



BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE

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BIG SOUTH BASEBALL STANDINGS

Team	Big South			Overall			Home	Road	Neu	L10	Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.					
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	1	1	.500	23	3	.885	6-0	5-3	12-2	8-2	L1
Winthrop	1	1	.500	17	14	.548	4-2	1-0	11-11	6-4	W1
Radford	0	0	.000	17	13	.567	0-2	3-3	14-8	7-3	W2
Birmingham-Southern	0	0	.000	11	11	.500	5-2	3-2	3-7	5-5	L3
Coastal Carolina	0	0	.000	10	10	.500	0-1	0-0	0-10	6-4	L1
Liberty	0	0	.000	7	7	.500	0-0	0-0	7-7	3-7	L1
Charleston Southern	0	0	.000	9	22	.290	2-2	3-3	4-17	3-7	L5

CHOICE HOTELS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Janiva Willis • Senior
OF • Winthrop
Irishtown, New Brunswick

For the week, Willis scored six runs on 19 at-bats and had a .589 slugging percentage in leading Winthrop to five wins. Willis over St. John's in the Winthrop/Rigor Invitational and also tallied her seventh double of the season against Western Illinois to become WU's all-time doubles leader. Willis leads the Lady Eagles and is first in the Conference with 19 runs and 33 hits. She was in the midst of a 10-game hitting streak until it was broken against East Carolina and leads the team with nine multiple hit games, batting .347 and has collected 17 RBIs so far this season.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, Mar. 14

TAMUCC 1, Winthrop 0
Winthrop 4, TAMUCC 1

Tuesday, Mar. 15

Gardner-Webb at Coastal Carolina2:00pm
Liberty vs. TAMUCC (at Winthrop)*11:00am

Wednesday, Mar. 16

Charleston Southern vs. TAMUCC (at Winthrop)* 11:00am

Thursday, Mar. 17

Coastal Carolina at Campbell4:00pm
Winthrop vs. Tokyo(Hawaii Tournament).....10:00pm

Friday, Mar. 18

Birmingham-Southern vs. TAMUCC11:00am
Charleston Southern vs. Kent StateTBA
Liberty vs. Texas Tech (Lobo Classic)11:00am
Liberty vs. New Mexico (Lobo Classic)3:00pm
Winthrop vs. Hawaii (Hawaii Tournament)12:00am

Saturday, Mar. 19

Birmingham-Southern at Furman1:00pm
Charleston Southern vs. Northern IllinoisTBA
Liberty vs. New Mexico State (Lobo Classic)11:00 am
Liberty vs. New Mexico (Lobo Classic)3:00 pm
Radford vs. TAMUCC (at Winthrop)*11:00am
Winthrop vs. Miami (Hawaii Tournament).....4:00pm

Sunday, Mar. 20

Birmingham-Southern at South Carolina State ..11:00am
Charleston Southern vs. TBA (UCF Tournament)TBA
Liberty vs. New Mexico State (Lobo Classic)12:00pm
UNC Greensboro at Radford2:00pm
TAMUCC vs. Coastal Carolina (at Winthrop)*11:00am
Winthrop vs. San Diego (Hawaii Tournament) ...2:00pm
Winthrop vs. Eastern Illinois (Hawaii Tournament)4:00pm

Big South school in ALL CAPS

* - Big South Conference game

All times EST and subject to change

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Wednesday, March 9

CSU at Furman, 2:30 pm
TAMUCC at Texas Southern, 5 pm

Thursday, Mar. 10

Coastal Carolina 8, Southern Miss 6
Illinois 7, Coastal Carolina 0
Winthrop 8, Oakland 0
Winthrop 5, Oakland 2
TAMUCC 8, Texas Southern 0
TAMUCC 13, Texas Southern 0

Friday, Mar. 11

Pittsburgh 1, Coastal Carolina 0
Radford 6, Iowa State 4
Radford 10, Eastern Kentucky 5
Winthrop 9, St. John's 6
Winthrop 8, Western Illinois 3
Birmingham-Southern 9, Jackson State 1
Birmingham-Southern 3, Appalachian State 2
East Carolina 7, Charleston Southern 5
ETSU 8, Charleston Southern 1
Liberty 6, St. Louis 5
Charlotte 4, Liberty 2
Prairie View A&M 2, TAMUCC 0
TAMUCC 9, Prairie View A&M 0

