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Imperial's 16-and-under baseball team remains undefeated with wins over Benkelman, Wauneta, McCook and Grant last week.

On June 17 at Benkelman, Imperial gave up just one run in a 19-1 win that ended after four innings.

Jeff Banks led the team at the plate, going 2-2, while Alex Strand went all the way on the mound, collecting seven strike-outs.

On Sunday, the team took both games in a round robin played at Wauneta.

They defeated Wauneta 14-4 in a game that ended after four innings.

At the plate, Charlie Haarberg was 2-2, Adam Moline went 2-3 and Banks was 2-4.

Alec Spady went the distance on the mound for the win, collecting four strike-outs.

In the second game, Imperial defeated McCook 13-5.

Strand and Haarberg were 2-2 at the plate followed by Jake Burke, who went 2-3. Strand also went the distance on the mound.

On Monday, Imperial defeated Grant by a 10-run margin, 17-7.

Cody Cravey led the team with a 2-3 effort at the plate, followed by Strand with a 2-4 effort.

Shane German got the win on the mound, striking out five.

The team now stands at 11-0.