

SCHEDULE/RESULTS

FEBRUARY

17	at #17 North Carolina	L, 1-3
18	at #17 North Carolina	L, 5-6
19	at #17 North Carolina	L, 4-5
22	at Liberty	L, 4-5
24	vs. Saint Joseph's^	Noon
25	at Old Dominion^	4 p.m.
26	vs. Delaware^	11 a.m.
28	EASTERN KENTUCKY	4 p.m.

MARCH

1	WESTERN KENTUCKY	4 p.m.
3	UC-SANTA BARBARA	4 p.m.
4	UC-SANTA BARBARA	1 p.m.
5	UC-SANTA BARBARA	Noon
7	WRIGHT STATE	4 p.m.
8	at Cincinnati	4 p.m.
10	MIAMI (OHIO)	4 p.m.
11	MIAMI (OHIO)	1 p.m.
12	MIAMI (OHIO)	1 p.m.
14	MURRAY STATE [SECN]	7 p.m.
17	at Texas A&M* [SECN]	7 p.m.
18	at Texas A&M*	3 p.m.
19	at Texas A&M*	2 p.m.
21	at Western Kentucky	7 p.m.
23	OLE MISS* [SECN]	7 p.m.
24	OLE MISS*	6:30 p.m.
25	OLE MISS* [SECN]	Noon
28	CINCINNATI	6:30 p.m.
31	VANDERBILT*	6:30 p.m.

APRIL

1	VANDERBILT*	2 p.m.
2	VANDERBILT*	1 p.m.
4	at Louisville	6 p.m.
7	at Mississippi State*	7 p.m.
8	at Mississippi State*	7 p.m.
9	at Mississippi State*	2 p.m.
12	UT MARTIN	6:30 p.m.
14	at Missouri*	7:30 p.m.
15	at Missouri* [SECN]	8 p.m.
16	at Missouri* [SECN]	1 p.m.
18	LOUISVILLE [SECN]	7 p.m.
21	LSU*	6:30 p.m.
22	LSU*	6:30 p.m.
23	LSU*	1 p.m.
26	XAVIER [SECN]	7 p.m.
28	at South Carolina*	7 p.m.
29	at South Carolina*	4 p.m.
30	at South Carolina*	1:30 p.m.

MAY

5	GEORGIA*	6:30 p.m.
6	GEORGIA*	6:30 p.m.
7	GEORGIA*	1 p.m.
9	INDIANA [SECN]	7 p.m.
12	TENNESSEE*	6:30 p.m.
13	TENNESSEE*	2 p.m.
14	TENNESSEE*	1 p.m.
16	NORTHERN KENTUCKY	6:30 p.m.
18	at Florida*	6:30 p.m.
19	at Florida*	6:30 p.m.
20	at Florida*	1 p.m.
23-28	SEC Tournament	TBD

^Old Dominion Tournament (Norfolk, Va.)
* SEC game

all times Eastern and subject to change
all home games on SECN+ unless noted
ranking is Baseball America poll

2017 KENTUCKY BASEBALL

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KENTUCKY OPENS WEEKEND TOURNAMENT VS. SAINT JOSEPH'S

Kentucky's swing through the Commonwealth of Virginia continues this weekend with a round-robin tournament at Old Dominion University in Norfolk. The Wildcats will face Saint Joseph's on Friday, host Old Dominion on Saturday and close with a game against Delaware on Sunday before returning to Lexington for their home opener next Tuesday against Eastern Kentucky.

The Cats (0-4) are still seeking their first victory on the young season but have been competitive throughout with the four losses coming by a total of five runs, including three consecutive one-run affairs. UK has out-hit its opponent each of the past three games despite missing preseason All-America first baseman Evan White, who is being held out as a precaution with a minor injury.

Outfielder Zach Reks had a torrid opening weekend, reaching base in 10 of his first 11 plate appearances and is hitting .500 with three runs, an RBI, a double, three walks and two stolen bases. Second baseman Riley Mahan has homered in each of the past two games, while outfielder Marcus Carson is hitting .357 with a pair of doubles and two steals.

The Cats' pitching has been solid and sophomore righty Sean Hjelle, who had eight saves in 2016, will make his second start of the season against the Hawks.



AT THE BALLPARK

Friday, February 24 • Noon



Kentucky Wildcats

Record:	0-4
Ranking:	NR
Last Week:	0-4
Coch:	Nick Mingione (Embry-Riddle, 2000)
Overall Record:	0-4 (.000) - 1st year
at UK:	same

Saint Joseph's Hawks

Record:	0-3
Ranking:	NR
Last Week:	0-3
Coch:	Fritz Hamburg (Ithaca, 1989)
Overall Record:	193-218-1 (.470) - 9th year
at Saint Joseph's:	same

Date/Time:	Friday, Feb. 24/Noon
Location (Facility):	Norfolk, Va, (Bud Metheny Complex; Old Dominion University)
Series History:	Kentucky leads 2-1
Radio:	UK Radio Network; 98.5 FM-Lexington (Dick Gabriel); ukathletics.com
TV/Online:	C-USA.tv (\$)

PROBABLE PITCHERS

	W-L	ERA	G/GS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
UK - Sean Hjelle (RHP, So.)	0-1	5.40	1/1	5.0	11	3	3	0	2
SJU - Pat Vanderslice (RHP, Sr.)	0-1	12.00	1/1	3.0	7	4	4	3	2

TOP HITTERS

	AVG	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB
UK - Zach Reks (Sr., OF)	.500	3	8	1	0	0	1	3	2
UK - Marcus Carson (Sr., OF)	.357	1	5	2	0	0	2	1	2
SJU - Taylor Boyd (Sr., IF)	.273	2	3	1	0	0	1	1	0
SJU - Brian Lau (Sr., C/RHP)	.167	2	2	0	0	2	3	0	0

University of Kentucky

Location: Lexington, Ky.
 Founded: 1865
 Enrollment: 30,000
 Nickname: Wildcats
 Colors: Blue (PMS 286) and White
 Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
 President: Dr. Eli Capilouto (Alabama, 1971)
 Faculty Representative: Joseph L. Fink
 (Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science,
 1970)

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Nick Mingione (Embry-Riddle, 2000)
 Career Record: 0-0 (First season)
 Record at UK: 0-0 (First season)
 Best Time to Call: Contact SID
 Assistant Coach: Jim Belanger (Louisville, 2009)
 Assistant Coach: Roland Fanning (Southeastern
 Oklahoma State, 2005)
 Volunteer Assistant Coach: Todd Guilliams (East-
 ern Kentucky, 1988)
 Director of Operations: Jack Hoehl (Auburn, 2012)

2016 Review

Overall Record: 32-25
 Home: 22-10
 Away: 7-12
 Neutral: 3-3
 Conference Record: 15-15
 Home: 9-6
 Away: 6-9
 Conference Finish: Fourth in SEC East

2017 Outlook

Lettermen Returning/Lost Starters Returning:
 8 (8 positional, 0 pitchers)
 Starters Lost: 5 (2 positional, 3 pitchers)
 Newcomers: 14

Facility

Stadium: Cliff Hagan Stadium at Shively Field
 First Year: 1969
 Last Renovated: 2007
 Capacity: 3,000
 Dimensions: 340-365-390-350-310

Support Staff

Jared Brussel, Student Manager
 John Burns, Student Manager
 Phil DePase, Video Coordinator
 Ryan DeVriendt, Strength & Conditioning Coach
 Dick Gabriel, UK Radio & TV
 Charlie Haunert, Student Manager
 Angel Lazu, Graduate Athletic Trainer
 Sean Mann, Student Manager
 Mike Missen, Grad Assistant Strength Coach
 Brian Moriarty, Student Manager
 Neil Price, Voice of UK Baseball
 Cameron Pomerleau, Student Athletic Trainer
 Michael Stone, Director of Academic Services
 Micheal Thomas, Graduate Assistant Coach
 Bryan Wells, Athletic Trainer
 Reece Wallace, Athletic Equipment Coordinator

MEDIA INFORMATION

CREDENTIALS

All media credential requests should be submitted at least 24 hours prior to home games. Credentials can be picked up the day of a game at the ticket window at Cliff Hagan Stadium. Requests should be made through the Media Relations Office by contacting Matt May or Grant Gearheart.

PRESS BOX

The Cliff Hagan Stadium Press Box sits above the grandstand behind home plate. The press box phone number is (859) 257-9011.

MEDIA SERVICES

During games, media will be provided with a media guide as well as notes and updated statistics. Final box scores will be available shortly following each game. For FAX service, please contact a member of the Kentucky Media Relations Office for assistance. Phones will be made available on a first-come, first-serve basis in the Press Box.

POST-GAME INTERVIEWS

Interviews with players and coaches are done in an informal manner on the field following each game. For assistance in locating any member of the Kentucky team, find Matt May or Grant Gearheart for help. For assistance with opposing players and coaches, please see the opposing SID.

PRACTICE/INTERVIEWS

Head coach Nick Mingione is available for interviews weekday mornings as well as immediately after practice. His office is located underneath the West stands of Commonwealth Stadium.

Team practices take place each weekday afternoon at Cliff Hagan Stadium. All practices are subject to change based on class schedules of the players and travel as well as game schedules. All practices are open to the media. Interviews with coaches and/or players are after practice and phone interviews may be arranged. Advance notice is requested for all interviews. Please arrange all interviews through the Kentucky Media Relations Office and baseball contact Matt May.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs are made available to the media for publication use. To obtain photos of any Wildcat player, please contact Matt May or Grant Gearheart in the Kentucky Media Relations Office. Photos are also available for media members on the SEC website at www.secsports.com/media.

