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Bowyer reaches milestone

Mavericks sweep Huskies in baseball

ST. CLOUD — Dean Bowyer continued to work his magic and the Minnesota State baseball team continued to roll on Monday as the Mavericks swept a doubleheader from St. Cloud State 7-5 and 10-2 in a North Central Conference doubleheader.



MSU's Dean Bowyer picked up career wins 1020 and 1021 in the Mavericks twinbill sweep of St. Cloud State.

The two victories pushed head coach Bowyer's career record to 1,021-564-10. No other coach in Minnesota has totaled that many collegiate victories. Gary Grob of Winona State retired in 2002 with 1,020 wins.

"It's nice, but it's kind of funny because I don't think I've been coaching that long," said Bowyer, who had 74 coaching wins in his first four years at Minot State

before taking over the MSU program in 1977. "It's a reflection of the type of ballplayers we get to play here. They love the game, they care about each other and that leads to success on the field.

"(This milestone) is kind of special

MSU: Simon, Gonzalez homer in both games

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because the group of guys we have really helped our program turn a corner. Four years ago we had one of the worst seasons we've ever had and we brought in a bunch of guys who are still here and now they're doing great."

In Monday's opener, MSU belted three home runs as Josh Simon, Nick Gonzalez and Kyle Hoover all went deep.

Gonzalez finished 2 for 4 with four home runs and two runs scored. Simon was 2 for 3 and also scored twice.

Danny Klous worked five innings for the win, allowing four earned runs on five hits while striking out two. Nick Fellman worked a perfect seventh to earn the save.

In Game 2, Simon and Gonzalez again homered in the sixth to break the game open. Gonzalez's blast was a grand slam, giving MSU a 9-2

lead.

Simon finished the game 2 for 3 with three runs scored. Right-hander Patrick Criss pitched five innings for the win, scattering eight hits and fanning three.

Minnesota State (30-7) has now won at least 30 games in eight of the last nine seasons. The Mavericks (10-1 in the NCC) travel to Fayette, Iowa, on Wednesday to play Upper Iowa in a nonconference doubleheader.

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