



2009 HORNET BASEBALL

#8 Emporia State Hornets (42-11, 29-7 MIAA) vs. #11 Central Missouri Mules (39-12, 27-9 MIAA)

May 9 • 11 a.m. • Kansas City, Kan. • Community America Ballpark (6,365)

Radio: None **Internet:** None

Series Record: UCM leads 96-48 **Last Meeting:** ESU 7, UCM 5 (3/22/09)

Up Next: vs. MSSU/UNO Loser • 7:00 p.m.

• Kansas City, Kan. • Community America Ballpark

2009 Schedule and Results

42-11, 29-7 MIAA

| Date | Opponent | Time/Result |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Feb. 10 | at Southwestern Oklahoma St. | W, 19-9 |
| Feb. 14 | at Regis | L, 14-18 |
| Feb. 15 | at Regis (DH) | L, 2-10; W, 10-9 |
| Feb. 17 | at Central Oklahoma | W, 18-13 |
| Feb. 20 | at Colorado Mines | W, 6-1 |
| Feb. 21 | at Colorado Mines (DH) | W, 18-4; W, 11-0 |
| Feb. 22 | at Colorado Mines | W, 19-2 |
| Feb. 24 | Newman | W, 20-9 |
| March 2 | NW Missouri (DH) | W, 3-0; W, 10-9 (11) |
| March 3 | at Newman | L, 9-11 |
| March 6 | Nebraska-Omaha | W, 7-5 |
| March 7 | Nebraska-Omaha (DH) | L, 3-4, W, 5-3 |
| March 8 | Nebraska-Omaha | W, 5-4 |
| March 10 | Bemidji State | W, 6-2 |
| March 13 | Fort Hays State | W, 5-1 |
| March 14 | Fort Hays State (DH) | W, 10-0; W, 6-5 |
| March 15 | Fort Hays State | W, 11-3 |
| March 17 | Central Oklahoma | W, 3-2 |
| March 20 | at Central Missouri | L, 3-7 |
| March 21 | at Central Missouri (DH) | W, 2-1; W, 6-2 (8) |
| March 22 | at Central Missouri | W, 7-5 |
| March 25 | vs. Wayne State^ | W, 7-1 |
| March 30 | Washburn (DH) *Hays, Kan. | W, 10-1; W, 9-8 |
| April 1 | Bethany | W, 12-9 |
| April 5 | Missouri Western (DH) | L, 2-9; W, 9-5 |
| April 6 | Missouri Western (DH) | W, 6-2; W, 10-0 (7) |
| April 8 | Pittsburg State (DH) | W, 14-2; W, 14-10 |
| April 10 | at Truman (DH) | W, 12-4; W, 18-8 |
| April 11 | at Truman (DH) | W, 16-0; W, 5-1 |
| April 15 | at Pittsburg State (DH) | W, 12-2; W, 3-1 |
| April 21 | Sterling | W, 15-3 |
| April 24 | at Missouri Southern | L, 4-11 |
| April 25 | at Missouri Southern (DH) | W, 5-2 (8); L, 11-12 |
| April 26 | at Missouri Southern | L, 7-11 |
| May 1 | Southwest Baptist (DH) | L, 1-4; W, 4-1 |
| May 2 | Southwest Baptist (DH) | W, 5-0; W, 13-3 (8) |
| May 8-10 | MIAA Tournament (Kansas City) | TBA |
| May 8 | vs. Nebraska-Omaha | L, 3-6 |
| May 9 | vs. Central Missouri | 11 a.m. |
| May 14-17 | NCAA South Central Regional | TBA |

*= MIAA Game
^= at Topeka, Kan.

Home games in all Bold are played at GLENNEN FIELD in the Trusler Sports Complex

KC AND THE SUNSHINE BAND

The Hornets will need to come through the losers bracket to have a shot at winning the 2009 MIAA Tournament Championship. ESU will play 11 a.m. and with a win will play at 7 p.m. tonight against the loser of the winners brackets final.

