

Spikes lose third straight

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No matter which State College Spikes' hurler was on the mound Tuesday night, the Lowell Spinners hitters had success.

Three different Spikes pitchers gave up a combined 16 hits en route to a 5-2 loss against the Spinners Tuesday night at LeLachur Park in Lowell, Mass. It was the third straight loss for State College (25-27), which has scored three runs in that trio of games.

Two home runs off State College starting pitcher Zack Von

Rosenberg, who had a 1.57 road ERA entering the game, in the second inning gave the Spinners (14-37) a 2-0 lead. Lowell left fielder Brandon Jacobs knocked one out to left field, his fourth home run of the season, before third baseman David Renfroe hit one to left-center field just two batters later.

Von Rosenberg, who threw six innings of two-hit ball in his last outing, allowed two runs on eight hits in five innings Tuesday night. Casey Sadler relieved Von Rosenberg and pitched the sixth inning, giving up two hits, including an RBI double by Lowell catcher Josue Peley. Jhonathan Ramos, the Spikes' left-handed All-Star reliever, pitched the next two stanzas, allowing two earned runs on six hits. Ramos had not given up a run in his prior four outings.

The Spikes continued their struggle to produce runs, but did

more than triple their hit total from the previous night with seven base knocks.

Outfielder Adalberto Santos, who was also named to next week's All-Star game in Staten Island, N.Y., and designated hitter Andy Vazquez led State College with two hits apiece.

Both Spikes' runs came late in the contest. First baseman Gerlis Rodriguez singled home Vazquez in the seventh inning, and a ninth-inning wild pitch scored the latter run.

Vasquez replaced Curry in the fourth inning.

Eight of the nine batters in the Spinners' lineup tallied at least one hit, with six of them tallying multiple hits.

Peley had two RBI, while designated hitter Jose Iglesias led the team with three hits, improving his batting average to .464 in his eight

games with Lowell.

Madison Younginer, a 2009 seventh-round pick by the Boston Red Sox, earned the win, throwing six innings and allowing just three hits.

Von Rosenberg's record dropped to 1-6 with the loss, though his ERA sits at a solid 3.53.

The Spikes hope to win the second game of their three-game set against the Spinners, who own the worst record in the New York-Penn League, at 7:05 tonight.

Zack Dodson, the Pittsburgh Pirates' 2009 sixth-round selection, is set to take the mound for State College.

The 20-year-old right hander put together his best outing of his young professional career in his last outing, throwing five no-hit innings against Staten Island.

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Philadelphia vs Los Angeles
7:05, CSN

Pittsburgh at San Diego
10:05, FSN

New York (AL) vs Texas
8:00, ESPN

Lefty diagnosed with arthritis

Phil Mickelson is being treated for a form of arthritis that surfaced just before the U.S. Open and left him in so much pain he couldn't walk.

Mickelson revealed Tuesday that he has psoriatic arthritis, a condition he said causes the immune system to attack the body's joints and tendons.

"I didn't want excuses. Second, I don't want to discuss something when I don't know what the outcome will be," Mickelson said. "I feel better about it and I'm a lot more at ease about it."

Paterno nominated for award

Pennsylvania congressmen have nominated Penn State football coach Joe Paterno for the highest civilian award in the country.

Representatives including Glenn Thompson, Mark Critz and Tim Holden say the Hall of Fame coach deserves a Presidential Medal of Freedom for his service to the Nittany Lions, the university and the community.

A spokesman for Critz says Critz and Holden were approached to nominate Paterno, and Thompson helped lead the effort. Thompson's district includes State College.

The nomination letter to President Barack Obama said Paterno personifies sportsmanship on the field and academic achievement in the classroom, while also noting the family's philanthropic efforts.

Women's soccer ranked 13th

The Penn State women's soccer team earned its first national ranking of the 2010 season as the Nittany Lions were pegged 13th by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) on Wednesday. No. 13 Penn State will face four opponents ranked in the pre-season top 25 this season.

The Nittany Lions, who finished 22nd in the final 2009 NSCAA poll, are in search of their 13th straight Big Ten title and 16th straight NCAA Tournament appearance in 2010. Four Penn State opponents - No. 24 West Virginia, No. 17 Virginia, No. 5 Portland and No. 20 Wisconsin - are on the slate with two of those games coming at home.

The summer of 2010 has come to an end as far as the Daily Collegian print edition is concerned.

And it has been an amazing summer for sports fans.

In June and July, the world was captivated by its greatest sporting event, the FIFA World Cup.

But it wasn't just beautiful soccer that made this summer special.

The year of the pitcher has taken baseball fans back to the times when hurlers dominated the game and has set up another interesting race as we head to October.

There are other moments to list, and not enough space to do it.

But if this summer in sports has taught us one thing, it's that the fall and spring should be even more exciting.

We at the Daily Collegian say, "bring it on."



Brazilian midfielder Neymar (right) dribbles past United States defender Jonathan Spector during the first half of an international friendly Tuesday. Brazil defeated the U.S. 2-0.

Orioles top Tribe

By The Associated Press

CLEVELAND -- Felix Pie hit the first of four home runs by Baltimore as the Orioles beat the Cleveland Indians 14-8 on Tuesday night in Buck Showalter's first road game since taking over as manager.

Jake Arrietta (4-3) allowed five earned runs over six innings to win for the first time in five starts as the Orioles improved to 7-1 with Showalter in command.

Pie's three-run drive over the center-field wall off Justin Masterson (4-11) with two outs in the fifth inning gave Baltimore a 7-6 lead.

