

# Dan Hermiller Gets 10 RBI's as MC Defeats FJ Muskies 25-4

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Though a lopsided score and flashy hitting by Miller City captured most of the attention, it was still a deceptive game and Coach Dan Kern was not impressed as his Wildcats rolled over Fort Jennings 25-4 in a regular season game Thursday night. Kern pointed out that Fort Jennings didn't use either of their top pitchers and walked too many batters. "You can't tell anything from that game," Kern said. "Monday (the district tournament game between Fort Jennings and Miller City) will be an entirely different game," he said after Thursday's game.

Nonetheless, Miller City's Dan Hermiller looked pretty impressive as he knocked in 10 runs with two homers, a triple and two double. His brother Dean pitched the first five innings giving up eight hits for four runs, walking four and

fanning nine hitters. Tim Barlage pitched the last two innings dusting off two batters and giving up only one hit.

Dan, who's been recruited by several major league teams, hit a triple in the first inning, grand slams in the third and fourth, and doubles in the fifth and seventh. Dean added two singles and a double and Barlage smacked two RBI singles. The Wildcats kept the ball air born scoring in every inning in the 15-hit bombardment.

Scott Recker and Steve Askins both had two hits for Fort Jennings. This was Fort Jennings' first loss in the Putnam County League (1-1) and Miller City's third win (3-1). It was the Cats 11<sup>th</sup> overall win out of 15 games.