ON THE WEB

Updated results, statistics, game notes and the 2017 media guide are available 24 hours a day on the official website of Kentucky athletics, www.UKathletics.com.



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2017 ROSTER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown/Previous School
1	J.P. Bitzenhofer	C	R/R	6-1	200	FR	West Chester, Ohio/St. Xavier HS
2	Riley Mahan	IF	L/R	6-2	195	JR	Cincinnati, Ohio/Moeller HS
3	Tyler Marshall	IF	L/R	6-1	200	R-JR	Louisville, Ky./Trinity HS
4	Zeke Lewis	IF	S/R	5-9	160	R-FR	Atlanta, Ga./Mays HS
5	T.J. Collett	C	L/R	6-1	235	FR	Terre Haute, Ind./Terre Haute North Vigo HS
6	Tristan Pompey	OF	S/R	6-4	200	SO	Toronto, Canada/Jean Vanier Catholic HS
7	Connor Heady	IF	R/R	6-0	175	SR	Prospect, Ky./North Oldham HS
8	Storm Wilson	OF	L/R	5-11	190	R-SR	Science Hill, Ky./Somerset HS
9	Josh Smith	LHP	L/L	6-5	230	SO	Saline, Mich./Saline HS
10	Luke Becker	IF	S/R	5-11	195	JR	Fairmont, Minn./Fairmont HS/Northern Iowa CC
12	Alec Maley	RHP	R/R	6-1	185	JR	Round Rock, Texas/Howard College
13	Kole Cottam	C	R/R	6-3	230	SO	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic HS
14	Zack Thompson	LHP	L/L	6-2	220	FR	Selma, Ind./Wapahani HS
15	Marcus Carson	OF	L/L	5-8	175	SR	London, Ky./North Laurel HS
16	Troy Squires	IF/C	L/R	5-11	195	R-JR	Elizabethtown, Ky./Central Hardin HS
17	Jake Hamilton	LHP	R/L	5-10	190	R-SO	Raccoon, Ky./Pikeville HS
19	Evan White	1B/OF	R/L	6-3	205	JR	Gahanna, Ohio/Gahanna Lincoln HS
20	Joey Bellini	IF	R/R	6-3	180	FR	Winter Park, Fla./Edgewater HS
21	Justin Lewis	RHP	R/R	6-7	195	R-SO	Suwanee, Ga./Greater Atlanta Christian Academy
22	Austin Keen	RHP	R/R	6-0	175	R-FR	Smithton, Ill./Althoff Catholic HS
23	Brayden Combs	IF	L/R	6-5	240	FR	Fort Mitchell, Ky./Beechwood HS
24	Brett Marshall	RHP	R/R	6-3	225	FR	Louisville, Ky./Trinity HS
25	Gunnar McNeill	1B/RHP	R/R	6-2	230	SR	Orlando, Fla./West Orange HS/Florida International/Chipola
26	Luke Heyer	IF	R/R	6-0	195	JR	Lithia, Fla./College of Central Florida
28	Logan Salow	LHP	L/L	6-1	185	SR	Ashland, Ky./Paul G. Blazer HS
30	Sean Hjelle	RHP	R/R	6-11	215	SO	White Bear Lake, Minn./Mahtomedi HS
33	Chris Machamer	RHP	R/R	6-2	200	FR	North Canton, Ohio/Massillon HS
34	Carson Coleman	RHP	R/R	6-2	180	FR	Lexington, Ky./Lexington Catholic HS
35	Alex Bibb	OF	R/R	6-3	215	FR	Elizabethtown, Ky./Central Hardin HS
39	Zach Logue	LHP	L/L	6-0	185	JR	Mason, Ohio/Moeller HS
40	Zach Reks	OF	L/R	6-2	190	SR	Orland, Ill./Carl Sandburg HS/Air Force Academy
42	Brad Schaezner	LHP	R/L	6-2	205	JR	Oxford, Mich./Lake Orion Community HS
44	Colton Cleary	LHP	L/L	5-11	185	SR	Nicholasville, Ky./University of Cincinnati
45	Mark Doerries	RHP	R/R	6-3	225	R-SO	The Woodlands, Texas/McLennan CC
49	Jared Freilich	RHP	R/R	6-6	220	FR	Worcester, Mass./The Williston Northampton School
50	Marshall Gei	IF/C	S/R	6-0	185	R-SO	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet HS
52	Zach Pop	RHP	R/R	6-4	220	JR	Brampton, Canada/Notre Dame Catholic HS

ALPHABETICAL

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20	Joey Bellini	IF
35	Alex Bibb	OF
1	J.P. Bitzenhofer	C
15	Marcus Carson	OF
44	Colton Cleary	LHP
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5	T.J. Collett	C
23	Brayden Combs	IF
26	Kole Cottam	C
45	Mark Doerries	RHP
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7	Connor Heady	IF
26	Luke Heyer	IF
30	Sean Hjelle	RHP
22	Austin Keen	RHP
21	Justin Lewis	RHP
4	Zeke Lewis	IF
39	Zach Logue	LHP
33	Chris Machamer	RHP
12	Alec Maley	RHP
2	Riley Mahan	IF
24	Brett Marshall	RHP
3	Tyler Marshall	IF
25	Gunnar McNeill	1B/RHP
6	Tristan Pompey	OF
52	Zach Pop	RHP
40	Zach Reks	OF
28	Logan Salow	LHP
42	Brad Schaezner	LHP
9	Josh Smith	LHP
16	Troy Squires	IF/C
14	Zack Thompson	LHP
19	Evan White	1B/OF
8	Storm Wilson	OF

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Nick Mingione, #27 (Embry-Riddle, 2000)
Career Record: 0-0 (First Season)
Record at UK: 0-0 (First season)
Assistant Coach: Jim Belanger, #11 (Louisville, 2009)
Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator: Roland Fanning, #0 (Southeastern Oklahoma State University, 2005)
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Todd Guilliams, #29 (Eastern Kentucky, 1988)
Director of Operations: Jack Hoehl (Auburn, 2012)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Belanger.....BELL-injure
 Doerries.....Door-EES
 Freilich.....FRY-lick
 Gei.....G (like tree)
 Guilliams.....GWILL-yums
 Heady.....HEAD-ee
 Heyer.....HIGH-er
 Hjelle.....Like "Jelly"
 Zeke.....ZEE-k
 Logue.....LOW-guh
 Machamer.....Mock-uh-mer
 Mahan.....MAY-han
 Maley.....Mal-E (like rally)
 Mingione.....Min-G-own
 Salow.....SAY-low
 Schaezner.....SHIN-zer

2017 RADIO/TV SPOT CHART



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J.P. Bitzenhofer
C • FR



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Riley Mahan
IF • JR



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Tyler Marshall
IF • R-JR



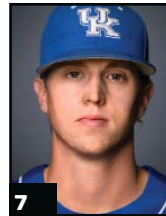
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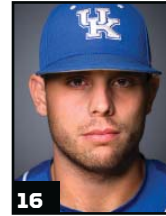
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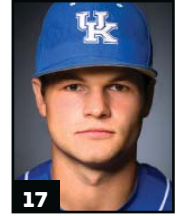
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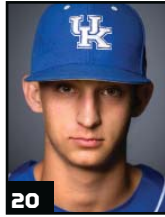
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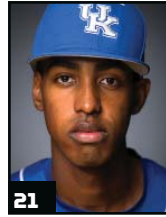
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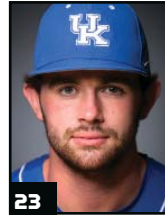
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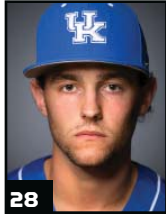
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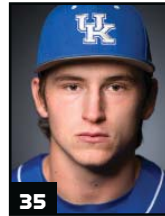
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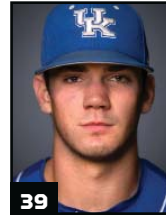
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Head Coach



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Assistant Coach



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Roland Fanning
Assistant Coach



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Todd Guillems
Assistant Coach



Jack Hoehl
Dir. of Operations



Ryan DeVriendt
Strength Coach



Bryan Wells
Athletic Trainer

NUGGETS FROM NORFOLK

The Wildcats open the weekend against Saint Joseph's (PA) out of the Atlantic 10 Conference, which was swept at Pepperdine on opening weekend. After being shut out in the opener the Hawks got the bats going the final two games, hitting three home runs and scoring 10 runs. The starting pitchers lasted a total of 8.2 innings but the Hawks received terrific work from their bullpen.

Host Old Dominion will take on the Cats in Saturday's second game. The ODU program's reputation of producing powerful offenses was reinforced with an opening weekend that saw it score 40 runs (at least 11 each game) while hitting .379 with 15 extra-base hits against LIU-Brooklyn. Shortstop Zach Rutherford was a standout in last summer's Cape Cod League, preseason C-USA Player of the Year and is No. 31 on *Baseball America's* Top 100 prospects list.

The Cats will close the weekend with an early wake up call, taking on Delaware at 11 a.m. Sunday. The Blue Hens were competitive but lost four games to Pittsburgh (2), Ohio State and Kansas State in Florida last weekend. Senior lefty Kevin Milley (7.0 IP, 1 R, 5 K vs. Pittsburgh) will draw the start vs. UK.

