

## Lady Cats 10-run rule Marshall

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It was the type of strong performance the Lady Cats needed.

Sulphur Springs flexed their muscles, scoring 10 times off 10 hits in a 10-run rule win over Marshall Friday at home.

Not only did the Lady Cats dominate at the dish, but pitcher Katie Sapaugh fanned six, allowing just three hits in the game shortened to five innings.

“We played a solid game. I felt that overall, it was one of our best games in a while,” said David Carrillo, Sulphur Springs head softball coach. “Sapaugh pitched a great game. We hit the ball well overall. Freshman Kristen Allen did a great job filling in for the injured Sierra Nickerson at second base. Allen got a couple of hits.”

Marshall put up all goose eggs on the score board.

The Lady Cats made home fans happy with a rally for a lone run in the first frame. They added three more in the second, exploded for a five spot in the fifth and closed out the scoring with one run in the bottom of the fourth to take the 10-0 win.

Marshall had perhaps their best scoring chance in the first inning.

The Lady Mavs got a bunt hit by Morgan Arst. Another runner reached on an error. Cadi Coglan, pitcher for the Marshall squad, drew a walk to load the sacks. Sapaugh regrouped to end the threat.

The lone run for the Lady Cats in the first was recorded by leadoff hit Makayla Glosson. She reached on a single, then stole second. Glosson took third on an infield ground out and scored on passed ball.

Sulphur Springs got going in the bottom of the second when Allen contributed a single to the outfield. Mary Lopez followed with a hard single to left. Katie Barnett made it a 2-0 game with an RBI hit. Glosson hit into a fielder's choice. Kiara “Duke” Johnson pounded a triple to the centerfield fence to plate two more runs. The Lady Cats were off and rolling taking a 4-0 lead.

For the night, eight different Sulphur Springs players had at least one hit.

Johnson had two RBIs. Molly Johnston had a double as they only other extra base hit. Allen had two hits in her varsity debut, plating one and stealing two sacks. Barnett and Kasey Moore had one hit, one RBI each. Glosson scored three times, had two hits, one RBI and stole a base. Jaleigh Avery had a hit and stole a base. Lopez ripped a hit and was hit by a pitch.

Sapaugh pitched all five innings. She allowed three hits, no runs, walked one and struck out six. She threw 61 pitches with 46 strikes in the complete game. Sapaugh had 17 first strike pitches from the 20 batters.

Marshall fell to 1-6 with the varsity loss.

In JV action, Sulphur Springs won 11-1 over Marshall. Mandy Stonaker had a double and triple. Kelly Osornio added a double. Summer Wyatt was the winning pitcher.

The Lady Cats, 18-6-1, 5-2 in district, will play Tuesday at Mount Pleasant.

The Lady Tigers won 9-3 over Pine Tree in Friday action.