

# Baseball: Rebels drop pair to rival Henry County

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Owen County lost a pair of 31st District matchups against Henry on April 14 and 15.

The Wildcats began the series with a 3-0 win at home on Tuesday night.

Jaylan Hortenbury paced Henry County at the plate with a run, three hits and two RBI.

Nick Bryan also earned a hit, and Camden Clubb and Wyatt Ward scored a run apiece.

Baylor Nolin pitched a complete game on the mound with eight strikeouts and gave up just three hits overall.

Notably, Owen County ended with four errors, while the Wildcats had none.

On Wednesday night, Henry County stepped up offensively to defeat the Rebels 8-3.

As a team, the Wildcats notched 13 total hits from eight different players.

"I'm very pleased. As a team, we only struck out twice, hit the ball hard all game. A lot of timely hitting in this game, which really helped in the long run," said head coach Walker Paris.

Hortenbury, who had three of the team's four hits during Tuesday's matchup, picked up where he left off and led off the top of the first inning with a double to left field.

Nolin kept the attack going with an RBI double to left field, bringing in Hortenbury to give the Wildcats a quick 1-0 lead.

"Jaylan taking the first pitch, starting us off with a double and then Baylor coming up behind and scoring him, that really got us going and we just never looked back," said Paris.

Later in the inning, Finn Cannon contributed another RBI double to right field to send Nolin home and push the advantage to 2-0.

Owen County countered in the bottom of the frame, though, with a leadoff single from Brody Hearn and Trip Allnut reached on a fielding error to put two runners on base early.

Wade Cook helped bring in Hearn with a sacrifice fly to right field, trimming the margin to 2-1.

The Rebels moved runners to second and third bases on a wild pitch, but a dropped third strike and a strikeout by Hortenbury on the mound halted the attack.

Henry County stayed aggressive at the plate in the top of the second inning to add four runs to its lead.

Following a walk and a single, Nolin blistered an RBI double deep into center field and Ward and Grayson Chisholm scored on the play to extend the lead to 4-1.

On the next play, Bryan ripped a home run over the left field fence to put the Wildcats in front 6-1.

"Nick's home run really just pushed us over that hump," said Paris.

Josef Loechle hit a single to second base immediately after before the Rebels stopped the surge with a strikeout to end the inning.

However, the Wildcat defense stood firm and allowed just one hit, a single to left field by Hatcher Smith, in the bottom of the frame.

After their own defensive stand, Owen County looked poised to cut into the lead and loaded the bases with a single from Connor Dezarn to left field and a walk apiece by Bryson Tirey and Michael Smith.

Despite the positioning, Hortenbury came up with a clutch strikeout to leave all three runners stranded and preserve the Wildcats' five-run lead.

Cannon stepped onto the mound for Henry County in the bottom of the fourth inning and contained the Rebel offense with three straight strikeouts after a leadoff walk.

The Wildcats got back onto the scoreboard in the top of the fifth inning as well. Cannon drew a walk and Josh Shea hit a single to center field to give Henry County a pair of runners on base.

Sawyer Yates capitalized with an RBI single to right field, bringing in Chisholm to push the margin to 7-1.

Yet, Owen County completed a ground out to leave two runners on base at the

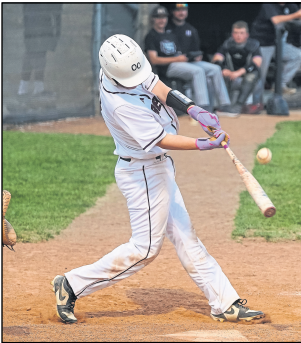


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**Owen County's Tripp Allnut connects with a pitch against Henry County.**

end of the frame.

The Rebels threatened with three consecutive singles in the bottom of the fifth, one to the pitcher and two to the outfield, but the potential scoring opportunities were thwarted by the Wildcat defense.

After a scoreless sixth inning by both teams, Henry County made one final push at the plate in the top of the seventh.

Shea and Yates launched back-to-back doubles deep into the outfield, and Isaac Abney followed with an RBI single to second base to send in Shea and move the lead out to 8-1.

The Rebels kept fighting and loaded the bases with three walks in the bottom of the seventh.

Hatcher Smith drew a walk on the ensuing play, sending Dezarn across home to trim the lead to 8-2.

During the next at-bat, Michael Smith scored on a passed ball to pull the Rebels within five.

A hit by pitch gave Owen County another bases-loaded situation, but the Wildcats held the Rebels off with a ground out to end the game.

Overall, Nolin led Henry County with two runs, three hits and three RBI.

