

Ohlone Drops Heartbreaker to HARTNELL 6-5 in 12 inns.

Renegades battle back in the 9th but cannot pull out the win

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FREMONT, CA- The Ohlone College baseball team suffered a blow on Tuesday as they fell to Hartnell College in the top of the 12th inning by the score of 6-5. Ohlone tied up the game in the bottom of the ninth inning but three extra innings were not enough as Hartnell pushed across the game winner in the 12th.

Ohlone got a big boost in pitching from Joe Gardner. Gardner came into the game in relief of Murchison who started the ball game. Gardner struck out 8 Hartnell batters over 8 innings of work.

The renegades offense was relentless all game as they narrowed the score of the game 5-4 in the bottom of the eighth inning when Matt Langseth hit a double to right field, and Michael Vandebusch followed with an RBI single. Gardner shut down Hartnell in the ninth inning, and Ohlone had a chance to win the game in the ninth inning. Zack Townsend started the inning with a single, followed by a Justin Lunday walk. Then Matt Langseth would bring the tying run home with an RBI single to center field. Hartnell then intentionally walked Aaron Plimmer to load the bases with one out. David Luna then hit a line drive shot up the middle, but Hartnell was able to put a glove on it and proceeded to turn the 6-4-3 double play to end the inning and force extras.



Gardner K's 8 vs. Hartnell



Gardner held true through the 11th inning, when Ohlone brought in closer Kurtis Sherer in the 12th inning. Sherer retired the first batter he faced. The next batter singled and stole second base. Then Klauer was able to single over the outstretched glove of second baseman Matt Langseth to score the eventual winning run. Ohlone was unable to get anything going in the bottom of the 12th and Hartnell held on for the win.

Ohlone's offense was led by Sophomores Matt Langseth and Zack Townsend. Langseth was 3-4 in the game with a 3B a 2B and an RBI single. He also drew 2 walks. Townsend had a 2B and 2 singles for the Renegades.

Ohlone will continue in Coast Conference-South play when they travel to Monterey-Peninsula College this Thursday. Game time is set for 2:00pm