



2026 Athletes Unlimited Softball League Season: Game #39
Edmond, Oklahoma (Tom Heath Field)

Monday, June 29, 2026
7 p.m. ET/6 p.m. CT

SCORE BY INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E	LOB
Blaze (7-5)	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	6	0	4
Spark (5-9)	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	7	2	3

Winning Pitcher: Keilani Ricketts (1-2) | **Losing Pitcher:** Lyndsey Grein (2-1) | **Save:** n/a | **Time of Game:** 1:42

HOME RUNS	NO.	PITCHER	INN.	ROB	OUT	COUNT	LOCATION
Delanie Wisz	5	Karlyn Pickens	1	1	1	1-1	LF
Sydney Romero	4	Karlyn Pickens	3	1	1	3-1	CF
Alyssa Brito	2	Maya Johnson	5	0	0	0-0	RCF
Baylee Klingler	1	Lyndsey Grein	5	3	2	0-0	LF

The Quick Story: Infielder **Alyssa Brito** and utility player **Baylee Klingler** each smashed a home run during a five-run fifth inning as the Carolina Blaze (7-5) came from behind to edge the Oklahoma City Spark (5-9) in the first game of a two-game Athletes Unlimited Softball League series at Tom Heath Field on Monday evening.

Key Moment: Trailing by a 4-0 margin, Carolina exploded for five runs on three hits in the fifth inning to take a 5-4 lead the Blaze did not relinquish. Brito led off the inning with a solo home run to right center field before Klingler blasted a grand slam to left field for the decisive margin.

BLAZE NOTES



- The Blaze have now registered a home run in seven games this season, including three multi-homer outings.
- With their five-run outburst in Monday night's series opener, the Blaze have now outscored their opponents by a commanding 13-1 margin in the fifth inning this season ... Carolina has scored 37 of its 59 runs between the third and fifth innings.
- Carolina won for the first time in four games this season when being outhit by its opponent.
- Carolina won for just the second time in seven games this season when scoring five or fewer runs ... The Blaze also improved to 7-4 when allowing five or fewer runs.
- Infielder **Alyssa Brito** ignited a five-run fifth inning for the Blaze with her first home run of the season off rookie pitcher **Maya Johnson**.
- Utility player **Baylee Klingler** belted the second grand slam in Carolina Blaze history in the fifth inning with a shot to left field, giving Carolina a 5-4 lead ... It is also the seventh grand slam in AUSL regular season history.
- Klingler also added a single in the first inning to record her first multi-hit game this season ... She had gone 1-for-9 in her first three outings.
- Klingler is the eighth different player to hit a home run for the Blaze this season.
- Infielder **Aubrey Leach**, who played in center field on Monday, has recorded a hit in 9-of-12 games this season after logging a single through the right side in the fifth inning.
- Pitcher **Keilani Ricketts** earned her first win of the season after scattering three hits over 4.0 scoreless innings with one strikeout.
- Pitcher **Karlyn Pickens** did not factor into the decision after giving up four runs on four hits in 3.0 innings with one strikeout.

Blaze's Next Game: Wednesday, July 1 at Oklahoma City (7 p.m. ET/6 p.m. CT)

- Oklahoma City has now dropped eight of its last 10 games, including the last five in a row, after opening the season with a 3-1 record.
- Oklahoma City scored first for the sixth time in 14 games this season after catcher **Delanie Wisz** belted a two-run home run to left field in the first inning ... The Spark are now 3-3 when plating the game's first run.
- In addition, Oklahoma City scored in the first inning for just the fourth time this season.
- Oklahoma City has hit at least one home run in 8-of-14 games this season, posting a 4-4 record in those contests ... In addition, the Spark logged multiple home runs for the seventh time this season.
- The Spark have now scored four or more runs in 9-of-14 games this season.
- Each of Wisz's first four home runs were solo shots before her two-run blast against Carolina on Monday night.
- Infielder **Sydney Romero** has hit safely in nine of her last 11 games after collecting a single in the first inning ... She added a two-run home run in the bottom of the third inning to author her team-high seventh multi-hit effort this season.
- Infielder **Sydney Sherrill** recorded her fourth multi-hit game of the season with a pair of singles ... She is 4-for-6 in her last two games after going 2-for-19 in her previous six outings.
- Utility player **Amari Harper** saw her four-game hitting streak come to an end after going 0-for-3 against the Blaze on Monday.
- Outfielder **Bubba Nickles-Camarena** failed to reach base for just the second time in 14 games this season after an 0-for-3 outing.
- Pitcher **Lyndsey Grein**, who rejoined the Spark from the Reserve Athlete Pool on Monday, dropped to 2-1 after giving up one unearned run on two hits over 1.1 innings with one strikeout.
- Pitcher **Maya Johnson** moved into a tie for the league lead with her ninth appearance this season, including her AUSL-high seventh start ... She did not factor into the decision after allowing four runs (one earned) on four hits with four strikeouts in 4.2 innings.

