

CHS Baseball Ties for Fourth in District, Shuts Out Keller 10-0

By John Loop

On Tuesday, the CHS Cowboy Baseball Team trumped the Keller Indians in just five innings, racking up a score of 10-0 before the mercy rule was called.

The Cowboys improve to 3-3 in District play and 10-9 overall, putting them in a tie for fourth place in District 7-5A with the Indians, who drop to 3-3.

Junior pitcher Jake Elliott threw lights out baseball, earning 10 strikeouts and preventing even a single Keller run. Senior Matt Custard, the Keller starting pitcher, lasted only three innings, allowing Coppell to stock-

pile 10 runs on nine hits.

Elliott started the game by striking out two Indians and forcing a third into a groundout. This opened the scoring for the Cowboys in the bottom of the first inning. After Custard walked junior second baseman Tyler Jones and shortstop Tyler Zabochnik, first baseman Jackson Cramer blasted a three-run home run to give Coppell a 3-0 lead at the end of the first inning.

Elliott pitched perfectly for the rest of the game, while the Cowboys continued to bat to the Indians infield, leading to three costly errors. The Keller pitchers — Custard, Ethan Alfano,

and Brett Marcom — were no match for the Coppell bats.

Cramer hit a single in the bottom of the fourth inning for his second hit of the game. Alfano then walked senior Teddy Croft with the bases loaded to up the score to 4-0 Coppell.

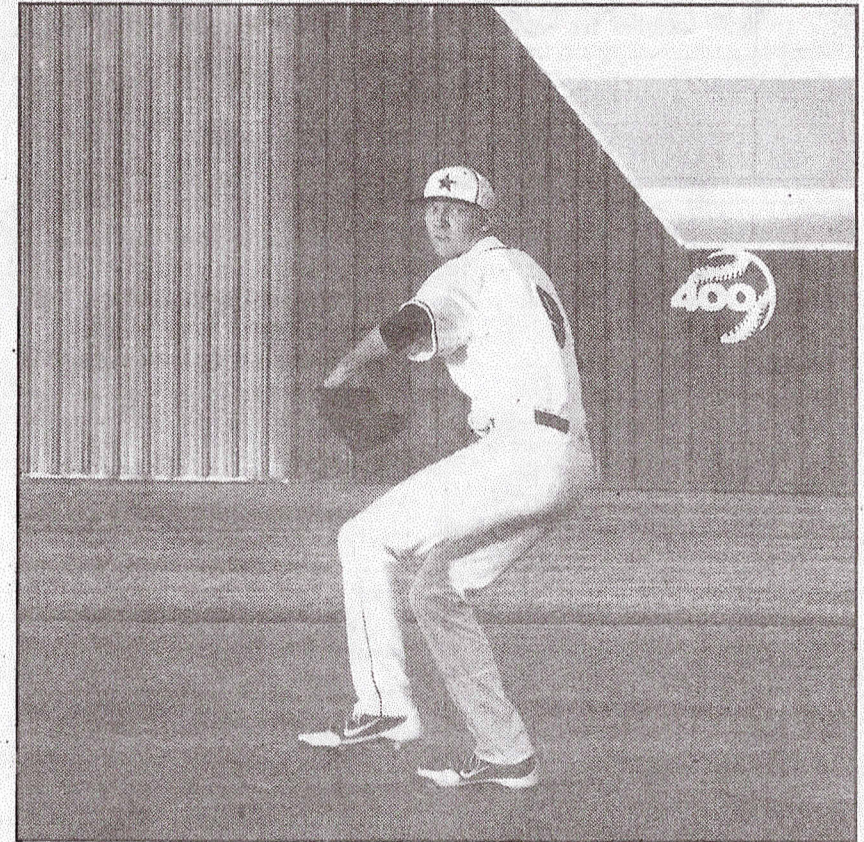
Junior catcher Matt Delaney then hit a two RBI single to center, adding two runs to the total at 6-0. Junior Jeremy Mortensen then singled, driving in two more runs to make the score 8-0.

Elliott finished the game the way he began, striking out the Indian side to end the Keller fifth inning.

In the final at-bat, senior designated hitter Connor Foltyn hit a two-run double off the wall in left field to end the game with a final score of 10-0.

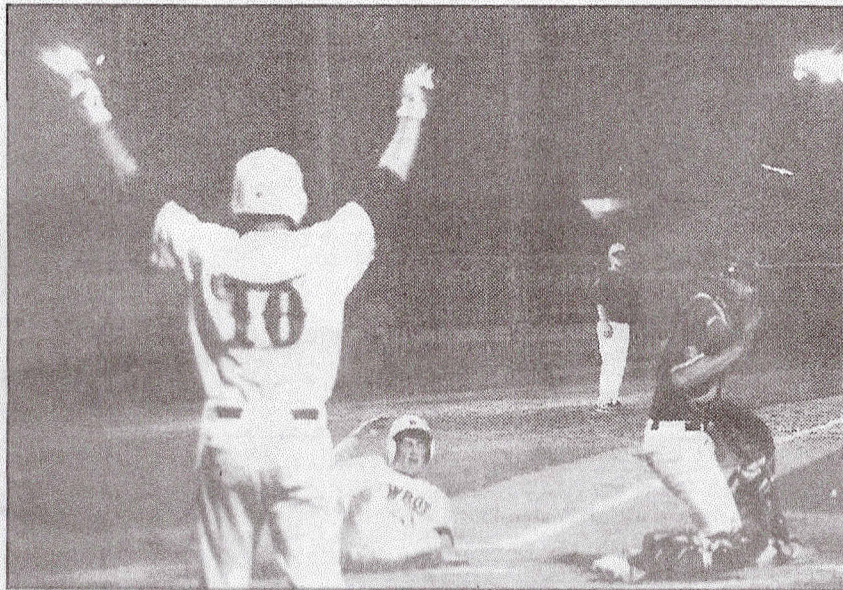
The Cowboys also beat Justin Northwest, 5-4, last Friday night.

The team will play the Keller Central away tonight at 7:00 p.m.



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Cowboys' junior pitcher Jake Elliot winds up to strike out a Keller batter in the Cowboys' 10-0 shutout.



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CHS senior Teddy Croft cheers on senior Ryan Marvin as they win two runs for Coppell.