Bennett shines as Eagles sink Lakers

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The Kirkwood baseball team swept lowa Lakes, 5-2 and 10-1, in an ICCAC conference doubleheader at Kirkwood Sunday.

Jackson Bennett pitched six shutout innings in the 5-2 victory before being touched for two runs in the seventh. He allowed only two hits. Cameron Cowan got the final out to collect a save.

Zion Pettigrew belted a home run and drove in two runs in the opener. Levi Usher had two RBIs and two stolen bases. Kirkwood scored five runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to snap a scoreless game.

Kal Youngquist went 2-for-3 with four RBIs in the 10-1 verdict in the nightcap. Usher, Pettigrew, Corey Graham and Gave Lux had two hits. Taylor Jackson scored three times. Usher and Lux scored twice. Pettigrew had three RBIs.

Cameron Leff tossed five strong innings for the victory in Game 2, allowing three hits and one run with seven strikeouts. Blake Mann pitched two scoreless innings in relief.

Kirkwood raised its records to 16-8 overall and 4-2 in the league. Iowa Lakes fell to 9-7 overall and 1-5 in the conference. The two teams are scheduled for another doubleheader Monday at 1 p.m. at Kirkwood.

GAME 1

Sankey and Bedell. Bennett, Cowan (7) and Thompson. W - Bennett (2-1). L - Sankey (2-2). S -

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Cowan (1). HR - Pettigrew. RBI - Usher 2, Jackson, Pettigrew 2. SB - Usher 2.

GAME 2

Cresta, Isensee (4), Charboneau (5) and Bedell. Leff, Mann (6) and Thompson. W - Leff (3-1). L - Cresta (1-2). 2B - Jackson, Pettigrew, Youngquist, Graham. SAC - Usher.