

## 2011 Freshmen Game Summaries

### Moeller 12, Milford 3

The Moeller Freshman Baseball Team opened the 2011 baseball season with a scrimmage against the Milford Eagles at Blue Ash. It did not take long for the Crusaders to get their bats going. Joey Ludwig led off the bottom of the first inning with a walk. After a line out to center by Zach Logue, Zack Shannon singled sending Ludwig to second. TJ Storer followed with a line shot to the right center power alley for a double sending Ludwig and Shannon plateward. Riley Mahan then singled home Storer to stake the Crusaders to a 3-0 lead. The third inning proved to be another big inning. After Zach Logue walked, Zack Shannon deposited a rope over the left field fence. Riley Mahan singled, stole second and scored Moeller's sixth run on Gus Ragland's base hit. Charlie Haurert singled to send Moeller to a third inning 7-0 lead. In the fifth inning Big Moe went up 10-0. Riley Mahan collected his third hit of the day. We loaded the bases on walks to Zack Shannon and Jamie Rieger. Mitchell Lamping then singled home two runs and Rieger came scampering home on a Andre Denson line shot down the left field line. In the home half of the seventh, TJ Storer banged out his second double knocking in Evan Curry who had walked. We added one more run in the eighth inning on back to back singles by Kyle Zimmerman and Matt Shannon. Jake Barbara grounded out driving in Zimmerman. Other players gathering hits were Austin Pack (double), Ryan Cox (double) and Jake Barbara.

Moeller's pitching was also on top of their game. Zack Shannon pitching three innings allowing no runs on one hit with two walks and three strikeouts. Joey Ludwig pitched two innings, no runs one hit and two strikeouts. TJ Storer two innings two runs both earned, one hit, one walk, and three strikeouts. Collin Marton one inning one run, it was earned on two hits.

### Moeller 15, Springboro 0

The Moeller Freshman scrimmaged the Springboro Panthers today at chilly Springboro Park. While the weather was cold, the Crusader bats were hot. Led by Riley Mahan's 3 for 3 including his first home run, the Frosh cranked out 15 hits en route to a 15-0 win. Mitchell Lamping was 2 for 2 including a double and two RBI's. Zach Logue also collected two hits including a double and three RBI's. Others banging out hits were TJ Storer, Joey Ludwig, Zack Shannon, Stephen Langenkamp, Nick Voss, Gus Ragland, Evan Curry, and Charlie Haurert.

Equally hot was the Moeller pitching, Gus Ragland and TJ Storer each pitched two innings while Zach Logue, Nick Voss, and Zack Shannon turned in one inning a piece. The staff allowed the Panthers only one - sixth inning hit while walking two batters and striking out an amazing 15 batters in seven total innings.

### MOELLER 18, TURPIN 7

The Moeller Freshman opened the 2011 baseball season with a come from behind win over the Turpin Spartans 18 - 7. The Moeller defense proved to be no help for starting pitcher Joey Ludwig committing three errors that lead to three unearned runs. The Crusaders did answer those three runs in the top of the second inning when Ludwig led off with a double to left-center. Gus Ragland walked, Ryan Cox had a sac fly, Ian Chennell singled and Riley Mahan singled home Rags. Turpin scored three more runs in the bottom of the second inning, two of which were unearned also. Down 6-2 with two outs and two on, Zach Logue got the call from the bullpen and struck out the next batter. But, you can never count the Crusaders out of any game. In the top of the third inning, the Frosh rallied for 12 big runs. It all started with one out and no one on base. Joey Ludwig hit a rocket to right for a triple. Gus Ragland and Mitch Lamping walked, Ryan Cox doubled, Ian Chennell singled, Riley Mahan tripled. The hit parade continued - Zach Logue singled, Zack Shannon and Joey Ludwig walked, Gus Ragland singled, Lamping walked again, and Ryan Cox and Ian Chennell got their second base hits of the inning. Hitting leaders were: Riley Mahan 2 for 3 including a triple and three RBI's, Zack Shannon 4 for 4, Joey Ludwig 3 for 3 with two doubles, a triple, walk and three RBI's, Gus Ragland 2 for 2 with a triple and three RBI's, Ryan Cox 2 for 2 with four RBI's, and Ian Chennell 3 for 4 with four RBI's. The Moeller bats tallied 18 hits in the five inning games.

