

Blue Raiders Downed by Warhawks 5-4

Bishop hits fifth straight home run as win streak ends

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Tennessee had its seven-game win streak snapped in a 5-4 loss to league-leading Louisiana-Monroe on Friday night. With the Blue Raiders down 3-0, sophomore Blake McDade closed the gap to two with his single up the middle allowing Box to score from third. Then with two outs junior Rawley Bishop hit a three-run shot to left field giving the Blue Raiders a 4-3 lead. Senior



Langdon Stanley walked Dexter Fontenot with the bases loaded allowing ULM to tie the game at 4 with one out. A.J. Siggers then popped out to Stanley allowing the runner to score from third and put the Warhawks back up 5-4. Both runs were charged to sophomore Kenneth Roberts who received the start as he left the game with those runners at first and second. Roberts (4-3) took the loss allowing five runs on eight hits in six innings of work. Stanley worked two scoreless innings of relief without allowing a hit. Blake McDade ended the night 3 for 5 with one RBI and scored one run. Bishop ended the night 2 for 3 with a double. With his home run, Bishop has now hit one out of the park in five straight games and is tied for first on the team with 11. As a team, Middle Tennessee notched eight hits but left 10 runners on base while the Warhawks had eight hits leaving seven on base. The Blue Raiders fell to 9-9 in league play and 20-15-1 overall while ULM improves to 25-12 overall and 15-4 in conference action. ULM's Derek Ward (5-1) took the win as he pitched two and two-thirds innings allowing two runs on two hits with five strikeouts. Kyle Suire hit a single up the middle to score a runner from second and give the Warhawks an early lead. Then Fontenot singled to right field allowing Suire to score from first and add another run to the board. The Warhawks ended the bottom of the first inning scoring two run on three hits to take a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first. Then in the bottom of the fifth Laird hit a solo home run to right field to begin the inning and make it 3-0 Warhawks. The Blue Raiders will be back in action on Saturday, April 19 at 4 p.m. for game two of its three-game series with the Warhawks.

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