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# Sports

## Mavericks suffer first conference loss of season

**MARSHALL** — Pat Lenton, a junior, pitched the complete game and allowed one earned run on four hits Friday as the Minnesota State University baseball team defeated Southwest Minnesota State 6-1 in the opening game of a Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference doubleheader. The Mustangs salvaged a split by winning the second game 5-2.

Lenton, a junior, pitched the complete game and recorded eight strikeouts with only one walk. The lone run on Lenton came on a solo homer with one out in the seventh inning.

Ben Kincaid led the Mavericks' offense, going 2 for 3 with a two-run homer in the fifth. Seven players recorded a hit for the Mavericks in the first game. Four players had RBIs.

Kincaid also led MSU in Game 2's loss. The right fielder was the only MSU player with two hits. Danny Miller and Mike Kinsel each added an RBI.

Chris Odegaard struggled for the Mavericks and took the loss, giving up five hits and four earned runs in

three innings of work. Odegaard walked six batters and struck out three. Trent Vedders and Nathan Kafka came on in relief.

The NSIC loss was the Mavericks' first conference loss of the season.

MSU (16-10, 9-1) hosts the Mustangs in a double-header at 1:30 p.m. today at the MSU Baseball Complex.



MSU's Pat Lenton (left) allowed one run on four hits in the opening game of double-header against Southwest Minnesota State Friday. Ben Kincaid (right) hit a two-run homer for the Mavs.