Joey Ludwig pitched 1 2/3 innings allowing three hits, six runs, one of which was earned, two walks and two strikeouts. Zach Logue pitched 3 1/3 innings, giving up two hits, one earned run, two walks and four strikeouts. The Moeller Freshman record is 1-0.

#### MOELLER 13, GLEN ESTE 4

The Moeller Frosh had their second road game of the year at Glen Este. The big game story was the pitching of Riley Mahan who made his pitching debut of the year. In the three innings Mahan pitched he walked one batter and struck out the other nine he faced. Collin Marton came in to pitch the fourth and fifth innings allowing four unearned runs on four hits, one walk, and two strikeouts.

The Crusader bats were alive once again recording 10 hits in the five innings. After scoring three runs in the first inning, we added four more in the second inning. Zach Logue led off with a walk. Riley Mahan singled Logue to third. With Mahan on second after stealing the base, Gus Ragland walked to load the bases. Austin Pack singled driving home Logue and Mahan. Charlie Haunert followed with an RBI single. The third inning started out with an Andre Denson single up the middle, a Mahan walk and a Jake Barbara single to send the Crusaders to a 10-0 lead. Moe scored the final three runs with back to back walks to Mitch Lamping and Stephen Langenkamp, a line drive base hit from Josh Schaefer and an RBI from Joey Hawkins who reached base on an error. Other hitting leaders were Charlie Haunert who was 2 for 2 with two RBI's, Mitch Lamping and Zach Logue with base hits and Nick Voss with an RBI. The Moeller Freshman record stands at 2-0.

#### MOELLER 10, LaSALLE 9

The start of the GCL league play led to an unbelievable come from behind, 10-9 win over the LaSalle Lancers. Moeller got on the board in the bottom of the first. Joey Ludwig singled home Zach Logue and TJ Storer who reached base on a fielders choice and walk respectfully. Then LaSalle sent 12 batters to the plate in the top of the second. Aided by six walks and three hits, seven runs crossed the plate. TJ Storer came in to stop the bleeding and scattered three runs over the next 2 2/3 innings. Moeller added one run in the second on a Charlie Haunert walk and Riley Mahan sac fly. Nick Voss pitched the next two innings and held off the Lancers while the Crusaders could circle the wagons. Now down 9-3, Big Moe buckled up their chinstraps and went to work to shave the LaSalle lead. It started in the fifth inning. Zack Shannon reached base on an error. TJ Storer walked. Joey Ludwig hit into a fielders choice, scoring Shannon. Gus Ragland reached on an error and Charlie Haunert singled home Ludwig. Ian Chennell sent Ragland home with a sac fly after Ryan Cox walked. LaSalle 9 Moeller 7. With Nick Voss holding down the fort on the mound, Zach Logue re-entered the game hitting for Voss to led off the sixth with a base hit. Zack Shannon hit into a fielders choice and stole second. TJ Storer singled and Shannon scored on a Ludwig sac fly. LaSalle 9 Moeller 8. The mo was with the Big Moe. Never underestimate the will of the Crusaders. Gus Ragland came in the top of the seventh inning to face the top three batters in the Lancer lineup. They went down 1-2-3. Bottom of the seventh – the game on the line. We need one to tie, two to win. Charlie Haunert walk – Collin Marton runs for Haunert – Ryan Cox sac bunt – Ian Chennell strikeout , two outs – Riley Mahan double – Marton scores to tie game – Zach Logue walk off single – Mahan scores – Moeller 10 LaSalle 9. The Moeller Freshman record goes to 3-0 and 1-0 in the GCL.

#### MOELLER 13, ELDER 4

The Moeller Freshman and the Elder Panthers hooked up for another GCL game today on Crosley Field at the Blue Ash Sports Complex. Elder showed up ready to play today, scoring two runs in the top of the first inning of starter Gus Ragland. But it did not take long for the Rags to settle down and the Crusaders to cage the Panthers. After answering Elder's two runs with two of our own in the second inning, the Men of Moeller went to work in the third, posting up 10 runs. Zach Logue walked and stole second, Zack Shannon singled him home. TJ Storer walked and Gus Ragland doubled scoring Shannon. Then with two outs, Ryan Cox collected the first of his three line drive base hits sending Rags scampering home. Riley Mahan walked and Logue came through again with a two RBI base hit. Moeller was not done yet. Shannon and Storer walked to load the bases for Smilin' Joey Ludwig. Two pitches later, Joe cleared the bases with his second triple on the year to go along with his fifth inning double. Gus Ragland went four innings to pick up the win and Zach Louge closed the last three innings without allowing a Panther runner to cross the plate. The Moeller Freshman record stands at 4-0 and 2-0 in the GCL.

