

Young Juniors find tough opponent at Overton

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Melons fall 18-7.

OVERTON—There was no easing into the 2010 season for the Junior Melons Friday night in Overton.

Gothenburg met a buzz saw of bats as the young Melons lost 18-7 in the season opener.

After a bleak start with two straight outs in the top of the first inning, Gothenburg got on the board after Trey Kolbo walked, stole second and cruised home on an RBI single by clean-up batter Trent Good.

The inning ended, though, when the next batter was thrown out leaving Good stranded.

Overton came back with three runs in the bottom of the inning, aided by two passed balls, a wild pitch and an error.

Still undaunted, the Melons put together a solid second inning of their own.

Chase Ostergard reached on an error and then stole second.

Jeff Rodriguez took first after being hit by a pitch and the pair of base runners advanced on a wild pitch.

Ostergard ran home when Brandon Wlasiuk reached on a second Overton error.

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Ben Tiedemann brought both Rodriguez and a speedy Wlasiuk in with a double to left field, tying the score 3-3.

Kolbo walked again in his second trip to the plate and Tiedemann stole third.

With two outs and runners on the corners, Good hit a long single to right field scoring Tiedemann and landing Kolbo on third.

Kolbo scooted home on a passed ball to put the Melons up 6-3.

The inning ended when Ostergard hit the ball to the Overton shortstop and Good was forced out at third.

Celebrating the lead didn't last long as Overton turned around and scored six runs in the bottom of the second inning and another six in the third for a 15-6 advantage heading into the top of the fourth inning.

Wlasiuk lead off the inning with a triple to left field. He scored when Noah Tripp reached on an error but that's all the Melons could get.

Overton put three more runs on the board in the bottom of the fourth on three hits including a two-RBI double.

The Melons failed to score in the top of the fifth ending the game.

Good and Wlasiuk had two hits each, including Wlasiuk's triple.

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Kolbo and Tiedemann shared time on the mound in the loss.

After hosting Kearney Tuesday night, Gothenburg will travel to Lexington Wednesday (today) before hosting Hershland Saturday and the same Lexington team Sunday.

Both weekend games are set to begin at 1 p.m.

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