LAST AT-BAT

The #8 Emporia State baseball team fell 6-3 to Nebraska-Omaha in the first round of the MIAA Tournament in Kansas City, Kan. ESU got out hit 12-9 on the evening and stranded nine runners on base, scoring all their runs in the sixth and eighth inning. Kenny Burkhead finished three for five on the night with one RBI and two runs scored. Andy Cotton was the only other Hornet with more than one hit going two for four on the evening. Tyler Applehans went to 7-3 on the season.

THE COACHES

Bob Fornelli is 258-100 in his sixth season at ESU and is 564-213 overall in his 13th year as a head coach. He has led ESU to two straight MIAA Championships and two out of the last three. A 1991 graduate of ESU, Fornelli has taken teams to the NCAA tournament ten times, including his first five years at ESU, and was the national runner-up in 2000 while at FHSU.

Tom Myers is 86-29 in his second season with the Mules.

SCOUTING REPORT

The Mules are 39-12 on the season and finished second in the MIAA. They are led at the plate by Chance Tuttle who is hitting .417 with 11 home runs and 48 runs driven in. On the mound they will likely start Brooks Martin who is 6-4 with a 2.81 ERA.

THE SERIES

UCM leads the overall series 96-48 but the Hornets have taken three of the last four in the series.

LAST TIME THEY PLAYED

The #5 ESU baseball team earned a 3-1 series win with a 7-5 victory over Central Missouri in Warrensburg, Mo. on Sunday. For the Hornets it is the first time since joining the MIAA in 1992 that ESU has won the regular season series over UCM, the previous best was a split at home in 2007. Conner Crumbliss finished the game going four for five with two double, a triple, three runs scored and two RBI.

REGIONALLY SPEAKING

The Hornets are currently ranked second in the NCAA Division II South Central Regional. ESU ranks eighth in the nation in the American Baseball Coaches Association top 30 poll.

ON DECK

With a win the Hornets would play 30 minutes after the 3:30 p.m. game.

ESU Probable Line-up

| Line-up | No | Name | Yr. | B/T | BA | HR | RBI | SB | Hometown | |
|---------|----|------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|----|----------|----------------------|
| 1 | CF | 4 | Conner Crumbliss | Sr. | L/R | .410 | 4 | 47 | 29 | Arkansas City, Kan. |
| 2 | LF | 3 | Jeremy Francis | Jr. | R/R | .351 | 3 | 40 | 17 | Emporia, Kan. |
| 3 | 1B | 32 | Kenny Burkhead | Jr. | R/R | .379 | 8 | 74 | 23 | Berryton, Kan. |
| 4 | DH | 12 | Kellen Lane | Jr. | R/R | .269 | 0 | 21 | 3 | Borger, Texas |
| 5 | 2B | 6 | Anthony Dreiling | Jr. | R/R | .271 | 4 | 36 | 7 | Lawrence, Kan. |
| 6 | C | 27 | Mike Sharp | Sr. | R/R | .383 | 13 | 53 | 3 | Liberty, Mo. |
| 7 | RF | 22 | Caleb Williamson | Sr. | R/R | .296 | 2 | 18 | 5 | Baxter Springs, Kan. |
| 8 | 3B | 1 | Kevin Wempe | So. | R/R | .298 | 6 | 34 | 7 | Topeka, Kan. |
| 9 | SS | 10 | Andy Cotton | So. | R/R | .349 | 1 | 27 | 4 | Lincoln, Neb. |

Starting Pitchers

| Pos | No | Name | Yr | W-L | ERA | Sv | K | BB | Hometown |
|-----|----|-----------------|-----|-----|------|----|----|----|---------------------|
| LHP | 28 | Tyler Applehans | Sr. | 7-3 | 3.70 | 0 | 66 | 34 | Fredonia, Kan. |
| LHP | 36 | Ryan Anthony | Sr. | 8-2 | 2.65 | 0 | 69 | 27 | Overland Park, Kan. |
| RHP | 17 | Ben Graham | Jr. | 6-3 | 3.48 | 0 | 53 | 8 | Holden, Mo. |
| RHP | 23 | Colby Killian | Jr. | 5-0 | 5.02 | 0 | 67 | 34 | McMinnville, Tenn. |
| RHP | 30 | Cole More | Jr. | 5-0 | 4.97 | 0 | 30 | 18 | Lee's Summit, Mo. |