Spark's Next Game: Wednesday, July 1 vs. Carolina (7 p.m. ET/6 p.m. CT)



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Carolina Blaze 5 (7-5)

Oklahoma City Spark 4 (5-9)

Player	ab	r	h	rbi	bb	so	po	a	lob	avg	Player	ab	r	h	rbi	bb	so	po	a	lob	avg
A Leach cf	4	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	.256	S McKinney lf	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	.467
R Atwood c	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	.367	Sy Romero ss	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	.354
D Kennedy lf	2	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	.344	D Wisz c	3	1	1	2	0	0	7	1	1	.317
B Klingler rf	3	1	2	4	0	0	1	0	0	.250	B Nickles-Ca cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.220
A Gold 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	.206	A Harper rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.312
J Laird 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	5	0	.200	S Sherrill 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	.256
A Brito ss	3	1	2	1	0	0	0	4	0	.219	K Roose 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	.000
D Netz 1b	3	0	1	0	0	1	12	0	0	.207	H Lee 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	1	.091
A Ocasio dp	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	.258	G Jenkins dp	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.152
K Pickens p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	M Johnson p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	-
K Ricketts p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	-	L Grein p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Totals	28	5	6	5	0	7	21	14	4		J Ford p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
											Totals	28	4	7	4	0	2	21	9	3	

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Oklahoma City Spark	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	7	2

E - Sy Romero(1); S Sherrill(2). LOB - Blaze 4; Spark 3. 2B - D Netz(2). HR - B Klingler(1); A Brito(2); Sy Romero(4); D Wisz(5). HBP - D Kennedy 2.

Carolina Blaze	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	ab	bf	np	era	Oklahoma City Spark	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	ab	bf	np	era
K Pickens	3.0	4	4	4	0	1	13	13	40	2.01	M Johnson	4.2	4	4	1	0	4	19	21	89	4.69
K Ricketts	4.0	3	0	0	0	1	15	15	50	3.36	L Grein	1.1	2	1	0	0	1	6	6	21	1.47
											J Ford	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	10	3.50

Win - K Ricketts (1-2). Loss - L Grein (2-1). Save - None.

WP - K Ricketts(5). HBP - by M Johnson (D Kennedy); by M Johnson (D Kennedy). PB - R Atwood(1); D Wisz(8).

Inherited runners/scored: L Grein 3/3. Pitches/strikes: K Pickens 40/26; K Ricketts 50/36; M Johnson 89/60; L Grein 21/14; J Ford 10/7.

Umpires - HP: Scott Mair 1B: Lindon Baptiste 3B: Gil Zayas

Start: 6:02 pm Time: 1:42 Attendance:

Weather: Sunny & Windy, 95 degrees



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Oklahoma City Spark	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	7	2

Carolina Blaze starters: 75/cf A Leach; 15/c R Atwood; 22/lf D Kennedy; 3/rf B Klingler; 4/3b A Gold; 17/2b J Laird; 33/ss A Brito; 34/1b D Netz; 8/dp A Ocasio; 23/p K Pickens;
 Oklahoma City Spark starters: 25/lf S McKinney; 2/ss Sy Romero; 97/c D Wisz; 48/cf B Nickles-Ca; 31/rf A Harper; 24/3b S Sherrill; 42/2b K Roose; 45/1b H Lee; 8/dp G Jenkins; 23/p M Johnson;

