

PYTHONS WIN! PYTHONS WIN! * PYTHONS SWEEP DOUBLEHEADER *****

It was a beautiful night for softball, and the Pentecost Pythons took advantage of the opportunity. Not only did the Pythons win both games of a double header for the first time in franchise history, but the double header sweep also created a three game winning streak for the Pythons – tied for the longest winning streak in franchise history. And with the pair of victories, the Pythons improved their season record to 5 – 3, the Snakes’ best winning percentage this late in the season since they were began the season 2011 season with a 7 – 2 record. The Pythons ultimately finished the 2011 season with a franchise best 7 – 5 record, the only season that team has finished with a better than .500 record in the team’s decade of Racine City League competition.

After winning the first game by a score of 14 - 9, the Pythons found themselves down 8 – 0 after only three innings in the twin bill nightcap. However, the determined Pythons rallied for 14 runs in the final four innings in what could be their comeback victory of the year, completing the doubleheader sweep with their second 14 – 9 victory of the night.

Python batters were led by Paul Maller and Tom Hasko, who combined to go 14 – 16 and drive in 11 runs in the double header. Each batter contributed seven singles, with Maller driving in seven runs and Hasko driving in four runs. Mason Witkofski and Ian McGregor each stroked four hits and provided all of the Pythons’ extra base hits. Witkofski, playing with an injured quad muscle in his leg, still managed to drive in a pair of runs as he limped into second and third base with a double and triple, and McGregor drove in four runs with a trio of doubles. Four Python batters contributed three hits apiece, including Luke Jacob, Rob Cooper, Nick Sprasky and Mike Mueller. In addition to their hits, Jacob and Sprasky combined to drive in nine runs, with Jacob pushing across five runs and Sprasky batting in four. In addition to his three singles, Mueller also drew a base on balls. Tim Barthel and Dan Hasko each singled twice, with Hasko drawing a walk and also driving in a run. Jeff Hansen singled and drove in a run with a sacrifice fly.

The Pythons return to the diamond on Sunday, July 14th, with a 7 PM game at the Park Bowl – West.

Dan Hasko	SS	2-7, BB, RBI
Paul Maller	1B	7-8, 7-RBI
Jeff Hansen	LC	1-7, SF, RBI
Mason Witkofski	P	4-8, 2B, 3B, 2-RBI
Tom Hasko	LF	7-8, 4-RBI
Ian McGregor	RF	4-8, 3-2B, 4-RBI
Luke Jacob	DS	3-8, 5-RBI
Rob Cooper	2B	3-7
Nick Sprasky	RC	3-7, 4-RBI
Tim Barthel	C	2-7
Mike Mueller	3B	3-5, BB





Tim Barthel, Rob Cooper, Mike Mueller and Luke Jacob end an inning defensively.



Paul Maller stretches to secure an out at first base.



Luke Jacob prepares to make a throw to first base from deep short.



Tom Hasko slides safely into the plate with a Python run.



Mason Witkowski pitched a pair of complete games.



Outfielder Nick Sprasky charges in to make a play.