In The Bullpen

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|----|-----------------|-----|-----|------|---|----|----|---------------------|
| RHP | 11 | Austin Anderson | Jr. | 1-0 | 7.56 | 1 | 17 | 4 | Omaha, Neb. |
| LHP | 24 | Brett McBride | Sr. | 0-1 | 9.00 | 0 | 5 | 6 | Lawrence, Kan. |
| RHP | 37 | Dominic King | Fr. | 3-0 | 4.60 | 0 | 16 | 10 | Wichita, Kan. |
| RHP | 16 | Brett Mize | Jr. | 0-0 | 5.06 | 0 | 15 | 13 | Bartlesville, Okla. |
| RHP | 26 | Diego Soto | Sr. | 5-2 | 2.65 | 9 | 40 | 16 | Tucson, Ariz. |

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2009 HORNET BASEBALL

WHEN THE HORNETS TAKE THE FIELD

Starters

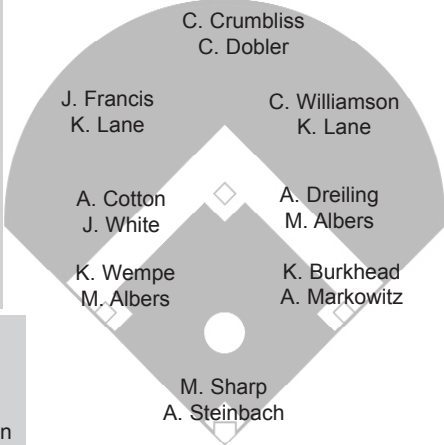
T. Applehans
 R. Anthony
 C. Killian
 C. Moore
 B. Graham

Bullpen

D. Soto
 A. Anderson
 B. Mize
 C. Lippoldt

DH

K. Lane
 M. Albers
 C. Dobler
 C. Williamson



HE'S A WINNER

Emporia State head baseball coach Bob Fornelli has 564 career wins and 259 wins at Emporia State. Coach Fornelli picked up his 250th win as a Hornet with 16-0 win over Truman on April 11, 2009. Fornelli is the third winningest coach at Emporia State by victories (259) and is ranked first by percentage (.723), where he ranks third nationally, ahead of ESU Hall of Honor member Dave Bingham. Overall, Fornelli is 258-100 (.723) in his sixth year at ESU and 564-213 (.727) in his 13th season as a head coach. Fornelli got his 500th career win with an 8-5 victory over Pittsburg State on April 1, 2008.

GET THOSE BATS OUT Y'ALL

The Hornets are hitting the ball well, averaging .335 on the year as a team good for second in the MIAA. They have outscored their opponents 465-255 through the first 53 games and are outscoring teams 218-109 in the fifth through eighth innings. The Hornets have 197 extra base hits including 47 home runs on the season. They are second in the MIAA in batting average. They are currently leading the league in total doubles, second in stolen bases, leading in runs scored, runs driven in, total hits and third in total home runs. They are third in the nation in doubles, 13th in the nation in runs and 14th in the nation in scoring.

IN THE FIELD AND ON THE HILL

Defensively ESU has only committed 61 errors on the season through 53 games good for .968 fielding percentage which leads the MIAA and ranks ninth in the nation. The Hornets have also turned 44 double plays so far this year which leads the MIAA. ESU starting pitchers are a combined 31-8 with seven complete games and four shut-outs. As a staff ESU ranks fifth in the MIAA in pitching. Combined as a staff, ESU starters are only allowing opposing hitters a .251 batting average. The Hornet bullpen has 11 wins this season along with ten saves.

