches, for her first round-tripper of the season. Tsuruda collected her third hit, a single to center, moved to third on Hollee Braun's single through the right side, and scored the second run on Jill Lacey's double to straightaway center.

The Boxers put two runners aboard in the top of the 7th on a walk to Nikki Smith and an infield hit by Shannon Janes, but Wade induced Trinity Smith to pop out to second to preserve the shutout.

George Fox ended its season 12-25 overall and 7-19 in the conference. Pacific is now 13-17 overall and 11-13 in the league. The Boxers play again Tuesday, hosting the University of Puget Sound at 5:30 p.m. in a pair of rainout make-up games.

Pacific (Ore.) 4, George Fox 1 (04/24/05 at Newberg, Ore.) (Game 1)

Pacific (Ore.)..... 100 003 0 - 4 9 1 (13-16, 11-12 NWC)
George Fox..... 000 010 0 - 1 2 1 (11-25, 6-19 NWC)

Pitchers: Pacific (Ore.) - Bansen. George Fox - Roberts, M.

Win-Bansen(6-10) Loss-Roberts, M(5-11) T-1:55 A-0

Game: GFS04241

George Fox 3, Pacific (Ore.) 0 (04/24/05 at Newberg, Ore.) (Game 2)

Pacific (Ore.)..... 000 000 0 - 0 6 0 (13-17, 11-13 NWC)
George Fox..... 100 002 X - 3 10 0 (12-25, 7-19 NWC)

Pitchers: Pacific (Ore.) - Bansen. George Fox - Wade, L.

Win-Wade, L(4-6) Loss-Bansen(6-11) T-1:25 A-75

HR GFU-SB - Plumb, K (1).

Game: GFS04242

The Automated ScoreBook
Pacific (Ore.) at George Fox (Game 1)
04/24/05 at Newberg, Ore. (Morse Field)

Pacific (Ore.) 4 (13-16,11-12 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Janes, Shannon cf.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Smith, Trinity 1b.....	3	1	1	0	1	1	9	0	3
Hennes, Alison lf.....	3	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Herstad, Kelsey dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mastenbroek, Caitlin c...	2	1	0	0	1	1	4	1	0
Whittaker, Kim ss.....	3	1	2	1	0	0	5	2	1
Horton, Ryanne 3b.....	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Holley, Megan 2b.....	3	0	2	1	0	0	2	4	0
Garcia, Katy rf.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
Bansen, Andrea p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Totals.....	25	4	9	3	3	5	21	12	6

Score by Innings R H E

Pacific (Ore.).....	100	003	0	-	4	9	1
George Fox.....	000	010	0	-	1	2	1

E - Horton(4); Coleman, K(13). DP - George Fox 1. LOB - Pacific 6; George Fox 5. 2B - Whittaker(3); Backhaus, K(4). SH - Janes(2); Herstad(5); Plumb, K(1). SF - Horton(1). SB - T. Smith 2(10); Hennes(6); Coleman, K(8). CS - Janes(2).

Pacific (Ore.)	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Bansen, Andrea.....	7.0	2	1	1	3	5	23	27

Win - Bansen (6-10). Loss - Roberts, M (5-11). Save - None.
Umpires - HP: Bob Thor 1B: Bruce Toney
Start: 12:00 pm Time: 1:55 Attendance:
Game: GFS04241

George Fox 1 (11-25,6-19 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	0	1	1	0	0	6	3	0
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Braun, Hollee 1b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	5	1	2
Lacey, Jill rf.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0
Wade, Lacey ph.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Morrison, Mikki ph/3b...	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Totals.....	23	1	2	1	3	5	21	10	5

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	7.0	9	4	3	3	5	25	31

The Automated ScoreBook
Pacific (Ore.) at George Fox (Game 2)
04/24/05 at Newberg, Ore. (Morse Field)

Pacific (Ore.) 0 (13-17,11-13 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Janes, Shannon cf.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	1
Smith, Trinity 1b.....	4	0	1	0	0	1	9	0	2
Hennes, Alison lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Herstad, Kelsey dh.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mastenbroek, Caitlin c...	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0
Whittaker, Kim ss.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2
Horton, Ryanne 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1
Shigematsu, Kami rf/pr...	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Smith, Nikki ph.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Holley, Megan 2b.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
Bansen, Andrea p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Totals.....	25	0	6	0	2	5	18	9	8

Score by Innings R H E

Pacific (Ore.).....	000	000	0	-	0	6	0
George Fox.....	100	002	X	-	3	10	0

DP - Pacific 1; George Fox 1. LOB - Pacific 8; George Fox 6. 2B - Lacey, J(2). 3B - Halvorson, C(3). HR - Plumb, K(1). HBP - Shigematsu. SH - Holley(3). SB - Tsuruda, K(2).

Pacific (Ore.)	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Bansen, Andrea.....	6.0	10	3	3	0	1	27	27

Win - Wade, L (4-6). Loss - Bansen (6-11). Save - None.
WP - Bansen. HBP - by Wade, L (Shigematsu).
Umpires - HP: Bruce Toney 1B: Bob Thor
Start: 2:24 pm Time: 1:25 Attendance: 75
Game: GFS04242

George Fox 3 (12-25,7-19 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Winkler, Kayla 2b.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	1
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	1
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	1	3	1	0	0	1	1	0
Braun, Hollee 1b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	6	1	2
O'Malley, Katelin pr....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wade, Lacey p.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Morrison, Mikki dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Guillory, Larae c.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0
Totals.....	27	3	10	3	0	1	21	9	6

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Wade, Lacey.....	7.0	6	0	0	2	5	25	29

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4/21 – PACIFIC LUTHERAN 8-8, GEORGE FOX 1-0: Lute Hurlers Allow Only Seven Hits in Sweep of Bruins

NEWBERG, Ore. – Ace righthanders Sara Stores and Candace Howard allowed only seven hits combined and no earned runs at all, pitching the Pacific Lutheran University Lutes to 8-1 and 8-0 wins over the George Fox University Bruins in a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader Thursday afternoon here at Morse Field.

Stores (10-8) permitted four hits and an unearned run while fanning five and walking only one in the opener, but Howard (9-5) was even sharper in the nightcap, giving up just three hits and no runs while whiffing three and walking none. She retired the first 11 batters she faced before Kimberly Coleman broke the string with a ringing double off the left-field fence.

Pacific Lutheran took a 1-0 lead in the 1st inning of the first game with a run off Kayla Winkler (3-6) as Ericka Hazen lined a two-out run-scoring single to left to plate Jackie Nuechterlein. The Bruins tied it in the home half as Cassie Halvorson led off with a single, was safe at second when second sacker Andrea Wells dropped a feed from shortstop Corrie Gustafson on a potential double play grounder, and scored on Kerstyn Tsuruda's double down the left-field line.

The Lutes broke the tie in the 4th as Hazen singled, stole second, moved up on a wild pitch, and came in on Liz Stuhlmiller's infield hit. Jackie Cornwell hit her first home run of the season, a solo shot leading off the 5th, and Gretchen Ruecker scored an unearned run later in the inning. PLU put the game away with four in the 6th, the big blow a two-run bases-loaded single by Ruecker.

Wells was hit by a pitch and scored the only run the Lutes would need on a double by Mary Jo Marquardt in the 2nd inning of the second game, pinning the loss on Michelle Roberts (5-10). The Lutes added three more in the 3rd and four in the 4th, using the 8-run 'mercy rule' to end the game after five innings and a mere 1:13 of playing time. Marquardt led a 10-hit attack by going 3-3 with a double and two RBI.

George Fox fell to 11-24 overall and 6-18 in the conference with the double defeat in games that were make-ups of rained-out contests last Saturday. Pacific Lutheran improved to 19-13 overall and 12-10 in the league.

The Bruins host Pacific University Saturday and Sunday in 12:00 noon twinbills to close out the 2005 season. The Lutes host Tacoma cross-town rival University of Puget Sound Saturday in a pair at noon before reversing the site on Sunday, again for two at noon.

Pacific Lutheran 8, George Fox 1 (04/21/05 at Newberg, Ore.) (Game 1)

Pacific Lutheran.....	100 124 0 -	8 9 1	(18-13, 11-10 NWC)
George Fox.....	100 000 0 -	1 4 2	(11-23, 6-17 NWC)

Pitchers: Pacific Lutheran - Stores. George Fox - Winkler, K; Wade, L(6).

Win-Stores(10-8) Loss-Winkler, K(3-6) T-2:03 A-0

HR PLU - Cornwell (1).

Game: GFS04211

Pacific Lutheran 8, George Fox 0 (04/21/05 at Newberg, Ore.) (Game 2)

Pacific Lutheran....	013 40 -	8 10 0	(19-13, 12-10 NWC)
George Fox.....	000 00 -	0 3 2	(11-24, 6-18 NWC)

Pitchers: Pacific Lutheran - Howard. George Fox - Roberts, M.

Win-Howard(9-5) Loss-Roberts, M(5-10) T-1:13 A-45

Game: GFS04212

The Automated ScoreBook
Pacific Lutheran at George Fox (Game 1)
04/21/05 at Newberg, Ore. (Morse Field)

Pacific Lutheran 8 (18-13,11-10 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Nuechterlein, Jackie cf..	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Cornwell, Jackie lf.....	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1
Beecroft, Alex ph.....	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ruecker, Gretchen lb.....	2	2	1	2	3	1	10	0	1
Wells, Andrea 2b.....	4	0	1	1	0	1	5	2	0
Marquardt, Mary Jo c.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	2	0
Hazen, Ericka 3b.....	4	1	3	1	0	0	1	1	0
Gustafson, Corrie ss.....	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	7	4
Quam, Missy dh.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Gilbert, Lisa ph/dh.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Stuhlmiller, Liz rf.....	2	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	0
Stores, Sara p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	29	8	9	6	9	6	21	13	10

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Pacific Lutheran.....	100	124	0 - 8 9 1
George Fox.....	100	000	0 - 1 4 2

E - Wells(3); Coleman, K(12); Tsuruda, K(11). DP - George Fox 2. LOB - Pac Lutheran 10; George Fox 6. 2B - Tsuruda, K(2). HR - Cornwell(1). HBP - Gilbert; Winkler, K. SB - Hazen(15); Gilbert(1); Stuhlmiller(7).

Pacific Lutheran	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Stores, Sara.....	7.0	4	1	0	1	5	26	28

George Fox 1 (11-23,6-17 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	1	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	1	1	0	1	2	1	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	7	0	2
Tronson, Amaris pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winkler, Kayla p.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Wade, Lacey p.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	3
Totals.....	26	1	4	1	1	5	21	7	6

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Winkler, Kayla.....	5.0	6	4	3	6	3	19	25
Wade, Lacey.....	2.0	3	4	3	3	3	10	14

Win - Stores (10-8). Loss - Winkler, K (3-6). Save - None.
WP - Winkler, K(15). HBP - by Stores (Winkler, K); by Wade, L (Gilbert). PB - Guillory, L(16).
Umpires - HP: Jerry Bone 1B: Dave Emery
Start: 4:15 pm Time: 2:03 Attendance:
Game: GFS04211

The Automated ScoreBook
Pacific Lutheran at George Fox (Game 2)
04/21/05 at Newberg, Ore. (Morse Field)

Pacific Lutheran 8 (19-13,12-10 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Nuechterlein, Jackie cf..	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Hazen, Ericka 3b.....	4	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	0
Ruecker, Gretchen lb.....	4	2	1	2	0	0	7	0	2
Wells, Andrea 2b.....	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Marquardt, Mary Jo c.....	3	0	3	2	0	0	3	0	0
Cornwell, Jackie lf.....	3	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	0
Beecroft, Alex dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Gustafson, Corrie ss.....	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1
Stuhlmiller, Liz rf.....	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Howard, Candace p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	25	8	10	7	2	3	15	5	7

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Pacific Lutheran....	013	40	- 8 10 0
George Fox.....	000	00	- 0 3 2

E - Tsuruda, K 2(13). LOB - Pac Lutheran 7; George Fox 3. 2B - Marquardt(13); Coleman, K(3). HBP - Wells; Gustafson. SH - Nuechterlein(5). SB - Stuhlmiller(8).

Pacific Lutheran	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Howard, Candace.....	5.0	3	0	0	0	3	18	18

George Fox 0 (11-24,6-18 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Wade, Lacey 2b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b/ss..	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Morrison, Mikki 3b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Nelson, Erica pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2
Winkler, Kayla ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	18	0	3	0	0	3	15	9	3

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	5.0	10	8	6	2	3	25	30

Win - Howard (9-5). Loss - Roberts, M (5-10). Save - None.
WP - Roberts, M(14). HBP - by Roberts, M (Wells); by Roberts, M (Gustafson). PB - Guillory, L(17).
Umpires - HP: Dave Emery 1B: Jerry Bone
Start: 6:35 pm Time: 1:13 Attendance: 45
Game: GFS04212

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4/10 – GEORGE FOX 14-4, LEWIS & CLARK 6-3: Bruins Sweep Pios in First Home Games in a Month

NEWBERG, Ore. – Cassie Halvorson collected 7 hits on the day, including a pair of doubles and a triple, sparking the George Fox University Bruins to a 14-6, 4-3 sweep of the Lewis & Clark College Pioneers in a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader Sunday afternoon here at Morse Field, the Bruins' first home games since March 13.

In the first game, the Bruins jumped out to a 6-1 lead after three innings against Pioneer starter Janet Freerks (1-10). Katie Plumb doubled in two runs and Hollee Braun doubled in another in a 3-run 1st, Kimberly Coleman doubled in two more in the 2nd, and one run scored on a throwing error in the 3rd. The Pioneers battled back to tie it with 5 runs in the 4th, however, the big hits a two-run single by Caroline Schultz and a two-run double by Freerks.

Michelle Roberts (5-9) replaced George Fox starter Kayla Winkler to start the 5th and pitched two hitless innings, picking up the win when the Bruins exploded for 5 in the 5th and 3 in the 6th. Roberts doubled in a pair of runs, Halvorson doubled in another, and Kim Backhaus lined a two-run single in the 5th, and Halvorson's two-run double capped the 6th-inning rally and brought the game to a halt by the 8-run 'mercy rule'.

The Bruins finished with 14 hits in the game, 4 of them by Halvorson. Coleman, Plumb, and Braun all had two hits each. Freerks was 2-3 with a pair of doubles for the Pioneers.

The nightcap was much tighter, going down to the final batter of the game. George Fox took a 1-0 lead in the 1st as Halvorson tripled and came in on Backhaus' fielder's choice grounder, beating a throw to the plate. The Bruins made it 2-0 in the 3rd as Coleman lined a double off the glove of third baseman Charlotte Skeffington, advanced on a wild pitch, and scored on Plumb's sacrifice fly to right which was dropped.

Lewis & Clark got one run back in the 4th on back-to-back doubles by Karyne Sander and Brittany Dysert, but the Bruins responded with a run of their own in the bottom of the inning on singles by Jill Lacey, Halvorson, and Backhaus. The Pioneers tied it with a pair of unearned runs off Roberts in the 6th.

The Bruins won it in the last of the 7th. Coleman lined a one-out single to center, Plumb reached on a fielding error, and Kerstyn Tsuruda singled sharply to center to load the bases. Braun, pinch-hitting, hit a slow roller to short and Coleman, coming in from third, collided with catcher Sander, who could not control the throw, allowing Coleman to score the winning run.