#### NOBLESVILLE 12, MOELLER 11 8 INNINGS

The Moeller Freshman suffered their first loss of the year to Noblesville in a 12-11 – 8 inning game. Six errors and six walks helped Noblesville take a 10-5 lead into the seventh inning. But when things seem to be going bad, the Crusaders are never out of it. Zach Logue led off the bottom of the seventh inning with a walk. Zack Shannon grounded out and TJ Storer walked. Nick Voss singled home Logue and Gus Ragland doubled – his third hit of the game – to drive home Jamie Rieger, who pinch ran for Storer, and Nick Voss. Mitch Lamping singled and Ryan Cox tripled to score Kyle Zimmerman who ran for Lamping to tie the score at 10-10. After Noblesville scored two in the top of the eighth, Moeller mounted one more charge. With one out, Zack Shannon drilled his second home run of

the year over the right center fence. TJ Storer singled and Austin Pack ran for Storer. Joey Ludwig walked. Pack and Ludwig advanced on a wild pitch to put the winning run on second with two outs which is where the game ended.

Joey Ludwig was the starting pitcher and threw four innings, allowing six runs, two of which were earned four hits, three walks and four strikeouts. Nick Voss came in relief and tossed three-plus innings and Zack Shannon came in with two runners on base and struck out two of the four batters he faced. Moeller's record is 4-1 and 2-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 13, NOBLESVILLE 3**

The Frosh rebounded quick from their first loss by run ruling their guests from Noblesville, Indiana, 13-3. Behind the pitching of Riley Mahan, nine strikeouts in his four inning stint, and Collin Marton one inning, the Crusaders scored double figures again. The Moeller offense was led by Mitchell Lamping's 3 for 3, Ian Chennell 3 for 3, Zack Shannon 2 for 2 including his third home run of the year and a triple. Others collecting hits were, Riley Mahan, Zach Logue, Austin Pack – a double, Ryan Cox and Joey Ludwig. The Moeller Freshman record is now 5-1 and 2-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 11, CARROLL 3**

The Moeller Frosh put another notch in the GCL victory column today by downing the Carroll Patriots, 11-3. The Crusaders put one on the board in the first inning on a Zack Shannon double and Mitchell Lamping single. The Patriots answered in the bottom of the first on a two-run homerun by Ben Quatman. It was all Moeller from there. The crusaders added three runs in the third and two more in the sixth inning to go up 7-2. The icing on the cake came in the seventh inning when pinch hitter Andre Denson walked as did Ryan Cox. Riley Mahan singled to load the bases and Zach Logue walked to score Denson. Zack Shannon had a sac fly to score Cox. Mitch Lamping singled driving in Mahan and TJ Storer singled to score Logue Hitting leaders for Moeller were Riley Mahan 2 for 3 with a double and 2 walks, TJ Storer 4 for 5 with two RBIs, Gus Ragland 1 for 3, Mitch Lamping 2 for 3 and Zack Shannon with a double. Shannon pitched five quality innings to pick up the win while giving up two hits with three walks and six strikeouts, two runs both earned. TJ Storer closed the game pitching two innings allowing one earned run on no hits one walk one hit batter with two strikeouts. The Freshman record is 6-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 17, McNICHOLAS 0**

The Moeller Freshman shot down the McNicholas Rockets today with two touchdowns and a field goal. Zach Logue in his first high school start pitched a two hit complete game shutout to pick up the win. Zach walked two and struck out seven. The other big story line in today's game was the Moeller Man on the Bench. Josh Schaefer led off the third inning with a line shot single to left. Jake Barbara walked, Evan Curry singled to load the bases. Stephen Langenkamp walked to knock in Schaefer. Patrick Birrer walked scoring Barbara. In the fourth inning, with two outs, Schaefer and Barbara were hit by the pitch. Evan Curry hit a towering ball to centerfield for a double scoring two. Stephen Langenkamp hit a rocket basehit which was followed by back to back hits from Joey Hawkins and Ryan Gallenstein. Kyle Zimmerman walked and the Crusaders scored four more runs. Other hitting leaders were Zack Shannon with his third home run of the season, Mitchell Lamping 1 for 1 with a sac fly, Evan Curry 2 for 2, Patrick Birrer a triple, and Ian Chennell with a double. Moeller's record is now 7-1 and 4-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 16, CHCA JV 1**

