Coach Kern Goes Out In Style

Miller City Closes With Win Putnam County Sentinel – May 28, 2003

Miller City scored five times in the fourth inning Tuesday as the Wildcats knocked off Kalida 13-3 in Putnam County League baseball action.

The win allows the Wildcats to finish league play at 5-2 and they were 11-12 on the season. The game also was the final one for long time Miller City head coach Dan Kern. Kern is retiring as the Wildcats coach after 29 years in the dugout. He won over 400 games in his high school career.

Kalida dropped to 2-4 in league play and 7-13 on the season.

Both teams scored three runs in the second inning before Miller City took the lead in the third inning with a single run. The Wildcats then broke the game open with five runs in the fourth inning.

A three run fifth inning and a single run in the sixth inning

allowed Miller City to end the game after six innings.

Chris Schroeder picked up the win for Miller City as he went the distance allowing three runs on six hits with five strikeouts and a walk.

Brent Kahle went 3 for 4 in the game, all singles with two RBI's and two runs scored. Kyle Vennekotter went 2 for 3 with a single and a home run. He drove in four runs and scored twice.

Hoffman took the loss for Kalida as he worked four innings allowing seven runs on seven hits with five strikeouts and five walks.

Kyle Recker went 2 for 3 in the game for Kalida with a single, a double, and RBI and a run scored.