The win went to Lacey Wade (3-5), who threw 1 2/3 innings of no-hit relief. Freerks (1-11), in relief of starter Roxanne Rittmaster, suffered her second setback of the day.

George Fox improved to 10-21 overall with its 4th straight win, all against Lewis & Clark, and to 5-15 in the conference. The Pioneers fell to 2-24 overall and 1-17 in the league. Both teams are in action Saturday with NWC doubleheaders at noon, the Bruins hosting Pacific Lutheran University and the Pioneers entertaining Linfield College.

George Fox 14, Lewis & Clark 6 (04/10/05 at Newberg, Oregon) (Game 1)

Lewis & Clark..... 010 500 - 6 5 3 (2-23, 1-16 NWC)
George Fox..... 321 053 - 14 14 3 (9-21, 4-15 NWC)

Pitchers: Lewis & Clark - Freerks; Rittmaster(5). George Fox - Winkler, K; Roberts, M(5).
Win-Roberts, M(5-9) Loss-Freerks(1-10) T-2:05 A-0
Game: GFS04101

George Fox 4, Lewis & Clark 3 (04/10/05 at Newberg, Oregon) (Game 2)

Lewis & Clark..... 000 102 0 - 3 4 2 (2-24, 1-17 NWC)
George Fox..... 101 100 1 - 4 10 5 (10-21, 5-15 NWC)

Pitchers: Lewis & Clark - Rittmaster; Freerks(6). George Fox - Roberts, M; Wade, L(6).
Win-Wade, L(3-5) Loss-Freerks(1-11) T-1:54 A-75
Game: GFS04102

The Automated ScoreBook
Lewis & Clark at George Fox (Game 1)
04/10/05 at Newberg, Oregon (Morse Field)

Lewis & Clark 6 (2-23,1-16 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Sander, Karyne ss.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3
Lemon, Stephanie cf.....	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
Badalich, Jennifer 3b....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Skeffington, Char. 3b....	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0
Murrieta, Elizabeth c/dh..	3	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1
Freerks, Janet p/xf.....	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	2	1
Henning, Tiffany lb.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	2
Ries, Heather lf.....	2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	0
DiSabatino, Sarah dh/c...	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Schultz, Caroline rf.....	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Rittmaster, Roxanne p....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strawn, Emily 2b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0
Totals.....	26	6	5	5	4	5	17	9	7

Score by Innings R H E

Lewis & Clark..... 010 500 - 6 5 3
George Fox..... 321 053 - 14 14 3

Note: 2 outs, 1 runner LOB when the game ended.

E - Freerks(5); Strawn 2(2); Backhaus, K(5); Tsuruda, K(7); Braun, H(3). LOB - Lewis & Clark 7; George Fox 6. 2B - Freerks 2(2); Halvorson, C 2(5); Coleman, K(1); Plumb, K(7); Braun, H(4); Roberts, M(1). HBP - Skeffington; Winkler, K. SH - Backhaus, K(3); Tsuruda, K(2). SB - Lemon 2(3); Ries(5); Lacey, J(2).

Lewis & Clark	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Freerks, Janet.....	4.2	11	11	9	3	2	23	29
Rittmaster, Roxanne.	1.0	3	3	2	1	1	7	8

George Fox 14 (9-21,4-15 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	5	2	4	3	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	1	1	2	0	0	1	3	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b.....	3	1	2	2	1	0	1	2	1
Plumb, Katie lf.....	4	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	3
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Braun, Hollie lb.....	2	1	2	1	2	0	3	0	0
Tronson, Amaris pr/lb...	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
O'Malley, Katelin ph....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Winkler, Kayla p.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0
Wade, Lacey dh.....	3	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
Totals.....	30	14	14	13	4	3	18	8	6

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Winkler, Kayla.....	4.0	5	6	4	4	3	19	24
Roberts, Michelle...	2.0	0	0	0	0	2	7	7

Win - Roberts, M (5-9). Loss - Freerks (1-10). Save - None.
WP - Freerks. HBP - by Freerks (Winkler, K); by Winkler, K (Skeffington). PB - Murrieta(6).
Umpires - HP: John Neuschwanger 1B: Kay Williamson
Start: 11:59 am Time: 2:05 Attendance:
Game: GFS04101

The Automated ScoreBook
Lewis & Clark at George Fox (Game 2)
04/10/05 at Newberg, Oregon (Morse Field)

Lewis & Clark 3 (2-24,1-17 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Henning, Tiffany lb.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	10	1	0
Sander, Karyne c.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	3
Strawn, Emily pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dysert, Brittany ss.....	4	1	1	1	0	1	3	4	0
Freerks, Janet rf/dh.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Badalich, Jennifer dh....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Schultz, Caroline rf....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Lemon, Stephanie cf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miura, Randi 2b.....	2	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	0
Rittmaster, Roxanne p/dh..	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Davis, Stacy lf.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ries, Heather ph/lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Skeffington, Char. 3b....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Totals.....	27	3	4	2	1	6	19	14	6

Score by Innings R H E

Lewis & Clark..... 000 102 0 - 3 4 2
George Fox..... 101 100 1 - 4 10 5

Note: 1 out, 3 runners LOB when the game ended.

E - Freerks(6); Skeffington(1); Backhaus, K(6); Tsuruda, K(8); Garvin, K 3(12). DP - Lewis & Clark 1; George Fox 1. LOB - Lewis & Clark 6; George Fox 10. 2B - Sander(1); Dysert(4); Coleman, K(2). 3B - Halvorson, C(2). SH - Miura(1); Rittmaster(1); Garvin, K(2). SF - Plumb, K(2). SB - Miura(1); Halvorson, C(7).

Lewis & Clark	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Rittmaster, Roxanne.	5.0	8	3	3	2	0	21	25
Freerks, Janet.....	1.1	2	1	0	0	1	8	8

George Fox 4 (10-21,5-15 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	4	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	1
Coleman, Kimberly c/3b...	3	2	2	0	1	0	7	3	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	2
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0
Braun, Hollie lb/ph.....	3	0	0	1	1	0	8	0	0
Morrison, Nikki lb.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	4	3
Wade, Lacey p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	29	4	10	4	2	1	21	13	10

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	5.1	4	3	1	0	6	23	25
Wade, Lacey.....	1.2	0	0	0	1	0	4	5

Win - Wade, L (3-5). Loss - Freerks (1-11). Save - None.
WP - Rittmaster; Roberts, M(12). PB - Sander(2).
Umpires - HP: Kay Williamson 1B: John Neuschwanger
Start: 2:32 pm Time: 1:54 Attendance: 75
Game: GFS04102

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4/9 – GEORGE FOX 13-5, LEWIS & CLARK 0-1: Roberts Throws No-Hitter as Bruins Throttle Pios Twice

PORTLAND, Ore. – Righthander Michelle Roberts of George Fox University allowed only two 1st-inning base-runners in throwing a first-game no-hitter, starting the Bruins off to a 13-0, 5-1 sweep of the Lewis & Clark College Pioneers in a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader Saturday afternoon here at the Huston Sports Complex.

Roberts hit Caroline Schultz as the Pios' first batter in the bottom of the 1st and walked Jennifer Badalich with one out, then retired the last 14 batters she faced in the five-inning contest. She struck out two in raising her record to 4-9.

The Bruins backed her with their largest offensive output of the season, including the team's first two home runs. Hollee Braun keyed a 3-run 1st inning with an RBI double and later scored herself on a single by Kayla Winkler, then the Bruins broke the game open with 7 runs in the 4th. Braun sparked the inning with a lead-off home run, then after a second run came in on an error, Cassie Halvorson socked a grand-slam home run, scoring Lacey Wade, Jill Lacey, and Larae Guillory ahead of her. Winkler singled in another run before the inning was over, and Halvorson added an RBI single in a 3-run 5th.

Janet Freerks (1-9) took the loss on the mound for the Pioneers.

Roberts went the first three innings of the nightcap, allowing 4 hits and one run while striking out 5 with no walks, but did not pitch the four innings needed to get the win. That victory went to Lacey Wade (2-5), who allowed only one hit with 3 strikeouts and a walk over four shutout innings.

As they had in the opener, the Bruins jumped out to a 1st-inning lead when Kimberly Coleman singled in Halvorson and Braun drew a bases-loaded walk to force in Kim Backhaus. The Bruins gave their pitchers a little breathing room with 3 in the 5th, Katie Plumb singled in Halvorson and Backhaus before scoring herself on a squeeze bunt by Kerstyn Tsuruda.

The loss went to Pioneer starter Roxanne Rittmaster (1-12), who allowed only 4 hits in 5 innings but was victimized by three errors and her own wildness, as she walked two, hit one, and threw two wild pitches.

George Fox snapped an 8-game losing streak, improving to 8-21 overall and 3-15 in the conference. Lewis & Clark fell to 2-22 overall and 1-15 in the league. The two teams square off again Sunday in a 12:00 noon doubleheader in Newberg, the Bruins' first home games since Mar. 13 and the end of a string of 10 straight conference road games.

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox at Lewis & Clark (Game 1)
04/09/05 at Portland, Ore. (Huston Sports Complx)

George Fox 13 (7-21,2-15 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	2	2	5	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim lf.....	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nelson, Erica lf.....	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b.....	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Morrison, Nikki ss.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Braun, Hollee 1b.....	3	2	2	2	0	0	5	1	0
O'Malley, Katelin 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Winkler, Kayla 2b.....	2	1	2	0	0	0	3	3	0
Wade, Lacey dh.....	2	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tronson, Amaris c.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	27	13	10	11	1	3	15	8	3

Lewis & Clark 0 (2-21,1-14 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Schultz, Caroline rf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dysert, Brittany ss.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Sander, Karyne ss.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Badalich, Jennifer 3b.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Murrieta, Elizabeth c....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
DiSabatino, Sarah c.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Freerks, Janet p.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2
Rittmaster, Roxanne p...	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lemon, Stephanie cf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miura, Randi 2b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Davis, Stacy 2b.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Henning, Tiffany 1b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0
Skeffington, Char. 1b...	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Ries, Heather lf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	14	0	0	0	1	2	15	13	2

Score by Innings R H E

 George Fox..... 300 73 - 13 10 0
 Lewis & Clark..... 000 00 - 0 0 3

E - Sander; Miura 2. LOB - George Fox 3; Lewis & Clark 2. 2B - Braun, H; Wade, L. HR - Halvorson, C(1); Braun, H(1). HBP - Coleman, K; Winkler, K; Guillory, L; Schultz. SH - Dysert. SB - Backhaus, K; Coleman, K; Lacey, J; Badalich. CS - Winkler, K.

George Fox IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Roberts, Michelle... 5.0 0 0 0 1 2 14 17

Lewis & Clark IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Freerks, Janet..... 3.0 5 6 6 1 1 13 16
 Rittmaster, Roxanne. 2.0 5 7 4 0 2 14 15

Win - Roberts, M (4-9). Loss - Freerks (1-9). Save - None.
 WP - Roberts, M; Rittmaster. HBP - by Freerks (Coleman, K); by Roberts, M (Schultz); by Freerks (Winkler, K); by Rittmaster (Guillory, L). PB - DiSabatino.
 Umpires - HP: Dave Emery 1B: Michael Hoffman
 Start: 12:00 pm Time: 1:35 Attendance:
 Freerks faced 3 batters in the 4th.
 Game: GFS04091

The Automated ScoreBook
 George Fox at Lewis & Clark (Game 2)
 04/09/05 at Portland, Ore. (Huston Sports Complx)

George Fox 5 (8-21,3-15 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
O'Malley, Katelin 2b....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	4	0	1	1	0	1	8	2	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	2	1	1	2	2	0	1	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	0	1	0	2	1	2	1
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waritz, Shannon rf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	2	0	0	1	1	2	10	0	0
Wade, Lacey dh/p.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Morrison, Nikki 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	26	5	4	5	4	6	21	9	6

Score by Innings R H E

 George Fox..... 200 030 0 - 5 4 1
 Lewis & Clark..... 001 000 0 - 1 5 3

E - Backhaus, K; Murrieta 2; Sander. LOB - George Fox 6; Lewis & Clark 7. 2B - Badalich. HBP - Rittmaster. SH - Tsuruda, K; Morrison, N. SB - Plumb, K 2; Badalich.

George Fox IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Roberts, Michelle... 3.0 4 1 1 0 5 13 14
 Wade, Lacey..... 4.0 1 0 0 1 3 14 15

Lewis & Clark IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Rittmaster, Roxanne. 5.0 4 5 2 2 3 21 24
 Freerks, Janet..... 2.0 0 0 0 0 2 3 5 8

Win - Wade, L (2-5). Loss - Rittmaster (1-12). Save - None.
 WP - Roberts, M; Rittmaster 2. HBP - by Roberts, M (Rittmaster).
 Umpires - HP: Michael Hoffman 1B: Dave Emery
 Start: 2:00 pm Time: 1:35 Attendance: 76
 Game: GFS04092

Lewis & Clark 1 (2-22,1-15 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Davis, Stacy 2b.....	4	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0
Guilford, Brittany rf....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Schultz, Caroline rf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Badalich, Jennifer 3b....	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	4	0
Murrieta, Elizabeth c....	3	0	1	1	0	0	6	0	1
Lemon, Stephanie cf.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Ries, Heather cf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Henning, Tiffany lb.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	7	1	0
Sander, Karyne ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
Rittmaster, Roxanne p....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Freerks, Janet p.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Strawn, Emily lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
Totals.....	27	1	5	1	1	8	21	8	7

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- * Recent Games: Bruins Battle League Leaders Well but Go 0-4**
- * Coming Up: Road Saturday, Home Sunday, All vs. Lewis & Clark**
- * Winkler Honorable Mention for NWC Pitcher of the Week**
- * NWC Stats: Winkler, Roberts Among League Leaders in ERA**

COMING UP:

Sat., Apr. 9, 12:00 pm - at Lewis & Clark College (2), Portland, Ore.

Sun., Apr. 10, 12:00 pm - vs. Lewis & Clark College (2), Newberg, Ore.

RECENT GAMES (click on links for releases and box scores):

[Apr. 2 - at Linfield 10-1, George Fox 4-0](#)

[Apr. 5 - at Willamette 2-5, George Fox 1-3](#)

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE: Bruins Finally Get to Play at Home Again

A string of 10 straight conference games on the road comes to an end for the Bruins Saturday when they play a pair at Lewis & Clark, then the Pioneers come to Newberg Sunday for two as the Bruins conclude the regular season with 10 straight at home. Although the Bruins have been competitive in almost every game against NWC competition, one or two mistakes and breaks have fallen the wrong way for the team, and they are hopeful that a little "home cooking" will enable them to finish strong. The Bruins (6-21, NWC 1-15) are

in 8th place in the conference, a game behind the Pioneers (2-20, NWC 1-13). George Fox was picked to finish 8th in the pre-season coaches' poll, while Lewis & Clark was picked 7th. For the latest NWC standings, visit the conference web site at www.nwcsports.com.

COACH MARK VERGETS:

Mark Vergets is 6-21 (.222) to date in his 1st season as the Bruins' head softball coach. He was an assistant under Bob Steenson for the last two years. Click here for the complete bio on the George Fox web site for [Coach Vergets](#).

Coach Vergets vs. upcoming opponents:

Lewis & Clark - 0-0

BRUIN BITS:

*** Winkler Honorable Mention for NWC Pitcher of the Week**

Although she lost the game, righthander **Kayla Winkler** was outstanding in a 1-0 loss to league-leading Linfield on Saturday, earning honorable mention for Northwest Conference Pitcher of the Week for Mar. 28-Apr. 3. In 6 innings, she allowed only 3 hits and one earned run, striking out 2 and walking 2. She ranks among the league leaders in ERA (2.55) despite a 2-5 season record.

