

Spring Fling not stopped by storms

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Fear not students of LSU Shreveport, for according to Angel Martin, director of student activities, the day's rain-soaked extravagance will not be halted due to the week's chance of storms.

"If it is raining Wednesday, we will move the entire fair into the UC Ballroom and advertise accordingly. Keep in mind there is only one elevator for the building, so be patient in getting your supplies upstairs. You are still welcome to serve food and there will be plenty to do," Martin said.

While this covers Wednesday, the Student Activities Board will not be able to move Friday's free crawfish into the UC Ballroom, likely to avoid lingering the scent in the building for a time. However, there is another plan Friday.

"The plan is to serve crawfish under a large tent outside and place student org tables around the overhang around the building. We ask that all crawfish stays outside, so this will keep everyone in a centralized place," Martin said. "If there is lightning and high winds, we will have to rethink this plan and I will be in contact with plan B."

The SAB is finding ways around the weather for Spring Fling. They are hoping for the best, and Martin is keeping the lines open for inquisitive students.

"The amount of rain each day will also affect whether we are inside or out. If outside, a few light and scattered showers may not affect the plans. Keep your fingers crossed that the rain stays away Wednesday and Friday and we will have nothing to worry about either day. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions," Martin said.



Photo by Alexandra Meachum

Hopefully we have sunny skies this week for Spring Fling, but the SAB has back-up plans in case we don't

Hopefully, the rain won't be a problem this week so plans won't have to change. On the bright side, festivities won't be stopped. Regardless of the weather, we will all be able to enjoy this year's Spring Fling.

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Kole helps Pilots take down Henderson State for DH split

The 15th ranked LSU Shreveport Pilots split Tuesday's double header with NCAA Division II Henderson State Reddies at Pilots Field. The visitors won game one 4-0 while the Pilots took the night cap in an exciting 6-4 win. LSUS improves to 28-10 while Henderson State falls to 20-14. Both teams will now spend the rest of the season battling it out for their respective conference championships. The Pilots in the Red River Athletic Conference and the Reddies are among the best in the Great American Conference (NCAA DII).

"That was a big split today against a very good ball club," said LSUS head coach Al Cantwell. "Game two was a big swing for us as the offense answered early and Williams was a bulldog on the mound for us. But in the big picture we have to play cleaner baseball and take care of the little mistakes we are making in all facets of the game, especially our infield play. We are leaving too many outs on the field and we are better defensively than how we are playing"

Leading the pregame huddle before game two was Kole Billeaudeau, the younger brother of Kade, as he pumped up the team and was the good luck charm in the dugout as the Pilots evened the series against Henderson State with a 6-4 win.

GAME TWO (W, 6-4)

James Jean had two hits and drove in four runs leading the Pilots to the win in game two. Jean got the scoring

started for the Pilots with a two-run double in the first and later scored on Grady Caldwell's RBI-single for an early 3-0 LSUS lead.

LSUS starter Kevin Williams had a rough top of the second inning walking the leadoff batter and would go on to allow a two-out two-run triple to Tadarious Hawkins that cut the LSUS lead to one, 3-2. But Williams settled in and retired 10 of the next 11 batters following a walk to Hawkins' triple. Helping the cause during that stretch was right fielder

Kade Billeaudeau as he made a tremendous diving catch after running a long way to end the top of the 4th inning.

Williams (2-0) picked up the win with five and 1/3 innings allowing three runs on four hits with three walks and five strikeouts, three of which came on consecutive batters as he carved through a perfect first inning.

Michael Wilson came on in relief to retire the final batters of the 6th inning. Brandon Russell earned the save although it was a rather rocky outing as he allowed one earned run on three hits but did strikeout two batters as HSU left the tying runners on the bases.

Oliver Christensen added a run in the Pilots 2nd inning with a RBI-single. The Pilots later added two runs in the bottom of the 5th on Jean's two-run homer, a blast over the left center field wall for his 4th round tripper of the season, bringing in Christensen who led off the inning reaching on a

throwing error by the HSU third baseman.

GAME ONE (L, 4-0)

Not enough can be said about the performance of the HSU starting pitcher Jay Hawley who made his first start of the year and retired 12 of the first 14 batters that he faced. In fact, the Pilots first base runner was the result of an error by the right fielder on a fly ball and the Pilots finally got a hit in the 4th inning as James Jean took advantage of a hanging breaking ball depositing it into right field for a two-out single but that was all the Pilots could get that inning.

Hawley (1-0) picked up the win working five solid innings scattering just two hits with no walks and two strikeouts.

The Pilots only managed to get more than one base runner on at the same time twice in the game. The Reddies rolled an inning-ending double play in the 5th and the Pilots had two on in the 7th but couldn't bring anyone across to score.

Jonathan Lycan (0-3) did a great job starting on the mound for the Pilots but was unfortunate to suffer the loss as it appeared that he had escaped a two-base runner jam in the top of the 4th after inducing a fly ball to end the inning but the field umpire called a balk sending the base runners ahead 90 feet and bringing the hitter Conner Brackhahn

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back to the plate and two pitches later he hit his second homer of the year, a three-run shot that proved to be the game winner.

"It was disappointing how we never got anything going out of the gate and spoiled a great spot start from Lycan," added Coach Cantwell.

"They took advantage of a big break on the balk call and we missed our chance to cut into the lead to give ourselves a chance."

