

Chieftains Top Wisconsin Heights 7-3

The varsity baseball team picked up an important non-conference win on Thursday night as we defeated the Division III defending State Champs, Wisconsin Heights Vanguards. Brett Hach pitched five strong innings striking out 11 to pick up the win. Jared Roen would come on in relief and pitch the last two innings to nail down the win. Coach Thompson "This was a very nice win during a very tough week. The guys hung in there and battled back to get this one. I thought once again we got real strong pitching and solid defense, if we continue to do that we will be in every ball game."

Senior Brett Hach would take to the mound on a beautiful afternoon and cruise through the first three innings facing just 10 hitters and striking out 7. Coach Thompson "Great job by Brett, he had excellent control and was able to get his curve ball working." Meanwhile the Chieftains would manage one run over that same stretch of innings. The run coming in the first. With one out Brett would single sharply to right. Courtesy runner Ethan Haffner would steal second and later alertly score when Trevor Johnson's fly ball was misplayed. Coach Thompson "Excellent base running by Ethan!"

WH would grab the lead in the fourth. A walk, two triples, and a single and it was 3-1. The score remained 3-1 until we erupted for five in the fifth. With one out Jared blistered a ground ball that the short stop could not handle. Brett singled sharply to center. Trevor J. was hit by a pitch and after Elijah Cannon walked, we had a run. Trevor Troxel stepped to the plate and whistled a line shot to left knocking in a pair. Coach Thompson "Clutch hit by Trevor T." One out later Tyrrel Anderson, who had two hits earlier in the game, ripped a shot off of the shortstop and we had two more runs to make it 6-3.

Jared would come on to pitch in the sixth and have a quick inning, striking out a pair. In the bottom of the frame we would tack on an insurance run. With two outs, Jared would single and steal second. Brett would line one to the first baseman, who could not make the play and Jared would race home to make it 7-3.

In the seventh, after a lead off strike out and then a walk, Brett Hach would turn in a sparkling double play to end the game and give the Chieftains a nice 7-3 win. Coach Thompson "Nice job by the guys, they continue to pick each other up. We have a lot of big games ahead but that attitude will be key to our success."

Box Score AB. Runs. Hits. RBI

J. Roen 3-2-1-0 Hach 4-1-1-0 Haffner 0-1-0-0 Johnson 3-1-0-0 Cannon 2-0-0-1 Ty Hougan 0-1-0-0 Troxel 2-1-1-2 Williamson 3-0-0-0 Anderson 3-0-2-0 M. Hougan 3-0-0-0 Luck 0-0-0-0 B. Roen 3-0-0-0 Swaziek 0-0-0-0 Ekleberry 0-0-0-0

Pitching Stats. IP. Hits. R. ER. BB. K

Hach. 5. 4 3. 3. 2. 11

J. Roen. 2 0. 0. 0. 1. 3