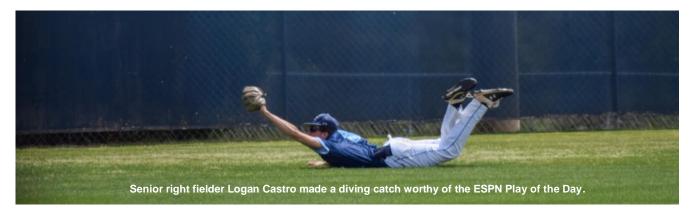


Game 24, April 6, 2024 Pope Greyhounds 1, Marist War Eagles 7 Weather: 60 degrees, 4 mph winds Played at Jeff Rowland Field at Pope High School Varsity Record: Overall 16-8, Region 10-2 Non-Region Game



POPE LOSES LATE TO MARIST



Pope and Marist were tied 1-1 after five innings, but the Hounds surrendered six runs in the final two innings and lost, 7-1, Saturday afternoon in a non-region game at Jeff Rowland Field. Pope's overall record is 16-8 and region record remains at 10-2.

In the top of the second inning, senior right fielder **Logan Castro** made the ESPN highlight catch of the game. The Marist batter hit a sharp line drive to right centerfield. Castro broke to his right, sprinted to the ball, dove, laid out, and caught the ball parallel to the ground for the first out of the inning. Three batters later, with two runners on base, Castro tracked down another fly ball in right field to record the third out and end the inning with no runs.



After a year of rehab following elbow surgery on his right arm, junior righthander Jason May made his way back to the mound and got the start for the Hounds. May pitched two quality innings, struck out two, and gave up one hit. Nick Bobrowski pitched three innings, gave up no hits, no runs. and retired 8-of-10 batters he faced. Bryce Chapin entered the game in the sixth inning with two runners on base, allowed no runs, and struck out one. Andrew Nelms pitched one inning and struck out one.

Pope managed just four hits. Junior center fielder **Tanner Morneau** had half the hits with two singles. Nelms hit a single and scored the Hounds lone run. Freshman **Luke Winbush** hit a line drive double over third base down the left field line. **Drew Abney** hit a sacrifice fly to right field that scored a run and walked one time. **Griffin Tamucci** and **Matt Strydom** both walked on four straight pitches and both stole one base.

In the bottom of the first inning, Pope scored one run on two hits to tie the score 1-1. With one out, Nelms hit a first pitch line drive single past the shortstop into centerfield. Morneau executed a nice hit and run and punched a single into the vacated second base position. Nelms, who was running on the play, advanced to third base. Abney hit a sacrifice fly out to right field and scored Nelms from third.

In the top of the fourth inning, Winbush made a nice defensive play at third base. With a runner on first base and one out, Winbush knocked down a hard hit line drive to his left. He picked up the ball and threw to **Carter Joachim** at second base for one out. Joachim turned and threw to Nelms at first base to complete the double play and end the inning with no runs.

Pope resumes region play next week with a three game series vs. Johns Creek. Pope hosts the Gladiators on Monday at 6:00. The Hounds travel to Johns Creek on Thursday and Friday for single games, both starting at 6:00.