It came after Arrietta fell behind 6-4 by allowing five runs in the bottom of the fourth after the Orioles had taken a 4-1 lead with four runs in the top half.

Corey Patterson hit a solo homer in the sixth, then Matt Wieters had a two-run shot and Luke Scott another three-run drive during the Orioles' six-run eighth.

The Orioles still have the worst record in the majors at 39-74 and worst on the road (15-40). Cleveland has lost eight of its last 10 at home.

Scott had four RBI and the bottom four batters in Baltimore's order totaled eight hits, six runs and nine RBI.

The Orioles were seven for 10 with runners in scoring position and are 29 for 70 (.414) under Showalter.

Baltimore's starting pitchers posted a 1.89 ERA on a 6-1 homestand after Showalter took over.

Rookie sees more time during Revis' holdout

By Dennis Waszak, Jr.
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CORTLAND, N.Y. -- Dwight Lowery figures the New York Jets might be waiting a while for Darrelle Revis to show up.

So, the third-year cornerback approached secondary coach Dennis Thurman a few days ago and told him to give rookie Kyle Wilson the bulk of the work with the first-team defense instead of him.

"I just think the more that he

can get out there and be exposed to that kind of stuff, the better his progression is going to be," Lowery said Tuesday between practices.

Forget the fact that Lowery is in the mix for a starting job if Revis' holdout drags into the regular season. If the Jets are going to prepare for life without Revis, Lowery thought, Wilson needs the experience.

"When Dennis told me, I was like, 'What?'" coach Rex Ryan said. "I had never heard that before in my life."

"This kid loves to compete, yet

it's just another example of an unselfish act by a teammate."

Wilson has been working with Antonio Cromartie in the starting secondary lately, while Lowery mixes in at safety, cornerback and nickel back. Ryan said Wilson would start the preseason opener against the Giants on Monday night.

"I talked to Dwight and he told me, 'You'll probably be playing a lot for us, you'll need to keep going out there and competing against some of the top guys,'" Wilson said. "D.T. has just been telling me to get in there and I jumped in."

Added Ryan: "Right now, he's obviously in a much bigger role than maybe we even anticipated."

Reality is starting to set in for the Jets, who aren't sure when — or if — their All-Pro cornerback will join them this season.

"You hope that one day you're in a meeting and he walks in," Lowery said, "but the more time that passes, the more it hits home a little bit and you realize there's a possibility he won't be here."

Revis has missed 10 days, including Tuesday, since the team reported for training camp at SUNY Cortland.

He's scheduled to make \$1 million in the fourth year of his six-year rookie deal, but wants to become the league's highest-paid cornerback.

Owner Woody Johnson said Monday that he was not optimistic a deal could get done before the regular season.

He took it a step further in an

interview with ESPN, saying his "gut feeling" was that Revis wouldn't play this season.

"Like I say, don't feel sorry for us," Ryan said.

"We have everything we need here on defense. The addition of Cromartie was enormous for our football team, and the fact we drafted Kyle Wilson, who's an outstanding player. That helps us a great deal."

The Jets turned down the latest contract proposal from Revis' agents after a sit-down meeting last Friday, and general manager Mike Tannenbaum said it was "hard to say" when the sides would talk again.

Even Ryan indicated he probably wouldn't reach out to Revis.

"I don't know what I would tell him," Ryan said.

"I don't know if he'd take my call. ... We'd say hello to each other, I guess."

For a team with Super Bowl hopes, the thought of perhaps their best player sitting out an entire season could be scary.

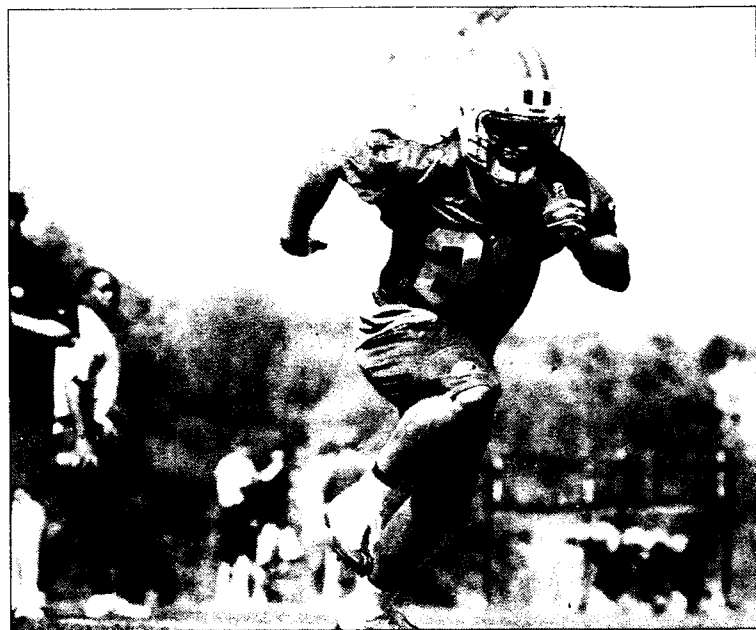
The Jets insist life will go on if that happens.

"We're still going to be good," Thurman said. "Trust me."

That's because of the depth at the position the Jets entered camp with.

Not only did they draft Wilson with the 29th overall pick, they traded for Cromartie, a former Pro Bowl cornerback.

"I think I'm getting a lot of extra reps, obviously, versus some quality guys on offense," Wilson said.



Kyle Wilson (20) runs a drill during rookie minicamp in April.