NZ White Sox On The Road...

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In the second game of the Prague Invitational Series the NZ White Sox team came from behind to beat the Czech Republic Team 7-6 in an exciting game that went right down to the wire. The Czechs started well by getting on base with a succession of hits and an automatic over the fence to take the lead 4-0. Starting pitcher Courtney Gettins regained her composure and went on to shut the opposition down before being replaced on the mound by relief pitcher Beth Stavert in the 6th innings. Ellie Cooper hit 3 from 4 and Jennifer Feret 2 from 3. But it was Stacey Webber who drove in Feret and Kyla Bromhead in the 2nd innings to score the first two runs for New Zealand. Four more runs crossed the plate in the 2nd innings. Run scorers were Ellie Cooper, Danica Ferriso, Mel Gettins and Mikayla Werahiko. The Czechs came back with a succession of hits and squeeze plays to bring in two runs in the fifth innings to tie the ball game. Beth Stavert was bought on to the mound to stymie the hits and proved to be an effective option. In the bottom of the 7th innings Kyla Bromhead gained 1st base from a short stop error, Feret was walked and Te Reo Powhiri Matautia drove in the winning run. Werahiko was outstanding on defence once again. The New Zealand White Sox are now through to the final tomorrow afternoon regardless of the result against Austria who they are due to meet at 10 am in the morning

Regards Naomi

