

# Baseball falls to Tennessee

## Will play host to ULM in three-game series this weekend

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**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.** - Middle Tennessee lost to Tennessee 16-4 on Wednesday night with seniors Rawley Bishop and Taylor Dennis leading the offense. Bishop and Dennis each had two hits on the night with Dennis having the big hit as he hit a three-run home run. The Blue Raiders had a total of eight hits on the night with Bishop and Dennis each hitting doubles. Tennessee had 17 hits on the night with three doubles and five home runs. Junior Chad Edwards (5-1) took his first loss of the season on Tuesday night as he allowed nine runs on 10 hits in 2.1 innings of work. The Blue Raider pitching staff allowed five home runs against the Vols which is the most by a staff since 2002 against FIU when Middle Tennessee pitchers gave up eight home runs. Freshman Justin Guidry, juniors Nick Montgomery and Coty Woods and senior Chad Coley each worked in relief for the Blue



Raiders with Coley having the longest outing at two innings. Tennessee put runs on the board first as Hawn hit a three-run shot to centerfield with one out in the first inning. The Vols ended the inning scoring four runs on four hits to go ahead 4-0. Tennessee continued right where it left off in the second inning as Brown hit a ball to left centerfield and pulled out an inside the part home run to put the Vols up by five. Then two batters later, Hawn hit a two-run shot to right field making it 7-0 in favor of Tennessee. Middle Tennessee put its first run on the board in the third inning as Dennis scored from second on a single by Hines, 7-1 Tennessee. Tennessee then scored six runs on seven hits in the third inning including another two-run home run to take an 13-1 lead. Trailing 16-1 in the top of the seventh with runners at second and third Dennis stepped to the plate and hit a long ball to left

field to close the gap, 16-4 Vols. The Blue Raiders will be back in action this weekend, April 17-19 when it plays host to Louisiana-Monroe in a three-game series.

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