WHITE EARNS PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA HONORS

Kentucky junior first baseman Evan White has been named Second Team Preseason All-America by both *Collegiate Baseball* and PerfectGame.org, as well as Third Team Preseason All-America by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association and D1 Baseball. He also was named to the prestigious Golden Spikes Award preseason watch list.

White, from Gahanna, Ohio, is coming off a stellar 2016 season where he earned Second Team All-SEC honors. The 6-foot-3, 205-pounder's defensive prowess earned him a Rawlings Gold Glove in 2016 and All-SEC Defensive Team honors for the second consecutive season. As a freshman in 2015, White earned Freshman All-SEC honors.

In 2016, he led the team in average (.376), at bats (226), hits (85), runs (44), doubles (15), triples (3), runs batted in (40), total bases (121) and stolen bases (10). White's career .348 batting average ranks No. 7 on UK's all-time list (min. 300 at bats). White's .376 batting average in 2016 ranks him tied with Terry Shumpert (1987) for the 11th highest single-season mark in school history and his 85 hits rank him 11th on the single-season hits list.

White spent the summer playing for the United States Collegiate National Team, which traveled to Cuba, Japan and Taiwan. White was the team's primary first baseman, starting 15 of 19 games and hitting .250 with eight runs scored.

PRESEASON HONORS

Evan White isn't the only Wildcat to receive recognition leading up to the 2017 season. The following players have been named by various media outlets:

Sean Hjelle (RHP, So.) - SEC's No. 9 2018 draft prospect (D1 Baseball)
Justin Lewis (RHP, So.) - SEC's No. 22 2017 draft prospect (D1 Baseball)
Zach Logue (LHP, Jr.) - SEC's No. 34 2017 draft prospect (D1 Baseball)
Riley Mahan (IF, Jr.) - SEC's No. 31 2017 draft prospect (D1 Baseball)
Tristan Pompey (OF, So.) - SEC's No. 21 2018 draft prospect (D1 Baseball)
Zach Pop (RHP, Jr.) - Preseason Top 100 College Prospects, No. 69 (*Baseball America*); Preseason Top 100 College Prospects, No. 74 (D1 Baseball); SEC's No. 19 2017 draft prospect (D1 Baseball)
Zack Thompson (LHP, Fr.) - No. 27 college freshman prospect (D1 Baseball); SEC No. 13 impact freshman (D1 Baseball)

AT THEIR BEST AGAINST THE BEST

Kentucky has produced some of its best performances against elite competition in recent years, winning a series against the nation's No. 1-ranked team in each of the past three and four of the past five seasons. The Wildcats also won a series from the nation's No. 2-ranked team in 2016, giving them a 4-2 overall record a year ago versus the top two teams.

SEC STANDINGS

as of 2/23/17

Eastern Division

Team	Rec.	Pct.	GB	All
Florida	0-0	-	-	3-1
Missouri	0-0	-	-	3-1
South Carolina	0-0	-	-	3-1
Tennessee	0-0	-	-	3-1
Vanderbilt	0-0	-	-	3-1
Georgia	0-0	-	-	1-3
Kentucky	0-0	-	-	0-4

Western Division

Team	Rec.	Pct.	GB	All
Ole Miss	0-0	-	-	4-0
Texas A&M	0-0	-	-	4-0
Arkansas	0-0	-	-	3-0
LSU	0-0	-	-	4-1
Auburn	0-0	-	-	4-1
Alabama	0-0	-	-	3-1
Miss. State	0-0	-	-	3-2

THIS WEEKEND IN THE SEC

24 (Friday)

Kentucky vs. St. Joseph's	12 p.m.
Holy Cross at Auburn	3 p.m.
Missouri vs. Houston	3 p.m.
Bryant at Arkansas	4 p.m.
Wright State at South Carolina	4 p.m.
UNC Wilmington at Ole Miss	5 p.m.
Indiana State at Mississippi State	5 p.m.
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt	5 p.m.
Oral Roberts at Alabama	6 p.m.
Miami (FL) at Florida	6:30 p.m.
Georgia at Georgia Southern	6:30 p.m.
Pepperdine at Texas A&M	7:30 p.m.
Maryland at LSU	8 p.m.
Tennessee at Tony Gwynn Classic	TBA

25 (Saturday)

Holy Cross at Auburn	1 p.m.
UNC Wilmington at Ole Miss	1 p.m.
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt	1 p.m.
Marist at Mississippi State	2 p.m.
Wright State at South Carolina	2 p.m.
Oral Roberts at Alabama	3 p.m.
Bryant at Arkansas	3 p.m.
Georgia at Georgia Southern	3 p.m.
Maryland at LSU	3 p.m.
Pepperdine at Texas A&M	3 p.m.
Kentucky at Old Dominion	4 p.m.
Indiana State at Mississippi State	5 p.m.
Miami (FL) at Florida	6:30 p.m.
Missouri at TAMU-Corpus Christi	7 p.m.
Tennessee at Tony Gwynn Classic	TBA

26 (Sunday)

Kentucky vs. Delaware	11 a.m.
Maryland at LSU	12 p.m.
Missouri vs. Illinois	12 p.m.
Holy Cross at Auburn	1 p.m.
Miami (FL) at Florida	1 p.m.
Georgia at Georgia Southern	1 p.m.
UNC Wilmington at Ole Miss	1 p.m.
Wright State at South Carolina	1:30 p.m.
Oral Roberts at Alabama	2 p.m.
Bryant at Arkansas	2 p.m.
Pepperdine at Texas A&M	2 p.m.
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt	2 p.m.
Marist at Mississippi State	3 p.m.
Tennessee at Tony Gwynn Classic	TBA

WEEK TWO SCHEDULE FOR UK BASEBALL

MONDAY - 13	TUESDAY - 14	WEDNESDAY - 15	THURSDAY - 16	FRIDAY - 17	SATURDAY - 18	SUNDAY - 19
	Practice Travel to Blacksburg, Va.	UK at Liberty 3 p.m. Travel to Norfolk	Practice	UK vs. Saint Joseph's Noon	UK at Old Dominion 4 p.m.	UK vs. Delaware 11 a.m. Travel to Lexington

QUALITY STARTS

Date Pitcher (#) IP (H, R-ER, BB, K)

Season	Opponent	Location	Series
2016	#1 Florida	Lexington	UK won 2 of 3
2016	#2 South Carolina	Lexington	UK won 2 of 3
2015	#1 LSU	Baton Rouge	UK won 2 of 3
2014	#1 South Carolina	Lexington	UK won 2 of 3
2012	#1 LSU	Lexington	UK won 2 of 3

CLIMBING THE CHARTS

In just two years junior first baseman/outfielder Evan White has proven his ability to barrel up a baseball, leading the team in nine individual batting categories in 2016 and ranking among the program's best on several career and single-season charts.

In 2016, White led the Wildcats in batting (.376), at bats (226), hits (85), runs (44), doubles (15), triples (3), RBI (40), total bases (121) and stolen bases (10). His .376 batting average tied former major leaguer Terry Shumpert's 1987 mark for the 11th-best single-season mark in school history and the 85 hits he rapped out also rank 11th on the single-season hits list.

White's .348 career batting average entering 2017 ranks seventh on UK's all-time chart, tying him with John Wilson (1998-2000). The Gahanna, Ohio native also is poised to finish amongst the leaders on the career lists for hits, doubles, triples and sacrifice flies.

SAVES

Date Pitcher (#) IP (H, R-ER, BB, K)

NEW LOOK STARTING PITCHING

Kentucky will have a completely revamped pitching staff this season after losing all 42 weekend starts from a year ago. With the departures of Dustin Beggs, Zack Brown and Kyle Cody the Wildcats must replace 73.7 percent of its starts, including all 30 in Southeastern Conference play. Overall, the Cats lost 58.8 percent of the total innings pitched in 2016 and 53.1 percent from conference play.

Sean Hjelle and Justin Lewis, who both received Freshman All-America honors in 2016, will each move from the bullpen to the weekend starting rotation. The two right-handers combined to go 6-1 with 12 saves in 42 combined appearances (52.0 innings), striking out 54 and allowing just 18 runs.

Left-hander Zach Logue will be sandwiched between Hjelle and Lewis on the weekend after a strong finish to the 2016 season. The junior went 3-2 with a 2.68 ERA in 17 appearances (nine starts), cementing the top mid-week starter role down the stretch and earning the start in the Cats' SEC Tournament game against Alabama.

SCORELESS APPEARANCES

Pitcher	Total	Consecutive
Colton Cleary	3	3
Brad Schaefer	3	3
Zach Pop	2	2
Logan Salow	2	2
Mark Doerris	1	1
Austin Keen	1	1

UK will likely look to a pair of talented freshmen in mid-week games at the outset of the season. Left-handed Zack Thompson, who was drafted in the 11th round of the 2016 MLB Draft by the Tampa Bay Rays, impressed the coaches in the fall and will slot into one spot, while right-hander Brett Marshall is expected to see significant action as a spot starter as well.