Saturday, Mar. 12

Appalachian State 1, Birmingham-Southern 0
Louisiana Tech 4, Birmingham-Southern 3
Mississippi Valley State 6, Birmingham-Southern 5
Akron 12, Charleston Southern 2
Gardner-Webb 2, Charleston Southern 1
Liberty 8, LaFayette 0
North Dakota State 3, Liberty 1
#20 Florida State 4, Radford 0
Radford 10, St. Joesph's 2

Sunday, Mar. 13

Coastal Carolina 6, Western Michigan 1
Radford 6, Troy 5
East Carolina 2, Winthrop 0

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NEW BALANCE PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Sarah Pauly • Senior
Texas A&M Corpus Christi
Phoenix, Ariz.

Pauly went 2-0 last week with two shutouts and did not allow a run. She pitched 11.2 innings and struck out 26 batters while allowing just one hit and walking just three and held opposing batters to a .028 batting average. She tossed her fourth no-hitter of the season in the Islanders second game of a doubleheader against Texas Southern, while striking out 12. Pauly has a season ERA of .180 and currently is the only pitcher in the country to have thrown more than three no-hitters this season.

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2004-05 BIG SOUTH PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

<u>Week</u>	<u>Choice Hotels Player of the Week</u>
March 15	OF Janiva Willis, Winthrop 6 runs on 19 at-bats and had a .589 slugging percentage; 3-run homer in 9th for WU win
March 21	
March 28	
April 4	
April 11	
April 18	
April 25	
May 2	
May 9	

OTHER WEEK 1 PLAYER NOMINEES**KERRI OWENS, BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN**

Batted .375 this past weekend at the Panther Spring Classic, getting six hits on 16 at-bats. She also had 14 putouts and 12 assists, posting a 1.000 percent fielding percentage. Owens was also 2-for-2 on stolen bases during the Classic and was named to the All-Tournament team for her efforts.

JESSICA MOORE, LIBERTY

Had one run on three at-bats vs. North Dakota State ... One double and scored one run vs. Lafayette ... 2-for-3 with a double vs. Charlotte

LARA WOHLGEMUTH, RADFORD

Batted .381 (8-21) with two doubles, nine RBI and three runs scored in five games at the FSU Invitational ... Went 4-for-8 on day one with six RBI and two doubles ... Against Troy, she had the game-tying sacrifice fly in the bottom of the seventh ... With a single in the first against Troy, she became RU's all-time hits leader with 193.

JENNIFER GOLDEN, TAMUCC

Went 8-13 (.615) with a double, a home run and nine runs batted in and had a slugging percentage of .923 in helping the Islanders garner three more victories.

2004-05 BIG SOUTH PITCHERS OF THE WEEK

<u>Week</u>	<u>New Balance Pitcher of the Week</u>
March 15	Sarah Pauly, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 2-0 last week with 2 shutouts and no runs allowed ... Pitched 11.2 innings and had 26 Ks
March 21	
March 28	
April 4	
April 11	
April 18	
April 25	
May 2	
May 9	

OTHER WEEK 1 FRESHMAN NOMINEES**Kristina Villavicencio, Birmingham-Southern**

Pitched 21.0 innings over three complete games this past weekend at the Panther Spring Classic, giving up 17 hits and seven runs while striking out 14 batters ... She faced 73 batters, allowing a .233 batting average ... Went 1-2 during the Classic, helping the Panthers to their 3-2 extra-innings win over Appalachian State on Friday, when she struck out seven batters and gave up only four hits in eight innings.

Shahan Ashard, Winthrop

Earned her fifth victory on the mound this year vs. Oakland, as she allowed no runs, one hit, walked one and struck out 11 ... Improved to 7-6 on the season as she tossed four innings allowing no hits, no runs, walked one and struck out six.

