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PUXICO - The Lady Bearcats had another explosive day at the plate on Thursday afternoon, run-ruling an opponent for the second time in as many days with their 24-12 defeat of the Puxico Indians.

Riley Rickman took the start and the win for the Lady 'Cats, pitching all five innings with six K's and eight walks. Rickman made up for some of the runs she allowed, going 2-4 at the plate with three RBI's, three runs scored, and a walk.

The Lady 'Cats jumped out to a good lead in the top of the first; Emily Triplett smacked a two RBI double to right to kick off the four run inning. The Tribe responded in the bottom half of the inning and tied the game at 4-4.

The Lady 'Cats loaded the bases without a hit to start the second inning; walks were issued to Diana Gilliam and Ashley Brown, while Whitney Layton was hit by a pitch. Kendra Stevenson delivered a two RBI single to right, followed by two more RBI's from Triplett. Dexter led 10-4 at the end of the inning.

The Indians posted four runs in the bottom of the second inning, but left the bases loaded at the end of the inning.

Dexter manufactured another big inning in the third, plating five runs to increase their lead to 15-8. Rickman retired the Indians in order to close out the third inning.

Another five run rally greeted the Lady 'Cats in the fourth inning, while the Indians tacked on three runs. The 'Cats piled on four more in the fifth inning to put the run-rule in effect with a 24-11 lead. Puxico was only able to score one run to end the game with a 24-12 Lady Bearcat victory.

Stevenson and Triplett mirrored each other at the plate in the contest; both players were 4-5 with five RBI's and four runs scored in the big win.

The Lady Bearcats will be back in action on Friday (April 13) afternoon when they host the Doniphan Donettes at 4:30 p.m.

Photo Above: Emily Triplett smacks an RBI triple during the third inning of Thursday afternoon's 24-12 victory over Puxico. Triplett was 4-5 at the plate with 5 RBI's and 4 runs scored.

Photo submitted by Kay Stevenson - thanks Kay!

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