

# Experienced Falcon squad looks to win league

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Prairie Girls Softball has started out the season strong with a 3-0 record in league, and a 6-2 record overall.

The Falcons' only two losses came from non-league opponents Battle Ground and Heritage. The Falcons have defeated Hudson's Bay, Fort Vancouver, and Columbia River in league play, all by more than 10 runs.

"Our aim is still set high to win league," said head coach Dawn Rowe.

The highlight game so far this season for the lady Falcons was their victory at Union that

went to the 13 innings.

"I haven't witnessed a game like that ever," said Rowe.

The score was 5-5 at the end of the seventh inning. The score remained tied at five at the end of the eighth inning, and the International "Tie Breaker" rule, where a runner starts the inning on second base, was implemented in the ninth inning.

The Falcons then scored two runs in the ninth, which were answered by the Titans.

The Falcons then scored again making the score 8-7, but the Titans answered, tying the game 8-8 at the end of the tenth inning. Both teams

scored yet again in the eleventh inning. Then in the twelfth inning the Falcons scored three runs, which usually guarantees a victory, but the Titans yet again answered the Falcons and scored three runs.

With the score tied at 12 entering the thirteenth inning, the Falcons were able to score two more runs, and play good defense against the Titans, winning the game 14-12.

"This is unusual because normally one or two runs will end a game in extra innings," said assistant coach Stuart Rowe. "Or both teams will score just one run per inning. To have that many runs spread

out over six innings, is just unheard of."

Strengths for the Falcons this season lay in their experience. This is the third year for most of this varsity unit to play together.

"Never before have I heard of six or seven freshmen making a varsity team and placing at state," said Dawn Rowe. "The only downfall is that now the pressure is on to keep doing well at State."

Due to the cancellation of multiple games from weather, the Falcons will play six games next week, including a double header with Rogers on Saturday.