

Timely hitting, pitching, propels Trevs over Prospect

The pitching staff was able to hold off the Knights until NT's offense came alive with five runs in the sixth inning

by Camille Baer

New Trier baseball continued their hot start to the season at Prospect, Apr. 18, coming away with a 7-2 win and moving to 8-3-1 on the season.

It was a combination of four pitchers, small ball, and good base running that propelled the Trevisions over the host Knights.

It was a 2-1 game heading into the sixth inning, when the Trevisions rallied for 5 runs on their way to a decisive victory. The team, laden with sophomores, juniors, and seniors, showed good poise as the game remained close.

"We were a pretty relaxed group throughout the day," said senior catcher Eric Hoffman. "I think that really helped our performance."

Although the bats came alive late for the Trevisions, the pitching was lights out all game. Senior and Northwestern commit Danny Katz got the start and the win, giving up just 2 hits and 0 earned runs.

Senior pitchers Ryan Haak, Billy Cremin, and Andrew Earvolino shut the door on the Knights, combining for 3 innings of relief, striking out 6,

and allowing just one run.

"It was a game where everyone really contributed," added Hoffman. "There were several times throughout the game where we strung together a bunch of hits to really propel us ahead in the game."

Hoffman's view was echoed by his teammates.

"Every player contributed in one way or another, it was a team effort," said sophomore infielder Kevin Donahue.

New Trier stole a run in the top of the second inning, when senior first baseman Matt Boscow stole home after a pickoff. They added a second run when junior Ryan Aciri singled home junior Michael Hurley.

Then, the Trevisions broke the game wide open in the sixth, sending nine men to the plate and scoring five times on a double and four singles.

"Ryan Aciri and Matt Boscow probably had the best games on the offensive side. Aciri hit a two out line drive RBI base hit back up the middle to give us the lead and Boscow went 2-4," said senior outfielder Jake Reynolds, modestly. He went 2-4 with a double to propel the rally in the sixth. Of course the pitching was



UC Santa Barbara commit Ben Brecht anchors a potent pitching staff that is bolstered by a deep bullpen | Facebook

lights out as well.

"I thought our pitching was especially excellent. Danny Katz started and pitched a solid four innings before giving it over to our relief pitchers," explained Reynolds.

Katz's teammates raved about him, and rightfully so. The righty got out of a bases loaded jam in the bottom of the fourth relatively unscathed, allowing just 1 run before

buckling down to get a strikeout.

"With Katz on the mound we know that we are going to get a lot of ground balls and easy outs, so our fielders know to focus on making their routine plays," said Hoffman.

"He pitched great, as he always does, which takes a heavy load off of the team when we don't need to worry about our starting pitcher."

This team has been clicking

so far this season, and will look to do something that has evaded the Trevisions for 5 consecutive seasons; an elusive state championship.

"Overall, our team really clicks well together and we're all really good friends. I really love the determination and will of our team because we've won a lot gussy games this year; we're a strong group who doesn't give in," said Reynolds.

Girls lacrosse put to test on trip to San Francisco

After breezing to a 5-0 start in Illinois state play, the Trevisions dropped one of three games in California

by Rachel Melancon

The girls lacrosse team headed to San Francisco over the Apr. 18 weekend to play three games against elite national competition.

The Trevisions won two of the three games, contributing to their 5-0 record before heading into the California trip.

In California, this year's team got its first taste of state championship-caliber lacrosse after some lopsided early season results.

"We played very talented teams who we have never played before. I think this will be a very good test for our team," said junior Tace Sutherland. "I think it will exemplify what we need to work on to beat teams like Loyola and [Glenbrook South]."

Opponents included St. Ignatius College Preparatory, Menlo School, and Carondelet High School, all of whom are some of the top teams in the state of California.

"Everyone on our team [was] super excited. It [was] a great experience and a fantastic test for us," said junior Clare Rooney.

The Trevisions took down Carondelet and Menlo but lost to St.



Girls lacrosse features a veteran starting lineup and with fifteen returning varsity players, they are seeking a return to Lakeside Field, where Loyola defeated them last year to clinch its sixth consecutive state championship | Facebook

Ignatius.

"I thought we played well," said junior Caleigh DeWitt. "We have some things to work on but our weekend was a big success."

In addition to playing 3 games, the team was able to explore San Francisco and Palo Alto.

In Palo Alto, the team visited

Stanford, where they met with former Trevian lacrosse player Kelsey Murray (who now plays for nationally ranked top 15 Stanford).

The Trevs also got to practice on the Cardinal's lacrosse field and watch its game against San Diego State, a resounding 22-10 victory.

This trip to California gave the

Trevisions a glimpse into the next level of lacrosse, although they are focused on winning this season.

"Our team motto this year has been 'reach,'" said Rooney. "So we work hard every day at practice to reach within ourselves to get better and push ourselves."

To help the team continue to

reach for its goals, the Trevisions have establishing their team chemistry.

"In the beginning of the season we do a lot of team bonding and spend so much time getting to know each other," said Sutherland.

One of the team bonding activities to improve their team bonding was an overnight retreat. According to Rooney, they spent the entire night at the Northfield campus doing different trust exercises.

The Trevs have thirteen new varsity team members this year due to graduated seniors, but also fifteen returning varsity players.

"Neither team was better or worse, just different," said Sutherland. "I think this team has a lot of potential to get better and better as the season progresses."

Now that the girls lacrosse team is back home, it needs to work and learn from its trip to beat top Illinois teams such as Loyola, who defeated the Trevisions in the state championship last season, Glenbrook South, and Hinsdale Central.

Senior Captain Grace Hemmer said, "It was a really great trip and now we all have a lot of varsity experience, so now we can really play well together and mesh well."

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| My coach hates it when... | I'm sarcastic | the police shut down his house music during training camp | I ask how many 200's we're running today | we miss signs and are playing like "Jimmies" |
| What would your rap name be? | AK47 | Boots | PhatKittyKat | Crem de la Crem, Creme Fraiche, or ASAP Bill |
| Who is your celebrity crush? | Sophia Bush | Anne Hathaway | Grace Hemmer | Blake Lively |
| One ability nobody knows I have is... | Cracking my dog's back | 3-time Fourth of July watermelon seed-spitting champion | I make a mean mac and cheese | My whip game is unbelievable |