



**AFA – Holiday Classic (Hemet, CA)**

December 21-22, 2019

OC Flames came out of the gates HOT winning the first 2 games of the tournament and outscoring opponents 15-7 behind timely at-bats and focused defense. Unfortunately the momentum grinded to a halt in the final 2 games as the Flames paid for defensive miscues and opponents capitalized with strong offensive outbursts. The Flames finished with a 2W-2L record and exited the tournament in the first round of Elimination Play.

**Pool Play:**

8:00 AM

**Game 1 (Win): OC Flames (7) vs. Arsenal (5)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Arsenal	3	0	0	0	2	-	-	5	9	0
OC Flames	0	0	7	0	-	-	-	7	3	0

Notable Contributions	
#11 MacIsaac	1-1, 1R, 1RBI
#27 Alcalá	1-2, 1RBI
#6 Rinaldi	1-2, 1R

After a rocky start yielding 3 runs in the 1<sup>st</sup> inning, the Flames defense and pitching settled in for a strong performance. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning, the Flames offense came alive. Marley Gaines and Camille Sellers led off the inning with walks and the bases loaded with a bunt single from Sienna Rinaldi. Mikayla MacIsaac plated the Flames first run with a single to RF. A combination of plate discipline, aggressive base-running, productive at-bats, and another RBI single from Bella Alcalá led to the Flames taking the lead 7-3 by the close of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning.

Marley Gaines attacked the strike zone and the Flames defense was clean behind her to close out the final 2 innings of play.



9:50 AM

**Game 2 (Win): OC Flames (8) vs. E1 - Prospects Nuqui (2)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
OC Flames	0	2	3	3	-	-	-	8	9	0
E1 – Prospects Nuqui	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	2	5	0

Notable Contributions	
#21 Mitchell	1-2, 1RBI, 1SB 4.0 IP, 5H, 2ER, 2K
#17 Ruiz	2-3, 1R, 1RBI, 2SB
#14 Hicks	2-2, 1R, 2RBI
#6 Rinaldi	1-1, 1R, 1RBI
#8 Lancellotti	1-2, 1R, 1RBI, 2SB
#11 MacIsaac	1-2, 1R
#19 Carrillo	1-2, 1R, 1SB



OC Flames again left the first inning trailing, but rebounded quickly in the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning. Back-to-back-to-back singles to lead off the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning put the Flames ahead 2-1.

The Flames offense continued executing the rest of the way scoring 3 each in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> innings. Pitcher Lucy Mitchell recorded her first pitching victory as a member of OC Flames with a solid performance (4.0 IP, 5H, 2R, 2K).

1:30 PM

**Game 3 (Loss): OC Flames (2) vs. SoCal Athletics Beck/Kim (14)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SoCal Athletics	4	3	4	3	-	-	-	14	14	0
OC Flames	2	0	0	0	-	-	-	2	3	0

Notable Contributions	
#19 Carrillo	1-2, 3B, 2RBI
#2 Alexander	1-2, 1R
#17 Ruiz	1-2, 1SB

A strong hitting Athletics team jumped out of the gates early and applied consistent pressure on the Flames throughout. The defense gave the Athletics offense too many extra outs and placed additional strain on Flames pitching.

A Flames highlight came in the bottom of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning when Aly Carrillo hit a 2-Out, 2-RBI triple over the Right-Fielder's head to score Danica Lancellotti and Emma Alexander.



**Elimination Round:**

10:20 AM

Game 4 (Loss): OC Flames (10) vs. SoCal Reign 07 (14)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
SoCal Reign	4	5	0	2	3	-	-	14	18	0
OC Flames	2	2	0	0	6	-	-	10	10	1

Notable Contributions	
#2 Alexander	2-3, 3B, 1R, 3RBI, 1SB
#17 Ruiz	2-3, 2R, 2RBI, 3SB
#6 Rinaldi	2-3, 2R, 1RBI
#8 Lancellotti	2-4, 2R, 1RBI, 2SB
#11 MacIsaac	1-2, 2RBI
#19 Carrillo	1-3, 1R



OC Flames fell to a slow start and were unable to recover from the deficit. The offense came alive in the final frame and showed tremendous heart capped by a bases-clearing 2-RBI triple from Emma Alexander that was blasted to right-center.

The Flames finished the AFA Holiday Classic with a 2-2 record and will take the field next in early 2020!