



2026 Athletes Unlimited Softball League Season: Game #18  
Rosemont, Illinois (Parkway Bank Sports Complex)

Wednesday, June 17, 2026  
8 p.m. ET/7 p.m. CT

SCORE BY INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E	LOB
Blaze (4-2)	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	5	0	7
Bandits (3-4)	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	4	5	1	7

**Winning Pitcher:** Amber Fiser (2-1) | **Losing Pitcher:** Keilani Ricketts (0-1) | **Save:** Taylor McQuillin (1) | **Time of Game:** 1:56

HOME RUNS	NO.	PITCHER	INN.	ROB	OUT	COUNT	LOCATION
Sami Williams	2	Devyn Netz	3	1	1	2-2	CF
Aubrey Leach	1	Amber Fiser	5	0	0	1-1	CF

**The Quick Story:** Rookie **Taryn Kern** drove in the game-winning run with a single in the bottom of the fifth as the Chicago Bandits (3-4) won their third straight game with a 4-3 victory over the Carolina Blaze (4-2) in Athletes Unlimited Softball League action at Parkway Bank Sports Complex on Wednesday evening.

**Key Moment:** After the Blaze evened the score at 3-all in the top of the fifth inning on a home run by infielder **Aubrey Leach**, the Bandits reclaimed the lead in the bottom of the frame when Kern hit an infield single to plate infielder **Sami Williams** for the game-winning run.

## BLAZE NOTES



- The loss snapped Carolina's modest two-game win streak and marked its first setback since a 12-4 defeat against Portland on June 11.
- Infielder **Aubrey Leach** authored her first multi-hit game of the season after going 2-for-4 with a triple and a home run.
- Catcher **Kayla Kowalik** notched her second multi-hit outing this season with a 2-for-3 performance ... She singled to left field in the second inning before adding a single up the middle in the sixth inning.
- Pitcher **Aleshia Ocasio** saw her five-game hitting streak come to an end after going 0-for-3 in the loss on Wednesday night.
- Outfielder **Dakota Kennedy** also had her four-game hitting streak halted after an 0-for-2 performance ... Kennedy was hit by a pitch twice to run her on-base streak to five consecutive outings.
- Pitcher **Keilani Ricketts** (0-1) suffered the loss in relief after giving up one run on two hits with two strikeouts in 2.0 innings.
- Pitcher **Jala Wright** did not factor in the decision after giving up one run on one hit with two walks over 1.1 innings.

**Blaze's Next Game:** Saturday, June 20, at Chicago (Noon ET/11 a.m. CT)

## BANDITS NOTES



- Chicago initiated a coach's challenge in the top of the third inning to review whether infielder **Aubrey Leach** was safe at home plate ... The challenge was unsuccessful after the call was confirmed.
- The Bandits have won three straight games after opening the season with four consecutive losses ... In addition, they extended their lead in the all-time series against the Blaze to 6-3.
- Four of the Bandits' seven games this season have been decided by one run ... Chicago owns a 2-2 record in those contests.
- Catcher **Mary Iakopo** ran her hitting streak to six games after posting a single in the fifth inning.
- Infielder **Sami Williams** fashioned her team-leading fourth multi-hit game of the season following a 2-for-2 effort ... Williams, who was also hit by a pitch, was involved in all four runs by scoring twice and plating the other two runs with her home run in the third inning.
- Outfielder **Morgan Zerkle** extended her league-high on-base streak to seven games with a leadoff walk to begin the game.
- Pitcher **Amber Fiser** (2-1) logged her second straight victory after allowing three runs on five hits in 5.1 innings ... She also tallied three strikeouts in the win.
- Pitcher **Taylor McQuillin** collected her first save after throwing 1.2 shutout innings in relief ... She did not allow a hit while posting two strikeouts.