*** NWC Stats: Winkler, Roberts Among League Leaders in ERA**

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference team stats (Apr. 4):

Batting - 3rd in triples (4, tie); 4th in at bats (554); 5th in hits (116), stolen bases (19, tie); 6th in doubles (16), fewest strikeouts (113); 7th in batting average (.191), runs (54), home runs (0, tie), walks (50) ...

Pitching - 3rd in innings (162.0), saves (0, tie), fewest walks (53); 6th in strikeouts (102); 7th in wins (6), earned run average (5.39), 8th in fewest hits (226), runs (164), earned runs (117) ...

Fielding - 1st in caught stealing (10, tie); 3rd in putouts (456), assists (192); 6th in double plays (2); 7th in average (.922), fewest errors (55); 8th in fewest steals (43), fewest steal attempts (53), fewest passed balls (18) ...

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference individual stats (Apr. 4):

Kayla Winkler, RHP - 10th ERA (2.55) ...

Michelle Roberts, RHP - 5th in appearances (15), starts (11, tie), 15th in ERA (4.61) ...

Katie Plumb, LF - 4th in doubles (6, tie), 5th in triples (1, tie), 15th in batting (.319) ...

Kerstyn Tsuruda - 3rd in hit by pitches (4, tie) ...

Cassie Halvorson, CF - 5th in triples (1, tie) ...

Hollie Braun, DH - 5th in triples (1, tie) ...

Kelly Garvin, 3B - 5th in triples (1, tie) ...

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4/5 – WILLAMETTE 2-5, GEORGE FOX 1-3: Bearcats Win Two Close Ones from Bruins to Tie for First

SALEM, Ore. – Despite getting fine performances from starting pitchers Michelle Roberts and Kayla Winkler, the George Fox University Bruins were unable to supply enough offense or defense to support them and dropped a pair of close decisions, 2-1 and 5-3, in a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader here Tuesday afternoon. The games were make-ups of rainouts from Sunday.

In the first game, George Fox jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the top of the 2nd as Lacey Wade and Jill Lacey stroked back-to-back doubles, and Roberts (3-9) made it stand up for a while as she allowed only two hits through the first four innings. The Bearcats finally broke through in the bottom of the 5th, scoring a pair of unearned runs on four hits and two Bruin errors.

The Bruins put two runners on with one out in the 6th but could not punch across the tying run, and Brittany Dearing recorded her 8th save with a 1-2-3 7th to rescue the game for starter Brittney Tachara (6-2). Tachara allowed only four hits while striking out six and walking two as the Willamette hurlers outdueled Roberts, who scattered six hits and fanned four with one walk.

Kayla Winkler (2-5) also pitched a six-hitter for the Bruins in the nightcap, striking out five and walking two, but was victimized by four Bruin errors that led to three unearned runs. Laura Milne (7-1) got the second-game win for the Bearcats, allowing three hits in four innings while striking out seven, but walked four. Dearing pitched the final three innings to pick up her 9th save.

The Bearcats got a run in the 1st on an RBI single by Molly Barnes and added three more in the 4th, all unearned, on one hit and three errors. The Bruins mounted a comeback in the top of the 5th as Hollee Braun led off with a double and Larae Guillory reached on a third-strike passed ball. Cassie Halvorson singled in pinch-runner Amaris Tronson, knocking out Milne, and Kerstyn Tsuruda singled off Dearing to score Guillory. Dearing worked out of the jam, however, as Tsuruda was caught stealing and Kimberly Coleman grounded out.

The Bearcats added an insurance run in the last of the 5th on Marianne Ward's run-scoring ground out, off-setting a final George Fox run in the 7th that came when Katie Plumb's sacrifice fly scored Kim Backhaus.

George Fox fell to 6-21 overall and 1-15 in the conference, while Willamette improved to 15-5 overall and 13-1 in the league. The Bearcats moved into a tie for first in the conference standings with Linfield College.

The Bruins visit Lewis & Clark College and the Bearcats host the University of Puget Sound Saturday, both doubleheaders starting at 12:00 noon.

The Automated ScoreBook George Fox at Willamette (Game 1) 04/05/05 at Salem, OR (Willamette Field)

George Fox 1 (6-20,1-14 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	1	0	0	0	2	0	6	0	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Braun, Hollee lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	6	1	2
Wade, Lacey dh.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	25	1	4	1	2	8	18	7	5

Willamette 2 (12-1,13-5 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Schruth, Cari c.....	3	0	1	1	0	1	10	0	0
Stolz, Kelsey cf.....	2	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	0
Ward, Marianne 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Barnes, Molly 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Braun, Lindsey lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	2
Greer, April dh.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andrzejewski, Lauren rf..	2	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Lindquist, Amanda lf.....	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gilgan, Elizabeth ss.....	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Tachara, Brittney p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dearing, Brittany p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	22	2	6	1	1	4	21	6	3

Score by Innings

	R	H	E
George Fox.....	010	000	0 - 1 4 2
Willamette.....	000	020	X - 2 6 0

X - Backhaus, K; Tsuruda, K. LOB - George Fox 5; Willamette 3. 2B - Backhaus, K; Wade, L; Lacey, J. SB - Gilgan. CS - Stolz.

George Fox

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	6.0	6	2	0	1	4	22 23

Willamette

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Tachara, Brittney...	6.0	4	1	1	2	6	22 24
Dearing, Brittany...	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3 3

Win - Tachara (6-2). Loss - Roberts, M (3-9). Save - Dearing (8).
 Umpires -
 Start: 1:00 pm Time: 1:30 Attendance:
 Game: GFS04051

The Automated ScoreBook
 George Fox at Willamette (Game 2)
 04/05/05 at Salem, OR (Willamette Field)

George Fox 3 (6-21,1-15 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	2	1	0	0	2	1	2	2	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	2	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b.....	3	0	1	0	1	0	1	3	2
Plumb, Katie lf.....	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
Winkler, Kayla p.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Braun, Hollie 1b.....	2	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	0
Tronson, Amaris pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O'Malley, Katelin pr/ph.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	1	0	0	0	2	7	1	0

Totals..... 25 3 5 3 6 7 18 8 9

Score by Innings

	R	H	E
George Fox.....	000	020	1 - 3 5 4
Willamette.....	100	310	X - 5 6 1

X - Backhaus, K; Coleman, K; Plumb, K; Guillory, L; Ward. DP - Willamette 1. LOB - George Fox 9; Willamette 4. 2B - Braun, H. HBP - Tsuruda, K. SH - Ward 2. SF - Plumb, K. SB - Guillory, L; Schruth 2; Stolz; Gilgan 2. CS - Tsuruda, K; Barnes.

George Fox

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Winkler, Kayla.....	6.0	6	5	2	5	5	20 27

Willamette

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Milne, Laura.....	4.0	3	2	1	4	7	15 19
Dearing, Brittany...	3.0	2	1	1	2	0	10 14

Win - Milne (7-1). Loss - Winkler, K (2-5). Save - Dearing (9).
 WP - Milne. HBP - by Dearing (Tsuruda, K). PB - Schruth.
 Umpires -
 Start: 2:45 pm Time: 2:00 Attendance: 53
 Milne faced 3 batters in the 5th.
 Game: GFS04052

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SPORTS RELEASE: SOFTBALL – Saturday, April 2, 2005

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4/2 – LINFIELD 10-1, GEORGE FOX 4-0: Pitching Depth Carries NWC Co-Leading Wildcats by Bruins Twice

McMINNVILLE, Ore. - Four Linfield College pitchers combined for 15 strikeouts while allowing only eight hits, leading the host Wildcats to a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader sweep of the George Fox University Bruins 10-4 and 1-0 Saturday afternoon here at the Linfield softball diamond.

The Wildcats collected 13 hits to win the opener. Meredith Brunette led the way as she went 3-3 and drove in one run. Amanda Attleberger, Amy Hammons, Kelly Stewart, and Stephanie Morgan all had a pair of hits in the contest. Michelle Roberts (3-8) took the loss on the mound for the Bruins, recording two strikeouts and one walk in six innings of action.

The Bruins pounded out four hits in the 1st inning on Wildcats starter Michelle Morris (12-3), including RBI singles by Kimberly Coleman and Kerstyn Tsuruda, but she settled down to throw three scoreless innings thereafter before giving way to Jessica Galaway. The two Wildcats combined for eight strikeouts, including five by Galaway. The southpaw did not allow a hit over the final three innings while giving up one walk.

Trailing 2-0, Linfield countered with five runs in the bottom of the 1st, highlighted by Kelly Stewart's RBI single to left-center field. The Wildcats added four runs in the 2nd, sparked by a RBI double by Molleigh Keenan

Tsuruda went 2 for 3 to lead the Bruins at the plate.

Stephanie Rice scored the game-winning run in the 6th inning of the nightcap, breaking a scoreless stalemate. Rice pinch-ran the bases after Bruin starter Kayla Winkler (2-4) issued a walk to Attleberger. A sacrifice bunt by Hammons moved Rice to second, she then stole third, and scored when Stewart was thrown out at first base.

Winkler took the loss despite limiting the Wildcats to three hits, including two by Stewart. Linfield starter Kori Kajitsu earned her first collegiate win, throwing four innnings before giving way to Lindsay Fleischman. The two hurlers struck out seven Bruins while holding George Fox to three hits.

Winkler led the Bruins offensively, going 1-3 with a double, while Cassie Halvorson and Katie Plumb also logged base hits.

George Fox dropped to 6-19 overall and 1-13 in conference play. Linfield, an NWC co-leader with Willamette University, improved to 18-4-1 overall and 11-1 in the conference. Both teams are in action Sunday, the Wildcats hosting Pacific University and the Bruins visiting Willamette for twinbills starting at 12:00 noon.

The Automated ScoreBook George Fox at Linfield (Game 1) 04/02/05 at McMinnville, Ore.

George Fox 4 (6-18,1-12 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	0	0	0	1	2	3	2	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	4	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	2	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	3	1	0	0	0	7	0	1	
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	2	1	0	0	1	5	0
Wade, Lacey dh.....	3	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	2
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	2
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 28 4 5 4 2 8 18 8 5

Linfield 10 (17-4-1,10-1 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Steinke, Shelly cf.....	5	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	3
Smith, Lisa lf.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Dobie, Bethany lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attleberger, Amanda dh...	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rice, Stephanie pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hammons, Amy ss.....	4	2	2	1	0	0	2	3	0
Stewart, Kelly rf.....	4	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	1
Morgan, Stephanie lb.....	4	2	2	1	0	0	6	0	2
Keenan, Molleigh c.....	4	2	1	2	0	0	8	0	0
Bonser, Jamie 3b.....	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0
Brunette, Meredith 2b....	3	0	3	1	0	0	2	0	0
Morris, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galaway, Jessica p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 35 10 13 8 1 2 21 6 9

Score by Innings	R	H	E
George Fox.....	200	002	0 - 4 5 3
Linfield.....	540	001	X - 10 13 2

E - Backhaus, K; Braun, H; Tsuruda, K; Hammons; Bonser. LOB - George Fox 5; Linfield 9. 2B - Halvorson, C; Morgan; Keenan; Brunette. HBP - Brunette. SB - Rice; Brunette 2.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	6.0	13	10	6	1	2	35	37

Linfield	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Morris, Michelle....	4.0	5	2	2	1	3	17	18
Galaway, Jessica....	3.0	0	2	0	1	5	11	12

Win - Morris (12-3). Loss - Roberts, M (3-8). Save - None.
HBP - by Roberts, M (Brunette). PB - Keenan.
Umpires -
Start: 12:00 pm Time: 1:45 Attendance:
Game: GFS04021

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox at Linfield (Game 2)
04/02/05 at McMinnville, Ore.

George Fox 0 (6-19,1-13 NWC)

Linfield 1 (18-4-1,11-1 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly 3b....	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	4	2
Braun, Hollie 1b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0
Tronson, Amaris ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Winkler, Kayla p.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
Wade, Lacey ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals.....	25	0	3	0	1	7	18	10	8

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Steinke, Shelly cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Smith, Lisa lf.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Attleberger, Amanda dh...	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rice, Stephanie pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hammons, Amy ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0
Stewart, Kelly rf.....	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Morgan, Stephanie 1b....	3	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	2
Keenan, Mollieigh 3b....	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	1
Dohie, Bethany pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loop, Jena c.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	7	1	0
Brunette, Meredith 2b....	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Kajitsu, Kori p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Fleischman p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	21	1	3	0	2	2	21	9	5

Score by Innings	R	H	E
George Fox.....	000	000	0 - 0 3 1
Linfield.....	000	001	X - 1 3 2

E - Winkler, K; Morgan; Loop. LOB - George Fox 8; Linfield 5. 2B - Winkler, K; Keenan. HBP - Tsuruda, K 2. SH - Lacey, J; Hammons. SB - Steinke; Rice.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Winkler, Kayla.....	6.0	3	1	1	2	2	21	24

Linfield	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Kajitsu, Kori.....	4.0	3	0	0	1	3	15	18
Fleischman.....	3.0	0	0	0	0	4	10	11

Win - Kajitsu (1-0). Loss - Winkler, K (2-4). Save - None.
HBP - by Kajitsu (Tsuruda, K); by Fleischman (Tsuruda, K). PB - Guillory, L.
Umpires - HP: Don Alexander 1B: Robert Breihof
Start: 2:15 pm Time: 1:30 Attendance: 75
Game: GFS04022

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**4/1 WHAT'S BRUIN:
GEORGE FOX SOFTBALL 2005
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HIGHLIGHTS:

- * Recent Games: Bruins Struggle to Score in Series at Whitworth**
- * Coming Up: Bruins to Visit NWC Leaders Linfield and Willamette**
- * Update on Halvorson's No-Strikeout Streak of 186**
- * NWC Stats: Bruin Pitching Staff Ranks 3rd in League in Strikeouts**

COMING UP:

Sat., Apr. 2, 12:00 pm - at Linfield College (2), McMinnville, Ore.

Sun., Apr. 3, 12:00 pm - at Willamette University (2), Salem, Ore.

RECENT GAMES (click on links for releases and box scores):

[Mar. 25 - at Whitworth 5-7, George Fox 0-0](#)

[Mar. 26 - at Whitworth 13-7, George Fox 0-0](#)

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE: Bruins Visit Co-Leaders Linfield and Willamette

Hoping to break out of a hitting slump, the Bruins face a stiff challenge in trying to do so against NWC co-leaders Linfield and Willamette this weekend. The Bruins are at Linfield (16-4-1, NWC 9-1) on Saturday and at Willamette (11-5, NWC 9-1) on Sunday for noon doubleheaders. These are games 5-8 in a 10-game string of conference road games, but the Bruins end with 10 at home! George Fox was picked to finish 8th in the pre-season coaches' poll, while Linfield's defending-champion Wildcats were picked 1st and Willamette's Bearcats were picked 4th. For the latest NWC standings, visit the conference web site at

www.nwcsports.com.

COACH MARK VERGETS:

Mark Vergets is 6-17 (.261) to date in his 1st season as the Bruins' head softball coach. He was an assistant under Bob Steenson for the last two years. Click [here](#) for the complete bio on the George Fox web site for Coach Vergets.

