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Baseball Magic Win Wild, Extra Inning Affair In 12-10 Comeback  

The never-say-die STLCC - Meramec baseball team simply refused to give up against Crowder College (Neosho, MO) Saturday night. In the second game of their doubleheader played at Heine Meine Field, the Magic found themselves on the short end of a 7-0 deficit heading into the bottom of the fourth.

That's when the potent Meramec bats came alive with a five run inning, highlighted by outfielder Ryan Humphrey's (Blytheville, AR) grand slam. The Magic continued their feverish comeback in the fifth inning with three more runs to take an 8-7 lead.

The lead see-sawed and the Magic had to score a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth to re-tie the game at 10-10. After a scoreless seventh, the slugfest moved into extra innings. Reliever Steve Thurmond (Mehlville) set down Crowder in the top of the eighth to set the stage for heroics in the bottom half.

After Andrew Jett (Owensville, MO) was hit by a pitch, outfielder Dan Harris (N. County-Bonne Terre, MO) came to the plate and crushed a pitch for a towering walk-off, game-winning home run. The 12-10 win salvaged the doubleheader as Meramec had dropped the first game 4-2. Humphrey's two run homer in that game accounted for all the Magic runs.

On Sunday, Meramec swept a doubleheader from Florissant Valley, 16-5, and 6-1. Todd Otto (Seckman) was the winning pitcher in the 16-5 drubbing. Harris stayed hot from Saturday with three doubles and four RBI's in the game. Reid Trenhaile (Hannibal, MO) hit a three run homer.

In the second game, the Magic coasted on a masterful pitching performance from sophomore Cory Cowsert (Pacific) for a 6-1 victory, and the team's third straight. Cowsert was brilliant through his six innings pitched, giving up just five hits while striking out seven. Sophomore shortstop Jon Myers (Ft. Zumwalt S.) added to the home run totals with a two run shot. Second baseman Kyle Bach (St. Mary's) had a big day with a combined four hits and six RBI's.

Meramec travels to Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff, MO for a 1:00 doubleheader on Tuesday (Apr. 8.)