**Bandits' Next Game:** Saturday, June 20 vs. Carolina (Noon ET/11 a.m. CT)



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Carolina Blaze 3 (4-2)

Chicago Bandits 4 (3-4)

Player	ab	r	h	rbi	bb	so	po	a	lob	avg	Player	ab	r	h	rbi	bb	so	po	a	lob	avg
A Leach 2b	4	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	.238	M Zerkle cf	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	.333
A Gold 3b	4	1	0	1	0	2	1	2	0	.235	E Coffel ss	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	.316
D Kennedy lf	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.500	T Bell dp	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	.364
R Atwood dp	3	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	.417	B Copeland pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
K Kowalik c	3	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	.368	S Williams 3b	2	2	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	.526
K Spaid pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	M Iakopo c	3	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	1	.412
D Netz 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	2	.250	J Erickson 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	.190
V Cagle 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.400	K Sand pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
A Brito ss	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	.188	J Clements lf	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	.133
M Clark cf	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	.000	T Kern ph	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.214
A Ocasio rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	.375	E Butler rf	2	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	3	.385
J Wright p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	A Agbayani 2b	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	.286
J Laird lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.071	A Fiser p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	-
K Ricketts p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	T McQuillin p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	

Score by Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Carolina Blaze	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	5	0
Chicago Bandits	1	0	2	0	1	0	X	4	5	1

E - A Fiser(1). LOB - Blaze 7; Bandits 7. 3B - A Leach(1); A Agbayani(1). HR - A Leach(1); S Williams(2). HBP - D Kennedy 2; T Bell; S Williams; J Erickson 2. SB - M Zerkle(2); K Sand(2); E Butler(2). CS - B Copeland(1).

Carolina Blaze	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	ab	bf	np	era	Chicago Bandits	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	ab	bf	np	era
J Wright	1.1	1	1	1	2	1	5	8	29	12.00	A Fiser	5.1	5	3	3	1	3	23	25	66	2.67
D Netz	2.2	2	2	2	1	0	10	11	34	3.82	T McQuillin	1.2	0	0	0	0	2	5	6	30	1.91
K Ricketts	2.0	2	1	1	0	2	7	10	59	4.20											

Win - A Fiser (2-1). Loss - K Ricketts (0-1). Save - T McQuillin (1).  
 WP - J Wright 2(3). HBP - by J Wright (J Erickson); by A Fiser (D Kennedy); by K Ricketts (T Bell); by K Ricketts (S Williams); by K Ricketts (J Erickson); by T McQuillin (D Kennedy). PB - K Kowalik(1); M Iakopo(1). Inherited runners/scored: D Netz 2/0; T McQuillin 2/0. Pitches/strikes: J Wright 29/14; D Netz 34/22; K Ricketts 59/36; A Fiser 66/39; T McQuillin 30/19.

Umpires - HP: Tatem Stoelling 1B: Scott Tomlinson 3B: Willie Lopez  
 Start: 7:02 pm Time: 1:56 Attendance:  
 Weather: 67 degrees, Chance of Rain



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Carolina Blaze	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	5	0
Chicago Bandits	1	0	2	0	1	0	X	4	5	1

Carolina Blaze starters: 75/2b A Leach; 4/3b A Gold; 22/lf D Kennedy; 15/dp R Atwood; 99/c K Kowalik; 34/1b D Netz; 33/ss A Brito; 86/cf M Clark; 8/rf A Ocasio; 14/p J Wright;

Chicago Bandits starters: 18/cf M Zerkle; 21/ss E Coffel; 20/dp T Bell; 7/3b S Williams; 33/c M Iakopo; 12/1b J Erickson; 5/lf J Clements; 0/rf E Butler; 50/2b A Agbayani; 13/p A Fiser;