Coach Vergets vs. upcoming opponents:

Linfield - 0-2 (0-2 home)

Willamette - 0-2 (0-2 home)

BRUIN BITS:

*** Update on Halvorson's No-Strikeout Streak of 186**

George Fox's Cassie Halvorson had a string of 186 at bats without striking out come to an end leading off a game vs. St. Thomas (Minn.) on Mar. 21 in the SunWest Tournament in Orange, Calif. It was the first time she had fanned in almost two years. The last time the talented junior, an Honorable Mention All-Northwest Conference selection last year, failed to make contact was in her first at bat in the second game of a doubleheader at Linfield on April 19, 2003, during her freshman year. She went the entire 2004 season without striking out, the only regular in the country to do so.

In response to a national inquiry by the GFU sports information office, it has been determined that Halvorson's streak, while certainly impressive, might be only the third-longest streak in D-III history. Chapman shortstop Lisa Cancilla went 296 at bats between strikeouts in 1995-96, while Christopher Newport's Alisa Fox did not strike out at all in a three-career that covered 238 at bats in 1985-87. Considering the speeds at which the top pitchers throw and the mound-to-home distance of only 43 feet, all three of these streaks are truly remarkable.

*** NWC Stats: Bruin Pitching Staff Ranks 3rd in League in Strikeouts**

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference team stats (Mar. 28):

Batting - 2nd in at bats (554), triples (4, tie); 5th in hits (108), stolen bases (19, tie); 6th in doubles (14), fewest strikeouts (98); 7th in batting average (.195), runs (50), home runs (0, tie), walks (47) ...

Pitching - 2nd in innings (140.0); 3rd in strikeouts (98), fewest walks (30), saves (0, tie); 7th in wins (6); 8th in earned run average (5.55), fewest hits (210), runs (153), earned runs (111) ...

Fielding - 1st in caught stealing (10); 2nd in putouts (420), assists (174); 5th in double plays (2, tie); 7th

in average (.921); 8th in fewest steals (38), fewest steal attempts (48), fewest errors (51), fewest passed balls (17) ...

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference individual stats (Mar. 28):

Kayla Winkler, RHP - 11th in ERA (2.83) ...

Michelle Roberts, RHP - 15th in ERA (4.38) ...

Katie Plumb, LF - 3rd in doubles (6, tie), triples (1, tie), 14th in batting (.323, tie) ...

Cassie Halvorson, CF - 3rd in triples (1, tie) ...

Hollee Braun, DH - 3rd in triples (1, tie) ...

Kelly Garvin, 3B - 3rd in triples (1, tie) ...

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SPORTS RELEASE: SOFTBALL – Saturday, March 26, 2005

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3/26 – WHITWORTH 13-7, GEORGE FOX 0-0: Bruin Bats as Cold as the Weather in Double Loss to Pirates

SPOKANE, Wash. – With only four hits all day – two in each game off Whitworth hurler Jo Sonnett, who pitched both games – the George Fox University bats were as cold as the rainy, chilly weather in which the games were played Saturday afternoon here at Diana Marks Field, resulting in 13-0 and 7-0 losses by the Bruins to the Pirates in a Northwest Conference women's softball twinbill.

In the first game, Sonnett allowed singles to Kim Backhaus and Kerstyn Tsuruda while striking out 7 and walking 2. In the nightcap, Hollee Braun and Katie Plumb got the Bruins' only hits while Sonnett was fanning 7 with no walks and evening her record at 6-6.

The Pirates managed to score 13 runs on only 7 hits in the opener, benefiting from 3 Bruins errors, 8 bases on balls, 6 wild pitches and a hit batter. Heather Case went 3-3 with a triple and a home run, driving in 3 and scoring 3. Patti Stranger was 2-2 with 2 runs scored and an RBI, while Holly Hayden was 1-2 with an RBI and 3 runs scored.

Kayla Winkler (2-3) started the game for George Fox, allowing 6 runs (4 earned) on only 2 hits. After 3 walks and 2 wild pitches allowed 2 runs without an out in the 2nd inning, Winkler was relieved by Michelle Roberts, who went the rest of the way. The game was ended by the "mercy rule" after the Bruins batted in the top of the 5th.

Whitworth opened the second game by picking up a pair of runs in each of the first two innings to open a 4-0 lead against Roberts (3-7), the George Fox starting pitcher. After Lacey Wade relieved Roberts in the 3rd, Hayden drove in three with a bases-loaded triple for a 7-0 Pirate lead after three innings, but Wade shut out Whitworth over the final three innings to prevent the game from ending early.

Patti Stranger, Alana Klaus, and Case all finished with 2 hits for the Bucs, with Hayden totaling 4 RBIs in the game.

George Fox is 6-17 overall and 1-11 in the conference, while Whitworth climbs to 12-11 overall and 7-5 in league play.

The road does not get any easier for the Bruins next weekend as they face away doubleheaders at NWC co-leaders Linfield College on Saturday, Apr. 2, and Willamette University on Sunday, Apr. 3, each 9-1 in the NWC. Both twinbills begin at 12:00 noon. The Pirates go to Tacoma for a four-game series at Puget Sound next Saturday and Sunday, with doubleheaders at noon both days.

The Automated ScoreBook George Fox at Whitworth (Game 1) 03/26/05 at Spokane, Wash. (Marks Field)

George Fox 0 (6-16,1-10 NWC)

Whitworth 13 (11-11,6-5 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Coleman, Kimberly dh.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim lf.....	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Plumb, Katie cf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	1	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0
Wade, Lacey 2b.....	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	0
Winkler, Kayla p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	16	0	2	0	2	7	12	6	3

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Stranger, Patti cf.....	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
Hayden, Holly rf.....	2	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Case, Heather dh.....	3	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
Romag, Laura 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Azzarito, Aubri 2b.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
Robertson, Andraya lf.....	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Hanson, Kristin ss.....	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	0
Norwood, Amanda lb.....	2	1	0	0	1	1	4	0	1
Davis, Lindsay c.....	1	2	1	0	1	0	7	0	0
Sonnett, Jo p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Totals.....	17	13	7	5	8	5	15	4	1

Score by Innings	R	H	E
George Fox.....	000	00	- 0 2 3
Whitworth.....	355	0X	- 13 7 1

E - Braun, H; Wade, L; Lacey, J; Robertson. DP - Whitworth 1. LOB - George Fox 3; Whitworth 1. 3B - Case. HR - Case. HBP - Hayden. SB - Hayden; Davis 2. CS - Azzarito; Robertson.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Winkler, Kayla.....	1.0	2	6	4	4	0	5	9
Roberts, Michelle...	3.0	5	7	4	4	5	12	17

Whitworth	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Sonnett, Jo.....	5.0	2	0	0	2	7	16	18

Win - Sonnett (5-6). Loss - Winkler, K (2-3). Save - None.
 WP - Winkler, K 6. HBP - by Roberts, M (Hayden).
 Umpires - HP: Mark Dixon 1B: Joe Cooney
 Start: 12:00 pm Time: 1:35 Attendance: 100
 Winkler, K faced 3 batters in the 2nd.
 Game: GFS03261

The Automated ScoreBook
 George Fox at Whitworth (Game 2)
 03/26/05 at Spokane, Wash. (Marks Field)

George Fox 0 (6-17,1-11 NWC)

Whitworth 7 (12-11,7-5 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Coleman, Kimberly dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	2	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	0
Tronson, Amaris pr/lb...	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Plumb, Katie cf.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	1
Winkler, Kayla 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wade, Lacey p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Totals.....	24	0	2	0	0	7	18	10	4

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Stranger, Patti cf.....	2	3	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
Hayden, Molly rf.....	4	0	1	4	0	0	1	1	1
Case, Heather dh.....	4	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	1
Klaus, Alana 3b/lb.....	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	1	0
Romag, Laura ss/3b.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	1
Combs, Chelsea ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cavalier, Nicole 2b.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
Davis, Lindsay c.....	3	0	0	1	1	0	8	1	3
Norwood, Amanda lb.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	3
Thomson, Tracie lb.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hanson, Kristin ph/ss...	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Mattie, Amy lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sonnett, Jo p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	27	7	9	7	4	2	21	6	9

Score by Innings	R	H	E
George Fox.....	000	000	0 - 0 2 0
Whitworth.....	223	000	X - 7 9 2

E - Klaus; Romag. DP - Whitworth 1. LOB - George Fox 4; Whitworth 9. 2B - Klaus. 3B - Stranger; Hayden. HBP - Backhaus, K; Stranger; Klaus; Cavalier.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	2.0	6	4	4	1	0	12	14
Wade, Lacey.....	4.0	3	3	3	3	2	15	20

Whitworth	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Sonnett, Jo.....	7.0	2	0	0	0	7	24	25

Win - Sonnett (6-6). Loss - Roberts, M (3-7). Save - None.
 WP - Roberts, M 2. HBP - by Roberts, M (Klaus); by Wade, L (Cavalier); by Sonnett (Backhaus, K); by Wade, L (Stranger). PB - Guillory, L.
 Umpires - HP: Joe Cooney 1B: Mark Dixon
 Start: 1:50 pm Time: 2:00 Attendance: 100
 Game: GFS03262

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3/25 – WHITWORTH 5-7, GEORGE FOX 0-0: Pirates' Pitching Overpowers Bruins for Shutout Sweep

SPOKANE, Wash. – Throwing back-to-back complete-game shutouts, Whitworth College pitchers Jo Sonnett and Alana Klaus ended a five-game losing streak by the Pirates with 5-0 and 7-0 victories over the visiting George Fox University Bruins in a Northwest Conference softball doubleheader Friday afternoon here at Marks Field.

Sonnett (4-6) dominated the opener, holding the Bruins to three hits and a walk while striking out eight batters. The Pirates scored two runs in the 1st inning without the benefit of a hit. George Fox pitcher Michelle Roberts (3-6) walked the first three batters, allowing the Pirates to score their first run on a ground out. After another walk loaded the bases again, Andraya Robertson was hit by a pitch, driving in a second run.

Roberts settled down, not allowing another run until the 5th, when Aubri Azzarito's triple to right-center drove home two runs. Klaus added a sacrifice fly in the 6th for Whitworth's final run.

Klaus (5-2) nearly matched Sonnett in the second game, pitching a five-hitter while striking out six without a walk. Klaus also got the Pirates on the board early, slamming a two-run home run off Lacey Wade (1-5) in the bottom of the 1st inning.

Lindsay Davis added her first career home run in the 2nd, and Kristin Hanson's RBI single made it 4-0 in the 3rd. The Pirates rallied for three more in the 4th, putting the Bruins in jeopardy of the eight-run rule, but Kayla Winkler relieved Wade and held Whitworth scoreless over the final 2.1 innings.

Heather Case was 3-4 to lead the Pirates' 12-hit attack, while Azzarito and Davis had two hits apiece. Kimberly Coleman was 2-3 for the Bruins.

George Fox is now 6-15 overall and 1-9 in the conference, while Whitworth is 10-11 overall and 5-5 in the NWC. The teams will complete the four-game NWC series with another doubleheader on Saturday afternoon beginning at noon.

The Automated ScoreBook George Fox at Whitworth (Game 1) 03/25/05 at Spokane, Wash. (Marks Field)

George Fox 0 (6-14,1-8 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassia cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Nelson, Erica lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
Plumb, Katie lf/cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Wade, Lacey dh.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	2
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	25	0	3	0	1	8	18	6	5

Score by Innings	R	H	E
George Fox.....	000	000	0 - 0 3 0
Whitworth.....	200	021	X - 5 7 1

E - Davis. LOB - George Fox 5; Whitworth 9. 2B - Hayden. 3B - Azzarito. HBP - Robertson. SF - Klaus. SB - Stranger 2; Hayden.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	6.0	7	5	5	5	6	25	32

Whitworth 5 (9-11,4-5 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Stranger, Patti cf.....	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1
Hayden, Holly rf.....	3	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Klaus, Alana dh.....	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Romag, Laura 3b.....	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3
Hanson, Kristin ss.....	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	3	0
Case, Heather ph.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norwood, Amanda lb.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	0
Cavalier, Nicole ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robertson, Andraya lf....	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Azzarito, Aubri 2b.....	3	0	2	2	0	1	3	4	3
Sonnett, Jo p.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2
Davis, Lindsay c.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0
Totals.....	25	5	7	5	5	6	21	8	9

Whitworth	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Sonnett, Jo.....	7.0	3	0	0	1	8	25	26

Win - Sonnett (4-6). Loss - Roberts, M (3-6). Save - None.
 WP - Roberts, M. HBP - by Roberts, M (Robertson). PB - Guillory, L 3.
 Umpires - HP: Bob Schloss 1B: Tony Luzzo
 Start: 12:00 pm Time: 1:55 Attendance:
 Game: GFS03251

The Automated ScoreBook
 George Fox at Whitworth (Game 2)
 03/25/05 at Spokane, Wash. (Marks Field)

George Fox 0 (6-15,1-9 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	0
Backhaus, Kim lf.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Braun, Mollee dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Plumb, Katie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	
Wade, Lacey p/2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	0
O'Malley, Katelin lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	1
Lacey, Jill rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winkler, Kayla 2b/p.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Totals.....	26	0	5	0	0	6	18	8	5

Score by Innings	R	H	E
George Fox.....	000	000	0 - 0 5 3
Whitworth.....	211	300	X - 7 12 0

E - Tsuruda, K; Garvin, K 2. LOB - George Fox 5; Whitworth 10. 2B - Robertson; Davis. HR - Klaus; Davis. SH - Stranger; Romag; Robertson.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Wade, Lacey.....	3.2	10	7	6	3	0	20	25
Winkler, Kayla.....	2.1	2	0	0	0	1	9	10

Win - Klaus (5-2). Loss - Wade, L (1-5). Save - None.
 PB - Coleman, K.
 Umpires - HP: Tony Luzzo 1B: Bob Schloss
 Start: 2:20 pm Time: 1:40 Attendance: 100
 Game: GFS03252

Whitworth 7 (10-11,5-5 NWC)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Stranger, Patti cf.....	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0
Hayden, Holly rf.....	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Mattie, Amy rf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Klaus, Alana p.....	4	2	1	2	0	0	2	1	0
Romag, Laura 3b.....	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Case, Heather dh.....	4	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
Azzarito, Aubri 2b.....	3	0	2	0	1	0	2	2	0
Robertson, Andraya lf....	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Hanson, Kristin ss.....	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	4	3
Davis, Lindsay c.....	3	1	2	1	0	0	6	0	1
Cavalier, Nicole pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norwood, Amanda lb.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	0
Totals.....	29	7	12	7	3	1	21	8	10

Whitworth	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Klaus, Alana.....	7.0	5	0	0	0	6	26	26

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3/24 WHAT'S BRUIN: GEORGE FOX SOFTBALL 2005 - Weekly News & Notes

Record: 6-13 (Home: 1-5, Road: 1-4, Neutral: 4-4) / NWC: 1-7 (Home: 0-4, Road 1-3)

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- * Recent Games: Bruins Post Winning 3-2 Record in SunWest Tournament**
- * Coming Up: First Four of Ten Straight NWC Road Games at Whitworth**
- * Plumb Honorable Mention for NWC Hitter of the Week**
- * Halvorson's Streak of No Strikeouts Ends after 186 At Bats**
- * Rapidly-Improving Bruins Surpass 2004 Total for Wins**
- * NWC Stats: Plumb Tied for Lead in Doubles, 8th in Batting**

COMING UP:

Fri., Mar. 25, 12:00 pm - at Whitworth College (2), Spokane, Wash.