COOL, CONNER AND COLLECTED

Outfielder **Conner Crumbliss** (Sr./Arkansas City, Kan.) was named the MIAA Player of the Year. He is hitting .410 this year and has 34 extra base hits with 25 doubles, four home runs and five triples. He is third on the team in RBI with 47 on the year and has a .492 on-base percentage and a .639 slugging percentage. He has a team high 29 stolen bases on the season including six times during the year stealing second and third consecutively. He is currently leads the MIAA in hits, and is second in total bases, doubles and stolen bases, third in batting average and on-base percentage, fourth in slugging percentage and tenth in runs batted in. His steal of home plate against UNO tied the game. He is hitting .434 on the season against left-handed pitchers. Three of his four home runs this season have been to lead off the game. He also has six assists this season from his center field position. He is second in the nation in runs scored per game and third total doubles. He now holds the ESU career record in runs scored and doubles. He needs only seven hits over the Hornets remaining games to set a new career hits record. He now also holds the MIAA career record in total doubles with 73 in his career and also holds the MIAA career record for hits.

KENNY THE SHARK

First baseman **Kenny Burkhead** (Jr./Berryton, Kan.) was named first team All-MIAA. He has been named MIAA Hitter of the Week twice this season. He is hitting .379 to go along with eight home runs, 23 doubles, one triple and a team high 74 RBI. He is leading the MIAA in runs batted in. He is currently sixth in the league in hits per game and in total bases. He is also ranked third in doubles and eighth in runs scored per game. He is currently seventh in the MIAA and second on the team in stolen bases with 23 on the year. Against Central Oklahoma he was five of six with three doubles and seven RBI and also scored three runs as ESU won the game 18-13. He is hitting .448 this year with runners in scoring position. He is sixth in the nation in RBI per game. He is also hitting .424 when runners are on base this season.

2009 MIAA Standings as of May 8



| | MIAA | | | Overall | | |
|---------|------|----|-------|---------|----|-------|
| | W | L | Pct. | W | L | Pct. |
| 1- ESU | 29 | 7 | 0.806 | 42 | 10 | 0.808 |
| 2- UCM | 27 | 9 | 0.750 | 39 | 12 | 0.765 |
| 3- MSSU | 24 | 10 | 0.706 | 35 | 18 | 0.660 |
| 4- UNO | 27 | 13 | 0.675 | 37 | 18 | 0.673 |
| MWSU | 22 | 16 | 0.579 | 34 | 22 | 0.607 |
| FHSU | 20 | 20 | 0.500 | 30 | 26 | 0.536 |
| WU | 16 | 20 | 0.444 | 23 | 27 | 0.460 |
| NWMSU | 15 | 21 | 0.417 | 24 | 27 | 0.471 |
| PSU | 12 | 26 | 0.316 | 15 | 38 | 0.283 |
| SBU | 7 | 31 | 0.184 | 9 | 41 | 0.180 |
| TSU | 7 | 33 | 0.175 | 11 | 45 | 0.196 |

x = Clinched berth in MIAA Tournament

Tournament Schedule

All Games played at Community America Ballpark
 Kansas City, Kan.

Tickets:

All Tournament Pass: \$25

Daily Pass: \$10 Adults, \$5 Students/Youth

Friday, May 8

G1: Cental Missouri 0 vs. **Missouri Southern 10**
 G2: Emporia State 3 vs. **Nebraska-Omaha 6**

Saturday, May 9

G3: Emporia St. vs. Central Missouri 11 a.m.
 G4: Neb.-Omaha vs. Missouri Southern 3:30 p.m.
 G5: Winner Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4 30 min. after G4

Sunday, May 3

Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 4 1 p.m.
 If Needed Game will be 30 min. after First Championship



