

# Von Rentzell plays many roles for NU

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It seems to matter very little whether Gloria Von Rentzell plays first or second base.

She continued her splendid defensive play to help the Cornhuskers whip out the brooms on Creighton Wednesday, 5-1 and 3-0.

Von Rentzell made some stellar back-handed stops on ground balls and was also part of the game ending double play that sent the Lady Jays packing.

An injury to Heather Hanselmann, who had been starting at second base, has pressed Von Rentzell into duty at second base. With Hanselmann back in the lineup Wednesday, Husker coach Rhonda Revelle has placed Hanselmann at first base while Von Rentzell remains at second base.

After a 2-for-3 effort in the first game, Von Rentzell went 0 for 3 at the plate in the nightcap. However, her RBI groundout in the fourth inning scored Ali Viola to give Nebraska a lead it did not relinquish.

"I was just telling myself to protect the plate and make contact," Von Rentzell said.

After the Cornhuskers 3-0 whitewash in the nightcap over their Interstate-80 neighbors, she gave her teammate Hanselmann credit for

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her play at first base.

"She did an excellent job tonight," Von Rentzell said. "I was real proud of her." Von Rentzell filled in at third base as a sophomore. Revelle said she had always believed in the senior from North Platte.

"I've never not had confidence in Gloria," Revelle said. "She seems equally comfortable. I think the adjustment has been more mental than physical."

Von Rentzell has been called upon to perform at many positions during her four-year Husker career.

"She's fun to watch," Revelle said. "I'll be honest, I may have missed the boat. I wish I could start over and keep her at second base. She's always accepted her role."

According to Von Rentzell, the adjustment from first to second base has been relatively minor.

"The only big difference is the reactions and covering bunts," Von Rentzell said.

# Dusenberry, Stafford lead Huskers to sweep

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Nebraska softball coach Rhonda Revelle knew senior pitcher Cody Dusenberry would be nervous about starting her second game of the season.

That's why Revelle called Dusenberry Tuesday night to let her know she would be the Cornhusker starter in the first game against Creighton Wednesday night.

Dusenberry, who has started only one other game and pitched just 1 1/3 innings this season, responded with a one-run complete game victory.

The win helped the Huskers sweep the Lady Jays 5-1 and 3-0 Wednesday night at the NU Softball Complex. Nebraska snapped a five-game skid and improved its record to 33-18. Creighton fell to 13-20.

Before Wednesday, Dusenberry last played in a 3-1 loss against Cal-State Sacramento on March 3. She had a 5.25 earned-run average and had struck out only three batters before earning her first win of the season.

"I was nervous, but I knew I just had to relax, be myself and have a good time," Dusenberry said. "I knew the team was back there backing me up, so I just did my thing."

Dusenberry recorded a career-high six strikeouts and walked only two batters.

"I just thought that if she got her off speed working, she would have a good chance at beating them," Revelle said. "She was magnificent with her change-up."

Nebraska took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second inning when junior right fielder Sarah Sinclair's two-out hit went under the glove of Creighton first baseman Erin Fraser and scored two runs.

Creighton cut the score to 2-1 in the fifth inning but Nebraska responded by scoring three runs in the bottom of the sixth to take a 5-1 lead.

Two ground outs to Nebraska shortstop Ali Viola and a strikeout by Dusenberry ended any Creighton comeback hopes.

Dusenberry has had success against the Lady Jays before. During her sopho-



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**Nebraska first baseman Heather Hanselmann scores in the first game of the Huskers' doubleheader sweep of Creighton Wednesday as Lady Jay catcher Susi Codoni awaits a throw. Nebraska won the game 5-1.**

more season, two of Dusenberry's four wins came against the Lady Jays. In her freshmen year, she picked up Big Eight pitcher-of-the-week honors after pitching both ends of a doubleheader against Creighton.

"She was a surgeon tonight with what she had," Nebraska assistant coach Lori Sippel said. "It doesn't matter in athletics what you have, as long as you do with what you have everything you got. Physically, mentally, she's there 100 percent every day, and I think she's got a heart bigger than this field."

Nebraska senior Stacie Stafford recorded a shutout in the second game. Stafford struck out nine batters while giving up only three hits and improved

her record to 15-11.

The Huskers again scored their first run on a Creighton miscue in the fourth inning. Viola reached first on a Lady Jay error and then stole second. Ground outs from sophomore catcher Jenny Smith and second baseman Gloria Von Rentzell advanced Viola home.

Nebraska added two runs in the fifth inning when sophomores Heather Hanselmann and Jamie Funkhouser scored on RBI hits by seniors Karla Knicely and Tobin Echo Hawk.

"That's the best pitched doubleheader we had this year," Revelle said. "Stacie's been throwing pretty well, but she's had some tough luck. I know this had to feel good to throw a shut-out."

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