A CHALLENGING ROAD

The opening series against national power North Carolina in Chapel Hill is just the opening salvo in what will once again be a challenging schedule for the Cats. The preseason polls were littered with UK opponents:

Baseball America

- Nine games against the top four
- Eleven against the top seven
- Twenty against the top 20

Collegiate Baseball

- 26 against the top 25

USA Today Coaches' Poll

- Twelve against the top six
- Fourteen against the top 10
- 26 against the top 25

NCBWA

- 12 against the top six
- 17 against the top 12

COMING TO THE CAPE

A pair of Kentucky hurlers have committed to play in the Cape Cod Baseball League, college baseball's most prestigious summer league, at the conclusion of the 2017 collegiate season. Sophomore right-handed pitcher Sean Hjelle will join the three-time defending league champion Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox, while freshman left-handed pitcher Zack Thompson is set to play for Brewster Whitecaps. Hjelle set a UK freshman record with eight saves in 2016 and will move into the Wildcats' weekend starting rotation this season, while Thompson is penciled in as one of the UK's weekday starters.

The Cats had four returnees play in the CCL last summer, led by infielder Riley Mahan who was named to the league's East All-Star team as a member of the Orleans Firebirds. Junior Left-handed pitcher Zach Logue was a teammate of Mahan's with Orleans, while junior right-handed pitcher Zach Pop (Wareham Gatemen) and sophomore right-handed pitcher Justin Lewis (Hyannis Harbor Hawks) also played in the famed league.

WILSON HONORED FOR CHARACTER

Senior outfielder Storm Wilson was inducted into UK's prestigious Frank Ham Society of Character in February, which annually honors Wildcats who have shown an extraordinary commitment to academic excellence, athletic participation, personal development, career preparation and serving as a role model. The SOC was founded during the 1998-99 school year and is named for Ham, a long-time UK administrator.

Wilson, who hails from Science Hill, Ky., has completed his bachelor's degree in business management and is enrolled in an MBA program. He is a three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member (2014-16) and has volunteered with the Wounded Warriors Project, Miracle League, Breakfast with Santa, God's Pantry and the UK Blanket Project.

REKS' LONG, WINDING ROAD

There are unlikely roads to success and then there is Zach Reks' journey to becoming one of the Wildcats' top hitter. The senior from the suburbs of Chicago began his collegiate career at the Air Force Academy, starting 21 of the 37 games he appeared in as a freshman in 2013. But Reks knew after his first season that he wasn't getting the most out of himself, decided to give up baseball and enroll at Kentucky as a normal undergraduate student.

That's when Reks' story takes an unexpected turn. A friendship with former Air Force teammate Bo Wilson, who had also transferred to Kentucky, led to Reks spending time around some of the players at the time and even some games of catch in the outfield. The coaching staff at the time saw Reks, did some background work on him and offered him a shot to walk-on to the team, which Reks did in the fall of 2016. By the second week of the season he was a staple in the Cats' outfield and went on to hit .331 (second-highest on the team) with 27 runs scored, 22 RBI and 12 extra-base hits. He was rate

SEC Weekly Awards

WEEK	PLAYER
1	Ryan Olenek, Ole Miss
WEEK	PITCHER
1	Jared Poche', LSU
WEEK	FRESHMAN
1	Braden Shewmake, A&M

Preseason Coaches Poll

Eastern Division

1. Florida - 70
2. South Carolina - 61
3. Vanderbilt - 52
4. Georgia - 29
5. Kentucky - 29
6. Tennessee - 20
7. Missouri - 12

Western Division

1. LSU - 72
2. Texas A&M - 55
3. Ole Miss - 51
4. Mississippi State - 36
5. Arkansas - 27
6. Alabama - 16
7. Auburn - 16

SEC Champion: Florida (6), LSU (6), South Carolina (2)

All-SEC First Team

C: Mike Rivera, Florida
1B: Evan White, Kentucky
 2B: Cole Freeman, LSU
 SS: Dalton Guthrie, Florida
 3B: Jonathan India, Florida
 OF: Jake Mangum, Mississippi State
 OF: Jeren Kendall, Vanderbilt
 OF: Antoine Duplantis, LSU
 DH/UTL: JJ Schwarz, Florida
 SP: Alex Faedo, Florida
 SP: Kyle Wright, Vanderbilt
 RP: Tyler Johnson, South Carolina

Second Team

C: Jason Delay, Vanderbilt
 1B: JJ Schwarz, Florida
 2B: Tate Blackman, Ole Miss
 SS: Kramer Robertson, LSU
 3B: Colby Bortles, Ole Miss
 OF: Greg Deichmann, LSU
 OF: Brent Rooker, Mississippi State
 OF: Luke Bonfield, Arkansas
 DH/UTL: Alex Destino, South Carolina
 SP: Alex Lange, LSU
 SP: Tanner Houck, Missouri
 RP: Matt Ruppenthal, Vanderbilt

AGE IN THE OUTFIELD

The Cats' everyday lineup has plenty of experience but nowhere more so than in the outfield. The team's four outfielders consist of two fifth-year seniors in Zach Reks and Storm Wilson, true senior in Marcus Carson and sophomore Tristan Pompey. The quartet had appeared in 382 career games with 293 starts entering the 2017 season.

- **Storm Wilson (5th-year senior)** – 133 career games, 112 starts
- **Zach Reks (5th-year senior)** – 113 career games, 102 starts
- **Marcus Carson (senior)** – 95 career games, 44 starts
- **Tristan Pompey (sophomore)** – 52 career games, 46 starts

THE MINGIONE EFFECT

In 14 seasons as an assistant coach new UK head coach Nick Mingione has produced a sparkling track record. Those teams have averaged 39 victories a year and advanced to the postseason nine times with two national runner-up finishes.

Embry-Riddle

2003: 48-16 Sun Conf. champs; NAIA World Series
 2004: 53-11^ Sun Conf. champs; NAIA Final Four
 2005: 53-10^ Sun Conf. champs; NAIA runner-up

Kentucky

2006: 44-17^ SEC champs; NCAA Regional
 2007: 34-19-1

Western Carolina

2008: 29-28

Mississippi State

2009: 25-29
 2010: 23-33
 2011: 38-25 NCAA Super Regional
 2012: 40-24 SEC Tournament champs; NCAA Regional
 2013: 51-20 College World Series runner-up
 2014: 39-24 NCAA Regional
 2015: 24-30
 2016: 44-18-1 SEC champs; NCAA Super Regional

^set or tied a school-record for wins at the time

CURRENT UK PLAYERS CONSECUTIVE START STREAKS

(min. 3 starts)

Player	Streak	Pos.
Tristan Pompey	18	OF
Zach Reks	16	OF
Riley Mahan	10	SS/2B
Connor Heady	6	SS/2B
Marcus Carson	4	OF
Kole Cottam	3	C/DH

CURRENT HIT STREAKS

(listed alphabetically)

Player	Longest*	Current	Reach Safe
Becker	4	-	1
Carson	4	3	3
Cottam	4	2	2
Heady	9	4	4
Heyer	1	1	3
Mahan	8	2	3
Marshall	-	1	2
McNeill	23	1	2
Pompey	6	2	4
Reks	10	1	4
Squires	6	2	2
White	21	17	17
Wilson	12	1	1

(*career)

TRACKING KENTUCKY'S EXTRA-BASE HITS

Player	Doubles 2017 (career)	Triples 2017 (career)	Home Runs 2017 (career)	Totals 2017 (career)
Luke Becker	- (10)	- (0)	- (1)	- (11)
Marcus Carson	2 (8)	- (0)	- (2)	2 (10)
Kole Cottam	2 (8)	- (0)	- (1)	2 (9)
Connor Heady	1 (7)	- (1)	1 (3)	2 (11)
Luke Heyer	1 (1)	- (0)	- (0)	1 (1)
Riley Mahan	- (18)	- (4)	2 (8)	2 (30)
Tyler Marshall	- (1)	- (0)	- (1)	- (2)
Gunnar McNeill	- (11)	- (0)	- (6)	- (17)
Tristan Pompey	1 (9)	- (1)	- (7)	1 (17)
Zach Reks	1 (11)	- (1)	- (7)	1 (19)
Troy Squires	- (3)	- (0)	- (0)	- (3)
Evan White	1 (28)	- (4)	- (7)	1 (39)
Storm Wilson	- (23)	- (2)	- (6)	- (31)
TOTALS	9 (138)	- (13)	3 (49)	12 (200)



RECRUITING PROWESS

Mingione has been known as an ace recruiter during his career, consistently being considered as such by industry media. Each of the seven recruiting classes he was heavily involved with while at Mississippi State ranked in the nation's top 25, including four in the top 10.

Year	School	Rank
2006	Kentucky	No. 21
2007	Kentucky	No. 31
2009	Mississippi State	No. 8
2010	Mississippi State	No. 22
2011	Mississippi State	No. 20
2012	Mississippi State	No. 14
2013	Mississippi State	No. 2
2014	Mississippi State	No. 2
2015	Mississippi State	No. 3

THIS AND THAT...