Shea, Hortenbury and Yates added two hits each, while Bryan, Loechle, Cannon and Abney tallied one hit apiece.

Hortenbury and Cannon also earned five strikeouts apiece on the mound.

"To get back from Florida, get back in the winning (column), it just helps so much," said Paris.

Dezarn led the Rebel offense with three hits, while Tirey, Hearn, Hatcher Smith and Michael Smith recorded one hit each.

## REBELS SHUT OUT COUGARS

DRY RIDGE — Owen County shut out Calvary Christian 10-0 in five innings during the Doc Morris Tournament at Grant County on Saturday, April 18.

The Rebels exited the Doc Morris Tournament with a 6-7 record.

Owen County pushed across three runs during the top half of the third inning.

Then, extending its lead quickly, Owen County erupted for seven runs one inning later.

Connor Dezarn pitched a two-hit shutout for Owen County and earned the win on the mound. Dezarn recorded eight strikeouts.

Luke Corbin pitched for Calvary Christian and suffered the loss on the mound. Corbin recorded three strikeouts.

Owen County scored 10 runs on 12 hits. Players throughout Owen County's lineup made an impact at the plate. Dezarn (two hits, one RBI), Trip Allnut (three hits, one RBI), Michael Smith (two hits, two RBIs), Wade Cook (two hits), Brody Hearn (one hit, one RBI), Bryson Tirey (one hit, one RBI), Charlie Wright (one hit) and Levi Logsdon (one RBI) contributed offensively for the Rebels. Both Dezarn and Allnut doubled while Smith tripled.

Offensively for Calvary Christian, Finn Zachary and Bryce Ellis each hit safely once.

Owen County and Calvary Christian aren't scheduled to meet again in the 2026 high school baseball season.

# Softball: Henry exacts revenge, tops Lady Rebels

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A day after Owen County ended Henry County's years-long district win streak, the Lady Cats regrouped to defeat the Lady Rebels 13-1 in five innings at home on Wednesday, April 15.

On Tuesday night, the Lady Rebels overcame a 5-0 deficit and scored all 10 of their runs in the fifth and sixth innings to secure the team's first victory against the Lady Cats since April 2018.

Tuesday's 10-5 loss also marked the first 31st District loss for Henry County since 2018 and the first in Ally Vaughn's tenure as head coach.

On Wednesday, though, Henry County's offense erupted for 15 hits and limited Owen County to three total hits to split the regular season series.

Henry County quickly got on the board in the top of the first inning with an RBI triple to center field by Taylor Lawrey. Her hit sent Olivia Young home to give the Lady Cats a 1-0 edge.

Both defenses stepped up to limit hits in the second inning before Henry County extended its lead to four in the top of the third frame.

Carly Davidson opened the inning with a line drive triple to center field and Autumn Shea brought her home on the next play with an RBI single to shortstop.

Jocie Stucker furthered the momentum with a two-run blast over the left field fence to push the lead out to 4-0.

The Lady Rebel defense bounced back with a strikeout and pair of pop outs to keep Henry County from extending its lead any further, but the Lady Cats matched the defensive intensity in the bottom of the frame.

Shaylee Glacken opened with a walk, but a sacrifice

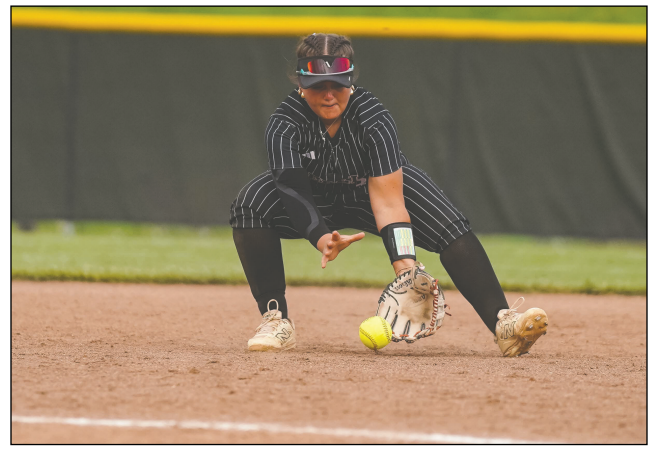


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**Owen County's Abigail Dempsey controls a ground ball in the Lady Rebels' loss to Henry County.**

bunt, ground out and strikeout left her on base at the conclusion of the inning.

Henry County stayed aggressive at the plate and recorded three runs again in the top of the fourth inning to move the margin out to 7-0.

