

Comets Top Portland in Diamond Classic Opener

Grand Ledge pulled out a 7-2 victory over Portland in the Diamond Classic Quarterfinal on Thursday, May 27th at Gorman Field.

The Comets got things started in the first inning, when Sophomore Caleb Estrada doubled on a full count, scoring two runs. In the fourth inning, Junior Nathan Droste launched a two-run homerun, extending the Comet lead to 4-0.

After Portland answered with two runs in the fifth, the Comets responded with a big sixth inning. Junior Thomas Kerrigan blasted a solo homerun over the right field fence and was followed up by a two-run double by Senior Logan Todd.

Junior Cole Mance got the win for the Comets, tossing five innings, allowing four hits, two runs and striking out three. Senior Noah Warren earned the two inning save, allowing just one hit and striking out three along the way.

The Comets will face Okemos in the Diamond Classic Semifinal on Wednesday, June 2nd at Kircher Municipal Park.

WP: Mance (7-0) 5 IP, 4 H, 2 R, 0 BB, 3 K

Save: Warren (2) 2 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 BB, 3 K

Todd: 2-4, R, 2B, 2 RBI

Estrada: 2-3, 2B, 2 RBI

Kerrigan & Droste: HR

Comets improve their record to 30-2