

Twins

FROM PAGE 10

and after Labor Day during a 16-7 run. Resilient was the best description of these Twins, with a 16-7 record over their last 23 road games one of many examples.

“That’s a good trait to have in a team,” third baseman Trevor Plouffe said. “We’re not going to sneak up on anybody next year, but I think that come 2016 we’ll be ready to compete again for the Central Division and make a playoff push.”

Still, flaws were apparent.

The Twins had the AL’s fourth-worst runs-per-game average in the second half. The bullpen was thin and blew some late leads in games down the stretch. For more than \$40 million in combined salary this year, starting pitchers Phil Hughes, Ricky Nolasco, Mike Pelfrey and Ervin Santana accounted for 29 wins.

The wild card race was mostly made possible by league-wide mediocrity.

“You can never lose sight of the fact that we did fall short, and it’s not like it’s a successful season just because we made strides,” second baseman Brian Dozier, acknowledging the “right direction” the Twins have themselves pointed in again.

No, manager Paul Molitor wasn’t satisfied with his 83-79 rookie record.

“I try to be realistic. You see the upper-echelon clubs, the amount they’re winning: We have a ways to go,” Molitor said.

Here are some key angles to know about the 2015 season for the Twins:

KEY HITS

The starting pitching, an albatross since 2011, was better. Kyle Gibson crept closer to the front of the rotation, Tyler Duffey bounced back from a brutal August debut by going 5-0 with a 2.25 ERA over his last nine starts and Santana pitched like an ace in September. Rookie Eddie Rosario led the league with 15 triples and was second with 16 outfield assists. Dozier had 48 extra-base hits in 88 games before the break, making his first All-Star team.

COSTLY ERRORS

The durable and slick-fielding Dozier had another sharp drop-off in the second half. The Twins had the fifth-most strikeouts in the AL, including a career-high 112 by Joe Mauer, despite finishing 10th in the league in home runs. Closer Glen Perkins had a 7.32 ERA after the break.

MAY I?

The Twins moved Trevor May out of the rotation for Santana when he returned from his suspension, and May became a valuable late-inning reliever until back and hip trouble limited him down the stretch. He’ll be back in the mix as a starter next spring.

“I know that, given the chance, I can be not only one of the five but one of the go-to guys,” May said. “Given 15 more starts, we would’ve seen some good things.”

CORNER CROWD

Plouffe led the Twins with 86 RBIs and has become a solid third baseman, but Molitor said he’s “not overly comfortable” with Miguel Sano as a full-time designated hitter again. That means Plouffe could be a trade candidate this winter.

YHS

FROM PAGE 9

The Bobcats ended the night with a 90 percent serving average and seven total ace serves. According to Coach Melius, the key to the game was remaining calm.

“We won the first set easily but we let Yankton back in at the end of the second and third,” Melius said.

Beste mentioned that they will look to their next match and work on the things they did wrong against Brookings.

“We need to stay aggressive and keep battling, you never know what can happen,” she said.

Brookings’ Tvedt ended the night with 20 kills to lead the Bobcats, Jaci Sebern added 16. Sebern also led in digs with 18.

Yankton’s offense was led by Frick and Drotzmann, each with 11 kills. Ellie Fedders

provided 18 assists and Cameryn Specht had 12 digs.

Yankton will travel to Harrisburg on Tuesday and Brookings will host Watertown on Thursday.

Brookings’ JV squad defeated Yankton 22-25, 25-22, 13-25. Jess Reinhardt had four kills, and Emily Oswald and Maddy Hochstein had four kills each to lead the Yankton offense. Anna Savey and Jacey Anderberg each had six assists. Josie Saylor posted three ace serves and four blocks (three solo).

The sophomore match up also saw Brookings beat Yankton 25-22, 28-26. Kate Budig had six kills, 11 digs and a block, and Taylor Hamilton had three ace serves for Yankton. Savey added 14 assists.

In the freshmen match, Brookings defeated Yankton 25-8, 25-15.

Follow @Rogelio-
UlisesR on Twitter



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D

Yankton’s Holly Mines goes low to dig out a ball during the Gazelles’ Eastern South Dakota Conference volleyball matchup with Brookings on Monday at the Summit Center.

Volleyball

FROM PAGE 10

DR St. Mary 3, Freeman 1

DELL RAPIDS – Dell Rapids St. Mary defeated Freeman 25-9, 25-13, 22-25, 25-20 on Monday night in Dell Rapids.

Kayla Scherff led the St. Mary attack with nine kills, while Sydney Cook and Kennedy Mullaney each had six kills. Cassidy Geraets finished the match with 18 assists and five ace serves.

Freeman was led by Ashley Glanzer, who finished with 21 digs, seven kills, and six ace serves. Dayna Roth added 24 digs, and Lacey Wipf had 15 digs.

Both teams will be on the road on Thursday, as St. Mary takes on Deubrook Area, and Freeman squares off with Bon Homme.

FREEMAN (0-11).....9 13 25 20

DELL RAPIDS ST. MARY (2-14).....25 25 22 25

Andes Central-Dakota Christian 3, Corsica-Stickney 1

CORSICA – Andes Central-Dakota Christian defeated Corsica-Stickney 21-25, 25-12, 25-21, 25-21 on Monday night in Corsica.

Andes Central-Dakota Christian had two players with double digit kills in the win. Abbi Bon Hoffman finished with 11 kills, and Kennedy Muckey had 10 kills. Maddie Gray had 18 digs, while Emily Houseman totaled 15 assists.

For Corsica-Stickney, Brittany Bamberg had 10 kills and five blocks. Hannah Matzner had five kills, while Courtney Menning had four kills.

