Keowee softball takes 2

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CLEMSON — Lake Keowee's senior softball team proved to be a rude host when it took both ends of a doubleheader from Hendersonville (N.C.) at Nettles on Thursday, 27-19 and 23-8.

Keowee fell behind 11-7 in game one but came back with four straight five-run innings. In game two, Keowee finished strong after scoring only nine runs in the first four innings.

Keowee had one of its best hitting days of the season, with everyone in the lineup making key contributions. Rick Douden was 8 for 9 with a triple and six RBIs. Larry Gabe doubled four times, hit a sacrifice fly and drove in seven runs in a 7-for-8 day. Ray Nault went 7 for 8 with a triple. Bruce Letner, Bill Luke and Rick Moxley each went 6 for 8. Letner doubled twice and Luke had two doubles, a home run and seven RBIs. Gary Kelley went 5 for 6 with four doubles, three sacrifice flies and seven RBIs. Gene Fehler and Steve Musielak were each 6 for 9. Musielak's hits included two doubles and three triples. In game two, Fehler was 5 for 5 with a triple. Bill Shimel had five hits for the day, and Willie Galarza chipped in with four.

Keowee improved to 38-25 in a rainout-filled season. It finishes on Oct. 24 in a four-team tournament at Nettles that includes Sun City, Hendersonville and Charlotte.