Sat., Mar. 26, 12:00 pm - at Whitworth College (2), Spokane, Wash.

RECENT GAMES (click on links for releases and box scores):

[Mar. 18 - at Chapman 10, George Fox 7 \(SunWest Tournament\)](#)

[Mar. 20 - George Fox 7, Carleton 2 \(SunWest Tournament\)](#)

[Mar. 21 - George Fox 7, SUNY Tech 0 \(SunWest Tournament\)](#)

[Mar. 21 - St. Thomas \(Minn.\) 8, George Fox 1 \(SunWest Tournament\)](#)

[Mar. 21 - George Fox 2, Massachusetts Tech 0 \(SunWest Tournament\)](#)

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE: Bruins Face Challenge of Ten Straight NWC Road Games

A most peculiar Northwest Conference schedule has the Bruins (6-13, NWC 1-7) playing their next 10 league games on the road before ending with 10 at home! The Bruins take the first step on their "journey of a

thousand miles" with four games at Whitworth (8-11, NWC 3-5) in Spokane, Wash., this Friday and Saturday. The Bruins are tied for 7th with Lewis & Clark in the NWC standings, but Whitworth is only two games ahead. George Fox was picked to finish 8th in the pre-season coaches' poll, while the Pirates were picked 2nd. Linfield and Willamette are currently tied atop the league standings at 7-1 each. For the latest NWC standings, visit the conference web site at www.nwcsports.com.

COACH MARK VERGETS:

Mark Vergets (Idaho '78) is 6-13 (.316) to date in his 1st season as the Bruins' head softball coach. He was an assistant under Bob Steenson for the last two years. Click here for the complete bio on the George Fox web site for [Coach Vergets](#).

BRUIN BITS:

*** Plumb Honorable Mention for NWC Hitter of the Week**

Because of rain in southern California, the Bruins were able to get only one game in last week, but outfielder **Katie Plumb** made it good enough to receive Honorable Mention for Northwest Conference "Hitter of the Week" for Mar. 14-20. In a 10-7 loss to SunWest Tournament host and 4th-ranked Chapman on Friday, she was 3-3 with a walk, an RBI, and a run scored. Plumb leads the team with a .373 batting average, 6 doubles, and 11 RBI.

*** Halvorson's Streak of No Strikeouts Ends after 186 At Bats**

A remarkable streak of putting the bat on the ball came to an end for George Fox center fielder Cassie Halvorson when she struck out leading off the game against St. Thomas (Minn.) on Mar. 21 in the SunWest Tournament in Orange, Calif. It was the first time she had fanned in almost two years. The last time the talented junior, an Honorable Mention All-Northwest Conference selection last year, failed to make contact was in her first at bat in the second game of a doubleheader at Linfield on April 19, 2003, during her freshman year. She went the entire 2004 season without striking out, the only regular in the country to do so. She made 186 plate appearances between strikeouts. The NCAA softball record book does not list consecutive at bats without striking out in its latest edition, but the George Fox sports information office is making inquiries to see how close this might be to a national mark.

*** Rapidly-Improving Bruins Surpass 2004 Total for Wins**

A winning 3-2 record in the SunWest Tournament in Orange, Calif., over the weekend enabled the George

Fox Bruins to surpass last year's total of wins already, with half the season still to go. The Bruins struggled to a 4-32 record in 2004, but are now 50% ahead of that pace with a 6-13 mark. Head coach Mark Vergets says the improvement is obvious.

"The teams we played in California this year were much stronger than last year, so to come away from that with a winning record is just incredible," remarked the first-year coach. "We played two nationally-ranked teams - St. Thomas was No. 1 and Chapman was No. 4 - and held our own, and then beat three pretty good teams from other parts of the country. We were in the Chapman game all the way, and we actually led the St. Thomas game before their No. 9 hitter somehow hit a terrific pitch, a screwball inside at the knees, for a three-run homer to put them ahead."

Pointing to the team's stats, Vergets noted that "we raised our team batting average over 25 points in California. Katie Plumb is hitting everything in sight, Cassie Halvorson is beginning to hit the ball hard again like she is capable of doing, and the bottom part of our order is gaining confidence all the time. I couldn't be prouder of the way we battled hard the whole trip and how much we have progressed since the start of the season ... I'll tell you, though - playing three games back-to-back-to-back in one day will wear you out!"

Because heavy rain washed out the Bruins' games on Friday night and Saturday, the team had to play a single game Sunday night and then three games on Monday to get in some competition. It is believed to be the first triple-header in Bruin history - and they went 2-1 that day before dashing off to catch their return flight to Oregon.

*** NWC Stats: Plumb Tied for Lead in Doubles, 8th in Batting**

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference team stats (Mar. 21):

Batting - 1st in triples (4, tie); 2nd in at bats (463), walks (44, tie); 4th in hits (96), runs (50), fewest strikeouts (70, tie); 5th in stolen bases (19), doubles (14), home runs (0, tie); 6th in batting average (.207)

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Pitching - 2nd in innings (118.0), fewest walks (30); 3rd in saves (0, tie), strikeouts (84), 6th in wins (6); 7th in earned run average (5.04); 8th in fewest hits (175), runs (121), earned runs (85) ...

Fielding - 1st in caught stealing (8, tie); 2nd in putouts (354); 3rd in assists (144); 4th in double plays (2, tie); 7th in average (.917); 8th in fewest steals (32), fewest steal attempts (40), fewest errors (45), fewest passed balls (12) ...

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference individual stats (Mar. 21):

Kayla Winkler, RHP - 8th in ERA (2.13) ...

Michelle Roberts, RHP - 14th in ERA (3.55) ...

Katie Plumb, LF - 1st in doubles (6, tie), 3rd in hits (19, tie), triples (1, tie), 5th in total bases (27), RBI (11, tie), 8th in batting average (.373) ...

Cassie Halvorson, CF - 3rd in triples (1, tie) ...

Hollee Braun, DH - 3rd in triples (1, tie) ...

Kelly Garvin, 3B - 3rd in triples (1, tie) ...

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3/22 – SUNWEST TOURNAMENT: Bruins Finally Get to Play and Go 3-1 to Close Out SunWest Action

ORANGE, Calif. – Playing four games in a 24-hour span because of rainouts, the George Fox University Bruins went 3-1 to close out a successful run through the SunWest Softball Tournament Monday night and all day Tuesday here at Hart Park.

The Bruins had opened play in the month-long tournament Friday with a 10-7 loss to host Chapman University, then had three games Friday night and Saturday wiped out by bad weather. When the rescheduling was over, the Bruins still had one game that could not be made up, but did get to play four times. George Fox defeated Carleton College Monday night in a game played at El Camino Park 7-2, then on Tuesday blanked the State University of New York Institute of Technology-Utica/Rome 7-0, lost to national power University of St. Thomas (Minn.) 8-1, and shut out Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2-0.

George Fox 7, Carleton 2

Michelle Roberts (2-5) fired a 3-hitter and got offensive support from Katie Plumb and Kerstyn Tsuruda as the Bruins downed the Knights Monday evening in a make-up game. Roberts struck out 11, walked only two, and both the runs she allowed were unearned.

Plumb doubled in the 1st to score Kim Backhaus, who had walked, hit a two-run double in the 3rd following singles by Backhaus and Hollee Braun, and drew a base-loaded walk in the 4th to force home Larae Guillory, giving her 4 RBI. Tsuruda had a two-run single in the 6th to score Backhaus and Braun, and Guillory closed out the George Fox scoring in the 7th with an RBI single to score Kayla Winkler. Caitlyn Cornell (0-1) took the loss for Carleton, striking out 8 in 7 innings of work but also walking 9.

George Fox 7, SUNY Tech 0

Lacey Wade (1-3) scattered 5 hits, struck out 3, and walked only 1 in throwing the Bruins' first shutout of the season to defeat the Wildcats. The Bruins had 8 hits and again benefited from their opponents' wildness, as SUNY Tech starter Andrea Duffy (0-1) and reliever Laura Murphy combined to walk 9.

The Bruins took a 1-0 lead in the 2nd as Guillory singled home Jill Lacey, who had walked and moved up on a sacrifice. That stood as the only score until the 5th, when Braun walked, stole second and went to third on a wild throw with two out, and scored on Lacey's single to left. The Bruins iced the game with 5 runs in the top of the 7th, with Lacey and Kelly Garvin drawing bases-loaded walks, Guillory picking up another RBI with a run-scoring ground out, and Cassie Halvorson singling in a run.

St. Thomas (Minn.) 8, George Fox 1

The Bruins collected 8 hits, scattered among every starter except one, but left 9 runners on base in falling to the Tommies. Wade (1-4) suffered the setback, while St. Thomas starter Carrie Embree (2-1) worked 6 innings for the win, fanning 6 and allowing an unearned run.

The Bruins took an early 1-0 lead in the 2nd as Garvin and Guillory singled, Halvorson reached on a fielding error, and Backhaus singled up the middle to score Garvin. The Tommies responded with a three-run homer by Mandy Evans in the bottom of the 2nd, then put the game away with 3 more in the 3rd and a pair in the 4th.

George Fox 2, Mass. Tech 0

Roberts (3-5) threw the Bruins' second shutout of the day as the Bruins clipped the Engineers. She scattered 6 hits, struck out 8, and walked no one. Leah Bogsted (1-1) was the losing pitcher for MIT despite allowing only 5 hits.

The Bruins scored both their runs in the opening inning. Backhaus and Braun singled with one out and pulled a double steal. Backhaus then scored on a wild pitch, and Braun came in on Tsuruda's single to left-center.

George Fox, now 6-13, goes to Whitworth College Friday-Saturday for a pair of Northwest Conference noon twinbills.

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox vs Carleton
03/20/05 at Orange, CA (El Camino Park)

George Fox 7 (4-12)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	2	3	1	0	2	0	1	2	0
Braun, Hollee dh.....	3	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	2
Nelson, Erica pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	2	0	2	4	2	0	0	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	4
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	2
O'Malley, Katelin lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	3	7	0	2
Winkler, Kayla ph.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Waritz, Shannon ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	3	1	1	1	0	1	11	1	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Totals.....	28	7	7	7	9	8	21	7	11

Score by Innings R H E

George Fox..... 102 102 1 - 7 7 2
Carleton..... 002 000 0 - 2 3 3

E - O'Malley, K; Garvin, K; Gunderson 2; Simmons. LOB - George Fox 11; Carleton 5. 2B - Plumb, K 2. HBP - Barry. SH - Backhaus, K; Guillory, L. CS - Halvorson, C; Lykken.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle....	7.0	3	2	0	2	11	25	28

Win - Roberts, M (2-5). Loss - Cornell (0-1). Save - None.
HBP - by Roberts, M (Barry). PB - Guillory, L; Barry 4.
Umpires -
Start: 6:00 pm Time: 1:30 Attendance:
Game: GFS03200

Carleton 2 (0-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Espinosa, Amanda ss.....	3	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	0
Lykken, Jamie cf.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Gunderson, Vickie 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Barry, Leslie c.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	8	2	1
Van Ryswyk, Liesl dh.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Dodge, Stephanie rf.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ellis, Carina 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	4
Bolan, Erica lb.....	2	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
Parisi, Laura ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Simmons, Shayna lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Cornell, Caitlyn p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Totals.....	25	2	3	0	2	11	21	8	5

Carleton	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Cornell, Caitlyn....	7.0	7	7	4	9	8	28	39

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox vs SUNY Inst. of Tech.
03/21/05 at Orange, CA (Hart Park)

George Fox 7 (5-12)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	2	1	2	0	2	1	1
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
Braun, Hollee dh.....	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Nelson, Erica ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	1	2	0	1	0	4	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	1	0	0	1	0	4	1	2
Wade, Lacey p.....	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	4	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	2	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	3
Waritz, Shannon rf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	4	0	1	2	0	0	3	0	3
O'Malley, Katelin lb.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0
Totals.....	25	7	8	6	9	0	21	8	11

Score by Innings R H E

George Fox..... 010 010 5 - 7 8 0
SUNY Inst. of Tech.. 000 000 0 - 0 5 2

E - Murphy; Duffy. DP - George Fox 1; SUNY Tech 1. LOB - George Fox 11; SUNY Tech 6. HBP - Wade, L 2; Garvin, K; Ryan. SH - Backhaus, K; Garvin, K. SB - Braun, H; Wagner. CS - Halvorson, C.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Wade, Lacey.....	7.0	5	0	0	1	3	25	27

Win - Wade, L (1-3). Loss - Duffy (0-1). Save - None.
WP - Duffy. HBP - by Wade, L (Ryan); by Duffy (Wade, L); by Duffy (Garvin, K); by Duffy (Wade, L). PB - Frederick.
Umpires -
Start: 8:30 am Time: 1:40 Attendance:
Duffy faced 4 batters in the 7th.
Game: GFS03211

SUNY Inst. of Tech. 0 (0-3)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Cracchiolo, Domenica ss..	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	3	0
Wagner, Diana lf.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0
Hurlbut, Ambur cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1
Leuthauser, Gina lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	3
Ryan, Meg rf.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy, Laura 2b/p.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Frederick, Rebecca c.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	3	1	0
Grossman, Courtney dh....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Park, Rebecca 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Duffy, Andrea p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cerio, Deb 2b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	25	0	5	0	1	3	21	9	6

SUNY Inst. of Tech.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Duffy, Andrea.....	6.0	7	6	6	8	0	22	34
Murphy, Laura.....	1.0	1	1	0	1	0	3	5

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox vs St. Thomas (Minn.)
03/21/05 at Orange, CA (Hart Park)

George Fox 1 (5-13)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	5
Plumb, Katie lf.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	2
Wade, Lacey p.....	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Winkler, Kayla p.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	1	0	0	1	6	4	0

Totals..... 28 1 8 1 1 6 18 9 9

Score by Innings R H E

George Fox..... 010 000 0 - 1 8 3
St. Thomas (Minn.).. 033 200 X - 8 10 2

E - Plumb, K; Lacey, J; Garvin, K; Embree; Wong. DP - George Fox 1. LOB - George Fox 9; St. Thomas 6. 2B - Wade, L; Evans.
HR - Evans. HBP - CFitzpatrick; Carlblom; Trapp. SH - Halvorson, C; Guillory, L. SB - Hall; Wiberg. CS - Oatman; Hall.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Wade, Lacey.....	2.2	3	5	4	1	2	11	14
Winkler, Kayla.....	3.1	7	3	1	1	4	16	18

St. Thomas (Minn.) 8 (6-3)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Embree, Carrie p.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	0
Oatman, Kim ph.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waage, Emily p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wong, Michelle ss.....	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Lodge, Fiona ph.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hall, Nikki c.....	2	0	1	1	1	0	4	1	0
Fitzpatrick, Colleen c..	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Huegel, Kristi rf.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Carpentier, Anne ph.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Carlblom, Ashley 2b.....	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	2	0
Baglien, Dianne ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Wiberg, Katie dh.....	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Donnillon, Beth ph.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nagle, Janet lb.....	3	0	2	1	0	0	10	0	0
Trapp, Kristina lf.....	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
Evans, Mandy 3b.....	3	2	2	3	0	1	0	2	2
Fitzpatrick, Kathlee cf/p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 27 8 10 5 2 6 21 12 6

St. Thomas (Minn.)	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Embree, Carrie.....	6.0	8	1	0	1	6	25	28
Waage, Emily.....	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3

Win - Embree (2-1). Loss - Wade, L (1-4). Save - None.
WP - Winkler, K 3. HBP - by Wade, L (Trapp); by Wade, L (Carlblom); by Winkler, K (CFitzpatrick).
Umpires -
Start: 10:45 am Time: 1:45 Attendance:
Game: GFS03212

The Automated ScoreBook
Mass. Inst. of Tech. vs George Fox
03/21/05 at Orange, CA (Hart Park)

Mass. Inst. of Tech. 0 (1-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Saylor, Carly 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0
Bogsted, Leah p.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
Hee, Adrianne 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Texin, Cheryl ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	0
Poteet, Amanda c.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0
Vannata, Corinne lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	1
Kootin, Lara rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Jeffrey, Holly rf.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fullman, Batya cf.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0
Gillenwater, Elizabe lf..	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

Totals..... 26 0 6 0 0 8 18 8 6

Score by Innings R H E

Mass. Inst. of Tech. 000 000 0 - 0 6 1
George Fox..... 200 000 X - 2 5 1

E - Jeffrey; Roberts, M. LOB - Mass. Tech 6; George Fox 4. SH - Gillenwater. SB - Backhaus, K; Braun, H.

