Keowee softball team sweeps doubleheader

Staff Reports

CLEMSON — Lake Keowee's senior softball team swept a doubleheader against Franklin (N.C.) on Wednesday at Nettles Field in Clemson. Keowee used a balanced hitting attack to win both games comfortably, 24-9 and 15-8. Ten of Keowee's thirteen players had from four to six hits.

Gary Kelley, Neil Wilson and Claude Smith led the way with six hits each. Kelley had five doubles and a home run. A second home run was ruled a ground-rule double when the ball rolled under the left field fence. Wilson had a double and home run. Smith doubled twice and tripled.

Richard Lowe, Larry Gabe and Don Borth each had five hits. Lowe doubled twice and Borth tripled. Bill Shimel, Gene Fehler, Dennis Bausman and Bill Luke each had four hits. Shimel's hits included a triple and home run while Bill Luke doubled, tripled and homered. Of Keowee's 54 hits, 19 were for extra bases.

Keowee improved its season record to 11-9 and have six games scheduled for next week. On June 11 it will take two teams to Hendersonville to play doubleheaders against two Hendersonville teams. On June 13 it will take one team to Franklin for two games.