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Pilots clobber Centenary this week

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The 9th-ranked LSU Shreveport Pilots smashed a season high 20 hits on their way to a 16-0 dominating win over their cross-town rival Centenary Gents at Shehee Stadium on Tuesday evening in non-conference action. This was the first time in the series' history that LSUS has shut-out Centenary. The 16-runs scored by the Pilots was also a season high in rout to their 9th straight victory giving the Pilots a win in 13 of their last 14 games. LSUS improves to 22-5 on the season and 12-10 all-time versus the Gents while Centenary falls to 8-10.

The scoring started for the Pilots in the 2nd inning with three runs as the first run came home on a RBI-triple from James Sloan that scored James Jean who led off the inning with a hit-by-pitch. Grady Caldwell got his first of two hits as he ripped a single to left to score Sloan. Jamal Martin later singled and scored on Kym Barthel's RBI-single as Barthel finished the game 2-for-2 and later got some much needed rest.

The Pilots erupted for eight runs in the top of the 3rd inning behind a pair of three-run homers. The first was by Caldwell on a two-one pitch that he drove over the left-center field wall at the 385 ft. sign for the Pilots first home run of the game. Four batters later following a Centenary pitching change Reed Lavalley crushed the first pitch thrown by the new reliever over the right field walk to bring in three more runs as LSUS lead after two and a half 11-0.

The newest Centenary reliever Michael Francis settled in only allowing the Pilots one run over the next three innings that came in the 5th as Martin scored as Centenary turned a double play. The Pilots got to Francis in the 7th inning as they scored three more runs but all three were unearned as Oliver Christensen reached with two outs on an error by their centerfielder. Blair Landry followed with a single and then Brady McCoy drove in O.C. with a double to left field. Brandon Bufton followed with a two-run single as LSUS extended its lead to 15-0 after seven innings.

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Kick Butts Day kicks off

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Kick Butts Day began with, well, a kick around campus as students in two teams played a friendly game of foot golf to bring awareness to LSU Shreveport's tobacco ban and celebrate kicking the habit of smoking.

A game of foot golf very similarly works like golf, but players kick the ball across the field instead of striking it with a club.

The organization headed by Dr. Timothy Winter, Fresh Campus, set up and sponsored this event for students to be outdoors and enjoy the fresh air. The goal was to have fun while also promoting smoking prevention and hopefully help everyone to kick the habit.

“The Fresh Campus campaign aims at preventing smoking on campus and promoting community health and well-being,” said Winter in an interview last year with the Almagest.

Fresh Campus is funded by the Louisiana Public Health Institute, based in New Orleans. The purpose of this group is to spread awareness about LSUS's new policy, as well as advocate smoking prevention.



Photo by Tyler Moody

Fresh Campus sponsored Kick Butts Day

They received a grant last year totaling \$16,000 to fund smoking prevention ads and events like the All-American Smoke Out and Kick Butts Day.

“The objective of the Fresh Campus campaign is to make Louisiana college campuses 100% tobacco-free,” as described on the Fresh Campus website. “The Fresh Campus campaign is led by students in 10 colleges and universities in Louisiana, students who are standing up to make a difference where they learn, work, and live,” Winter said.



Photo by Tyler Moody

To honor Kick Butts Day, students played a friendly game of foot golf

Net neutrality made possible by the FCC

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On Feb. 26, the Federal Communications Commission ruled in favor of net neutrality. Net neutrality is the idea that Internet service providers and government should treat all data on the Internet equally.

The FCC ruling reclassifies Internet service as a telecommunication service instead of an information service. The FCC claims that this would ensure net neutrality.

By reclassifying the Internet as a telecommunication service, the FCC requires ISPs to work similarly to phone companies. Just like phone companies are not allowed to restrict who you can talk to likewise ISPs cannot restrict users' access to websites.

YouTube personality and net neutrality advocate, Hank Green, voiced the opinion of many Internet users in his video blog reacting to the ruling, “The people who are for net neutrality are mainly just regular internet users like you and me. This is hugely important for the future of the Internet. It's hugely important for the future of me!”

However, many other prominent voices on the web say

net neutrality is not even necessary.

“Net neutrality has not been necessary to date. I don't see any reason why it's suddenly become important, when the Internet has functioned quite well for the past 15 years without it. Government attempts to regulate technology have been extremely counterproductive in the past,” says Peter Thiel, PayPal founder and Facebook investor.

This ruling, some have said, may bring with it the fear that the government is attempting to regulate the Internet. Chairman of the FCC Tom Wheeler called this idea “nonsense” in a statement after the ruling was announced.

“This is no more a plan to regulate the Internet than the First Amendment is a plan to regulate free speech. They both stand for the same concept,” Wheeler said.

Net neutrality is not about regulating the usage of the Internet. The FCC claims it is about preventing ISPs from restricting it.

For example, suppose Yahoo paid an ISP to make access to their search engine faster than Bing. This ruling is an effort to prevent that kind of scenario from happening.