Mass. Inst. of Tech.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Bogsted, Leah.....	6.0	5	2	2	1	2	23	24

Win - Roberts, M (3-5). Loss - Bogsted (1-1). Save - None.
WP - Bogsted.
Umpires -
Start: 1:50 pm Time: 1:20 Attendance:
Game: GFS03213

George Fox 2 (6-13)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	5	0
Braun, Hollee lb.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	9	1	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Wade, Lacey dh.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill rf.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

Totals..... 23 2 5 1 1 2 21 10 4

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	7.0	6	0	0	0	8	26	27

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3/21 – SUNWEST TOURNAMENT: Bruins Will Try to Get Two Extra Games in After Rescheduling

ORANGE, Calif. – After heavy weekend rains in southern California wiped out several games in the SunWest Softball Tournament, some games have been rescheduled, occasionally with different opponents, including two of the three games lost to weather by George Fox University. The Bruins were unable to play games vs. Knox, Carleton, and Elmhurst. The Carleton makeup was to have been played Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m., but results are currently unavailable. On Monday, the Bruins will play the State University of New York Institute of Technology-Utica/Rome at 8:30 a.m., the University of St. Thomas (Minn.) at 10:45 a.m., and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at 1:00 p.m. The St. Thomas game was not on the Bruins' original schedule.

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3/19 – SUNWEST TOURNAMENT: All Saturday Games, Including Bruins' Two, Wiped Out by Rain

ORANGE, Calif. – Heavy rain in southern California played havoc with the SunWest Softball Tournament on Saturday, wiping out the entire slate of games. The George Fox Bruins lost their games with Elmhurst College and Carleton College that were to have been played at 10:45 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. respectively. No make-ups have been set for any of the lost games yet. George Fox, with only a 10-7 loss to host Chapman University Friday to show for the tournament so far, is not scheduled on Sunday. The next tournament games for the Bruins are Monday against the State University of New York Institute of Technology-Utica/Rome at 8:30 a.m., and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at 1:00 p.m.

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SPORTS RELEASE: SOFTBALL – Friday, March 18, 2005

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3/18 – SUNWEST TOURNAMENT: Bruins Fall to Host Chapman 10-7 but Second Game Rained Out

ORANGE, Calif. – Leaving the bright sunshine of western Oregon for the rainy skies of southern California, the George Fox University Bruins got in one game, a 10-7 loss to host Chapman University, but had their second contest against Knox College of Illinois rained out on the first day of action for the Bruins in the SunWest Softball Tournament Friday afternoon here at Hart Park.

The home-standing Panthers took a 2-0 lead in the 2nd on an RBI double by Catherine Hall and a run-scoring ground out by Ashlie Vohs, and made it 3-0 in the 3rd with another run on an RBI single by Kim Sanders. The Bruins got one run back in the bottom of the 3rd as Cassie Halvorson reached on an error and came around on a wild pitch, a ground out, and a passed ball.

After Chapman got another run in the 4th on a run-producing grounder by Angela Guajardo, the Bruins knocked out Panther starter Marissa Becerra with three in the 4th to tie it at 4-4. Kim Backhaus singled in Jill Lacey and Halvorson for the first two runs of the inning, then scored the tying run herself on Katie Plumb's RBI single.

The Panthers broke the tie with two in the 6th off Bruin hurler Michelle Roberts (1-5), who went the distance on the mound. Guajardo drilled a two-out single, and Jill Jeranko followed with a tie-breaking home run to left-center. The Panthers put the game away with four in the top of the 7th, off-setting a three-run rally by the Bruins in the last of the 7th.

Jennifer Winford (7-1) got the win in relief for Chapman, allowing no hits over 3 1/3 innings while fanning five, but giving up three runs, including two walks and a hit batter who scored.

Starr, Guajardo, Jeranko, Hall, and Allison Lewis had two hits each for Chapman, who had 14 hits in all. The Bruins collected nine hits, with Plumb going 3-3 and Halvorson 2-4.

George Fox is now 3-12 on the season, while Chapman climbs to 23-3. There is no make-up time yet announced for the Bruins' game with Knox. Saturday's schedule has the Bruins taking on Elmhurst College at 10:45 a.m. and Carleton College at 1:00 p.m.

Chapman University 10, George Fox Univ. 7 (Mar 18, 2005 at Orange, CA)

Chapman University.. 021 102 4 - 10 14 2 (23-3)
George Fox Univ..... 001 300 3 - 7 9 4 (3-12)

Pitchers: Chapman University - Becerra, M; Winford, J(4). George Fox Univ. - Roberts, M.
Win-Winford, J(7-1) Loss-Roberts, M(1-5) T-2:05 A-50
HR CHA - Jeranko, J.
Game: GFS03181

The Automated ScoreBook Chapman University vs George Fox Univ. Mar 18, 2005 at Orange, CA (Hart Park)

Chapman University 10 (23-3)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Starr, Keely cf	5	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	0
Guajardo, Angela 2b.....	5	3	2	1	0	1	1	3	0
Jeranko, Jill ss.....	5	1	2	4	0	1	1	2	1
Cipolla, Meredith 1b.....	3	1	1	0	1	0	9	0	1
Sanders, Kim 3b.....	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	1
Hall, Catherine rf.....	3	2	2	1	1	0	1	0	0
Vohs, Ashlie c.....	4	1	1	1	0	0	5	0	3
Lewis, Allison dh.....	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	2
Roeser, Kailee lf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Becerra, Marissa p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0
Winford, Jennifer p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Totals.....	33	10	14	10	3	2	21	12	9

George Fox Univ. 7 (3-12)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	2	2	0	0	0	2	1	0
Backhaus, Kim 2b.....	4	1	1	2	0	0	2	4	0
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	3	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn ss.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	3	2	3
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	4	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	0
Braun, Hollee dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0
Morrison, Nikki 1b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	2
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	30	7	9	4	3	5	21	11	8

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Chapman University..	021	102	4 - 10 14 2
George Fox Univ.....	001	300	3 - 7 9 4

E - Jeranko, J; Vohs, A; Halvorson, C; Garvin, K; Roberts, M 2. LOB - Chapman 9; George Fox 8. 2B - Hall, C. HR - Jeranko, J. HBP - Cipolla, M; Sanders, K; Tsuruda, K. SH - Sanders, K; Roeser, K; Morrison, N. SB - Starr, K; Hall, C; Vohs, A; Halvorson, C. CS - Starr, K. Reached on CI - Braun, H.

Chapman University	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF	George Fox Univ.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Becerra, Marissa....	3.2	9	4	3	1	0	20	22	Roberts, Michelle...	7.0	14	10	8	3	2	33	40
Winford, Jennifer...	3.1	0	3	2	2	5	10	14									

Win - Winford, J (7-1). Loss - Roberts, M (1-5). Save - None.

WP - Becerra, M; Winford, J 3; Roberts, M. HBP - by Roberts, M (Cipolla, M); by Roberts, M (Sanders, K); by Winford, J (Tsuruda,

K). PB - Vohs, A; Coleman, K 2. CI - Vohs, A.

Umpires -

Start: 3:30 pm Time: 2:05 Attendance: 50

Game: GFS03181

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3/17 – SUNWEST TOURNAMENT: George Fox Schedule in SunWest Tournament Revised

NEWBERG, Ore. – With several teams coming and going, the schedule of games for the George Fox University Bruins in the SunWest Softball Tournament this Friday, Saturday, and Monday in Orange, Calif., has been recently revised.

Instead of playing Salem State College, the Bruins will take on Knox College of Illinois on Friday, and the time for the Bruins' game with tournament host Chapman University that day has been changed also. Saturday's schedule is the same, but a Monday game with the State University of New York Institute of Technology-Utica/Rome has been changed. The revised schedule is as follows:

Fri., Mar. 18, 3:30 p.m. at Chapman University
Fri., Mar. 18, 5:45 p.m. vs. Knox College
Sat., Mar. 19, 10:45 a.m. vs. Elmhurst College
Sat., Mar. 19, 1:00 p.m. vs. Carleton College
Mon., Mar. 21, 8:30 a.m. vs. SUNY Institute of Technology-Utica/Rome
Mon., Mar. 21, 1:00 p.m. vs. Massachusetts Institute of Technology

All games will take place at Hart Park in Orange. The Bruins are 3-11 heading into the tournament.

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**3/11 WHAT'S BRUIN:
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Record: 3-7 (Home: 1-1, Road: 1-3, Neutral: 1-3) / NWC: 1-3 (Home: 0-0, Road 1-3)

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- * Recent Games: Bruins Go 1-3 on NWC-Opening Tacoma Trip**
- * Coming Up: First Home Conference Games vs. Linfield and Willamette**
- * Backhaus, Winkler HM for NWC Hitter, Pitcher of the Week**
- * NWC Stats: Six Bruins Among Early Individual Leaders in League Stats**

COMING UP:

Sat., Mar. 12, 12:00 pm - vs. Linfield College (2), Newberg, Ore.

Sun., Mar. 13, 12:00 pm - vs. Willamette University (2), Newberg, Ore.

RECENT GAMES (click on links for releases and box scores):

[Mar. 5 - at Pacific Lutheran 17-5, George Fox 0-2](#)

[Mar. 6 - George Fox 9-0, at Puget Sound 1-5](#)

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE: Bruins Take on Early Conference Leaders

The Bruins (3-7, NWC 1-3) will try to tighten up the early conference race as they host the top two teams in the current NWC standings. Second-place Linfield (5-1, NWC 3-1) visits Morse Field on Saturday and league-leading Willamette (5-2, NWC 4-0) comes in on Sunday, both for 12 noon doubleheaders. The Bruins are tied for 6th after picking up their first conference win Sunday at Puget Sound. For the latest NWC standings, visit the conference web site at www.nwcsports.com.

COACH MARK VERGETS:

Mark Vergets (Idaho '78) is 3-7 (.300) to date in his 1st season as the Bruins' softball coach. He was an

assistant under Bob Steenson for the last two years. Click here for the complete bio on the George Fox web site for [Coach Vergets](#).

BRUIN BITS:

*** Backhaus, Winkler HM for NWC Hitter, Pitcher of the Week**

Outfielder **Kim Backhaus** and right-handed pitcher **Kayla Winkler** received honorable mention for Northwest Conference "Hitter of the Week" and "Pitcher of the Week" respectively for Feb. 28-Mar. 6 as the Bruins went 1-3 on their first NWC road swing of the season to Tacoma.

On Saturday, **Backhaus** was 0-1 in a 17-0 first-game loss at PLU, but was 1-1 in a pinch-hit role in a 5-2 second-game loss. In the Bruins' first-game 9-1 win at UPS on Sunday, she was 3-4 with a double, stolen base, 2 runs and an RBI. She was 0-3 in the Bruins' 5-0 loss in the second game. For the week, in 4 games, she was 4-9 (.444) with a double, steal, 2 runs and 1 RBI, with a .556 slugging pct.

Winkler pitched the Bruins to their first NWC win of the season, a 9-1 victory at Puget Sound Sunday. She threw a complete 6-inning game, scattering 5 hits, with 7 strikeouts and only one walk and one earned run, improving her season record to 2-0.

*** NWC Stats: Six Bruins Among Early Individual Leaders in League Stats**

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference team stats (Mar. 7):

Batting - 1st in at bats (246), triples (4); 2nd in hits (47), stolen bases (14, tie); 4th in runs (23), home runs (0, tie), strikeouts (38); 5th in doubles (23); 7th in batting average (.191); 8th in walks (10) ...

Pitching - 1st in innings (60.0); 2nd in saves (0, tie); 3rd in strikeouts (45), fewest walks (20); 5th in wins (3, tie); 7th in earned run average (5.31); 8th in fewest hits (95), runs (69), earned runs (52) ...

Fielding - 1st in putouts (180), assists (68); 3rd in caught stealing (2, tie); 4th in fewest steals (7), fewest steal attempts (9); 5th in average (.919); 7th in double plays (0, tie); 8th in fewest errors (22), fewest passed balls (5) ...

Where the Bruins rank in the latest Northwest Conference individual stats (Mar. 7):

Kayla Winkler, RHP - 4th in ERA (1.08) ...

Michelle Roberts, RHP - 12th in ERA (3.65) ...

Hollee Braun, DH - 1st in triples (1, tie), 3rd in hits (8, tie), 4th in total bases (11, tie) ...

Katie Plumb, LF - 1st in triples (1, tie), 2nd in total bases (14), 3rd in hits (8, tie), 4th in RBI (5, tie) ...

Kimberly Coleman, SS - 2nd in runs (7, tie), stolen bases (6), 5th in hits (7, tie) ...

Cassie Halvorson, CF - 1st in triples (1, tie), 4th in stolen bases (4, tie) ...

Kelly Garvin, 3B - 1st in triples (1, tie) ...

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2/27 – CAPITOL CUP TOURNAMENT: Bruins Fall to Concordia 13-0 but Beat NW Christian 3-1 on Final Day

SALEM, Ore. – Bouncing back from a 13-0 defeat at the hands of the Concordia University-Portland Cavaliers, the George Fox University Bruins salvaged their final game of the Capitol Cup women's softball tournament, hosted by Willamette University, with a 3-1 win over the Northwest Christian College Crusaders Sunday afternoon here at Phillips Field.

Concordia-Portland 13, George Fox 0

In the Bruins' first game, Kristin Donahue drove in a pair of early runs and Concordia erupted for nine runs in the fifth inning to put the game away as the Cavaliers blanked the Bruins.

Donahue doubled in a run in the first, then singled home a run in the third as Concordia jumped out to a 2-0 lead. Denise Benedict knocked in a pair of unearned runs in the fourth inning, but the real fireworks began in the fifth as the Cavs exploded for nine runs on nine hits to close out the game.

Annelle Huckins got the win for Concordia, pitching four innings while allowing hits to Kerstyn Tsuruda, Kim Coleman, and Kim Backhaus. She worked her way out of a jam in the first inning, striking out two batters with runners on second and third. Katie Plumb (0-2) went the distance and took the loss for the Bruins.

George Fox 3, Northwest Christian 1

George Fox scored twice in the fourth inning to break a 1-1 tie and Kayla Winkler (-10) allowed five hits in seven innings as the Bruins defeated the Crusaders.

The Bruins broke on top in the first inning, scoring an unearned run when Coleman scored on a double steal. She had reached third after a walk and an error. NCC tied the game in the third when Shannon Reed singled, moved to third on a double by Jenni Bittle and scored on Kathy Richard's ground-out.