**ABCA/Collegiate Baseball Newspaper
Division II Poll**
May 4, 2009



| No. | Team | Record | Pts | Pvs |
|------|--------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| 1. | Southern Arkansas | 44-9 | 480 | T2 |
| 2. | USC Aiken | 39-16 | 458 | 4 |
| 3. | Ashland | 41-11-1 | 450 | T2 |
| 4. | UC San Diego | 33-12 | 436 | 5 |
| 5. | West Alabama | 36-12 | 406 | 7 |
| 6. | Cameron | 42-14 | 402 | 6 |
| 7. | West Chester | 39-10 | 384 | 9 |
| 8. | Emporia State | 42-10 | 382 | 8 |
| 9. | Francis Marion | 33-13-1 | 340 | 14 |
| T9. | Delta State | 36-14 | 340 | 15 |
| 11. | Central Missouri | 39-11 | 324 | T19 |
| 12. | Sonoma State | 30-12 | 278 | 10 |
| 13. | Tampa | 38-15 | 274 | 18 |
| 14. | Abilene Christian | 41-17 | 268 | T25 |
| 15. | Florida Southern | 36-13 | 258 | 11 |
| 16. | Grand Valley State | 38-13-1 | 246 | NR |
| 17. | Georgia College & State | 37-16 | 214 | 13 |
| 18. | Western Oregon | 30-11 | 200 | 21 |
| T18. | Wayne State (Neb.) | 39-11 | 200 | 24 |
| 20. | Angelo State | 41-17 | 174 | 16 |
| 21. | Catawba | 35-16 | 160 | T22 |
| 22. | Armstrong Atlantic State | 38-17 | 136 | RV |
| T22. | Mesa State | 38-12 | 136 | 12 |
| 24. | Tusculum | 36-16 | 88 | T19 |
| T24. | Cal State Los Angeles | 31-15 | 88 | T25 |
| 26. | Dominican | 35-10 | 60 | NR |
| 27. | St. Mary's (Texas) | 35-15 | 48 | RV |
| 28. | Mercyhurst | 33-14 | 44 | 27 |
| 29. | UNC Pembroke | 36-16 | 26 | 28 |
| T29. | Slippery Rock | 36-14 | 26 | 30 |
| T29. | Indianapolis | 37-17 | 26 | RV |

Also Receiving Votes: Franklin Pierce 16, Alabama-Huntsville 12, Cal State Dominguez Hills 10, Valdosta State 8, Belmont Abbey 4, *Incarnate Word* 4, Cal State Chico 2, Rockhurst 2, Erskine 1, Barton 1, Adelphi 1, *UT Permian Basin* 1, **Missouri Southern State 1**, **Nebraska - Omaha 1**, Kutztown 1, California (Pa.) 1, West Virginia State 1, New Mexico Highlands 1, Minnesota State Mankato 1, Lynn 1.

**2009 South Central
Regional Rankings**

as of May 6, 2009

| Team | In-Region Record |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Cameron | 39-14 |
| 2. Emporia State | 39-10 |
| 3. Central Missouri | 37-11 |
| 4. Abilene Christian | 37-16 |
| 5. Angelo State | 41-17 |
| 6. St. Mary's (Texas) | 35-15 |
| 7. Nebraska-Omaha | 33-14 |
| 8. Missouri Southern State | 29-15 |

Top six teams advance to South Central Regional

SHARP DRESSED MAN!

Catcher **Mike Sharp** (Sr./Liberty, Mo.) is currently leading the MIAA in home runs and second in runs driven in per game. He is hitting .383 on the year in 47 starts behind the plate. He is leading the team with 13 home runs and is second in RBI with 53 on the year. He has a .697 slugging percentage with 29 of his 67 hits going for extra bases. He is second in the MIAA in slugging percentage, third in total bases, ninth in batting average, hits and in doubles per game.

ST. FRANCIS

Outfielder **Jeremy Francis** (Jr./Emporia, Kan.) is hitting .351 with three home runs and 40 RBI. He has 17 stolen bases for ESU this year and his steal of home against UNO gave ESU the lead for good. He is hitting .394 when runners are on base this season. He is currently sixth in the MIAA in runs scored and ninth in stolen bases.

THAT'S RIGHT COTTON

Shortstop **Andy Cotton** (Jr./Lincoln, Neb.) was named honorable mention All-MIAA. He has started 46 games for the Hornets this season and is hitting .349 with one home run and 27 RBI. He also has four stolen bases on the season. He is hitting .361 over his last ten games.

NOT SO WEMPE

Third baseman **Kevin Wempe** (So./Topeka, Kan.) is hitting .298 this season and has 22 extra base hits. He has six home runs to go along with 34 RBI. He has an on-base percentage of .377 on the year as he leads the team in hit-by-pitch with ten on a year. He is hitting .350 this season when there are two outs in the inning. He is currently ranked ninth in the MIAA in runs scored per game.