Some interesting factoids about this year's Wildcats:

- Joey Bellini (Fr., IF)** - UK's Charles E. Barnhart agricultural building on campus named for his uncle, former professor and dean for the College of Agriculture.
- Alex Bibb (Fr. OF)** - Known as the team magician; also an accomplished pianist.
- T.J. Collett (Fr., C)** - Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in 2016 MLB Draft (40th round).
- Kole Cottam (So., C)** - Has had 13 surgeries on his right eye due to congenital melanocytic nevus.
- Jared Freilich (Fr., RHP)** - Fractured his spine in skating accident during high school.
- Justin Lewis (R-So., RHP)** - Cousin of former UK basketball star Chuck Hayes and current Seattle Seahawks defensive back Richard Sherman.
- Zeke Lewis (R-Fr., IF)** - Accomplished musician.
- Brett Marshall (Fr., RHP)** and **Tyler Marshall (Jr., IF)** - Brothers whose father, John, played baseball at UK and for several MLB organizations.
- Tristan Pompey (So., OF)** - Brother is Toronto Blue Jays centerfielder Dalton Pompey.
- Zack Thompson (Fr., LHP)** - Drafted by the Tampa Bay Rays in 2016 MLB Draft (11th round).
- Storm Wilson (Sr., OF)** - Working on his Masters degree in Business Administration.

SAN DIEGO PADRES MANAGER IS FORMER WILDCAT

Kentucky baseball legend Andy Green – a 2015 inductee into the UK Athletics Hall of Fame – is entering his second season as manager of the San Diego Padres.

Green, who starred at UK from 1997-2000 after a high school career at Lexington's Christian Academy, joined the Padres after serving as the Arizona Diamondbacks third base coach in 2015. A two-time Southern League Manager of the Year (double-A), Green played four MLB seasons with the Diamondbacks and the New York Mets.

During his decorated collegiate career, Green set five school records, including hits (277), runs (199), games played (228), games started (225) and at-bats (908). He also ranks among the top 10 in UK history in total bases, sacrifice bunts and steals. An Academic All-America selection and a four-year member of the Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll, Green was a 24th round draft selection of the Diamondbacks in the 2000 MLB Draft. As a UK freshman in 1997, Green started 54 of UK's 55 games, hitting .288 with seven doubles, six homers, 29 RBI and 11 steals. In 1998, Green hit .291 in 56 games with four homers, 32 RBI and 13 steals. After a .270 average with a homer, 22 RBI and 21 steals as a junior, Green helped UK to 38 wins in 2000. While playing with UK greats John Wilson, Aaron McGlone, Vince Harrison, Brandon Webb and Joe Blanton, Green led the team with a .368 average, slugging 11 homers and 18 doubles, driving in 45 runs and stealing 27 bases.

Green retired from his playing career after the 2010 minor-league season, after playing in 140 big-league games over four seasons. He opened his MLB career with 46 games for the Diamondbacks in 2004, also playing parts of the 2005 and 2006 seasons with the club. After playing 2007 in Japan, Green returned to play in the Cincinnati Reds and Mets organizations from 2008-10, reaching the big leagues with the Mets in 2009.

2017 RECORD WHEN...

Playing at Cliff Hagan Stadium:	0-0
Playing away:	0-4
Playing at a neutral site:	0-0
Vs. SEC overall:	0-0
Vs. SEC opponents:	0-0
Vs. SEC at home:	0-0
Vs. SEC away:	0-0
Vs. Non-Conference:	0-4
Vs. Non-Conference at home:	0-0
Vs. Non-conference away:	0-4
Playing a day game:	0-4
Playing a night game:	0-0
In one-run games:	0-3
In two-run games:	0-1
In five+ run games:	0-0
In extra-inning games:	0-0
In shutouts:	0-0
When scoring first:	0-2
When opponent scores first:	0-2
When scoring 10 or more runs:	0-0
When allowing 10 or more runs:	0-0
When scoring five runs or less:	0-4
When allowing five runs or less:	0-3
When hitting at least one home run:	0-2
When allowing at least one home run:	0-2
When out-hitting an opponent:	0-3
When out-hit by opponent:	0-1
When matching opponents hits:	0-0
When facing starting LHP:	0-0
When facing starting RHP:	0-4
When leading after the seventh inning:	0-0
When trailing after the seventh inning:	0-4
When tied after the seventh inning:	0-0
Games decided in the last at bat:	0-0
When not committing an error:	0-1
When committing two or more errors:	0-2
Vs. top-25 ranked opponents:	0-3
Vs. teams ranked in the top 10:	0-0
On Sunday:	0-1
On Monday:	0-0
On Tuesday:	0-0
On Wednesday:	0-1
On Thursday:	0-0
On Friday:	0-1
On Saturday:	0-1
In February:	0-4
In March:	0-0
In April:	0-0
In May:	0-0

UNI WATCH HOME

White top/White pants/Blue hat	0-0
Blue top/White pants/Blue hat	0-0
Black top/White pants/Black hat	0-0

ROAD

Gray top/Gray pants/Blue hat	0-1
Blue top/Gray pants/Blue hat	0-2
Black top/Gray pants/Black hat	0-1



UK AT THE PLATE

RIGHTIES

Joey Bellini
Alex Bibb
J.P. Bitzenhofer
Kole Cottam
Connor Heady
Luke Heyer
Gunnar McNeill
Evan White

LEFTIES

Marcus Carson
Brayden Combs
Riley Mahan
Tyler Marshall
Zach Reks
Troy Squires
Storm Wilson

SWITCH

Luke Becker
Marshall Gei
Zeke Lewis
Tristan Pompey

2017 SPLITS

	G	AVG.	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	K	SB
Overall	4	.254	14	34	9	0	3	14	14	34	6
SEC											
Non SEC	4	.254	14	34	9	0	3	14	14	34	6
Home											
Away	4	.254	14	34	9	0	3	14	14	34	6
Neutral											
Day	4	.254	14	34	9	0	3	14	14	34	6
Night											
Wins											
Losses	4	.254	14	34	9	0	3	14	14	34	6
February	4	.254	14	34	9	0	3	14	14	34	6
March											
April											
May											

UK CAREER HIT LIST

(*minimum 100 hits)

1. Andy Green (1997-2000) - 277
2. Aaron McGlone (97-00) - 274
3. Mike Botkin (79-82) - 241
4. Spencer Graeter (2001-04) - 233
5. Jeff Abbott (91-94) - 232
6. Keenan Wiley (2007-10) - 230
7. Ryan Wilkes (2005-08) - 226
8. Jeff Tedesco (94-97) - 223
9. Austin Cousino (2012-14) - 216
10. Chad Green (94-96) - 215
11. Mike Harris (89-91) - 214
12. John Wilson (98-00) - 212
- Brad Hindersman (91-94) - 212
14. Chad Wright (09-11) - 211
15. Antone DeJesus (2005-07) - 202
16. AJ Reed (2012-14) - 195
17. Michael Bertram (2003-06) - 188
18. John Shelby (2004-06) - 177
19. Kyle Barrett (2013-15) - 174
20. Sawyer Carroll (2007-08) - 173
21. Collin Cowgill (2005-08) - 171
22. J.T. Riddle (2011-13) - 170
23. Matt Reida (2011-14) - 161
24. Billy Grace (2004-07) - 160
25. Chris Bisson (2008-2010) - 157
26. **Evan White (2015-17) - 156**
- Thomas McCarthy (2011-12) - 153
- Braden Kapetyn (2009-11) - 153
29. JaVon Shelby (2014-16) - 150
30. Ka'ai Tom (2014-15) - 148
31. Sean Coughlin (2006-07) - 142
32. Max Kuhn (2012-14) - 133
33. Brian Spear (2007-08) - 130
- Thomas Bernal (2012-15) - 130
35. Mike Breyman (2003-04) - 127
36. Chad Stewart (2003-04) - 125
37. Chris Wade (2008-09) - 123
38. Taylor Black (2010-11) - 121
- Marcus Nidiffer (2007-10) - 121
40. Michael Williams (2009-12) - 119
41. Gunner Glad (2009-10) - 115
42. Shawn Lehmann (2005-06) - 111
43. Micheal Thomas (2011-14) - 107
44. **Storm Wilson (2014-17) - 105**
45. Zac Zellers (2012-13) - 100

GAMES-GAMES STARTED

Player	Career	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Storm Wilson	133-111	2-2	40-37	46-39	45-34	-
Evan White	107-107	1-1	54-54	52-52	-	-
Connor Heady	106-88	4-4	21-15	51-50	30-19	-
Gunnar McNeill	100-71	3-2	56-55	-	41-14*	-
Riley Mahan	99-76	4-4	56-50	39-22	-	-
Marcus Carson	96-45	4-4	32-15	35-22	25-4	-
Zach Reks	94-67	4-4	53-42	-	-	37-21^
Luke Becker	55-49	2-2	52-47	-	-	-
Tristan Pompey	53-47	4-4	49-43	-	-	-
Troy Squires	52-34	3-3	35-31	14-0	-	-
Kole Cottam	44-26	4-23	40-23	-	-	-
Tyler Marshall	28-12	2-1	26-11	-	-	-
Luke Heyer	3-2	3-2	-	-	-	-
Zeke Lewis	2-0	2-0	-	-	-	-

* at FIU

^ at Air Force

UK CAREER HIT BY PITCH

1. Thomas Bernal (2012-15) - 39
2. Keenan Wiley (08-11) - 38
3. Antone DeJesus (05-07) - 36
4. **Storm Wilson (2014-17) - 35**
5. Auston Cousino (2012-13) - 34

THE BIG INNING

(*3 or more runs scored)

Opponent	Inning	Runs
at UNC (2/18)	7th	3
at UNC (2/19)	3rd	3

TWO-OUT HITTING

Player	Hits	RBI
Luke Becker	-	-
Marcus Carson	1	1
Kole Cottam	1	1
Connor Heady	2	-
Luke Heyer	1	-
Riley Mahan	-	-
Tyler Marshall	-	-
Gunnar McNeill	1	-
Tristan Pompey	1	-
Zach Reks	1	1
Troy Squires	-	-
Evan White	1	-
Storm Wilson	-	-