The Moeller Freshman notched their eighth win of the season by grounding the CHCA JV Eagles 16-1 in five innings. Zack Shannon and TJ Storer teamed up to allow only two Eagle hits. Shannon pitched three innings allowing one earned run on one hit , three walks and eight strikeouts. Storer pitched the last two innings of one hit baseball while striking out four batters. CHCA scored their only run in the bottom of the first inning. Then the Crusader bats went to work. In the top of the second inning, Ryan Cox had a sac fly to drive home Joey Ludwig from third after he singled to lead off the inning, Riley Mahan singled scoring Gus Ragland who walked to send Moeller up 2-1. It was all over by the third inning when the Big Moe sent 15 batters to the plate and scored 11 runs with one out. Mitch Lamping walked – Collin Marton pinch ran – base hit to TJ Storer – Ludwig walk – Gus Ragland first of two hits on the day – Ryan Cox drew a walk – Ian Chennell base hit – Mahan reached on an error – Zack Shannon walks – Mitch Lamping single – Storer walks – Ludwig sac fly and Gus Ragland collects his second hit of the inning. Moeller added three more runs in the top of the fifth inning on RBI singles by Andre Denson and Austin Pack. Other hitting leaders included Riley Mahan 3 for 4 with three RBI's and a double, and Charlie Haurert 1 for 1. The Moeller Freshman record stands at 8-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 12, BADIN 1**

The Moeller Freshman traveled to Joyce Park in Hamilton for a game with the Badin Rams. It did not take long for the Crusaders to get rolling. They sent 11 batters to the plate enroute to a seven run first inning. Riley Mahan started the game with a triple to the left center power alley. Zach Logue notched a line drive single knocking in Mahan, Zack Shannon doubles and TJ Storer singles. Moeller is up 2-0. Patrick Birrer and Charlie Haurert bang out RBI singles and the Big Moe goes up 4-0. With bases juiced, Riley Mahan comes up for the second time in the inning and delivers again with a bases clearing double to send up to a 7-0 lead. Moeller added another run in the second inning on a Zack Shannon triple and TJ Storer's sac fly. The third inning produced three more runs. Back to back walks to Ryan Cox and Ian Chennell set up Mahan for his third hit on the day and his fourth RBI. Logue collected an RBI on a sac fly and TJ Storer doubled to drive in his third run on the day. Gus Ragland pitched the complete game to pick up the win. Gus pitched five innings allowing one earned run, on four hits, two walks and six strikeouts. The Moeller record stands at 9-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 10 CONNER 2**

The Frosh notched their tenth win of the season today downing Conner, 10-2. TJ Storer and Joey Ludwig took care of the pitching duties. Storer tossed five innings of one hit baseball, while allowing two runs – one earned with four walks and six strikeouts. Ludwig finished the last two innings with two walks and three strikeouts. The Moeller bats cracked out 14 hits led by Gus Ragland's single, double, triple and three RBI's. Zach Logue, Patrick Birrer, and Evan Curry each had two hits with Zack Shannon, Austin Pack, Joey Hawkins, Nick Voss, and Charlie Haurert collecting hits of their own. The Moeller Freshman goes to 10-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 14, DEFIANCE 4**

After a 12 day layoff due to the rains, the Moeller Freshman picked up where they left off on April 18th with a decisive win on the road over a good Defiance team. Moeller came out swinging in the fop of the first inning scoring nine runs while sending 13 batters to the plate. Riley Mahan led off with a walk. Zach Logue singled and Zack Shannon reached on an error. Mitchell Lamping walked, TJ Storer singled, Joey Ludwig was hit by the pitch. Gus Ragland followed with a walk, Ryan Cox singled. Riley Mahan up to bat for the second time in the inning tripled, Zach Logue walked and Zack Shannon collected his first of what would become five triples on the weekend. Other hitting leaders for Moeller included 2 for 2 from Zach Logue, 3 for 4 with 5 RBI from Zack Shannon, 2 for 4 from TJ Storer, 2 for 2 from Ryan Cox, and a triple by Gus Ragland. The 12 hit attack was rounded out with hits by Joey Ludwig and a triple from Riley Mahan. TJ Storer pitched the complete game to pick up the win. He tossed five innings allowing four runs, two of which were earned, on four hits, one walk and five strikeouts. The Moeller Freshman record goes to 11-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 9, BRYAN JV 1**

