

Alfred University softball team stays even with split in Fort Myers

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FORT MYERS, FL The Alfred University softball team took one of two in a doubleheader in Fort Myers, FL, Thursday to maintain a .500 record for the trip. The Lady Saxons (4-4, 0-0 Empire 8) fell to Ursinus, 4-0, in the first game but rolled past North Park in the nightcap, 9-1. In the first game against Ursinus, junior Brittany Curran (Alfred, NY/Alfred-Almond) picked up the loss after going six innings on the mound, striking out nine and walking four. Senior second baseman Andrea Crandall (Alfred, NY/Alfred Almond), sophomore catcher Gretchen Weidner (Eden, NY/Eden) and junior Heidi Brooks (Wayland, NY/Wayland-Cohocton) each finished the game 1-3 at the plate with a double. Senior outfielder Courtney Briganti (Canisteo, NY/Canisteo) was 1-2 adding a double of her own. In six innings of work, Brooks won the second game striking out seven batters while walking only one. Sophomore third baseman Lauren Mastin (Springwater, NY/Wayland-Cohocton) had a big game at the plate for AU going 2-4 with a double, three RBI's, three stolen bases and two runs scored. Brooks had a strong performance on the offensive end as well, finishing the game 1-3 with two runs scored, one RBI and three stolen bases. Weidner and junior first baseman Emilie Vicchio (Shaker Heights, OH/Shaker Heights) each went 1-3 at the plate, adding three and two stolen bases respectively, while freshman Amanda McMinn (Ridgway, PA/Ridgway) finished 1-1 with a double. The Lady Saxons complete their 10-game Florida trip with two late games on Friday, Mar. 11. AU will play Kenyon College at 4 p.m., followed by a nightcap with Hiram College at 8 p.m.