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HCBS Baseball

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Despite losing four games last week in the Ripken Experience tournament at Myrtle Beach, S.C., coach John Lewis says the trip will pay dividends for the Black Bears as the season progresses. "We learned a whole lot about our team," said Lewis. "We're hitting the ball real good now."

Harlan County opened the tournament with a 12-4 loss to Thomas Worthington, Ohio. Braxton Fields had a double and single to lead the Bears. Tyler Boggs added two singles and threw out four attempting to steal. Stephen Dozier doubled. James Bond, Ryan Cope and Conner Leisge each singled.

Bond suffered the loss as he gave up four runs, including three unearned, in five innings. Aaron Johnson and Leisge each pitched one inning. Harlan County fell 12-8 to Muhlenberg County on Tuesday as Leisge suffered the loss on the mound. Johnson and Boggs also pitched.

Boggs had a homer and two singles to lead the Bears on offense. Fields had a double and two singles. Stephen Dozier contributed a double and single. Chris Southerland singled twice. Ricky Cope, Bond, Eddie Conley and Anthony Jenkins added singles.

North Bullitt edged the Bears 10-9 on Tuesday as Bailey suffered the loss. Boggs pitched the final two innings.

Boggs led the Bears on offense by hitting for the cycle, capped by his second homer. Fields also had his second homer and singled twice. Bond had a triple and two singles. Southerland singled twice. Cope, Bailey and Conley each had one single.

Hancock County edged the Bears 9-7 on Thursday. Johnson and Boggs each pitched with Johnson suffering the loss.

Boggs led Harlan County with a double and single. Southerland, Stephen Dozier and Andrew Dozier each had doubles. Bond, Fields and Cope each contributed singles.

The Bears defeated Wartburg, Tenn., 2-0 in previously unreported action from April 2 at Harriman, Tenn. Bailey was the winning pitcher with four innings on the mound. Johnson and Leisge also pitched.

Fields and Conley each had three singles to lead the Bears. Bond, Boggs and Bailey each singled twice. Stephen Dozier and Jenkins each had one single.