KFBS). 5 runs, 3 hits, 1 error, 0 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 5th - G Jenkins grounded out to p (0-0). S McKinney singled to center field (0-0). Sy Romero reached on a fielder's choice (1-1 BK); S McKinney out at second p to ss to 2b. D Wisz fouled out to 1b (1-2 SSBF). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 1st - A Leach reached on a fielding error by ss (2-1 BKB). R Atwood flied out to rf (0-2 FF). D Kennedy hit by pitch (0-1 K); A Leach advanced to second. B Klingler singled to left field (1-2 FFFB); D Kennedy advanced to second; A Leach advanced to third, out at home lf to c. B Klingler advanced to second; D Kennedy advanced to third on a passed ball. A Gold lined out to 2b (2-1 KBB). 0 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 2 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 6th - J Laird flied out to cf (2-2 BFBK). A Brito popped up to 2b (1-2 KFBB). D Netz doubled to center field (2-1 BBK). A Ocasio grounded out to 1b unassisted (1-0 B). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 1st - S McKinney grounded out to 2b (1-2 FSB). Sy Romero singled up the middle (0-1 F). D Wisz homered to left field, 2 RBI (1-1 BK); Sy Romero scored. B Nickles-Ca grounded out to 3b (0-1 K). A Harper grounded out to 2b (1-0 B). 2 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 6th - B Nickles-Ca flied out to rf (2-2 KBSB). A Harper flied out to cf (2-2 BFBB). S Sherrill singled to center field (1-1 KB). K Roose lined out to 2b (2-1 KBB). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 2nd - J Laird grounded out to ss (0-2 KKF). A Brito singled to center field (3-2 BFFBB). D Netz struck out looking (2-2 KFBFBK). A Ocasio struck out looking (2-2 BKFBK). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 7th - J Ford to p for L Grein. A Leach struck out swinging (1-2 SFBS). R Atwood lined out to 1b (1-0 B). D Kennedy struck out swinging (1-2 BSFS). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 2nd - S Sherrill grounded out to 2b (1-0 B). K Roose struck out swinging (2-2 KBBFBS). H Lee grounded out to ss (0-0). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 7th - H Lee struck out swinging (0-2 KFS). G Jenkins grounded out to 2b (1-1 BK). S McKinney flied out to lf (1-2 KKBF). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 3rd - A Leach grounded out to p (2-2 KKBB). R Atwood grounded out to p (0-2 SS). D Kennedy struck out looking (2-2 FBBKFFK). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 3rd - G Jenkins singled through the right side (1-0 B). S McKinney reached on a fielder's choice (2-1 BKB); G Jenkins out at second 3b to 2b. S McKinney advanced to second on a passed ball. Sy Romero homered to center field, 2 RBI (3-1 BKBB); S McKinney scored. D Wisz lined out to cf (1-1 BF). B Nickles-Ca grounded out to ss (1-1 FB). 2 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 4th - B Klingler grounded out to ss (1-2 BFSF). A Gold grounded out to 3b (2-1 BFB). J Laird struck out looking (1-2 BFKK). 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Oklahoma City Spark 4th - K Ricketts to p for K Pickens. A Harper grounded out to 2b (0-1 K). S Sherrill singled up the middle (0-2 KK). S Sherrill advanced to second on a wild pitch. K Roose grounded out to p (2-2 BBSS); S Sherrill advanced to third. H Lee grounded out to ss (1-0 B). 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Carolina Blaze 5th - A Brito homered to right center, RBI (0-0). D Netz grounded out to ss (1-2 BKF). A Ocasio grounded out to 2b (3-2 BFBFB). A Leach singled through the right side (0-0). R Atwood reached on a fielding error by 3b (2-0 BB); A Leach advanced to second. D Kennedy hit by pitch (1-2 KKFB); R Atwood advanced to second; A Leach advanced to third. L Grein to p for M Johnson. B Klingler homered to left field, 4 RBI, unearned (0-0); D Kennedy scored, unearned; R Atwood scored, unearned; A Leach scored, unearned. A Gold struck out swinging, out at first c to 1b (1-2



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	tpa	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci															
A Leach cf	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1-4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	
R Atwood c	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-4	0-0	0-0	0-2	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	
D Kennedy lf	4	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	
B Klingler rf	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1-2	1-1	2-2	2-2	2-2	1-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	0	0	4	1	0	
A Gold 3b	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	1	1	
J Laird 2b	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1	
A Brito ss	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	
D Netz 1b	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	1-1	0-0	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	
A Ocasio dp	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	2	0	
K Pickens 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	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	0	
Totals	30	28	6	0	2	0	0	0	4-22	2-6	2-4	2-8	5-10	3-11	2-7	1-1	0-0	0	4	4	8	5	

Oklahoma City Spark 4 (5-9)

Player	[plate appearances]									vs left	vs right	rbi ops	with runrs	adv ops	with 2outs	lead off%	bases full	runnr on3rd	rnr adv	rnr lob	2out rbi	gnd out	fly out
	tpa	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci															
S McKinney lf	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1-2	0-2	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	1	
Sy Romero ss	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	2-2	1-1	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	
D Wisz c	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	1-2	0-0	1-2	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	2	
B Nickles-Ca cf	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	1	
A Harper rf	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	1	
S Sherrill 3b	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	
K Roose 2b	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	1	1	
H Lee 1b	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	2	0	
G Jenkins dp	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	
M Johnson 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	0	
L Grein 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	0	
J Ford 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	0	
Totals	28	28	7	0	0	0	0	0	3-15	4-13	1-3	2-8	3-8	1-8	1-7	0-0	0-0	1	3	0	13	6	

Carolina Blaze	[batters faced]														vs left	vs right	with runrs	with 2outs	lead off%	gnd out	fly out	np	
	ip	bf	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci	2b	3b	hr	wp	bk									kl
K Pickens	3.0	13	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1-5	3-8	2-3	0-3	1-3	7	1	40
K Ricketts W,1-2	4.0	15	15	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3-8	0-7	0-5	1-5	0-4	6	5	50

Oklahoma City Spark	[batters faced]														vs left	vs right	with runrs	with 2outs	lead off%	gnd out	fly out	np	
	ip	bf	ab	h	bb	hbp	sh	sf	ci	2b	3b	hr	wp	bk									kl
M Johnson	4.2	21	19	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1-8	3-11	1-6	1-6	2-5	7	2	89
L Grein L,2-1	1.1	6	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0-2	2-4	1-2	2-4	0-1	1	2	21
J Ford	1.0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-1	0	1	10