After a wild night at the Bryan Bowling Lanes, the Frosh came out on Saturday a little sluggish. This did garner enough to collect their 12th win of the year. After back to back walks to TJ Storer and Joey Ludwig, Patrick Birrer hit a long fly ball to left field that the leftfielder played into a double to score Moeller's first two runs. The Crusaders tacked on three more in the top of the fourth when Ludwig led off with a single. Ryan Cox walked and Patrick Birrer singled to pick up his third and fourth RBI's on the day. Ian Chennell then doubled, his first of two doubles and three hits of the game. Moeller goes up 5-0. After tacking on two more runs in the fifth inning, Ian Chennell led off the sixth with a double and Zach Shannon collected his second triple of the game. Hitting leaders for the game were, Zack Shannon 3 for 4 with two triples, Ian Chennell 2 for 2 with two doubles, Patrick Birrer, 2 for 3 with four RBI's, and Andre Denson, and Joey Ludwig each collecting hits. Zach Shannon picked up the win on the mound tossing five innings of two hit shutout baseball. He walked three, hit one batter and struckout seven. Nick Voss came in to close out the last two innings allowing one unearned run with two hits, two walks and two strikeouts. Moeller records stands at 12-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

#### **MOELLER 12 FAIRVIEW JV 2**

The Moeller Freshman completed the three game sweep of their Northern Ohio opponents by downing the Fairview JV 12-2 in the nightcap of Saturday's doubleheader. Riley Mahan and Zach Logue combined to hold their bats to two unearned runs. Mahan pitched three innings allowing the two unearned runs on one hit. Riley walked two batters, hit one, and struckout three batters. Logue went two innings allowing no runs and no hits with one walk one hit batter and four strikeouts. Moeller's offensive was led by Austin Pack's two hits and Zack Shannon's two triples. Other hitting leaders were Nick Voss with a double and RBI, Gus Ragland and TJ Storer with hits. Fairview took the Crusaders into the sixth inning before we could enact the run rule. Up by a score of 9-2, the Crusaders

sent up some pinch hitters that worked the Fairview pitcher for a few walks and wild pitches. With one out, Jamie Rieger walked, his second on the day, and Stephen Langenkamp and Matt Shannon both walked to load the bases. Rieger scored on a wild pitch as did Langenkamp. When Ryan Gallenstein walked to collect an RBI and Andre Denson walked, Matt Shannon scampered home to score Moeller's 12th run on another wild pitch to close the game. The Freshman record is now 13-1 and 3-0 in the GCL.

**MOELLER 11, LaSALLE 0**

The Moeller Freshman went back into GCL play today in pursuit of the GCL title downing the LaSalle Lancers in five innings 11-0. Gus Ragland was lights out tossing a complete game shutout. Rags kept them off balance all game scattering only two hits with four walks and six strikeouts to pick up the win. The Crusader bats were also solid today. They kept the pressure on the Lancers all day scoring one run in the first inning, three in the second, two in the third with the fourth inning being the breakout inning. Zack Shannon led off the inning with a single, went to second on a groundout by TJ Storer and to third on a wild pitch. Joey Ludwig used his warning track power to score Shannon with a sac fly. Now with two outs, Gus Ragland smacked his third double of the game. Chuck Haurert and Ryan Cox walked to load the bases. Ian Chennell was hit by the pitch to drive in Ragland. Riley Mahan singled to collect his fourth hit of the game to send Haurert and Cox home. Zack Shannon banged out his second hit of the inning to score Mahan for Moeller's 11th run. Hitting leaders today were: Riley Mahan 4 for 4 with a double and six RBI's, Zack Shannon 2 for 4, Gus Ragland 3 for 4 with three doubles. Other Crusaders getting hits today, were Zach Logue, TJ Storer (double), and Ryan Cox. The Moeller Freshman record goes to 14-1 and 4-0 in the GCL.

