

ROCKETS BLAST BEECHER CITY

On Thursday, August 18, the Altamont Lutheran Rockets defeated the Beecher City Eagles 25-3 in boys' junior high baseball action. The Rockets pounded out 23 hits, including four by Adam Mayhaus and an inside-the-park home run by Travis Whitt, on their way to two separate ten run innings to run their record to 6-0 on the season.

ALIS wasted no time jumping on the Eagles, scoring ten runs in the top of the first inning. Logan Deadmond walked, stole second and scored on Klaiton Wolff's single. Wolff then stole second and scored on Devon Guerrettaz's single. Travis Whitt singled, Kaleb Whitt singled to drive home Guerrettaz, Mayhaus singled two runs home, Noah Kopplin reached on a passed third strike, Eric Wolff walked, Brett Harmeier singled home a run, Deadmond reached on yet another passed third strike, and Klaiton Wolff collected his second RBI single of the inning.

On the mound for the Rockets, Noah Kopplin shut down the Eagles in the first two innings before allowing three runs (only one of which was earned) in the third. The Rockets' offense didn't rest, though, piling up another ten runs in the fourth. Travis Whitt led off the inning by driving the ball to the fence in right center and circling the bases before the Beecher City defense could get the ball back into the infield. Kaleb Whitt walked, Mayhaus reached on an error, Kopplin singled home a run, and after three more Rockets baserunners reached, Christian Freezeland delivered his second RBI single of the game. Austin Kline followed with an RBI single, as did Kaleb Whitt, and Mayhaus rapped out his fourth hit of the game to score Kline.

For the Rockets, Kopplin got the complete game win, pitching four innings and allowing three runs (one earned) on four hits and three walks while striking out three. At the plate, Adam Mayhaus was 4 for 5 with 4 runs scored and 3 RBI. Klaiton Wolff, Christian Freezeland, Devon Guerrettaz, Austin Kline, Travis Whitt, Kaleb Whitt, Noah Kopplin and Eric Wolff all had two hits each for ALIS. Brett Harmeier, Brennan Hutson, and Kreyll Gehle each had singles for the Rockets. For Beecher City, Layton Barnes had two of the Eagles' four hits. Cody Groves took the loss.

ALIS finished the game with 25 runs on 23 hits and one error. Beecher City had 3 runs on 4 hits and made 10 errors.