Pilots wrap up series sweep after Bacone

The 16th ranked LSU Shreveport Pilots offense came ready to play as they smashed out a total of 27 hits and scored an even more impressive 31 runs in Saturday's double header sweep of the Bacone College Warriors in Red River Athletic Conference action. LSUS took game one 13-2 and forced the mercy rule 18-8 in eight innings in the finale at Warrior Field. LSUS improves to 27-9 overall and 18-6 in conference games while Bacone falls to 12-23 and 7-9 in league play.

GAME ONE (W, 13-2)

Bacone got on the board first as Mitchell Kellogg connected for a RBI-single to put the home squad on top early. The LSUS offense needed one time through the order before they got going but when they came back around the second and third times they rallied for a five spot in the 3rd and plated four runs in the 4th to take a commanding 9-1 lead after four complete.

Kade Billeaudeaux and Oliver Christensen started the rally with back-to-back singles and later James Jean was intentionally walked to load the bases for Reed Lavallee who had a good at-bat as he saw a total of 11 pitches and he fouled off five with two strikes before taking ball four in the dirt to bring in the first run of the inning.

Brandon Bufton's sac-fly scored Christensen and then Grady Caldwell scorched a liner to center that got past the diving efforts of the Bacone centerfielder and went all the way to the wall allowing everybody to score on Caldwell's 3rd homer of the year and first of the inside-the-park

variety.

Jean came up in the 4th and ripped a two-run single as the Pilots led 9-1 after the four-run inning.

The Pilots added two runs in the 6th with the first run scoring on William Breland's double down the left field line scoring Christensen who led off the inning with a base hit to center. Breland came in to score on an error by the left fielder as he bobbled a base hit from Lavallee.

LSUS would added two more runs in the top of the 7th inning as the offense provided starter Jared West (4-2) plenty of support as the southpaw tossed his second complete game of the season working all seven innings scattering five hits allowing just one earned run (one unearned) with four walks and five strikeouts on 118 pitches.

West walked one and gave up two hits in the first inning of work but then retired 13 of the next 17 that he faced.

Despite the 13-run game for the Pilots they had just two hitters with a multi-hit game as Billeaudeaux and Christensen was 2-for-3 while Jean was the top run producer with three RBIS and Breland drove in two.

GAME TWO (W, 18-8)

The offense wasted no time getting on the board as Alex Montero drove in William Breland who connected on a one-out double for the 1-0 lead in the first inning. An inning later, Connor McMullin crushed a two-two hanging breaking ball over the left field fence for his second home

run of the season, a solo-shot.

Kade Billeaudeaux led off the third inning with a base hit and scored on Jean's sac-fly to extend the LSUS lead to 3-0.

The Warriors came back to tie the game with three runs in the bottom of the 3rd inning but Billeaudeaux got all three runs back with a three-run homer over the right field fence, his second home run of the season and week, to extend the LSUS lead to 6-3 and who was the first to greet him in the dugout? His younger brother, Kole Billeaudeaux, who missed his first homer this week at Southern Arkansas but was on hand to see long ball number two of his brother's career.

The three-run blast was not all for the Pilots that inning as Jean ripped a two-run double to extend the LSUS lead to 9-3 after four. Grady Caldwell and McMullin each had RBI-singles as part of a three-run 6th inning for the Pilots and later

Jean brought a run with a single and Jamal Martin drove in two with a double in the five-run 7th.

Bacone rallied for two runs in the bottom of the 7th to hold off the mercy rule but LSUS scored one in the 8th on James Sloan's sac-fly to pull away by 10.

Up next the Pilots will host Henderson State for a double header on Tuesday beginning at 1 p.m. The DH will consist of two 7-inning games.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3 Passover	4
Spring Break						
5 Easter Sunday	6 Salsa with Salsa 11 a.m. UC Steps	7 CPR/AED and First Aid Training 1 - 5 p.m. UC Red River Room (\$25/LSUS students)	8 Giant Twister 11 a.m. UC Steps	9 LSUS Amazing Race 2 p.m. UC Steps Teams of 2-3 sign up in UC Office by 4 p.m. on 4/8. Self Defense 6:30 p.m. HPE Racquetball Ct. 1	10 Student Organization Council Meeting 11 a.m. UC Ballroom	11
Sizzlin' Spring Fling 2015						
12	13 Comedy Hour Common Hour 11 a.m. UC Port	14	15 Spring Fling Fair 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. UC Mall	16 Grocery Bingo 4:30 p.m. UC Port Self Defense 6:30 p.m. HPE Racquetball Ct. 1	17 Spring Fling Fair 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. UC Mall LifeShare Blood Drive 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. UC Mall Flagpole	18
19	20 CoffeeHouse Debate ft. the LSUS Debate team 11 a.m. UC Port	21 Baseball Tailgate Bash 5 p.m. Pilots Field	22 Earth Day Give Back: Campus Beautification 1 p.m. Meet at UC Steps	23 Self Defense 6:30 p.m. HPE Racquetball Ct. 1	24 Video Game Friday 11 a.m. UC Art Gallery LCIRSA State Basketball/Softball Tournament UL Monroe	25 LCIRSA State Basketball/Softball Tournament UL Monroe
26 Dead Week LCIRSA State Basketball/Softball Tournament UL Monroe	27 Stress Free Zone Common Hour 11 a.m. UC Lobby	28 UC Late Night 9 p.m. UC Port	29 Student Leadership Awards 11 a.m. UC Ballroom	30 SGA Undie Run 2 p.m. UC Steps Self Defense 6:30 p.m. HPE Racquetball Ct. 1	1 Canoe Trip 1 p.m. Location TBA Sign-up by 4 p.m. on 4/30.	
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