Carolina Blaze 1st - A Leach grounded out to p (0-0). A Gold struck out looking (3-2 BBKKBK). D Kennedy grounded out to 3b (3-1 BBKB). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Chicago Bandits 1st - M Zerkle walked (3-0 BBBB). M Zerkle stole second. E Coffel grounded out to 3b (2-1 KBB); M Zerkle advanced to third. T Bell grounded out to ss, RBI (0-1 S); M Zerkle scored. S Williams singled to shortstop (0-0). S Williams advanced to second on a wild pitch. S Williams advanced to third on a passed ball. M Iakopo lined out to ss (3-2 BKBSB). 1 run, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 2nd - R Atwood walked (3-1 BBFBB). K Kowalik singled to left field (3-0 BBB); R Atwood advanced to second. D Netz struck out swinging (1-2 KKBS). A Brito popped up to ss (0-0). M Clark fouled out to 1b (2-0 BB). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Chicago Bandits 2nd - J Erickson hit by pitch (1-1 KB). K Sand pinch ran for J Erickson. V Cagle to 1b for D Netz. J Clements struck out swinging (1-2 BKKS); K Sand stole second. K Sand advanced to third on a wild pitch. E Butler walked (3-1 BBKBB). D Netz to p for V Cagle. A Ocasio to 1b. J Laird to lf for J Wright. D Kennedy to rf. E Butler stole second. A Agbayani grounded out to 1b unassisted (2-1 BKB). M Zerkle grounded out to p (0-0). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 3rd - J Erickson to 1b for K Sand. A Ocasio lined out to rf (2-2 BKKB). A Leach tripled down the lf line (1-2 KBK). A Gold reached on a fielder's choice to first base, RBI (1-2 KBKF); A Leach scored. A Gold advanced to second on a passed ball. D Kennedy hit by pitch. R Atwood singled through the left side; D Kennedy advanced to second; A Gold advanced to third. K Kowalik reached on a fielder's choice, RBI (1-1 BF); R Atwood out at second 2b unassisted; D Kennedy advanced to third; A Gold scored. D Netz flied out to rf. 2 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Chicago Bandits 3rd - E Coffel walked (3-1 BKBBB). T Bell grounded out to 3b (0-1 F); E Coffel advanced to second. S Williams homered to center field, 2 RBI (2-2 KBSB); E Coffel scored. M Iakopo grounded out to ss (0-2 KK). J Erickson lined out to rf (2-1 KBB). 2 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 4th - A Brito struck out swinging (1-2 KBFS). M Clark grounded out to p, bunt (0-0). A Ocasio grounded out to 1b unassisted. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Chicago Bandits 4th - J Clements grounded out to 1b unassisted (0-2 FF). E Butler lined out to lf (0-0). A Agbayani tripled to right field (1-0 B). M Zerkle fouled out to ss (1-1 KB). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 5th - A Leach homered to center field, RBI (1-1 FB). A Gold grounded out to 3b (1-1 KB). D Kennedy flied out to lf (0-0). R Atwood grounded out to 2b (2-1 BKB). 1 run, 1 hit, 0 errors, 0

LOB.

Chicago Bandits 5th - D Kennedy to lf. D Netz to 1b. A Ocasio to rf. K Ricketts to p for J Laird. E Coffel popped up to 3b (3-2 BBKFFB). T Bell hit by pitch (2-2 BKKFB). B Copeland pinch ran for T Bell. B Copeland out at second c to ss, caught stealing. S Williams hit by pitch (3-1 BKBB). M Iakopo singled to right field (2-2 BBKFF); S Williams advanced to second. J Erickson hit by pitch (3-1 BKBBB); M Iakopo advanced to second; S Williams advanced to third. T Kern pinch hit for J Clements. T Kern singled to first base, RBI (3-2 KBBSBF); J Erickson advanced to second; M Iakopo advanced to third; S Williams scored. E Butler struck out swinging (1-2 KKBS). 1 run, 2 hits, 0 errors, 3 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 6th - J Clements to lf for T Kern. K Kowalik singled up the middle (1-0 B). D Netz reached on a fielder's choice; K Kowalik advanced to second on a throwing error by p. K Spaid pinch ran for K Kowalik. A Brito fouled out to 3b (0-1 K). T McQuillin to p for A Fiser. J Laird to cf for M Clark. / for K Ricketts. J Laird reached on a fielder's choice (3-2 BBKKB); D Netz advanced to second; K Spaid out at third p to 3b. A Ocasio grounded out to 1b unassisted (2-2 BBFFF). 0 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 2 LOB.

