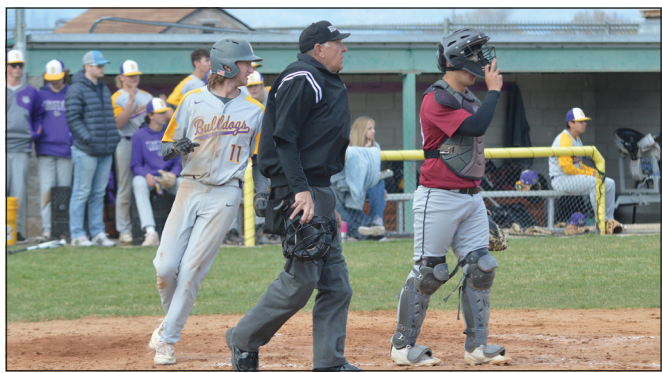


**BAKER BASEBALL**



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**Baker senior Hayden Younger scores the final run of Baker's 15-5 win over Mac-Hi in the first game of a doubleheader sweep on Friday, April 29, 2022, at the Sports Complex.**

# Bulldogs rout Pioneers in twinbill

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The Baker baseball team closed April with dominating league wins over the Mac-Hi Pioneers on Senior Day at the Sports Complex Friday, April 29.

Baker trailed briefly, 2-0, in the first game but tied the score with a run in the third inning and then broke open the game with six more runs in the fourth to lead 8-2. Baker went on to win 15-5.

The fourth inning proved pivotal in both games, as the Bulldogs delivered a barrage of runs in that inning in the second game, scoring 13 times en route to a 16-0 win.

The offensive onslaughts were bookended by strong pitching and solid defense, as the Bulldogs committed only one error in each game.

Baker, which has won four straight games, improved to 6-2 in Greater Oregon League play and to 12-8 overall.

The first few innings of the first game on a sunny afternoon left spectators wondering if they were in for a grudge match, as Mac-Hi led 2-1 after the first inning.

But walks and hits stacked up quickly for Baker in the bottom of the fourth. Baker took the lead for good, at 3-2, when Connor Chastain, who was hit by pitches in six at-bats, was hit, driving in a run.

Jaxon Logsdon followed with a two-run single, and Logan Capon drove in two more runs with a double to push Baker's lead to 7-2.

In the bottom of the fifth, an error by Mac-Hi led to three more Baker runs.

The Pioneers scored three runs in the top of the sixth to cut Baker's lead to 11-5, but Baker closed out the game in the bottom of the inning with four more runs for a 10-run lead.

Logsdon's single plated Hayden Younger with the game-ending run.

Younger, as well as Alex Crawford, Caiden Benson, Capon and Logsdon, each connected on two hits.

Starting pitcher Silas Carter had nine strikeouts in 3.1 innings.

Between games, Baker's seniors, accompanied by parents, were honored on the field. Capon, Marco Rosales, Younger, Benson, Chastain, Silas Carter, Crawford and Cody Skidgel are Baker's graduating seniors.

The second game started slow, with neither team scoring in the first inning.

But Baker scored three runs in the bottom of the third, and the Bulldogs had a season-high 13 runs during a devastating fourth inning for the Pioneers despite a pitching change.

Nineteen Baker batters came to the plate during the inning. Hudson Spike's three-run triple to right field opened the floodgates as the Bulldogs batted through their lineup twice.

Capon threw a complete game shutout, allowing two hits and striking out nine. He walked only one batter.

Baker now returns to the road, traveling to Homedale, Idaho, for a 3 p.m. PDT game on Tuesday, May 3, then heading to Ontario on Thursday, May 5, for a league doubleheader starting at 2 p.m. PDT.

**BAKER SOFTBALL**

# Baker sweeps Mac-Hi

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Baker softball squashed Mac-Hi in both games of a doubleheader on Friday, April 29, at the Sports Complex, giving the Bulldogs their first two wins in the Greater Oregon League.

Baker got off to a fast start, taking a 2-0 lead after one inning of the first game and scoring in four of the six innings, including one run in the bottom of the sixth to end the game early by 10-run rule.

With Kaycee Cuzick in the circle, the Pioneers rarely made contact, collecting just two hits.

Cuzick also threw all seven innings in Baker's 8-1 win in the second game. She struck out 13 in the first game and 11 more in the second.

"I might mention how efficient Kaycee was pitching today," Baker coach Sonny Gulick said. "I thought she did a great job."

The rest was up to Baker's batters.

Cuzick helped herself at the plate, especially in the first game, when she went 2 for 3 and drove in four runs.

Gulick also noted Kiley Jo Aldrich and Brooklyn Rayl, Baker's leadoff and second hitter, respectively. Aldrich and Rayl each had three hits in the first game, with Rayl driving in two runs.