Andes Central-Dakota Christian will take on Wosley-Wessington on Thursday, and Corsica-Stickney will host Burke/South Central on Thursday.

CORSICA-STICKNEY (1-12).....25 12 21 21

ANDES CEN.-DAKOTA CHR.(8-8).....21 25 25 25

Freeman Acad. 3, Marion 0

MARION – Hannah Yoder had 14 kills to lead Freeman Academy to a 25-15, 25-12, 25-21 victory over Marion on Monday in Marion.

Yoder also added two ace serves in the victory. Chelsey Heeg finished with 10 kills and two ace serves, and Sarah Miller had 23 assists.

For Marion, Renae Kayser had a team-high 10 kills and four blocks, while Katelyn Johansen finished with seven kills. Sarah Ptak also had four blocks for Marion.

Freeman Academy travels to Centerville on Thursday, while Marion will host Bridgewater-Emery tonight (Tuesday).

FREEMAN ACADEMY (15-2).....25 25 25

MARION (1-11).....15 12 21

Tri-Valley 3, Garretson 0

GARRETSON – Tri-Valley picked up a 25-22, 25-18, 25-16 road win over Garretson on Monday in Garretson. Sydney Haga and Brooke Kulzer each finished with eight kills for Tri-Valley. Nikole Krump added six blocks

in the win.

For Garretson, Lara Luke had a team-high seven kills, while Brianna Calisen had four kills and 14 digs. Peyton Heikamp finished with five blocks for Garretson.

Tri-Valley will host Elk Point-Jefferson on Thursday night, and Garretson will travel to Canton on Thursday.

TRI-VALLEY (8-8).....25 25 25

GARRETSON (1-15).....22 28 16

McCook Central/Montrose 3, Baltic 1

SALEM – McCook Central/Montrose won their sixth straight game in the form of a 25-13, 25-20, 25-27, 25-20 victory over Baltic on Monday night in Salem.

Margan Koepsell had 18 kills and six blocks to lead MCM. Danielle Hanses added 22 digs and 13 kills, while Nicole Bies had a match-high 37 assists.

For Baltic, Maddie Polzin totaled 18 kills, and Rachel Abersson had nine kills. MaKay Paszek added six kills, while Molly Stittg finished with 17 assists.

McCook Central/Montrose will travel to Howard tonight (Tuesday), while Baltic whosts Viborg-Hurley on Thursday.

BALTIC (12-5).....13 20 27 20

MCCOOK CENTRAL/MONT.(9-9).....25 25 25 25

Golf

FROM PAGE 9

Parkston’s Garret Hohn is tied for eighth at 82.

Also for Parkston, Jamie Smith shot 84, Alex Scott shot 89 and Nate Hohn carded a 91.

For Vermillion, Paul Schwasinger leads

the way at 83, tied for 14th. Cooper Williams shot 84, Cole Anderson shot 89, Ryne Whisler carded a 94 and Sam Craig shot 95.

Dakota Valley’s Jameson Bull, the Region 2A champ, shot an 86 on the opening day. Teammate Jacob Wentz shot 87. Elk Point-Jefferson’s

Michael Murphy shot 91. Beresford’s Sam Nelson finished at 96. Dakota Valley’s Keaton Hensley shot 100. Beresford’s Logan Busch shot 104. EPJs’ Tyler Leif finished at 105.

The tournament concludes today in Milbank.

College

FROM PAGE 9

Isabella DiLisio with a three-under par 142. Mingo shot a first round 73 and a career-best 69 in the second. She collected eight birdies in the two rounds.

The Jackrabbits trail Notre Dame (577) and host Nebraska (593) after shooting a 594 (295-

299) on the 6,105-yard, par-72 Country Club of Lincoln.

South Dakota ranks seventh after the first two rounds with a score of 616. The Coyotes were led by Brenna Lervick, who shot a 1-under 143 to rank third. Jennifer Vincent shot 150, Kaitlyn Krzyzanowski shot 163, Abby Dufrane shot 164 and Lexi Petersen shot 165 for the Coyotes.

The tournament concludes today (Tuesday).



HealthMarket

Change What You Eat - Change How You Feel

Prices Good October 6 - October 19

EARN

3¢

OFF

PER GALLON

ON HEALTH MARKET

FLOURS, BOTTLED

SPICES, SUGARS

AND WHOLE GRAINS



Califia Farms

Pumpkin

Spice Latte

\$5.99

(Pumpkin spice latte with almond milk is here to delight your senses. No dairy, no soy - pure spiced pumpkin joy!)



Bobs Red Mill

flaxseed meal

\$3.50

16 ounce



Bobs Red Mill

Steel Cut oats

\$2.99

24 ounce



Back to Nature

nuts

\$6.79

10 ounce

“Give people truly flavorful, wholesome foods made with premium ingredients.”

Personal Nutrition Counseling

Come to Hy-Vee for individual nutrition counseling when you need a special diet or your physician recommends you make diet changes.



Kenny Tomek
Hy-Vee
Dietitian

- Weight Loss
- Heart Disease
- Diabetes
- Gluten-free and other food intolerances
- Other Nutrition concerns



Charity Schantz
Hy-Vee
Health
Market
Manager

friends2Follow^{LLC}

Participating Businesses Are...



America's
BEST
REALTY

Unlock The American Dream!



hatch
FURNITURE

Home Design Center



LilyCrest

211 W. 3RD DECOR • GIFTS • FRAMING



Godfather's PIZZA



Pizza Ranch



twist of
line



J&H
Cleaning
Services



YANKTON
WORKS

SOUTH DAKOTA

Want your **REAL-TIME MESSAGE** on the most visited media website in the Yankton area?

Join our **‘Friends2Follow’** program!

Contact your Yankton Media Representative today!

605-665-7811