TONY'S PIZZA

Second baseman **Anthony Dreiling** (Sr./Lawrence, Kan.) is hitting .271 on the year with four home runs and 36 runs driven in. He has seven stolen bases on the season and is hitting .302 against right handed pitching. He is hitting .750 with a runner on third and less than two outs on the year.

MULBERRY LANE

Outfielder **Kellen Lane** (Sr./Borger, Texas) is hitting .269 on the year with 21 RBI and three stolen bases. He has now made 28 starts this season with most of them coming in right field or at designated hitter against right-handed pitching.

THE GREAT WHITE HOPE

Second baseman **Jacob White** (Jr./Kansas City, Kan.) has started ten games in the infield for ESU this season. He is hitting .405 on the season with one triple and three stolen bases. He has scored 14 runs this year and has an on-base percentage of .500 with seven walks.

WILLIAMSON TELL OVERTURE

Outfielder **Caleb Williamson** (Sr./Baxter Springs, Kan.) is hitting .296 this season in 38 appearances including 27 starts for the Hornets. He is hitting .323 this season when runners are in scoring percentage. He is also hitting .323 over the Hornets last ten games.

ON THE MARC

Designated hitter **Marc Albers** (Jr./Lawrence, Kan.) had his first career home run against Washburn to tie the game. He is hitting .281 on the season starting 12 games at DH primarily against left handed pitchers. He has a .421 slugging percentage on the season. He is hitting .323 against left-handed pitchers this season.



2009 HORNET BASEBALL

| HITTING STREAKS | Longest | Current |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| 4 Conner Crumbliss | 16 | 3 |
| 1 Kevin Wempe | 10 | 1 |
| 3 Jeremy Francis | 9 | - |
| 10 Andy Cotton | 9 | 1 |
| 32 Kenny Burkhead | 8 | 2 |
| 6 Anthony Dreiling | 8 | 2 |
| 27 Mike Sharp | 8 | 3 |
| 22 Caleb Williamson | 8 | - |
| 12 Kellen Lane | 7 | - |
| 15 Jacob White | 7 | - |
| 5 Zach Theadman | 4 | - |
| 8 Marc Albers | 4 | - |
| 7 Chris Dobler | 3 | - |
| 9 James Morrison | 3 | - |
| 38 Anthony Markowitz | 3 | 1 |
| 29 Abe Steinbach | 3 | 1 |
| 18 Calder Cody | 2 | - |
| 19 Rudy Weiser | 2 | 2 |

| MULTIPLE HIT GAMES | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ | Tot |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|
| 4 Conner Crumbliss | 13 | 7 | 4 | - | 24 |
| 32 Kenny Burkhead | 14 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 23 |
| 27 Mike Sharp | 12 | 7 | 1 | - | 20 |
| 3 Jeremy Francis | 13 | 4 | 1 | - | 18 |
| 1 Kevin Wempe | 11 | 5 | - | - | 16 |
| 10 Andy Cotton | 9 | 3 | 1 | - | 13 |
| 6 Anthony Dreiling | 8 | 4 | - | - | 12 |
| 22 Caleb Williamson | 9 | - | - | - | 9 |
| 12 Kellen Lane | 4 | 1 | - | - | 5 |
| 5 Zach Theadman | 4 | 1 | - | - | 5 |
| 29 Abe Steinbach | 4 | - | - | - | 4 |
| 7 Chris Dobler | 2 | 1 | - | - | 3 |
| 18 Calder Cody | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |
| 15 Jacob White | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |
| 8 Marc Albers | 1 | 1 | - | - | 2 |
| Totals | 109 | 37 | 11 | 1 | 158 |