"I was very happy we could get a couple of league wins for Emrie (Osborn) on Senior Day," Gulick said.

Osborn scored a run on Rayl's single in the second inning of the first game, kicking off a four-run inning for Baker that pushed the Bulldogs' lead to 6-0. Osborn had a hit in the second game.

Mac-Hi took a brief 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning of the second game, but Baker responded with three runs in the bottom of the inning to take a lead it wouldn't relinquish.

Kaci Anderson and Te'yan Coley each had two RBIs in the second game.

"Good' I don't think describes it," Gulick said of the doubleheader sweep, which improved Baker's overall record to



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**Candace Peterson scores on a wild pitch to end the first game of Baker's doubleheader against Mac-Hi, an 11-1 win in six innings on Friday, April 29, 2022, at the Sports Complex.**

GAME ONE	
Mac-Hi	0 0 0 1 0 0 — 1
Baker	2 4 0 4 0 1 — 11
Giguire and Herndon. Cuzick and K. Anderson	
GAME TWO	
Mac-Hi	1 0 0 1 0 0 — 1
Baker	3 0 1 4 0 1 x — 8
Giguire and Herndon. Cuzick and K. Anderson	

8-8 and its league mark to 2-6. He preferred "great."

"It's been a while since we had a league win, and to get two of them here at home. It at least gives ourselves a chance to talk about playoffs, it was great," he said.

Baker scored four runs in the bottom of the fourth in the second game pushed the lead to 8-2.

Gulick credited outfielder Candace Peterson with making a couple of nice plays.

Cuzick credited her teammates for playing solid de-



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**Kaycee Cuzick pitched all 13 innings in Baker's doubleheader sweep of Mac-Hi on Friday, April 29, 2022, at the Sports Complex. Cuzick struck out 24 batters and allowed just six hits and two runs.**

fense, and catcher Kaci Anderson for her work behind the plate.

Baker will try to build on

its league winning streak on Thursday, May 5, traveling to Ontario for a doubleheader starting at 2 p.m. PDT.

**Track**

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**400**

Giacomo Rigueiro, 5th, 54.68; Trace Gover (PE), 24th, 1:00.51; Gabriel Brown (PE), 27th, 1:02.68; Nick Hughes, 32nd, 1:03.39; Haven Olson, 35th, 1:06.05; Alan Chokecharoenkiatti (H), 38th, 1:07.74

**800**

Cooper Gover (PE), 2nd, 2:07.73; Alan Chokecharoenkiatti (H), 17th, 2:47.08; Tanner Lucas, 19th, 2:50.41

**110 hurdles**

Aman Tilenbaev (H), 10th, 19.79

**1,500**

Gabriel Brown (PE), 10th, 5:02.79; Tanner Lucas, 20th, 5:41.67

**3,000**

Caleb Brown (PE), 1st, 9:18.88

**4x100 relay**

Huntington, 10th, 49.79 (Aman Tilenbaev, Damion Klosky, Bryce Klosky, Colton Mathews)

**4x400 relay**

Pine Eagle, 2nd, 3:41.23 (Reid Davis, Cooper Gover, Caleb Brown, Cole Morgan)

**Shot put**

Mike Gentry, 1st, 40-4; Tate Powell,

6th, 37-10; Micah Shepard (H), 30th, 31-3.25; Dante Lofton (H), 51st, 27-6; Colton Birmingham, 53rd, 26-9.5; Jacky To (H), 634d, 24-2

**Discus**

Tate Powell, 1st, 120-9; Micah Shepard (H), 9th, 105-0; Mike Gentry, 14th, 92-4; Aman Tilenbaev (H), 20th, 87-11; Colton Birmingham, 30th, 78-7; Trace Gover (PE), 35th, 66-9; Jonas Roman (H), 37th, 63-10

**Javelin**

Jacky To (H), 7th, 125-11; Micah Shepard (H), 20th, 101-5; Damion Klosky (H), 21st, 101-1.5; Colton Birmingham,

24th, 99-10.5; Mike Gentry, 29th, 93-11.5; Tyson Hunt (PE), 30th, 87-2.5; Reid Davis (PE), 34th, 81-2.5

**High jump**

Giacomo Rigueiro, 10th, 5-2; Jonas Roman (H), 13th, 5-0

**Long jump**

Aman Tilenbaev (H), 19th, 16-6; Jonas Roman (H), 24th, 16-1.75; Damion Klosky (H), 31st, 15-4; Giovanni Cartwright (PE), 35th, 14-2.25; Haven Olson, 37th, 10-0

**Triple jump**

Giacomo Rigueiro, 14th, 34-3.5

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