Chieftains Blank Hillsboro 7-0

In our second game of the day we received an excellent pitching performance from Freshmen lefty Michael Schaefer as he tossed a complete game shut over a very good Hillsboro team. Michael would strike out seven and give up just five hits to get the win. Coach Thompson "Michael had good command of his pitches and I thought we played a real gritty game against a solid Hillsboro team. We again played some very hard-nosed baseball. I really enjoyed the intensity we played with."

The tone of this game would be set in the first. With one out and a man on first right fielder Ty Hougan would make a nice catch on a sinking line drive and then fire back to Casey Ekleberry at first to double up the runner and end the inning. Coach Thompson "big play by Ty and that set the tone for the game." Bradon would get us going in the bottom of the first as he would lead off with a single and then steal second. One out later Trevor J. would deliver an RBI single and it was 1-0.

In the second the Tigers would threaten but a pair of strike outs got us out of the jam. We would add a run in the bottom half of the second. Dalton Haile would continue to sizzle as he lined a single to left. Ethan would reach on a fielder's choice ground and then steal second. Bradon would promptly single to put runners on the corners. Trevor T. would get the job done with a Sac Fly and we led 2-0.

After Hillsboro went quietly in the third we again added a run. With two outs Michael would slice a double to left. Brady Fox would come into run and race home as Ty Hougan would deliver an RBI single to make it 3-0. Coach Thompson "We did all the little things right as we picked up those early runs."

Michael would cruise through the fourth and we would then score four big runs. Ethan would lead off and reach on an error. Moments later he would steal second and move to third on a wild pitch. Bradon drove him with a sac fly and we had a 4-0 lead. Trevor T. would then walk and race to third when Trevor J. lined a single to left center. One out later Elijah would walk to load the bases. Michael battled to pick up a walk and force in a run and it was 5-0. Ty Hougan capped the scoring with a crisp two run single to right and it was 7-0. Coach Thompson. "Ty had a real nice game and really gave us a lift."

From that point on neither team would score. Michael would continue to pitch smartly and we played solid defense to go on to the 7-0 win. Coach Thompson "Very good outing by Michael and our entire team. They came out and made a statement today and you have to give them a lot of credit for their play today. I would expect us to play with this intensity the rest of the season!"

Box Score. AB. Runs. Hits. RBI

Roen 3-1-2-1 Troxel 1-1-0-1 T. Johnson 4-1-2-1 C. Johnson 4-0-0-0 Cannon 4-1-2-0 Ekleberry 0-0-0-0 Schaefer 2-0-1-1 Fox 0-1-0-0 Harris 1-0-0-0 Hougan 4-0-2-3 Haile 3-0-1-0 Haffner 3-2-0-0 Sperry 0-0-0-0

Pitching Stats. IP. Hits. Runs. ER. BB. K Schaefer. 7. 5. 0. 0. 1. 7