

Lady Tigers drop tough one to Quitman 5-3

LOGANSFORT, La. - The St. Mary's Lady Tigers pushed LSU signee Cali Deal to the brink before falling to the Quitman Lady Wolverines 5-3 Saturday in the Stanley Tournament.

The Lady Tigers (4-2) had to use some 'small ball' today with the use of the bunt. SMS took a 2-0 lead as they scored a run in the top of the first and the second inning. Senior GK Philen drove in the first run with an RBI bunt scoring Joelee Savell. In the second inning, Jenna Sklar pushed home another run with a bunt.

Quitman (2-0) tied the game in their half of the second inning on a two-run single making it 2-2. The Lady Tigers retook the lead as Sklar bunted home another run in the fourth inning making it 3-2 SMS.

After the Lady Wolverines tied the game in the fifth, they would take the lead for good in the sixth breaking a 3-3 tie with an RBI single and sacrifice bunt making it 5-3.

Deal sat down the Lady Tigers in order in the seventh as Quitman picked up the win.

SMS's Kennedy Griffin got two of the Lady Tigers four hits while AG Mabile and Savell had the other two.

Grace Wren was competitive in the circle throwing six innings, allowing seven hits, four earned runs, no walks and six strikeouts.

Deal, who signed with LSU on November 13, threw a complete game allowing two earned runs, four hits, one walk and struck out nine.

Next up, the Lady Tigers will host Logansport in district 3-1A action Tuesday at 5 p.m.