

Tigers split with Nevada in league baseball

NEVADA - Carroll split with Nevada in Raccoon River Conference baseball Wednesday night, dropping the first game 7-5 and taking the second 10-2.

Addison Patrick went 3 for 4 at the plate in the first game for the Tigers, now 7-3 overall. The junior had a double and a triple as Carroll scored two runs in the first, one in the second and two in the fifth. Chase Steinkamp and Greg Schulz were both 2 for 4 at the plate. Ben Gossett scored an in-the-park home run.

Adam Klocke took the loss for the Tigers in the last three innings on the mound. He gave up four earned runs on four hits with three walks and a strikeout. Steinkamp pitched the first three innings, allowing three unearned runs on three hits with one walk and three strikeouts.

"We just weren't ready to play that first game," Carroll coach Dirk Troutman said. "We gave up way too many unearned runs. We had four errors on the night and they were able to get a three-run home run in the fifth inning. It was a good pitch, a good hitter, who was able to hit a well-pitched ball over the fence. When you let teams in that's what happens."

Carroll bounced back in the second game with a 10-2 victory. The Tigers scored five runs in the third and plated five more in the sixth.

Kyle Semprini threw a complete game for the win, allowing three runs (2 earned) on five hits. He walked three and struck out four.

Nevada's run came in the third inning on a two-run home run.

Patrick, Schulz and Klocke were all 2 for 4 at the plate for Carroll.

"I was glad to see we bounced back after the first game and after they took the lead in the third inning," Troutman said. "They scored first and we were able to score five in the bottom of the inning and didn't get down.

"We have a tough road in front of us. We have to suck it up on the mound and on defense and execute. We have a lot of sore arms we're trying to take care of now."

The Tigers will play at Jefferson Friday and host the Carroll Invitational Saturday and Sunday.