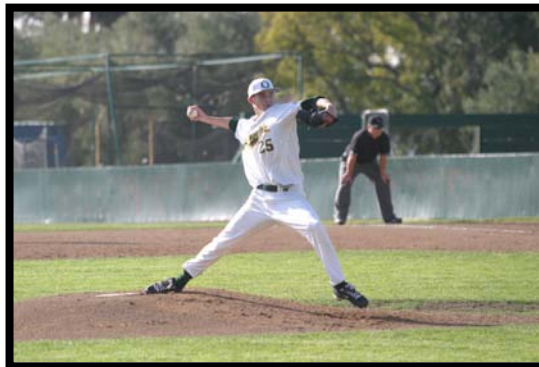


## OHLONE WINS COAST-PACIFIC OPENER OVER GAVILAN

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**Fremont, Ca-** The Ohlone Renegades (**8-3, 1-0**) defeated the Gavilan Rams on Thursday by a score of **10-1**. **Mark Mercer** improved to (2-1) on the year by pitching 7 strong innings, allowing 1 run on 3 hits. The Renegades were led offensively by **Jeff Johnson** (3 for 5, 2b, 2 RBI's, 1 run scored) and **Michael Ussery** (2 for 4, 3b, 2 RBI's, 1 run scored), and **Michael Briseno** (2 for 4, 3b, 2 runs scored).



Ohlone, after trailing 1-0, answered in their half of the first inning. **Steven Ramos** led off the inning by reaching base on an error. Ramos then quickly put himself in scoring position by stealing second base. On the day, Ramos would steal 3 bags to raise his total to **9** on the year. With 2 outs, Johnson doubled a line drive shot down the left field line. Ramos would score easily on the play, to knot the game at 1.

The Renegades would opened the game up in their half of the 4<sup>th</sup> inning. Briseno tripled to right field to open up the frame. Ussery would then battle with 2 strikes on him and eventually hit a groundball to short, which would score Briseno. With the score **2-1** in the Renegades favor, **Michael Di Rocco** would wear a pitch and **Ryan Walterhouse** then singled to center. D-Rock would use his wheels to get to third base on the play. After a dandy of a sacrifice bunt by **Kyle Holmstrom**, Di Rocco would scamper home to make it a **3-1** ball game. Ramos would then reach on another error, to put runners on the corners with 2 outs. On the next pitch, Ramos stole 2<sup>nd</sup> and Walterhouse stole home to push the Renegade lead to 3. The scoring would culminate with Ramos scoring on a **Cody Foster** double to left field. After 4 complete, it was the **Renegades 5** and the **Rams 1**.

Ohlone would tack on more runs in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> innings to extend their lead to **9-1**. However, Ohlone had some more fireworks left in their bag in the 8<sup>th</sup>. **Curtis Boek** led off the inning with a mammoth blast to left center field. The home run was Curtis' first ever college hit and first ever college home run.

With the **10-1** victory, Ohlone moves to **8-3** on the year and **1-0** in Coast Conference play. The Renegades will now head to Cupertino, CA to take on the De Anza College Dons on Friday. The game is slated to start at **1:30pm**. Taking the mound for Ohlone is freshman **Matt Fontaine (1-0)**.