**MOELLER 10, McNICHOLAS 0**

It was Nick Voss' turn to toss Moeller's second shutout in consecutive days against a GCL opponent. Voss pitched a complete five inning game allowing only two hits while walking two and striking out five batters. Moeller iced it in the third inning. Up 4-0, the Crusaders sent nine batters to the plate while scoring four more runs. Joey Ludwig led off the inning with a walk. Gus Ragland singled and when Charlie Haurert followed with an RBI single, Rags came scampering home. Andre Denson walked, one of three on the day, and Ryan Cox walked as well. Riley Mahan brought Chuck home on a sac fly and Zack Shannon doubled to drive in the last two runs. In the bottom of the fifth inning and up 9-0, Shannon doubled and was driven home with a walk-off single by Joey Ludwig. Hitting leaders were Zack Shannon 4 for 4 with four RBI's, Joey Ludwig 2 for 2, Gus Ragland 2 for 3. The Moeller Freshman run their record to 15-1 and 4-0 in the GCL.

**MOELLER 11, ELDER 0**

The Moeller Frosh jumped out to a 8-0 lead in the first inning to coast to a 11-0 win over league rival Elder Panthers. With one out, the Crusaders put together five hits, three walks, one error and five wild pitches to help aid in the scoring of the eight runs. But the real story was the pitching of TJ Storer who tossed the Freshman's third consecutive shutout victory over a GCL opponent. TJ pitched 6 2/3 innings of two hit baseball, walking three and striking out eight Panther batters. Collin Marton pitched the last 1/3 of an inning to preserve the shutout. Hitting leaders for Moeller were, Riley Mahan 2 for 4 with two doubles, a walk and two RBI's, Zach Logue 2 for 5 with an RBI, Zack Shannon 2 for 4. Other Crusaders collecting hits were Mitch Lamping, Joey Ludwig, and Gus Ragland. The Moeller Freshman record is now 16-1 and 5-0 in the GCL.

**ST. XAVIER 12, MOELLER 5**

The St. Xavier Bombers scored three runs in the top of the first inning on three walks and one hit and another two runs in the second inning on two more walks and a hit to take a 5-0 lead on the Crusaders. Moeller answered with two runs in the bottom of the second when Gus Ragland singled, Joey Ludwig doubled sending Rags to third. Both scored on Ian Chennell's double to bring the Crusaders back to a 5-2 score. That was short lived as the Bomber answered with four more runs in the third on one more walk, a hit batter and two hits. Zach Logue came in the game in relief of Zack Shannon to close out the third and fourth inning. Logue did give up three more runs in the fifth inning to send the score to 12-2. One of the few bright spots was the two inning shutout pitching of Joey Ludwig who allowed no hits and one walk. Moeller did manage to avoid the run rule when Zach Logue singled, Zack

Shannon doubled and both came home on TJ Storer's base hit. The Crusaders added one more run in the bottom of the sixth when Ian Chennell walked and went to third on a Riley Mahan base hit. Ian then scored on a sac fly from Zach Logue. Hitting leaders were: Zack Shannon 3 for 4 with a double, Zach Logue 2 for 2 with a walk and sac fly, Joey Hawking 1 for 1 with a double and Nick Voss 1 for 3. The Freshman record is now 16-2 and 5-1 in the GCL.

#### MOELLER 18, ST. XAVIER 16 8 INNINGS – GCL CHAMPIONS

What a game, what a way to win a GCL title, what a team! In the game of the year, with the GCL title on the line, the Moeller Frosh came back from adversity twice. Taking a first inning lead of 4-0 in part on the two run home run by Zack Shannon – his fifth of the year – the Crusaders gave that back and more in the home half of the first inning when starter Gus Ragland struggled on the mound. The Bombers picked up eight runs off Rags and one more off reliever Nick Voss to go up 9-4 on the Crusaders. You can never count the Crusaders out of any ballgame. After going out 1-2-3 in the top of the second inning, Riley Mahan came in the bottom of the second and took all the spunk out of the Bomber bats. Riley pitched the next 5 1/3 innings holding the Bombers to a mere one hit while striking out nine batters. Over that period of time Moeller scored 12 unanswered runs to run the score to 16-9 when Mahan left the game with two on base and one out in the seventh inning. There was still some fight in the Bombers. Joey Ludwig and Zack Logue were not able to get the final two outs until St. X rallied to score seven runs on six walks with a crucial Moeller error to tie the game at 16 all. Moeller got the final out of the inning when the winning run was thrown out on a play at the plate that Moeller catcher, Charlie Haurert held onto on a tough slide from the St. X baserunner. After almost seeing the game slip away for the second time, Zack Shannon led off the top of the eighth inning with a walk. Mitchell Lamping dropped a perfect bunt to advance Shannon to second. Zack advanced to third on a long fly ball to right by TJ Storer. The big hit of the game came off the bat of Gus Ragland who came up big for the Crusaders. Gus took a two strike pitch off the Bomber ace and hit it off the centerfield wall for a triple, scoring Shannon with the winning run. The Frosh added one more run when Joey Ludwig reached on an error to score Ragland. TJ Storer pitched a perfect eighth inning against the top of the Bomber lineup to pick up the save while Zach Logue got the win.