Kylie Hornback started the inning with a single to shortstop, and two plays later, Davidson ripped a double to center field to bring Hornback home for the fifth run of the game.

A walk shortly after put runners on the corners for the Lady Cats and Lawrey sent Davidson and Young across home with an RBI single to left field.

Owen County broke up the shutout bid with a short burst of momentum at the plate in the bottom of the fourth inning. JaiDean Branam singled to left field, Lois Kemper wore a pitch and Peyton Buchanan singled to left field after a fielder's choice play to load the bases.

Glacken capitalized on the positioning and used an RBI single to shortstop to bring in Kemper and move within six.

Henry County stood firm to prevent a lengthy scoring streak like in Tuesday's

matchup and caught a pop out to end the frame.

After surrendering a 5-0 lead the night before, the Lady Cats ensured a repeat would not happen and pushed the game further out of reach with six runs in the fifth inning.

After consecutive singles by Kennadie Hamby and Aubree Kirk, Hornback drove in Hamby with an RBI double to center field to bring the margin back out to seven runs.

Two plays later, Davidson remained hot at the plate and launched a home run over the left field fence to extend the Lady Cat lead to 11-1.

The offensive explosion continued with a single apiece from Shea and Lawrey, and Charlee Howell brought in both players with an RBI double deep into center field to put Henry County in front 13-1.

In the bottom of the frame, the Lady Rebels put Hallie Tirey on second with a fielding error from the Lady Cats.

Yet, Henry County locked down defensively for back-to-back outs to seal the victory.

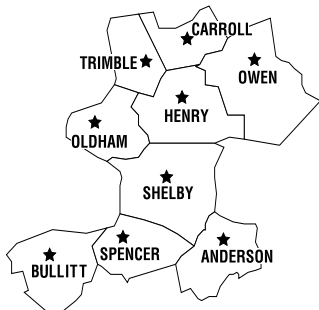
Davidson nearly hit for the cycle, ending with a double, triple and home run for the Lady Cats.

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PLAINTIFF

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

BRIAN M. WALLACE

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered in the Owen Circuit Court on the 24th day of March, 2026, I will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder on the front steps of the Owen County Courthouse, 100 North Thomas Street, Owenton, Kentucky at the hour of 10:00, a.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2026, the following described property:

Lot Numbers 235, 236, 237, 238, 239 and the south 35 feet of Lot 234, Class C, Section 4 in Hide-A-Way Hills Subdivision as shown on the plat of Section 4 of record in Plat Cabinet 1, Slide 49 in the Owen County Clerk's Office. Reference to said plat is made in aid of this description.

Being the same property conveyed to Brian M. Wallace, unmarried, by deed dated March 29, 2023 and recorded in Deed Book 270, page 645 in the Owen County Clerk's Office.

Property Address: 3105 Gratz Road, Lot 238, Owenton, KY  
Map #: 037-50-00-235.00

The amount of money to be raised and for which this sale is being made is the sum of \$148,275.33 adjudged due to plaintiff on its first lien on the property, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6.25% per annum, from April 1, 2025, until paid, plus court costs and attorney's fees of \$3,900.00.

The real estate shall be sold on the terms of 10% cash at the time of the sale, with the balance payable within 30 days, except that the deposit shall be waived if plaintiff is the successful bidder. Any purchaser, other than the plaintiff shall be required to execute bond, with surety thereon acceptable to the Master Commissioner, to secure the unpaid balance of the purchase price, and said bond shall bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of the sale until paid, and shall have the same force and effect as a judgment and shall remain and be a lien on the property until paid. The purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all or part of the balance of the purchase price prior to the 30 day period.

It is further provided that the property sold contains insurable improvements and the successful bidder at said sale shall, at bidder's expense, procure a policy of fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements in the amount of the appraised value, or the unpaid balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Commissioner of the Owen Circuit Court or the plaintiff herein. Failure of the purchaser to effect such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser's liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require the plaintiff to effect said insurance and furnish the policy, or evidence thereof to the Commissioner if it so desires, and the premium thereon or a proper portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as purchaser's cost.

When the purchase price is paid in full, title will be conveyed to the purchaser by commissioner's deed.

The aforesaid real property shall be sold free and clear of any and all liens and claims except the following:

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- Assessments for public improvements levied against the property;
- Any facts which an inspection and accurate survey of the property may disclose.

For further information, see the Judgment, Order and pleadings of record in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Owen County.

/s/ Mark R. Cobb  
MARK R. COBB  
MASTER COMMISSIONER  
OWEN CIRCUIT COURT