

## Eastern Takes Two of Three from 25<sup>th</sup> Ranked Cowley County

*Story by staff (2/28/11)*

The 7<sup>th</sup> ranked Eastern baseball team came up just short of completing a three game sweep of 25<sup>th</sup> ranked Cowley County Community College. On Saturday, the Mountaineers won 5-4 and then on Sunday they won the first game 4-1 and lost the second game 16-10 in extra innings.

In Saturday's game, the Mountaineers trailed 4-0 heading into the bottom of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning. Brandon Bargas cut the lead to 4-1 when he hit a RBI single to put Eastern on the board. In the 7<sup>th</sup> inning, Eastern tied the game with three runs. Cowley pitchers walked four and hit two batters in the inning. Tied 4-4 in the bottom of the 8<sup>th</sup> inning, Sam King hit a sacrifice fly to score Tyler Crabtree, who had singled earlier in the inning. Anthony Trevino threw two scoreless innings of relief. Caleb Walker (1-0) picked up the win by pitching a scoreless 8<sup>th</sup> inning and Trent Scrivner picked up his 2<sup>nd</sup> save of the year with a scoreless 9<sup>th</sup>.

Brandon Bargas dominated Cowley hitters in the first game on Sunday. Bargas (2-1) picked up his second win of the year. He pitched six innings and allowed just one run on two hits. He also struck out nine batters. Trent Scrivner pitched a scoreless 7<sup>th</sup> inning to pick up his 3<sup>rd</sup> save. Offensively, the Mountaineers scored all four of their runs in the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning. Aaron Cornell tripled to lead off the inning. He scored on Keith Price's RBI single. Jordan Mings hit a solo home run and Ross Rose hit a two run shot. It was both players third home run of the season.

In the final game of the series, Eastern jumped out to a 7-3 lead in the bottom of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning when Jordan Mings hit a grand slam. They were held scoreless until the 9<sup>th</sup> inning. In the 9<sup>th</sup> inning, the Mountaineers trailed 10-7. With two outs and the bases loaded, Jarek Pritchard hit a fly ball down the left field line. The left fielder misplayed the ball in the wind and all three runs scored to tie the game. Unfortunately, Cowley scored six runs in the top of the 10<sup>th</sup> inning to win the final game of the series.

The Mountaineers will take the field again on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. They will host Texarkana College in a 12:00 pm double header. This weekend, the Mountaineers will travel to Texarkana on Saturday for a 2:00 pm double header and then travel to Northeast Texas Community College for a 1:00 double header on Sunday.