UK CAREER SAC LIST

1. Ryan Wilkes (2005-08) - 40
2. Keenan Wiley (08-11) - 28
3. Matt Reida (11-14) - 27
4. Justin Scutchfield (03-06) - 25
5. Andy Green (1997-00) - 24
- Antone DeJesus (05-07) - 24
7. Jeff Michael (90-93) - 23
- Michael Bertram (03-06) - 23
9. Chad Wright (09-11) - 21
10. Chris Wade (08-09) - 20
11. **Storm Wilson (14-17) - 17**

SERIES-BY-SERIES BREAKDOWN

Batting Breakdown

	W/L	Avg.	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	OB%	BB	HBP	K
North Carolina	0-3	.250	100	10	25	7	0	1	10	.350	.348	12	3	28
Liberty	0-1	.265	34	4	9	2	0	2	4	.500	.324	2	1	6
Saint Joseph's														
Old Dominion														
Delaware														
Eastern Kentucky														
Western Kentucky														
UC Santa Barbara														
Wright State														
Cincinnati														
Miami (Ohio)														
Murray State														
Texas A&M														
Ole Miss														
Vanderbilt														
Louisville														
Mississippi State														
UT Martin														
Missouri														
LSU														
Xavier														
South Carolina														
Georgia														
Indiana														
Tennessee														
Northern Kentucky														
Florida														

Pitching Breakdown

	W/L	ERA	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG
North Carolina	0-3	4.50	0	24.0	27	14	12	16	14	4	0	2	.281
Liberty	0-1	4.50	0	8.0	7	5	4	3	12	3	0	1	.219
Saint Joseph's													
Old Dominion													
Delaware													
Eastern Kentucky													
Western Kentucky													
UC Santa Barbara													
Wright State													
Cincinnati													
Miami (Ohio)													
Murray State													
Texas A&M													
Ole Miss													
Vanderbilt													
Louisville													
Mississippi State													
UT Martin													
Missouri													
LSU													
Xavier													
South Carolina													
Georgia													
Indiana													
Tennessee													
Northern Kentucky													
Florida													

IF YOU BUILD IT... NEW STADIUM SET FOR FALL 2018

Construction on a new baseball stadium began in February and is expected to take 18-20 months, meaning the stadium will open in late fall 2018 in time for the 2019 UK baseball season.

The cost of the stadium, which will give UK baseball a state-of-the-art home on par with its peers in the SEC, will be \$49 million. The new stadium – which is yet to be named – will be located off Alumni Drive between the new Kentucky Football Training Facility and the Wendell and Vickie Bell Soccer Complex, adding to the cluster of UK Athletics facilities in the area.

“We’re extremely appreciative of the continued commitment of President Capilouto, Mitch Barnhart, the University of Kentucky, and our athletics department to our program,” UK coach Nick Mingione said. “The new facility will be beneficial in a multitude of ways and we will continue to bring the right type of students into our family to play in this marvelous facility. There’s a great deal of work to be done between now and the day our new stadium opens for our baseball program to reach the heights we all want it to, but we’re certainly excited about what the future holds.”

The stadium will feature permanent seating for nearly 2,500 fans with additional space on grass berms to accommodate a total of more than 4,000 fans for regular-season games. Beyond the outfield wall, temporary bleachers can be installed for NCAA Tournament games to bring the seating capacity to more than 7,000. Fan amenities also will include suites and a new club area.

The team areas will give Wildcat students and coaches everything they need to compete at a high level in a single location. The new stadium will feature a team lounge, locker room, training area, indoor hitting and pitching areas, and coaching offices, as well as a recruiting room. All spaces are either new to UK baseball or significantly larger than ones currently in use.

UK Athletics is working with Ross Tarrant Architects and HNTB to design and build the stadium, the same partners who recently completed the renovations of Commonwealth Stadium and the new Kentucky Football Training Facility.

The new stadium will replace Cliff Hagan Stadium, which has been home to UK baseball since its opening in 1969. Once the new stadium opens, Cliff Hagan Stadium will be demolished to make way for a new facility for UK’s men’s and women’s tennis programs. Additionally, a new soccer practice field replacing the one located at the site of the new baseball stadium will be built at the current site of the club practice field off College Way.



SHIVELY FIELD AT CLIFF HAGAN STADIUM



The Kentucky baseball team calls Shively Field at Cliff Hagan Stadium home since 1979, with renovations done in 2002 and again following the 2006 Southeastern Conference Championship season that saw the first ever NCAA Lexington Regional played at the facility.

A new era began in Kentucky baseball history in 2002 as then head coach Keith Madison and the Wildcats moved into their new lair, the \$4.2 million Shively Field at Cliff Hagan Stadium. The state-of-the-art baseball complex

replaced the twice-renovated facility that UK baseball had called home since 1969, when it was built as part of the Bernie A Shively Sports Center. In 1990, the facility underwent a \$520,000 renovation to refurbish the stadium.

After the 2006 SEC Championship season, the UK athletic administration decided to invest in exterior improvements of Cliff Hagan. Among the improvements which debuted during the 2007 season, was a new state-of-the-art video board, which enhances the viewing experience for fans.

Also added during the 2007 offseason was a 150 capacity deck in the parking lot behind right field. The outfield fence was also lowered and padded to give fans a clear view of the diamond from anywhere in the outfield parking lot.

While Cliff Hagan Stadium is a beautiful place to call home, in Fall 2018 the Wildcats plan on moving into a new \$49 million state-of-the-art facility on par with its peers in the Southeastern Conference. The new stadium – which is yet to be named – will be located off Alumni Drive between the new Kentucky Football Training Facility and the Wendell and Vickie Bell Soccer Complex, adding to the cluster of UK Athletics facilities in the area.

UK'S RECORD AT CLIFF HAGAN STADIUM SINCE 1979

Year	Overall	SEC
1979	14-7	7-5
1980	14-5	4-4
1981	19-5-1	8-3-1
1982	16-10	4-8
1983	25-9	3-6
1984	14-12	4-7
1985	14-9	6-7
1986	19-13	7-13
1987	24-6	8-4
1988	14-6	12-3
1989	15-8	5-7
1990	17-15	5-9
1991	23-6	8-4
1992	19-8	7-5
1993	18-11	3-9
1994	13-9	6-6
1995	11-9	4-8
1996	17-9	9-6
1997	13-13	5-10
1998	15-15	5-10
1999	13-13	7-8
2000	16-11-1	3-10-1
2001	14-12	4-11
2002	8-20	1-14
2003	17-14	6-9
2004	15-17	5-10
2005	20-6	4-5
2006	31-6	13-2
2007	24-10	6-9
2008	28-6	9-6
2009	19-13	7-8
2010	20-10	9-6
2011	21-10	7-8
2012	29-5	11-4
2013	19-12	6-9
2014	19-10	7-8
2015	15-11	7-7
2016	22-10	9-6
2017		
Total	684-381-2	241-274-2



STADIUM RECORDS

Longest Winning Streak: 21 (2012)
 Most Runs Scored by UK: 27 vs. Tennessee-Martin (March 10, 2007)
 Most Runs Scored by Both Teams: 44
 - Mississippi State 28, Kentucky 16 (1989)

STADIUM FACTS

Capacity: 3,000
 Dimensions: 340-365-390-350-310
 Playing Surface: Natural Grass (home plate area and baselines are synthetic surface)
 Year Built: 1969 as the Bernie A. Shively Sports Center
 Renovated: 1990, 2002, 2007
 Dedicated: Oct. 2, 1993

OPPONENTS IN THE POLLS THIS WEEK

TEAM	BA	CB	ESPN	BWA	D1
N. Carolina	14	12	13	9	9
UCSB	24	-	23	-	-
Wright St.	25	-	-	-	-
Texas A&M	-	15	20	15	16
Ole Miss	22	14	24	21	17
Vanderbilt	9	6	6	7	7
Louisville	6	11	8	8	10
LSU	4	2	3	3	5
S. Carolina	5	4	4	6	4
Florida	3	3	2	2	2

KENTUCKY WEEK-BY-WEEK IN THE NATIONAL POLLS

Date	BWA	ESPN	BA	CB	D1
Pre	-	-	-	-	-
Week 1	-	-	-	-	-
Week 2					
Week 3					
Week 4					
Week 5					
Week 6					
Week 7					
Week 8					
Week 9					
Week 10					
Week 11					
Week 12					
Week 13					
Week 14					

VS. RANKED OPPONENTS

TEAM	HIGH RANK	RECORD
N. Carolina	12^	0-3

^NCBWA
 *Baseball America
 +ESPN Coaches
 #Collegiate Baseball
 %D1 Baseball

WEEKLY POLLS

BASEBALL AMERICA

- TCU
- Florida State
- Florida
- LSU
- South Carolina
- Louisville
- Cal State Fullerton
- Oregon State
- Vanderbilt
- Washington
- East Carolina
- N.C. State
- Virginia
- North Carolina
- Clemson
- Louisiana-Lafayette
- Georgia Tech
- Coastal Carolina
- Arizona
- Oklahoma State
- Texas Tech
- Ole Miss
- Stanford
- UC Santa Barbara
- Wright State

NCBWA

- TCU
- Florida
- LSU
- Florida State
- Oregon State
- South Carolina
- Vanderbilt
- Louisville
- North Carolina
- N.C. State
- Cal State Fullerton
- Arizona
- Virginia
- Alabama
- Texas A&M
- Louisiana-Lafayette
- Miami (Fla.)
- Texas Tech
- Coastal Carolina
- Clemson
- Ole Miss
- Stanford
- UNC Wilmington
- Washington
- Georgia Tech

USA TODAY/ESPN

- TCU (24)
- Florida (4)
- LSU (2)
- South Carolina
- Florida State
- Vanderbilt
- Oregon State
- Louisville
- Coastal Carolina (1)
- East Carolina
- Cal State Fullerton
- Clemson
- North Carolina
- N.C. State
- Arizona
- Louisiana-Lafayette
- Miami (Fla.)
- Virginia
- Texas Tech
- Texas A&M
- Stanford
- Oklahoma State
- UC Santa Barbara
- Ole Miss
- Rice

COLLEGIATE BASE.