Hitting leaders for Moeller were: Riley Mahan, 2 for 4 with a double, sac fly, and one RBI, Zack Shannon – 3 for 5 with two doubles, one home run, a walk and six RBI's, TJ Storer – 3 for 5 with a double, walk, two RBI's, Gus Ragland 3 for 4 with a triple, two walks and an RBI, Mitchell Lamping 1 for 1 with three walks, and a sac bunt. Special mention is made to the defense played by Austin Pack at shortstop. Moeller's record goes to 17-2 and 6-1 to win the GCL.

#### MOELLER 18, FENWICK 1

The Moeller Freshman notched their 18th win of the year behind the no-hit combined pitching of Collin Marton, Nick Voss, and Joey Ludwig. Marton started and pitched three innings allowing one unearned run with two walks and two strikeouts. Nick Voss followed to pitch the fourth inning, walking one batter. Joey Ludwig pitched a perfect fifth inning, striking out two Falcon batters. Riley Mahan led off the game with a deep fly ball that the right fielder could not handle. Patrick Birrer, and Zack Shannon walked to load the bases. Mitchell Lamping also walked to score Mahan. With bases loaded, TJ Storer banged out Moeller's only grand slam of the year to clear the bases. Gus Ragland singled and Austin Pack doubled to set the stage for Riley Mahan's second at-bat of the inning. Riley cranked a double to score two more runs. Patrick Birrer singled to drive in Moeller's eighth run of the inning. The Crusader's added eight more runs in the second, third and fourth innings to run the score to 16-0. In the fifth inning Moeller added the final two runs. Ryan Gallenstein drove a single down the left field line. Andre Denson singled and Matt Shannon followed with a walk to load the bases. Jamie Rieger reached on an error to score Gallenstein. Jake Barbara then hit a sac fly to score Moeller pinch runner, Zak Handel for Moeller's 18th run. Hitting leaders Mitch Lamping with two hits, and Riley Mahan, Patrick Birrer, Steven Langenkamp, Gus Ragland, Ryan Cox, all collecting base hits. The Moeller Freshman record goes to 18-2 and 7-1 in the GCL.

#### MOELLER 6, OAK HILLS 5

The Moeller Freshman brought the curtain down on their championship season in dramatic fashion. The Crusaders jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second inning when TJ Storer singled and scored on Gus Ragland's double. With two outs, Patrick Birrer lined a base hit to right sending Rags scampering home. After Zack Shannon

shut the Highlanders down in the first two innings, he was hit with a few bad defensive plays and Oak Hills scored four runs to take a 4-2 lead. Never count these Freshman out of any game. In the bottom of the fourth inning, Mitchell Lamping walked. Zach Logue was sent in to pinch run for Mitch and reached second on a wild pitch. TJ Storer's hot bat answered with his second hit of the game, scoring Logue. Jamie Rieger pinch ran for TJ and went to third on back to back walks to Ragland and Joey Ludwig. Patty B. walked to pick up the RBI when Rieger scored Moeller's fourth run to tie the game. Zack Shannon slammed the door on Oak Hills in the top of the fourth before giving way to Zach Logue on the mound. Shannon pitched four innings of three hit baseball, walking two and striking out nine batters. Two of the four runs scored were earned. Unfortunately, the Highlanders came to play going up 5-4 in the top of the fifth inning setting the stage for another come from behind victory. Logue held them at bay in the sixth inning as did Gus Ragland in the seventh inning. The character and backbone of this team came shinning through when pinch hitter, Charlie Haunert stepped into the batters box in the bottom of the seventh inning. Charlie worked the Oak Hills for a walk. Pinch runner, Austin Pack stole second and went to third on the E-2. Riley Mahan, as he has done all year, singled to score Pack to knot the game at five. Mahan then steals second and Ryan Cox walks. Up steps Zack Shannon. BASE HIT.....BALLGAME! Gus Ragland picks up the win in relief. The Moeller Freshman finish the year as GCL Champions ( their 18th in the last 21 years) with a 19-2. All hail the Champs!!!