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IOWA BASEBALL
HAWKEYES SPLIT DOUBLEHEADER

IOWA CITY – The University of Iowa baseball team split a Saturday doubleheader with Ohio State at Banks Field, winning game one 7-1, then falling in game two 6-4. Iowa falls to 11-10 (1-2 in the Big Ten), while Ohio State ups its record to 14-6 (2-1).

In game one, Ohio State jumped out to an early 1-0 lead, only to see the Hawkeyes come storming back with three runs in the fourth, three in the fifth and one in the sixth to take the six-run win.

In the fourth, Iowa got their trio of runs off three hits, two stolen bases and a pair of Buckeye throwing errors. In the fifth, it was more of the same. The Hawkeyes got one hit, a pair of walks, three stolen bases and a passed ball to stretch the lead to 6-1.

Iowa added an insurance run in the sixth when **Jason White** singled, stole second and scored on a throwing error. White was 2-of-3 with a pair of runs scored.

Jeff Maitland went the distance, scattering eight hits in picking up his team-best third win of the year.

Game two brought high drama to Banks Field, with the Hawkeyes falling behind early then staging a ferocious comeback in the final inning. Trailing 6-2 heading into the bottom of the seventh, Iowa loaded the bases with no outs and forced Buckeye closer Rory Meister into the game.

Skyler Moss plated the first run with a pinch-hit, bases-loaded walk to cut the lead to 6-3. **Nate Price** then had an RBI fielder’s choice to make the score 6-4. With runners on the corners and one out, Meister struck out White. Price then stole second to put the tying run in scoring position, and **Travis Sweet** drew a walk to put the winning run on base. It wasn’t meant to be, however, as Meister got **Dusty Napoleon** swinging to end the game.

Iowa and Ohio State will play their series finale tomorrow at 1:05 p.m.

GAME SUMMARY

Game One

Ohio State 010 000 0 -- 1 8 4

IOWA 000 033 x -- 7 5 1

WP – Jeff Maitland (3-0)

LP – Jake Hale (1-2)

Game Two

Ohio State 100 131 0 -- 6 5 0

IOWA 200 000 2 -- 4 9 4

WP – Cory Luebke

LP – Austin Seward (1-3)

SV – Rory Mesiter (3)