- TCU
- LSU
- Florida
- South Carolina
- Oregon State
- Vanderbilt
- Arizona
- Miami (Fla.)
- Florida State
- Cal State Fullerton
- Louisville
- North Carolina
- Virginia
- Ole Miss
- Texas A&M
- Louisiana-Lafayette
- Washington
- Sam Houston State
- Arizona State
- Texas Tech
- Long Beach State
- Clemson
- Dallas Baptist
- Rice
- Texas

D1 BASEBALL

- TCU
- Florida
- Florida State
- South Carolina
- LSU
- N.C. State
- Vanderbilt
- Oregon State
- North Carolina
- Louisville
- Texas Tech
- Cal State Fullerton
- Louisiana-Lafayette
- Virginia
- Arizona
- Texas A&M
- Ole Miss
- East Carolina
- Coastal Carolina
- Stanford
- Miami (Fla.)
- Clemson
- Rice
- UNC Wilmington
- Houston

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME...

Led off a game with a home run:	Austin Cousino (vs. Cincinnati, April 17, 2012)
Led off a game with a triple:	Austin Cousino (vs. Georgia, March 31, 2013)
Hit a grand slam:	Riley Mahan (vs. Alabama, April 9, 2016)
Hit a walk-off home run:	Dorian Hairston (vs. South Carolina, May 8, 2016)
Hit an extra-inning, game-winning home run:	Dorian Hairston (vs. South Carolina, May 8, 2016)
Hit two home runs in a game:	JaVon Shelby (vs. Auburn, May 1, 2016)
Hit two home runs in an inning:	AJ Reed (vs. St. Joseph's, Feb. 21, 2014)
Hit five homers in a three-game span:	AJ Reed (Feb. 21-23, 2014)
Hit three home runs in a game:	Gunner Glad (vs. South Carolina, March 28, 2009)
Hit a ninth-inning, pinch-hit homer:	Riley Mahan (at LSU, March 29, 2015)
Hit a home run on his birthday:	Austin Cousino (vs. Cincinnati, April 17, 2012)
Had a walk-off hit:	Dorian Hairston (vs. South Carolina, May 8, 2016)
Had a walk-off grand slam:	Riley Mahan (vs. Alabama, April 9, 2016)
Had a walk-off walk:	Thomas Bernal (vs. Buffalo, Feb. 26, 2012)
Hit an inside the park homer:	Riley Mahan (at LSU, vs. April 4, 2015)
Homered in consecutive games:	Riley Mahan (at North Carolina, Feb. 19, at Liberty, Feb. 22, 2017)
Homered in three consecutive games:	AJ Reed (vs. Florida, April 4-6, 2014)
Homered in three consecutive SEC games:	AJ Reed (at Texas A&M, April 20, vs. Ole Miss, April 25, 2014)
Homered in five consecutive SEC games:	AJ Reed (vs. Florida, April 4-6, vs. Missouri, April 11-12, 2014)
Homered in first at-bat of the season:	Luke Maile (vs. Bowling Green, Feb. 28, 2010)
Homered in first at-bat of their career:	Luke Maile (vs. Bowling Green, Feb. 28, 2010)
Homered in first home at bat of their career (GS):	AJ Reed (vs. Buffalo, Feb. 24, 2012)
Homered in final home at bat of their career (GS):	Marcus Nidiffer (vs. LSU, May 14, 2010)
Hit back to back home runs:	Evan White, Zach Reks (vs. Murray State, May 17, 2016)
Hit three consecutive home runs:	Lance Ray, Braden Kapteyn and Marcus Nidiffer (at Indiana, May 11, 2010)
Scored four or more runs in a game:	Evan White (at Georgia, March 20, 2016)
Scored six or more runs in a game:	Andy Burns (vs. Mississippi State, April 19, 2009)
Had four or more hits in a game:	Zach Reks (at North Carolina, Feb. 18, 2017)
Had five or more hits in a game:	J.T. Riddle (vs. Niagara, Feb. 17, 2013)
Had six hits in a game:	J.T. Riddle (vs. Niagara, Feb. 17, 2013)
Had five RBI in a game:	Ka'ai Tom (vs. Arkansas, April 11, 2015)
Had six RBI in a game:	Micheal Thomas (vs. Ball State, March 8, 2014)
Had seven RBI in a game:	JaVon Shelby (at Georgia, March 20, 2016)
Had eight RBI in a game:	Ryan Wilkes (vs. Wright State, May 5, 2008)
Hit home runs from both sides of the plate:	Ryan Wilkes (vs. Wright State, May 5, 2008)
Hit HR from both sides of the plate in a weekend:	Tristan Pompey (Feb. 19-21, 2016)
Had two or more bunt singles in a game:	Bryan Rose (vs. MSU, April 5, 2008)
Stole three bases in a game:	Neiko Johnson (vs. South Carolina, May 8, 2010)
Stole four bases in a game:	Storm Wilson (vs. Richmond, Feb. 14, 2015)
Walked four or more times in a game:	Andy Burns (vs. Tennessee, May 3, 2009)
Struck out 10 or more batters in a game:	Dustin Beggs (10; vs. Alabama, April 9, 2016)
Pitched a seven-inning complete game:	Dustin Beggs (vs. Arkansas, April 23, 2016)
Pitched a nine-inning complete game:	Dustin Beggs (vs. South Carolina, May 7, 2016)
Pitched a nine-inning complete-game shutout:	Dustin Beggs (vs. South Carolina, May 7, 2016)
Nine-inning complete-game shutout in midweek:	Dylan Dwyer (vs. Cincinnati, March 5, 2014)
Earned a pitching win and hit a home run:	AJ Reed (BUNCHES, 2014)
Had three outfield assists in a game:	Austin Cousino (vs. Ole Miss, April 6, 2012)
Had outfield assists in back-to-back games:	Austin Cousino (at Wofford, vs. Eastern Michigan, Feb. 17-18, 2012)
Played an extra-inning game:	12 innings vs. South Carolina (May 8, 2016)
Scored 20 or more runs in a game:	26, vs. Ball State (March 9, 2014)
Hit six home runs in a game:	vs. Dayton (April 4, 2012)
Hit seven home runs in a game:	vs. Dayton (Feb. 21, 2016)
Hit four home runs in an inning:	8th, vs. Dayton (Feb. 21, 2016)
Drew 12 or more walks in a game:	12, at Indiana (May 11, 2010)
Got hit by 10 or more pitches in a game:	10, vs. Monmouth (March 6, 2010) * TIED NCAA RECORD
Stole eight bases in a game:	at Auburn (April 25, 2010)
Tied a game:	vs. LSU (March 25, 2007)
Committed six or more errors in a game:	6, vs. Murray State (March 15, 2010)
Won a series vs./at a No. 1 ranked foe:	vs. Florida (2016)



KENTUCKY BATTING ORDER

GAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N. Carolina	Reks	Wilson	White	Pompey	Mahan	Carson	Becker	Squires	Heady
N. Carolina	Reks	Mahan	Pompey	Cottam	Carson	McNeill	Heyer	Wilson	Heady
N. Carolina	Reks	Mahan	Pompey	Cottam	Carson	Heyer	McNeill	Squires	Heady
Liberty	Reks	Mahan	Pompey	Cottam	Carson	Squires	Becker	Marshall	Heady



KENTUCKY STARTING LINEUP

GAME	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH
N. Carolina	Squires	White	Mahan	Becker	Heady	Reks	Carson	Pompey	Wilson
N. Carolina	Cottam	McNeill	Mahan	Heyer	Heady	Reks	Carson	Pompey	Wilson
N. Carolina	Squires	McNeill	Mahan	Heyer	Heady	Reks	Carson	Pompey	Cottam
Liberty	Squires	Marshall	Mahan	Becker	Heady	Reks	Carson	Pompey	Cottam

HOME RUN BREAKDOWN	
BY LOCATION	
at home	0
on road	3
neutral	0
BY PITCHER	
vs. right	2
vs. left	1
starters	1
relievers	2
closers	0
BY CONFERENCE	
vs. SEC	0
vs. non-SEC	3
BY OUTS	
with no out	1
with one out	1
with two out	1
BY RUNNERS ON	
solo	2
two-run	1
three-run	0
grand slam	0
BY COUNT	
ahead in count	1
even in count	0
behind in count	2
full count	0
first pitch	0
two strike	1
BY TIME OF DAY	
day games	3
night games	0