| MULTIPLE RBI GAMES | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ | Tot |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| 32 Kenny Burkhead | 12 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 22 |
| 27 Mike Sharp | 9 | 4 | 2 | - | 15 |
| 4 Conner Crumbliss | 10 | 4 | 1 | - | 15 |
| 3 Jeremy Francis | 9 | 3 | - | - | 12 |
| 1 Kevin Wempe | 6 | 4 | - | - | 10 |
| 10 Andy Cotton | 8 | - | - | - | 8 |
| 6 Anthony Dreiling | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| 22 Caleb Williamson | 5 | 1 | - | - | 6 |
| 12 Kellen Lane | 2 | 2 | - | - | 4 |
| 7 Chris Dobler | 1 | 2 | 1 | - | 4 |
| 18 Calder Cody | 1 | 2 | - | - | 3 |
| 29 Abe Steinbach | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |
| 8 Marc Albers | 1 | - | 1 | - | 2 |
| 5 Zach Theadman | - | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| 15 Jacob White | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| 38 Anthony Markowitz | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Totals | 73 | 33 | 7 | 2 | 115 |

RYAN EXPRESS

Lefthander **Ryan Anthony** (Sr./Overland Park, Kan.) was named second team All-MIAA. He picked up his first complete game and first shutout of the season in the Hornets 10-0 win over Fort Hays State. He earned his second complete game win with a 2-1 victory against Central Missouri. He added another complete game shut-out against SBU on May 2nd. He is 8-2 on the year with a 2.65 ERA. Opposing hitters are only hitting .211 against him through 13 appearances. Anthony is only allowing left handed hitters to hit .194 against him this season. He is currently third in the MIAA in wins and third in opponent batting average. He leading the MIAA in ERA and shut-outs and sixth in strikeouts.

BIG BEN

Righthander **Ben Graham** (Jr./Holden, Mo.) earned his third complete game win against Fort Hays State. He pitched his second complete game of the season in the win against Northwest Missouri. He threw the Hornets first complete game of the season in a 6-1 win over Colorado Mines. He is now 6-3 on the year with a 3.48 ERA. He has 53 strikeouts this season while only giving up eight walks. He has been tough against right handed hitting this season only allowing righties a .275 average on the season. He is currently ranked ninth in the MIAA in inning pitched.

JOHNNY APPLEHANS

Lefthander **Tyler Applehans** (Sr./Fredonia, Kan.) was named second team All-MIAA. He was the first Hornets pitcher to earn MIAA Athlete of the Week honors. He had a career high 17 strikeouts against TSU. He is 7-3 for the Hornets this season with a 3.70 ERA and is allowing hitters only a .233 average against him this season. He is eighth in the MIAA in wins this season. He is eight in the MIAA in ERA, second in strikeouts and third in opponent batting average. He was a unanimous first team All-MIAA pitcher during the 2008 season.

COLBY JACK

Righthander **Colby Killian** (Jr./McMinnville, Tenn.) is 5-0 and has 67 strikeouts in 61.0 innings pitched this season. He is currently second on the team lead and fourth in the MIAA in strikeouts per game.

I'D LIKE SOME MOORE PLEASE

Righthander **Cole Moore** (Jr./Lee's Summit, Mo.) is 5-0 this season after picking up his fifth straight win with a 18-8 victory over Truman. He has a ERA of 4.97 on the season in 38.0 innings pitched.

KING OF TOWN

Righthander **Dominic King** (Fr./Wichita, Kan.) is now 3-0 on the season with a 4.60 ERA. He has pitched 31.1 innings in 18 appearances as a true freshman.

MIZE GUYS

Righthander **Brett Mize** (Jr./Bartlesville, Okla.) has made nine relief appearances and two starts for the Hornets this season pitching 16.0 innings with a 5.06 ERA. Mize has been tough against righthanders this season only allowing them .173 batting average, and .226 against hitters overall.

GO, DIEGO, GO

Righthander **Diego Soto** (Sr./Tucson, Ariz.) was named honorable mention All-MIAA. He leads the Hornets in appearances with 25 and has a 5-2 record with nine saves. He ranks 15th nationally in saves. He is only allowing hitters a .209 batting average against him with a 2.65 ERA in 34.0 innings pitched. He is currently second in the MIAA in saves and second in appearances. He has 40 strikeouts on the year.