The Bruins broke open the game in the fourth. Hollee Braun doubled to lead off the inning and was replaced by pinch-runner Lacey Wade. Wade scored the tie-breaking run on a single by Plumb, who reached second on a throwing error, then came around to score on a pair of ground outs by Jill Lacey and Kelly Garvin.

Winkler pitched a complete game, giving up only one hit in the final three innings and striking out five with three walks. Megan McLearn took the loss for NCC, despite allowing only one earned run in her four innings.

In other tournament games Sunday, Willamette defeated the Oregon Institute of Technology 3-2 and Western Baptist College 7-5, Pacific University was stuck with a pair of ties, 0-0 against Oregon Tech and 3-3 vs. Western Baptist, due to time limits on the games, Northwest Christian shut out Lewis & Clark College 5-0, and Concordia dropped Lewis & Clark 4-1.

George Fox, now 2-4 on the season, begins Northwest Conference play next weekend, visiting Pacific Lutheran University for a 1:00 p.m. doubleheader on Saturday, and the University of Puget Sound for a 12:00 noon pair on Sunday.

The Automated ScoreBook
Concordia (Ore.) vs George Fox
02/27/05 at Salem, Ore. (Phillips Field)

Concordia (Ore.) 13 (7-2)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Benedict, Denise ss.....	4	2	3	3	0	0	2	2	0
Ludwig, Brynn lf.....	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	0	0
Moon, Krystal lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mannion, Kelly c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	2
Howery, Stephanie ph....	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Donahue, Kristin dh.....	3	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
Pitman, Julie dh.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ostlund, Shayna lb.....	3	2	1	0	1	2	6	0	3
Perna, Amanda rf.....	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kurtz, Raynelle rf.....	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Grisham, Katie 3b.....	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Caire, Leanne 3b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rattay, Kelly 2b.....	4	2	2	2	0	0	1	3	0
Bartels, Stacey cf.....	2	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	3
Huckins, Annele p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Scott, Taryn p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	27	13	13	13	6	2	15	7	8

Score by Innings R H E

Concordia (Ore.)..... 101 29 - 13 13 1
George Fox..... 000 00 - 0 3 1

E - Rattay, K; Garvin, K. LOB - Concordia 8; George Fox 4. 2B - Donahue, K. 3B - Ludwig, B. HBP - Mannion, K. SH - Ludwig, B. 2. SB - Ludwig, B; Tsuruda, K; Coleman, K. CS - Backhaus, K.

Concordia (Ore.)	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Huckins, Annele.....	4.0	3	0	0	0	3	14	14
Scott, Taryn.....	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	4	5

Win - Huckins, A. Loss - Plumb, K (0-2). Save - None.
HBP - by Plumb, K (Mannion, K). PB - Mannion, K; Guillory, L 2.
Umpires -
Start: 1:00 pm Time: 1:40 Attendance: 175
Game: GFS02271

George Fox 0 (1-4)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Tsuruda, Kerstyn 2b.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	0
Coleman, Kimberly ss.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Braun, Hollie dh.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Plumb, Katie p.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0
Backhaus, Kim rf.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nelson, Erica lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Morrison, Nikki lb.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0

Totals..... 18 0 3 0 1 4 15 10 4

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Plumb, Katie.....	5.0	13	13	11	6	2	27	36

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox vs Northwest Christian
02/27/05 at Salem, Ore. (Phillips Field)

George Fox 3 (2-4)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	0
Coleman, Kimberly ss.....	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0
Braun, Hollie dh.....	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Lacey, Jill rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Waritz, Shannon ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
O'Malley, Katelin lb.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	9	1	1
Winkler, Kayla p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	27	3	5	2	1	4	21	9	7

Score by Innings R H E

George Fox..... 100 200 0 - 3 5 2
Northwest Christian. 001 000 0 - 1 5 4

E - Garvin, K; O'Malley, K; Sconce; Reed; McMahon; Colley. LOB - George Fox 7; NW Christian 9. 2B - Braun, H; Bittle. 3B - Garvin, K. HBP - Tsuruda, K; Guillory, L. SH - Coleman, K; Colley. SB - Halvorson, C; Coleman, K; Braun, H; Reed. CS - Tsuruda, K.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Winkler, Kayla.....	7.0	5	1	1	3	5	27	31

Win - Winkler, K (1-0). Loss - McLearn (.). Save - None.
WP - Winkler, K. HBP - by Bittle (Tsuruda, K); by Bittle (Guillory, L).
Umpires -
Start: 3:00 pm Time: 1:50 Attendance: 100
Game: GFS02272

Northwest Christian 1 (2-2)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Sconce 3b.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	1
Reed cf.....	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Bittle lb/p.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	8	0	0
Richard c.....	4	0	0	1	0	0	4	2	2
McMahon 2b.....	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0
McLearn p.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2
Lipp lb.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0
Colley ss.....	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	3	0
Winslow rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nelson lf.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Escobar lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals.....	27	1	5	1	3	5	21	13	9

Northwest Christian	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
McLearn.....	4.0	4	3	1	1	2	16	17
Bittle.....	3.0	1	0	0	0	2	11	14

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2/26 – CAPITOL CUP TOURNAMENT: Bruins Fall to Western Baptist 5-2 and Oregon Tech 10-1 on Day One

SALEM, Ore. – Perhaps a bit rusty after two weeks off since their season-opening games, the George Fox University Bruins fell 5-2 to the Western Baptist College Warriors and 10-1 to the Oregon Institute of Technology Owls on the first day of the Capitol Cup women's softball tournament, hosted by Willamette University, Saturday here at Phillips Field.

Western Baptist 5, George Fox 2

In the first game of the day, Beth Franke drove in two runs and scored once to lead the Warriors past the Bruins. Rachel Hiatt pitched five innings of three-hit ball, giving up two runs to get the win, and Katrina Kessler pitched two scoreless innings for the save in Western's first game of the season.

George Fox took a 1-0 lead on an RBI single by Hollee Braun that drove in Kim Coleman. Western Baptist tied the game in the bottom of the second as Sabra Gamel tripled to lead off the inning and scored on a single by Mandy Wolf.

Franke got her two RBI in the bottom of the third when she knocked in Sarah Newport, who reached on a walk, and Megan Lamson, who reached on an error. Franke scored later in the inning on a wild pitch.

The Bruins got a run back in the fourth when Katie Plumb tripled and scored on an error, but Western added an insurance run in the bottom half of the inning when Kelly Haws tripled and scored on a wild pitch.

Michelle Roberts (1-1) took the loss for George Fox, pitching six innings and allowing seven hits while striking out six and walking only one. Braun and Kerstyn Tsuruda had two hits each for the Bruins.

Oregon Tech 10, George Fox 1

In the Bruins' afternoon game, Kristin Kinsman knocked in three runs and Lisa Erwert had a pair of triples to highlight a 14-hit Owls' attack. Erwert got OIT started when she led off the game with a triple, then scored on a passed ball. Laura Delplanche knocked in a pair of runs in the third inning, plating Sharlie McAdams, who had doubled, and Bess Fagan, who was hit by a pitch.

OIT pushed the lead to 5-0 before George Fox scored its only run of the game in the fourth inning when Lacey Wade knocked in Kim Coleman. The Owls then broke the game open with five runs in the top of the sixth, highlighted by Kinsman's three-run double.

Delplanche pitched her second straight solid game, this time going five innings and giving up a single run. She allowed only four hits and struck out three. Sharlie McAdams pitched a scoreless sixth inning for OIT.

Lacey Wade (0-1) picked up the loss for George Fox, going six innings with five strikeouts and a walk.

In other tournament games, Willamette University defeated Northwest Christian College 3-0, Concordia University-Portland downed Willamette 5-3, Northwest Christian blanked Pacific University 6-0, Pacific edged Concordia 2-1, Oregon Tech shut out Lewis & Clark College 14-0, and Western Baptist trimmed Lewis & Clark 5-4.

George Fox, now 1-3 on the season, takes on Concordia at 11:00 a.m. and Northwest Christian at 3:00 p.m. Sunday at Phillips Field in Bush's Pasture Park.

The Automated ScoreBook
George Fox vs Western Baptist
02/26/05 at Salem, Oregon (Phillips Field)

George Fox 2 (1-2)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn 2b.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	0
Winkler, Kayla pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly ss.....	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	2
Braun, Hollie dh.....	4	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2
Lacey, Jill pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Morrison, Mikki 1b.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0
Wade, Lacey ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3
Guillory, Larae c.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
O'Malley, Katelin ph....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	29	2	5	1	2	0	18	5	8

Score by Innings R H E

George Fox..... 100 100 0 - 2 5 1
Western Baptist..... 013 100 X - 5 7 3

E - Garvin, K; Franke; Wolf; Haws. LOB - George Fox 8; W Baptist 4. 3B - Plumb, K; Gamel; Haws. SH - Lamson; Bellum. SB - Coleman, K; Franke.

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Roberts, Michelle...	6.0	7	5	4	1	6	24	27

Win - Hiatt (1-0). Loss - Roberts, M (1-1). Save - Kessler (1).
WP - Roberts, M 3.
Umpires - HP: Toney, Bruce 1B: Ferguson, Brad
Start: 9:00 am Time: 1:40 Attendance: 66
Game notes:
Capitol Cup Tournament
Game: GFS02261

Western Baptist 5 (1-0)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Lamson dh.....	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Franke 3b.....	3	1	2	2	0	1	1	4	0
Bellum cf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hiser cf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gamel c.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
Meeker 1b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0
Wolf 2b.....	3	0	1	1	0	1	2	4	0
Haws ss.....	3	1	2	0	0	0	4	1	0
Isaacson rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Atchley rf.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Newport lf.....	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Fitchett lf.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Hiatt p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	0
Kessler p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	24	5	7	3	1	6	21	15	4

Western Baptist	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Hiatt.....	5.0	3	2	0	0	0	21	21
Kessler.....	2.0	2	0	0	2	0	8	10

The Automated ScoreBook
Oregon Inst of Tech vs George Fox
02/26/05 at Salem, Oregon (Phillips Field)

Oregon Inst of Tech 10 (2-0)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Erwert ss.....	4	2	2	1	0	0	2	3	0
McAdams 3b/p.....	3	2	2	0	0	1	0	2	0
Fagan 1b.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	9	0	0
Delplanche p/3b.....	4	1	2	2	0	1	1	3	2
Kinsman dh.....	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Thompson rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Byerley ph.....	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mapes c.....	4	0	2	1	0	0	3	2	0
Paxton cf.....	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
Norman 2b.....	2	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
Marshall lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Totals.....	32	10	14	8	1	5	18	11	7

Score by Innings R H E

Oregon Inst of Tech. 102 205 - 10 14 1
George Fox..... 000 100 - 1 4 0

E - Delplanche. LOB - Oregon Tech 7; George Fox 4. 2B - McAdams; Delplanche; Kinsman; Mapes. 3B - Erwert 2. HBP - McAdams; Fagan. SB - Coleman, K. CS - Winkler, K.

Oregon Inst of Tech	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Delplanche.....	5.0	4	1	1	0	3	19	19
McAdams.....	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	3	4

Win - Delplanche (1-0). Loss - Wade, L (0-1). Save - None.
WP - Delplanche 2; Wade, L. HBP - by Wade, L (Fagan); by Wade, L (McAdams). PB - Guillory, L.
Umpires - HP: Henjum, Irene 1B: Ferguson, Brad
Start: 1:17 pm Time: 1:43 Attendance: 150
Game notes:
Capitol Cup Tournament
Game: GFS02262

George Fox 1 (1-3)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Winkler, Kayla ph.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Coleman, Kimberly ss.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Braun, Hollie rf.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Backhaus, Kim ph/rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Wade, Lacey p.....	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
O'Malley, Katelin 1b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1
Lacey, Jill 3b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Garvin, Kelly ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Guillory, Larae c.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0
Tronson, Amaris c.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	22	1	4	1	1	4	18	4	4

George Fox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Wade, Lacey.....	6.0	14	10	10	1	5	32	35

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2/12 – CONCORDIA 11-1, GEORGE FOX 2-4: Bruins Open '05 Season in Twinbill Split with Cavaliers

NEWBERG, Ore. – Michelle Roberts tossed a six-hit complete game while Cassie Halvorson and Katie Plumb sparked the offense with two hits apiece, lifting the George Fox University Bruins to a 4-1 second-game win and a split with the Concordia University-Portland Cavaliers in the season-opening softball doubleheader for both teams Saturday afternoon here at Morse Field.

In the opener, the Cavaliers used an 8-run 4th-inning explosion to overturn a 2-1 deficit and went on to an 11-2 victory.

Roberts (1-0) was in command throughout the Bruins' nightcap victory, faltering only in the 5th when Concordia got its run on a one-out single by Stacey Bartels, a sacrifice, and a run-scoring single by Kelly Rattay. She struck out four and did not walk a batter.

The Bruins jumped ahead in the 1st as Halvorson singled up the middle to lead off, stole second, went to third on a wild pitch, and scored with two out on Plumb's first double of the game to left-center. In the 3rd, Halvorson tripled down the right-field line and scored to make it 2-0 when shortstop Rattay threw a relay throw away. One out later, Kimberly Coleman singled and came around to score on Plumb's second double for a 3-0 lead.

Starter Kristin Donahue (0-1) took the loss, allowing six hits and three earned runs to the Bruins in 2.1 innings. The Bruins' last run in the 6th was unearned on a pair of Concordia errors.

In the opener, the Cavaliers scored an unearned run in the 1st on three walks and a muffed grounder at first, but the Bruins rallied for a 2-1 lead in the 2nd. Jill Lacey led off with a single and scored on Hollie Braun's triple to right, and Braun scored when Halvorson was safe at first on a dropped throw.

The Cavaliers pinned the loss on George Fox starter Plumb (1-0) with their big 4th-inning outburst. Concordia put together 8 hits, a walk, and an error to produce the runs. Donahue had a single and double and scored twice in the inning, and Bartels hit a two-run double. Kelly Mannion doubled in the Cavs' final two runs in the 7th, her second two-bagger of the game.

Annele Huckins (1-0) went the first four innings to secure the win for the Cavs, allowing two hits with four strikeouts and no walks. Taryn Scott worked three innings for the save, striking out three and allowing only one base runner on an error.

The Bruins are off for two weeks before playing in the Capital Cup Tournament, hosted by Willamette University, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 26-27. The Bruins will play Concordia at 11:00 a.m. and Eastern Oregon University at 1:00 p.m. the first day at the softball field in Bush's Pasture Park. The Cavaliers are back in action Thursday, Feb. 17, hosting Lewis & Clark College at 3:00 p.m. in a doubleheader at Delta Park.