NOTING THE BIG SOUTH TEAMS

BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN

BSC went 2-3 this past weekend in the 2005 Leigh's Athletic Ware Panther Spring Classic, defeating Jackson State and Appalachian State on day one of the Classic, losing to Louisiana Tech and Mississippi Valley State on the second day, and losing to Appalachian State in bracket play. All of the Panthers' losses were by one run, and senior second baseman **KERRI OWENS** was named to the All-Tournament team. Last weekend, the Panthers won the Samford Magic City Classic, sweeping the host Bulldogs over two games and splitting with UAB for BSC's first-ever win over the Blazers in program history. Junior **KRISTINA VILLAVICENCIO** was named Most Valuable Pitcher of the tournament.

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN

After a rough start, it appeared the Lady Bucs were back on track as they won their first three games in the CSU Invitational tournament. They ended up going 3-2 in that tournament, but were eliminated early in an upset. They could not recover as they split the series with Furman, and then lost four in a row at the Winthrop Tournament. Freshman pitcher Whitney James has had a solid start to her CSU career winning her first four games. She now holds a 5-4 record for the season. Offensively, **JILL SHONDEL** has led the team, hitting .380 on the season so far.

COASTAL CAROLINA

The Lady Chants are sitting even with a record of 10-10 in the young season. **DELAINE GRANGER** is leading CCU with a .293 batting average and, along with **SARA HOSTETLER** has scored 17 runs this season. Coastal will take on Gardner-Webb and Campbell this week before opening Big South play against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi this weekend.

LIBERTY

With the Lady Flames' 6-5 victory over Saint Louis on March 11th at the Holiday Inn/49er Classic, coach **PAUL WETMORE** picked up his 300th career victory in the place where he picked up his first career victory on March 11, 1994, in a 3-1 win over Charlotte. Wetmore is the winningest coach in the history of the softball program (301-347 record in 12 years) and has posted the most victories amongst any head coach in Liberty University history. For the first time in the Division I history of the Lady Flames softball program, Liberty started the season with four-straight victories in 2005. In just 14 games this season, the Lady Flames have already connected on 10 home runs with five different players having helped the Lady Flames reach this mark. The Lady Flames are a perfect 11-for-11 on stolen base attempts this year with **JESSICA MOORE** and **BETH HENSLEY** leading the team with both players being 4-for-4 on stolen base attempts. Sophomore pitcher **SARAH SWOR** has had a solid start to her season as she leads the Lady Flames with 61 strikeouts in 51 innings pitched. Swor and Moore were both named to the Seahawk Classic all-tournament team.

RADFORD

Radford is off to its second best start (17-13) in school history after 30 games (21-9 in 1996) and is four games over .500 for the first time since 1996 when it finished the 33-24. The Highlanders have won seven of their last nine games with those two losses coming to ranked teams Georgia and Florida State. With a pair of grand slams by freshmen **CASSIE RHODES** and **ASHLEY TAYLOR** this past weekend, the Highlanders have hit 11 round trippers on the season, already surpassing last season's total of 10.

TEXAS A&M-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Islanders are off to their best start in school history at 23-3 and have key wins over Arkansas, Texas-Arlington, Sam Houston State and Texas Tech. TAMUCC travels up to Rock Hill, S.C. to being Conference play against all six Big South teams this week

WINTHROP

Winthrop is off to a 16-13 start this season and has only had six home games so far. The team is averaging 3.2 runs a game, despite the 2-4 batters struggling so far. Winthrop's two, three and four spots have combined to hit just .221 and produce 33 of the teams 82 RBIs. Pitching has been outstanding for the Lady Eagles as the team ERA is 2.10. Winthrop pitching has struck out 210 batters to 84 walks and teams are batting just .218 against them. **JANIVA WILLIS**, who is off to a hot start, hit her seventh double of the season against Western Illinois on Saturday to become the all-time leader in doubles at Winthrop with 43. She's got 33 hits on the season so far and is now just four hits away from becoming the schools all-time leader in hits. During the first few weeks of the season she's also become the schools all-time leader in walks with 74. She's already the schools all-time homerun leader and will have a chance to finish as the all-time leader in four more offensive categories. **KELLI JOHNSON** tossed a no-hitter on Mar. 4 against St. Louis. She struck out six and walked two in the game.

BIG SOUTH IN THE NCAA STATS

**NCAA stats start next week