Brett Hastings Steals 100th Base

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Columbus Grove's Brett Hastings reached the equivalent of 1,000 points in basketball Friday night with his 100th career stolen base.

The Bulldog senior wasted little time in reaching the milestone as he singled in his first at-bat, then stole second and third to reach 100 stolen bases. On the night he had four thefts as he moved his career mark to 102 of 107.

Not only did Hastings showcase himself on the base paths, but he went four innings to record his second win of the season in a 15-4 Putnam County League win over Leipsic.

The Bulldogs are 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the PCL with two games waiting to be completed. Leipsic is 0-1 in the PCL and 0-3 overall.

With a 1-0 lead the Bulldogs added three runs each in the second and third innings.

In the second Bob Halker walked, one out later Scott Palte singled and Wes Bolyard walked to load the bases. After the second out Hastings doubled to clear the bases.

In the third Jeff Bogart reached on an error and stole second and third. Rob Allen walked and stole second. After an out Eric George walked to load the bases, before Palte singled scoring two runs. He then stole second putting runners at second and third before Bolyard forced a run home as he reached on an error.

In the fourth Bogart had an RBI single. In the fifth Bolyard had an RBI single. Palte scored on a balk. Hastings and Kissell had RBI singles and Bogart had a three run home run.

In four innings work, Hastings allowed three runs, two earned with four strikeouts and one walk. George allowed one run with a strikeout and a walk.

Hastings also was 4 of 4 at the plate with four RBI's and four stolen bases. Palte was 3 of 4 with three RBI's; Bogart was 2 of 5 with a double and a home run, while Kissell and Bolyard had singles with two RBI's.

Rick Lammers took the loss for Leipsic with eight walks and five strikeouts. Rogers Niese had a double and RBI in the fourth. Kyle Settlemire also had a double and an RBI in the fourth.