The Automated ScoreBook
Concordia at George Fox (Game 1)
02/12/05 at Newberg, Oregon (Morse Field)

Concordia 11 (1-0)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Pitman, Julie rf.....	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ludwig, Brynn rf.....	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rattay, Kelly ss.....	4	2	1	1	1	1	2	0	0
Mannion, Kelly c.....	3	1	2	2	1	0	9	1	0
Howery, Stephanie ph....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ostlund, Shayna 1b.....	4	1	1	1	1	2	7	1	1
Donahue, Kristin dh.....	3	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
Perna, Amanda 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0

George Fox 2 (0-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halvorson, Cassie cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tsuruda, Kerstyn 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Coleman, Kimberly ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
Garvin, Kelly 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
O'Malley, Katelin 1b....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Plumb, Katie p.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	2
Wade, Lacey p.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Lacey, Jill lf.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1

Moon, Krystal cf..... 3 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 5
 Grisham, Katie 3b..... 3 1 0 0 0 1 1 4 2
 Caire, Leanne 3b..... 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
 Bartels, Stacey lf..... 4 1 1 2 0 0 0 0 0
 Huckins, Annele p..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
 Scott, Taryn p..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
 Totals..... 34 11 12 10 4 7 21 8 8

Guillory, Larae c..... 2 0 0 0 0 2 8 0 0
 Winkler, Kayla ph..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
 Braun, Hollie rf..... 3 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0
 Morrison, Mikki 1b..... 2 0 0 0 0 0 8 0 0
 Nelson, Erica ph..... 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0
 Totals..... 27 2 2 1 0 7 21 10 4

Score by Innings R H E

 Concordia..... 100 800 2 - 11 12 4
 George Fox..... 020 000 0 - 2 2 3

E - Ostlund, S(1); Perna, A 2(2); Caire, L(1); Coleman, K(1); Wade, L(1); Morrison, N(1). LOB - Concordia 8; George Fox 4.
 2B - Pitman, J(1); Mannion, K 2(2); Donahue, K(1); Bartels, S(1). 3B - Braun, H(1). HBP - Donahue, K. SH - Perna, A(1). SB - Coleman, K 2(2).

Concordia IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Huckins, Annele..... 4.0 2 2 1 0 4 17 17
 Scott, Taryn..... 3.0 0 0 0 0 3 10 10

George Fox IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Plumb, Katie..... 3.2 4 7 3 4 3 16 21
 Wade, Lacey..... 3.1 8 4 4 0 4 18 19

Win - Huckins, A (1-0). Loss - Plumb, K (0-1). Save - Scott, T (1).
 WP - Plumb, K(1). HBP - by Wade, L (Donahue, K).
 Umpires - HP: Lloyd Tolle 1B: Larry Trudell
 Start: 12:00 pm Time: 2:03 Attendance:
 Game: GFS02121

The Automated ScoreBook
 Concordia at George Fox (Game 2)
 02/12/05 at Newberg, Oregon (Morse Field)

Concordia 1 (1-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Ludwig, Brynn rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Rattay, Kelly ss.....	3	0	2	1	0	0	4	0	0
Mannion, Kelly c.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	4	1	0
Ostlund, Shayna 1b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	2
Pitman, Julie dh.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	
Donahue, Kristin p.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Johnson, Jessica p.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Perna, Amanda 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	2
Moon, Krystal cf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hovary, Stephanie ph....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bartels, Stacey lf.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Grisham, Katie 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Totals.....	27	1	6	1	0	4	18	6	6

Score by Innings R H E

 Concordia..... 000 010 0 - 1 6 3
 George Fox..... 102 001 0 - 4 8 2

E - Rattay, K 3(3); Wade, L(2); Lacey, J(1). DP - Concordia 1. LOB - Concordia 6; George Fox 7. 2B - Plumb, K 2(2). 3B - Halverson, C(1). SH - Ludwig, B(1). SB - Halverson, C(1). CS - Rattay, K(1).

Concordia IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Donahue, Kristin.... 2.1 6 3 3 0 3 13 13
 Johnson, Jessica.... 3.2 2 1 0 2 1 14 16

George Fox 4 (1-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Halverson, Cassie cf.....	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Braun, Hollie dh.....	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
Coleman, Kimberly c.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	4	1	2
Plumb, Katie lf.....	3	0	2	2	0	0	3	0	0
Wade, Lacey 2b.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	1
Lacey, Jill ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Garvin, Kelly ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O'Malley, Katelin 1b.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	8	0	2
Winkler, Kayla rf.....	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Backhaus, Kim 3b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	1
Roberts, Michelle p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Totals.....	27	4	8	2	2	4	21	8	7

George Fox IP H R ER BB SO AB BF

 Roberts, Michelle... 7.0 6 1 1 0 4 27 28

Win - Roberts, M (1-0). Loss - Donahue, K (0-1). Save - None.
 WP - Donahue, K 2(1).
 Umpires - HP: Larry Trudell 1B: Lloyd Tolle
 Start: 2:47 pm Time: 1:44 Attendance: 125
 Game: GFS02122

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COMING UP:

Sat., Feb. 12, 12:00 noon - vs. Concordia University-Portland (2), Newberg, Ore.

2005 PREVIEW: More Players, More Talent, New Coach - Can They Mean More Wins for Bruins in 2005?

NEWBERG, Ore. – Although the George Fox University Bruins softball team will have a new head coach for the 2005 season, it is not as big a change as one might think. After all, **Mark Vergets**, who takes over for the retired Bob Steenson, was an assistant coach for the Bruins for the past two years, so he is familiar with the players and program.

What Vergets does expect to change, however, is the team's won-lost record. Coming off a 2004 season in which George Fox was 4-32 and finished 9th in the Northwest Conference with a 2-26 league mark, there seems to be only one way for the Bruins to go.

"Realistically, I think we will be a good deal better than last year," says an upbeat Vergets. "How many more wins that translates into, though, is hard to say – we play in a pretty strong conference."

Vergets' optimism is based on two main factors. One is simply numbers; with 17 players on the squad – 9 returning letterwinners and 8 newcomers – this is the largest roster the program has had in several years. The other is talent. "All our new players have the knowledge and skills to contribute significantly right away," the new coach predicts.

Pitching

The Bruins' pitching staff is a group of "young veterans" – all five of last year's pitchers, all right-handers, are back, but none are seniors. Vergets expects the majority of this year's starting workload to go to **Katie Plumb** (So., Drain, Ore./North Douglas HS), **Michelle Roberts** (So., Salem, Ore./Sprague HS), and **Lacey Wade** (Jr., Junction City, Ore./Junction City HS), admitting that "they will do the bulk of our pitching, but we are still looking for an 'ace' to step forward from that group and dominate."

Plumb was 1-0, 6.00 in only two games as a freshman, spending most of her time as the starting shortstop. Roberts was 1-14 with a team-leading 4.96 ERA, 47 strikeouts, 14 starts, and 8 complete games, while Wade went 2-7, 5.13 with 27 K's.

Kayla Winkler (So., McMinnville, Ore./McMinnville HS), last year's No. 3 starter, and **Nikki Morrison** (So., Salem, Ore./Sprague HS) will form the Bruins' bullpen crew as their roles are redefined this season. Winkler was 0-8, 5.73 with 36 strikeouts in 8 starts, while Morrison was 0-3 while making 9 appearance with 3 starts.

George Fox pitchers in 2004 were actually much more competitive than their individual records would indicate, as the offense hit only .195 and averaged 2.0 runs per game, resulting in a number of narrow defeats. With an expected increase in run production, Vergets anticipates that his staff's won-lost records will improve accordingly.

Infield

Fans won't be able to recognize the Bruin infield in 2005 with a scorecard. Says Vergets, "We've got a whole new freshman class who are all pushing for positions, and all will probably start at some point."

The only position that seems assured as the season approaches is **Kelly Garvin** (Fr., Brookings, Ore./Brookings-Harbor HS) at third base. **Jill Lacey** (Fr., Hinton, Iowa/Hinton HS) and **Kimberley Coleman** (Fr., Morton, Wash./Morton HS) are vying for the shortstop position that Plumb held last year. **Kerstyn Tsuruda** (Fr., Waimanolo, Hawaii/Kalahea HS) is the heir apparent at second base.

First base may be the Bruins' most crowded position. The starting role appears to be a toss-up between Morrison (.121-0-0) and **Katelin O'Malley** (So., Bend, Ore./Mountain View HS - .120-0-1). "Nikki was primarily a pitcher last year, but she has taken her new assignment to heart and shows a lot of potential at first," notes Vergets.

Plumb and newcomer **Hollie Braun** (Fr., Dayton, Ore./Dayton HS), the latter the only let-handed bat on the team, can also play first. Plumb batted .261 and led the team with 8 doubles and 16 RBI, so her bat has to be in the lineup somewhere, possibly as the designated hitter when she isn't pitching. Braun is a versatile athlete who can actually play several positions.

Outfield

Center field is set with **Cassie Halvorson** (Jr., Hillsboro, Ore./Hillsboro HS), an Honorable Mention All-NWC selection after hitting .262-1-7 as the Bruins' lead-off hitter. She led the team in steals with 7 and was the nation's toughest to strike out, not fanning at all in 113 at bats. Comments Vergets, "Cassie has stepped up her game and could well be a First or Second Team All-Conference player this year. She has worked hard to become even better defensively, and hopefully will be our permanent lead-off hitter, although she is capable of handling any spot in the lineup."

Kim Backhaus (Sr., Hillsboro, Ore./Hillsboro HS), the team's lone senior, returns to left field after hitting .178-0-5 with 6 stolen bases. She is being challenged by newcomers **Amaris Tronson** (Fr., Cashmere, Wash./Cashmere HS), **Erica Nelson** (Fr., Glide, Ore./Glide HS), and **Shannon Waritz** (Fr., Portland, Ore./Sunset HS), who are also candidates for the right field spot vacated by the Bruins' leading hitter, Sarah Camp (.293-0-5), who graduated. Tronson, a transfer from California Baptist University, was a goalkeeper for the George Fox soccer team in the fall and is playing softball again for the first time in a couple of years.

"We're looking for Kim to step up her offensive production," says Vergets, "and the other three are all capable of significant playing time. Tronson, who has caught most of her career, is quick and fast and is learning how to play the outfield quickly. Nelson and Waritz will also fill some big needs and the season progresses."

Catching

Larae Guillory (So., Wallowa, Ore./Wallowa HS) split time last year behind the plate and at third base, batting .139-0-2. She returns this year as the No. 1 catcher and has worked hard to improve her fundamentals. She will be backed up by Coleman and Tronson.

Summary

"I'm excited about my first season as the head coach," admits Vergets, "because we have the potential to build a top-notch program here. This year's team is a good start; we have the most athletes and the most depth here in years. We're young, with only one senior, so we're probably not ready to challenge the league leaders yet, the Linfields and Pacific Lutherans and teams like that, but I certainly think we are capable of moving up toward the middle of the pack."

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7/19 – Bruins Name Mark Vergets Interim Coach to Replace Retiring Coach Steenson

NEWBERG, Ore. – Mark Vergets, an assistant coach with the George Fox University softball program for the past two years, has been named the Bruins' new interim softball coach, replacing outgoing coach **Bob Steenson** who has announced his retirement.

Vergets takes over a team that went 4-32 this past season and finished 8th in the Northwest Conference at 2-26. With nine returning letterwinners from a young roster and several promising newcomers, however, he believes it will not take long to turn the Bruins' fortunes around.

"I am looking forward to the new challenges of being a head college softball coach with much excitement and enthusiasm," says the long-time Newberg resident. "At the same time, I feel humbled and grateful to have been given this wonderful opportunity."

In announcing the new hiring, George Fox director of athletics Craig Taylor pointed out that "Vergets was one of two finalists for the position two years ago when Coach Steenson came on board, so it was an easy decision to make in offering the job to Mark. Given the timing of the opening, we felt it was in the program's best interest to go ahead and name someone on an interim basis, allowing us time to conduct a full-scale search at a more thorough pace during the school year. Coach Vergets will certainly be given every consideration, if he is interested, for the permanent position as we get further along in the search process."

Steenson compiled a 9-63 record in his two years with the Bruins after filling in a void left in the fall of 2002 when Tim Hill took the head coaching job at Pacific. He decided to relinquish the job due to the lengthy travel from his home in Milwaukie, Ore., to the Newberg campus each day for practice and games, and a need to devote more time to his full-time position with Abco Marketing.

Vergets is a long-time resident of Newberg, having come to the community in 1964 when his parents purchased a local hardware store and ran it as Coast-to-Coast Hardware. Mark and his wife Roni continued the family business by owning and running the store for the past 10 years as Newberg Hardware.

Vergets has been involved in softball for many years, beginning as a summer Amateur Softball Association coach in 1991. In 1998, he led his girls' 14-U Oregon ASA Fast Pitch summer team to the state championship. He coached at Newberg High School from 1999-2002, with his final two years as an assistant under head coach Gary Bertrand, for whom he had played during high school.

An avid sports enthusiast who has also coached football, baseball, and girls' basketball, Vergets competes in numerous sports himself. In addition to the usual participation sports such as softball, bowling, and golf, he has gone in for surfing, hockey, rodeo, field trials for hunting dogs, snow and water skiing, hunting, archery, fishing, motorcycle racing, and is an advanced open water diver. He draws the line at sky diving, however, maintaining that there is "no reason to jump out of a perfectly good airplane!"

Among others interests, Vergets lists 4-H activities, dog breeding of AKC labs, taxidermy, landscaping, cooking and barbecuing. For the past five years, he and Roni have relaxed by riding Harley Road Kings.

The Vergets have been married for 28 years and have four grown children – Keri, Kory, Kindra (who played for last year's George Fox softball team), and Kirk – and two grandchildren, Kodee and Kenya.

GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY "BRUINS" 2005 SOFTBALL QUICK FACTS

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Founded:	1891	
Denomination:	Evangelical Friends (Quaker)	
Enrollment:	3,034	
President:	Dr. David Brandt	

ATHLETICS INFORMATION

Nickname:	Bruins	
Colors:	Navy Blue & Old Gold	
Affiliation (yrs):	NCAA Division III (6th)	
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Conference (yrs):	Northwest Conference (10th)	
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Assistant Coach:	Jami Strinz (1st yr)
Assistant Coach:	Talle Anne Malmstrom (1st yr) – George Fox '04

TEAM INFORMATION

Home Field (capacity):	Morse Field (100)
2004 Overall Record:	4-32 (.111)
2004 NWC Record:	2-26 (.071), 8TH
2004 Post-Season:	none
Letterwinners Back/Lost:	9/4
Starters Back/Lost:	5/4
Pitchers Back/Lost:	5/0

<u>Top Returnees</u>	<u>Pos. Cl. Hometown</u>	<u>Stats</u>	<u>Honors</u>
Cassie Halvorson (S)	CF, Jr, Hillsboro, Ore.	.262-1-7, 20 r, 7 sb, 0 K's	All-NWC HM
Katie Plumb (S)	SS, So, Drain, Ore.	.261-0-16, 8 2b, 5 sb	
Kim Backhaus (S)	LF, Sr, Hillsboro, Ore.	.178-0-5, 9 r, 6 sb	
Kayla Winkler (S)	OF-P, So, McMinnville, Ore.	.159-0-4 / 0-8, 5.73, 36 K's	
Larae Guillory (S)	3B, So, Wallowa, Ore.	.139-0-2	
Michelle Roberts (S)	RHP, So, Salem, Ore.	1-14, 4.96, 47 K's	
Lacey Wade (S)	RHP, Jr, Junction City, Ore.	2-7, 5.13, 27 K's	

<u>Key Losses</u>	<u>Pos. Cl. Hometown</u>	<u>Stats</u>	<u>Honors</u>
Sarah Camp (S)	OF-2B, Sr, Hubbard, Ore.	.293-0-5	
Kindra Roley (S)	C, Fr, Newberg, Ore.	.174-0-5	
van Loon, Ashley (S)	IF, Fr, Jefferson, Ore.	.163-0-1	
Talle Anne Malmstrom (S)	1B, Sr, Dundee, Ore.	.138-1-6	