There are many opponents who believe that this problem does not even exist.

Others say that the kind of restrictions the ruling will

bring harm and even could cripple the economy. Investors could become hesitant about investing in the broadband in-

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frastructure.

Companies who oppose net neutrality may already be looking for ways around this ruling. Cell phone company Verizon took legal action when the FCC tried something less strict than this recent ruling.

Internet users will have to wait and see what affect this ruling will have long term.

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Pilots hammer Southwest for series sweeps

The 10th ranked Pilots took care of business today smashing 29 hits and scored 25 more runs in their double header sweep of the Southwest Mustangs on Monday afternoon at Jake Williams Field in Red River Athletic Conference action. LSUS won game one 11-0 and forced the mercy rule in game two with a 14-3 final in 7 innings. The Pilots improve to 21-5 overall and 13-3 in conference play while the Mustangs fall to 8-20 overall and 6-10 in league play.

GAME ONE

Trent Cormier (2-0) worked three solid predetermined innings for his second win of the season as he retired nine of the 11 batters that he faced and recorded one strikeout in a walk-free performance.

The Pilots scored early in the game again as William Breland scored on a RBI-single by Kade

Billeaudeaux to give the Pilots a 1-0 lead.

In the top of 3rd inning the Pilots scored two on a two-run single by Billeaudeaux that was ripped to right field and later James Jean drove in a run with a single and Connor McMullin drove in a run with a sac-fly to extend the LSUS lead to 5-0.

LSUS scored an unearned run in the 5th inning and later scored three in the 6th inning. Reed Lavallee ripped a two-run single in the 7th extending the LSUS lead to 11-0.

The Pilots bullpen did another great job as Reno Dupuis worked three innings allowing just one hit as he faced one over the minimum before giving way to George Bliss who worked a perfect 7th inning.

GAME TWO

The Pilots smashed 15 hits in the series finale as Blair Landry connected for his first homer

of the year, a two-run shot in the 4th inning to give the Pilots a 7-2 lead to bust the game open. The Pilots pushed four runs across that inning and never looked back.

In the 6th the Pilots took advantage of a couple of walks and two hits to score three more to take a 12-2 lead. William

Breland added a RBI-single in the 7th to put the Pilots back in by ten and he later scored on a RBI-infield single giving the Pilots a 14-3 lead.

Dustin Doucette (3-0) picked up the win for the Pilots working six strong innings. He faced adversity in the 4th inning when he walked the bases loaded but escaped the jam. He retired the next seven batters as the Pilots offense went to work. Kevin Williams worked the final inning and walked two batters but induced three ground balls as the Pilots wrapped up the series sweep.

SPORTS cont.

Daniel Rushing got the 8th inning rally started with a single to right field and he scored the only run of the inning thanks to an error by the Centenary short stop.

Five Pilots pitchers combined to throw the 7th shutout of the season as Michael Wilson (1-0) was the winning pitcher for the Pilots after four innings of work as he allowed just three hits, none

that made it out of the infield, with one walk and three strikeouts. Jacob Rodrigue allowed just one hit and walked one with two strike outs in his two innings of work while Jonathan Lycan, Cam Chaland and George Bliss each threw an inning without allowing a hit the rest of the game.

During the Pilots season high 20-hit performance, 13 different player collected at least one hit

while Montero, Landry, Sloan, Bufton, Caldwell, Martin, and Barthel all had two hits apiece.

The Pilots will get some much needed rest over the next two days and fine tune a few things as they prepare for the weekend series at Pilots Field against the Jarvis Christian Bulldogs. Friday's double header will begin at 4 p.m. while the twin bill on Saturday is set for a 1 p.m. start.

LSUS | Student Activities & Recreational Sports

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 8-Ball Doubles Pool Tournament 11 a.m. UC Game Room	3	4 ThinkFirst Presentation 11 a.m. UC Theater Intramural Softball and Soccer Captain's Meeting 5 p.m.-Softball 5:30 p.m.-Soccer UC Pilot's Room <i>Entries and team/free agent fees due</i>	5	6 Pilot Preview Day LSUS Campus	7
8	Student Appreciation Days		11 Goodie Bags and Sand Art 11 a.m. UC Lobby	12	13 Student Organization Council Meeting 11 a.m. UC Ballroom	14
15	16 Rockwall on the Mall 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. UC Steps	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 Karaoke Common Hour 11 a.m. UC Port	19	20 Paintball Excursion 1 p.m. O.F.F. Limits Paintball (\$20/LSUS students) <i>Sign-up by 4 p.m. on 3/19.</i>	21
22 Easter Egg Hunt Week March 23 - 27 LSUS Campus <i>More details at facebook.com/sabatsus.</i>	23 National Chip and Dip Day 11 a.m. UC Lobby	24 Frisbee Golf Tournament 2 p.m. Bickham Dickson Park <i>Sign-up by noon on 3/24.</i>	25 Evening Students' Event 7 p.m. UC Port	26	27 Video Game Friday 11 a.m. UC Art Gallery	28

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