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DELPHOS — Continental's fast-pitch softball crew rode the 2-hitter by Makenna Scott to an 11-1 non-league triumph over Jefferson on a windy and wet Tuesday afternoon at Lady Wildcat Field.

Scott went the distance in her first pitching effort of the season (1-0; 5 innings, 1 earned run, 6 bases-on-balls, 4 strikeouts).

Jefferson's Hannah Sensibaugh lost her first varsity outing of 2012-13 (0-1; 2 IPs, 6 hits, 9 runs, 7 earned, 4 BBS. 2 Ks).

"For her first varsity game, she did fine overall. It's hard to really get a rhythm throwing indoors," Jefferson coach Josiah Stober said. "She actually got better from the first to the second inning and as she gets more innings, she will continue to improve."

For Continental coach Jordan Streicher, he was also pleased with Scott's effort.

"She had a few too many walks but generally, she threw the pitches we called and where we called them," he explained. "She was in the strike zone most of the day. She will also get nothing but better as she gains innings."

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The Pirates (6-3) got on board in the top of the first with one out. Scott (2 runs) and Taylor Williamson (2 runs, 2 runs batted in) got aboard via errors and Leva Weller walked. A wild pitch plated Scott and a bounceout to second by Sara Deken scored Williamson for a 2-0 edge. Sarah Thitoff walked to start the home half but was left stranded.

The Pirates made it 9-0 in the top of the second. Krystle Prowant walked. An out later, she moved up on a wild pitch and to third on a liner to left Erica Fitzwater, who took second on the throw. Alex Quigley walked to juice the bases and a wild pitch scored Prowant. Scott walked and Williamson singled, scoring Fitzwater and Quigley and putting runners on the corners. Both scored as Weller clubbed a double down the left-field line, taking third on an error. She scored on an infield hit to short by Deken. Sloane Zachrich blooped a hit between the pitcher and second baseman and Prowant doubled off the fence in left to score courtesy runner Vanessa Koppenhofer for the 9-0 edge. Kiana Warnement fanned and on the play, Zachrich tried to score and was tagged out at home by Samantha Branham, who was injured and had to leave the game.

The Wildcats (0-7) tried to rally in the home half. Jessica Pimpas beat out an infield hit off the pitcher and Kamie Pulford walked. On a strikeout, a passed ball allowed the runners to advance. Kimber Kill bounced to pitcher, who threw home to nail Pimpas. After Kayla Kill walked to load the bases, Thitoff bounced out to end the threat.

With Taylor Branham on in relief in the top of the third and one out in the visitor third, Quigley beat out and infield hit, advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored as Scott laid down a suicide squeeze for a 10-0 edge.

Jefferson again challenged in the third with leadoff walks to Sensibaugh (stole second) and Taylor Branham and a sacrifice by Sophie Wilson. However, a bounceout and foul-out kept Jefferson off the scoreboard. Continental tacked on its final tally to start the fourth — with a mist starting to fall — on a misplayed grounder by Weller, a passed ball, a wild pitch and a groundout by Deken.

Fallon Van Dyke walked to start the Delphos fourth and an out later, advanced on a groundout by Kayla Kill. However, she was tagged out by shortstop Williamson on a Thitoff bouncer there.

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The Red and White got its only run in the fifth. Sensibaugh singled to right, stole second, took third on a wild pitch and scored on T. Branham's fly ball to center.

"Our approach at the plate was much better today than the day before. We didn't hit the ball well but we showed more patience," Stober added. "Defensively, we went from a lot of mistakes to only a couple errors today. Every game is a chance to learn more and get more teaching in between innings and games."

Streicher figured the offense just continued a trend this spring.

"We have been putting up good numbers all spring," he added. "We're putting the ball in play and getting good production up and down the lineup. Defensively, we have four seniors and they are well organized out there."

Jefferson hosts Allen East 5 p.m. Thursday; Continental visits Columbus Grove 5 p.m. Friday.

CONTINENTAL (11)

ab-r-h-rbi

Alex Quigley 3b 3-2-1-0, Mckenna Scott p 1-2-0-1, Taylor Williamson ss 3-2-1-2, Leva Weller 2b 2-2-1-2, Sara Deken c 3-0-1-3, Vanessa Koppenhofer cr 0-1-0-0, Sloane Zachrich 1b 3-0-1-0, Krystle Prowant cf 2-1-1-2, Kiana Warnement lf 2-0-0-0, Casse Averesch lf 1-0-0-0, Erica Fitzwater rf 2-1-1-0, Vanessa Koppenhofer ph 1-0-0-0. Totals 23-11-7-10.

JEFFERSON (1)

ab-r-h-rbi

Sarah Thitoff 2b 2-0-0-0, Hannah Sensibaugh p/3b 2-1-1-0, Taylor Branham dp/p 1-0-0-1, Samantha Branham c 1-0-0-0, Sophie Wilson c 1-0-0-0, Jessica Pimpas 1b 3-0-1-0, Kamie Pulford ss 1-0-0-0, Fallon Van Dyke If 1-0-0-0, Kimber Kill cf 2-0-0-0, Kayla Kill 3b/rf 1-0-0-0. Totals 15-1-2-1.

Score by Innings:

Continental 2 7 1 1 0 - 11

Jefferson 000 01 - 1

E: Pulford 2, Kay. Kill, Pimpas; DP: Jefferson 1; LOB: Continental 2, Jefferson 7; 2B:

Williamson, Prowant; SB: Sensibaugh 2; CS: Zachrich (by S. Branham); Sac: Scott, Wilson; SF: T. Branham.

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Scott (W, 1-0) 5.0 2 1 1 6 4

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T. Branham 3.0 1 2 1 0 4

WP: Sensibaugh 2, Scott, T. Branham; PB: Wilson.