Chicago Bandits 6th - R Atwood to c. K Spaid to dp. M Clark to cf for J Laird. K Ricketts to p. A Agbayani struck out swinging (3-2 BFFFFBFBFS). M Zerkle grounded out to ss (2-2 SKBBF). E Coffel lined out to 2b (0-1 K). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 7th - A Leach grounded out to p (2-2 BBFF). A Gold struck out looking (0-2 FFK). D Kennedy hit by pitch (2-2 BBKK). R Atwood struck out swinging (2-2 KBSBS). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.



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Player	[ plate appearances ]									vs		rbi	with	adv	with	lead	bases	runnr	rnr	rnr	2out	gnd	fly
	tpa	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci	left	right	ops	runrs	ops	2outs	off%	full	on3rd	adv	lob	rbi	out	out	
A Leach 2b	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	2-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	
A Gold 3b	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-3	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	1	0	
D Kennedy lf	4	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0-0	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
R Atwood dp	4	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0-1	1-2	1-1	1-2	1-2	0-2	1-1	0-0	0	1	0	1	0	0	
K Kowalik c	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	2-3	0-1	1-2	2-2	0-0	1-1	0-1	1-1	0	0	0	1	0	
K Spaid pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
D Netz 1b	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-3	0-2	0-3	1-3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	1	
V Cagle 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
A Brito ss	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-3	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
M Clark cf	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	1	1	1	
A Ocasio rf	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	2	0	2	1	1	
J Wright p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
J Laird lf	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
K Ricketts p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	31	28	5	1	2	0	0	0	0-5	5-23	1-10	2-13	6-13	0-7	3-7	0-1	2-2	0	7	0	10	6	

Chicago Bandits 4 (3-4)

Player	[ plate appearances ]									vs		rbi	with	adv	with	lead	bases	runnr	rnr	rnr	2out	gnd	fly
	tpa	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci	left	right	ops	runrs	ops	2outs	off%	full	on3rd	adv	lob	rbi	out	out	
M Zerkle cf	4	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	1-1	0-0	0	3	0	2	1	1	
E Coffel ss	4	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-1	1-2	0-0	1	0	0	1	2	2	
T Bell dp	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0-0	0-2	0-1	0-2	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	0	0	2	0	
B Copeland pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
S Williams 3b	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0-0	2-2	1-1	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
M Iakopo c	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1-1	0-2	0-1	1-2	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	1	1	1	
J Erickson 1b	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
K Sand pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
J Clements lf	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-2	0-0	0-1	1-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	1	0	0	
T Kern ph	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1-1	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	1	0	0	0	
E Butler rf	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	3	0	0	1	1	
A Agbayani 2b	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	1-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
A Fiser p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
T McQuillin p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	29	22	5	3	4	0	0	0	2-7	3-15	2-9	3-12	8-13	4-10	3-6	1-2	1-2	4	7	1	8	6	

Carolina Blaze	[ batters faced ]														vs		with	with	lead	gnd	fly		
	ip	bf	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci	2b	3b	hr	wp	bk	kl	left	right	runrs	2outs	off%	out	out	np
J Wright	1.1	8	5	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0-1	1-4	0-4	1-2	2-2	2	1	29
D Netz	2.2	11	10	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1-6	1-4	1-5	1-4	1-2	5	3	34
K Ricketts L,0-1	2.0	10	7	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-3	1-4	2-3	2-4	0-2	1	2	59

Chicago Bandits	[ batters faced ]														vs		with	with	lead	gnd	fly		
	ip	bf	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci	2b	3b	hr	wp	bk	kl	left	right	runrs	2outs	off%	out	out	np
A Fiser W,2-1	5.1	25	23	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	4-8	1-15	2-10	0-5	3-6	7	6	66
T McQuillin S,1	1.2	6	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0-3	0-2	0-3	0-2	0-1	3	0	30