HOME RUN TRACKER

No	Player (#)	Opponent	On	Inn.	Out	Count	Pitcher (R/L)
1	R. Mahan (1)	N. Carolina	1	3	1	1-0	Dalatri (R)
2	R. Mahan (2)	Liberty	0	5	0	0-1	Tarantola (L)
3	C. Heady (1)	Liberty	0	6	2	1-2	Clouse (R)

HOME RUNS BY POSITION

C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH	PH
-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

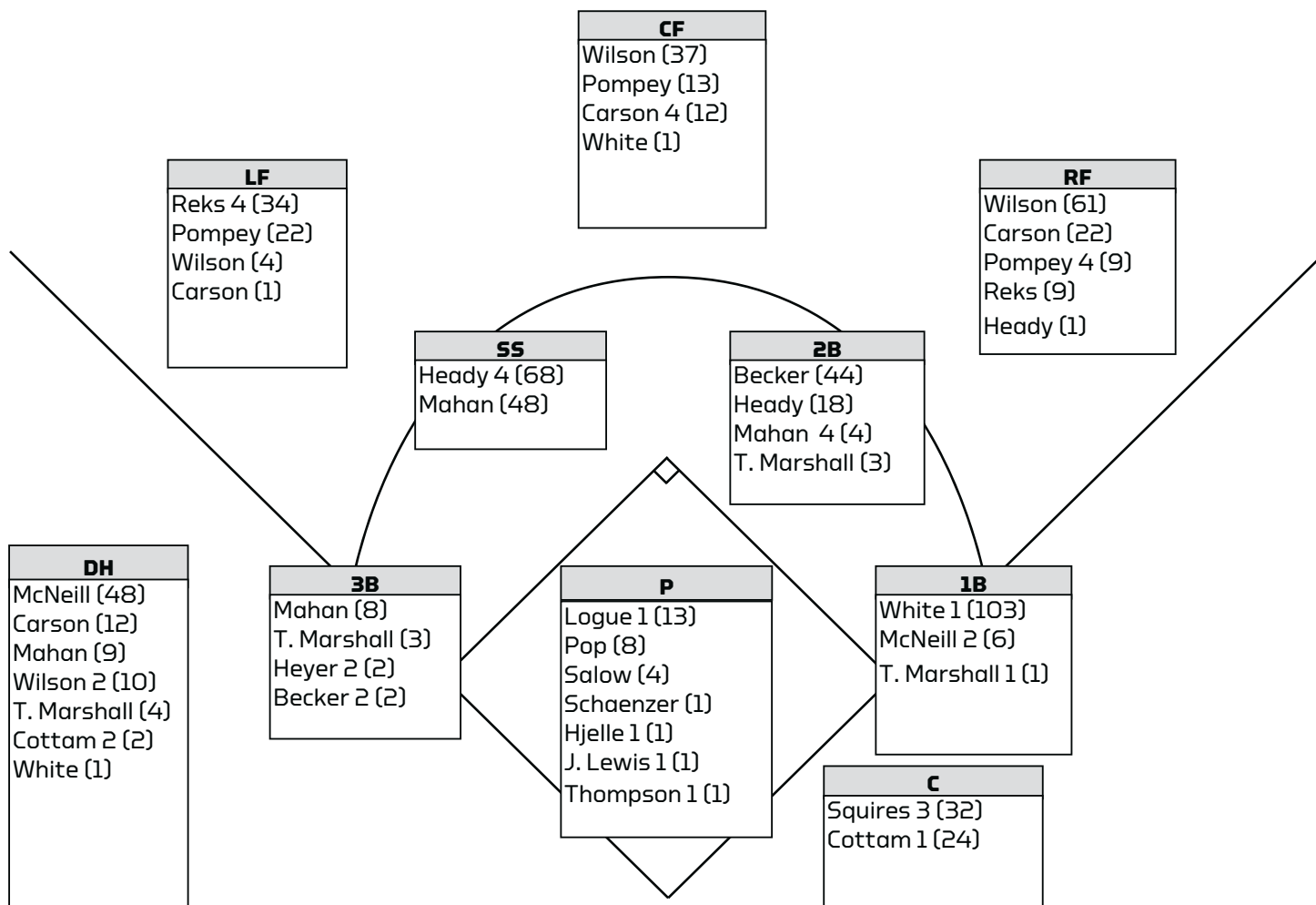
HOME RUNS BY INNING

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-

Starts By Batting Order 2017 (Career)

Player	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Becker	-	- (2)	-	-	- (9)	- (21)	2 (9)	- (4)	- (1)
Carson	- (2)	-	-	-	3 (5)	1 (6)	- (18)	- (11)	- (3)
Cottam	-	-	-	3 (3)	-	- (1)	- (2)	- (5)	- (14)
Heady	-	-	-	-	-	- (2)	- (1)	- (10)	4 (74)
Heyer	-	-	-	-	-	1 (1)	1 (1)	-	-
Mahan	- (1)	3 (6)	- (3)	- (13)	1 (8)	- (4)	- (18)	- (13)	- (7)
T. Marshall	-	-	-	-	-	- (3)	- (4)	1 (4)	-
McNeill	-	-	- (16)	- (20)	- (14)	1 (2)	1 (2)	-	-
Pompey	-	-	3 (3)	1 (7)	- (2)	- (5)	- (9)	- (17)	- (1)
Reks	4 (8)	- (11)	-	- (6)	- (8)	- (7)	- (3)	-	-
Squires	-	-	-	-	-	1 (1)	-	2 (5)	- (26)
White	- (19)	- (74)	1 (1)	-	-	- (6)	- (4)	-	-
Wilson	- (32)	1 (21)	-	-	- (11)	- (33)	- (13)	1 (7)	-

Starts By Position 2017 (Career)



CATS IN THE PROS

Player (Years at UK)	Organization	Draft Round	Highest 2016 Level
Andrew Albers (2005-08)	Minnesota Twins	10th	MLB
Kyle Barrett (2013-15)	Miami Marlins	15th	A
Dustin Beggs (2015-16)	Miami Marlins	16th	A-Short
Zack Brown (2014-16)	Milwaukee Brewers	5th	A
Joe Blanton (2000-02)	Free Agent	1st	MLB
Kyle Cody (2013-16)	Texas Rangers	6th	A-Short
Austin Cousino (2012-14)	Free Agent	3rd	AAA
Collin Cowgill (2005, 06,08)	Cleveland Indians	5th	MLB
Logan Darnell (2008-10)	Minnesota Twins	6th	AAA
Trevor Gott (2011-13)	Washington Nationals	6th	MLB
Max Kuhn (2012-14)	Oakland Athletics	13th	DNP-Injured
Corey Littrell (2011-13)	St. Louis Cardinals	5th	AAA
Luke Maile (2010-12)	Tampa Bay Rays	8th	MLB
Alex Meyer (2009-11)	Los Angeles Angels	1st	MLB
James Paxton (2007-09)	Seattle Mariners	1st	MLB
Tim Peterson (2012)	New York Mets	20th	AA
AJ Reed (2012-14)	Houston Astros	2nd	MLB
J.T. Riddle (2011-13)	Miami Marlins	13th	AAA
Taylor Rogers (2010-12)	Minnesota Twins	11th	MLB
Chris Rusin (2006-09)	Colorado Rockies	4th	MLB
JaVon Shelby (2014-16)	Oakland Athletics	5th	A-Short
Chandler Shepherd (2012-14)	Boston Red Sox	13th	AAA
Zach Strecker (2013-16)	Minnesota Twins	Free Agent	Rookie
Ka'ai Tom (2014-15)	Cleveland Indians	5th	A-Short



MAJOR LEAGUE WILDCATS



HEAD COACH NICK MINGIONE



Nick Mingione – who spent the last eight seasons as an assistant to John Cohen at Mississippi State – was named Kentucky’s head coach on June 14, 2016.

“Nick Mingione is exactly the kind of coach we hoped to hire when we began our search,” Kentucky Director of Athletics Mitch Barnhart said. “His passion, tactical mind and tireless recruiting efforts made him an important part of Mississippi State’s staff during some great years

for the program. More than that, he is a man of substance who is committed not only to developing young men as baseball players, but as students and people. We are excited to welcome Nick, his wife, Christen, and son, Reeves, to the UK Athletics family.”

Mingione takes over the Kentucky program after serving as assistant coach and recruiting coordinator under Cohen at Mississippi State starting before the 2009 season. Working with the team’s outfielders, first basemen and hitters, Mingione helped lead the Bulldogs to an incredible run of success, including the program’s first Southeastern Conference regular-season championship since 1989 this season, a runner-up finish in the College World Series in 2013 and an SEC Tournament championship in 2012.

“This is an opportunity I’ve dreamed about for more than a decade,” Mingione said. “From the moment I first stepped foot on campus I knew it would be a place I could call home. What an incredible feeling to be back. Kentucky is a special place and this baseball program has had great moments over the years, including some that I have been a part of. I can’t wait to get to work on building toward an even brighter future.

“I want to thank President (Eli) Capilouto and Mitch for entrusting the program to me, John (Cohen) for the mentorship that has prepared me for this moment and the unending support of my family, especially my wife, Christen.”

Prior to his time at Mississippi State, Mingione spent two seasons at UK as an assistant under Cohen in 2006-07. UK won 33 SEC games in those two seasons, including in 2006 when UK claimed its first and only SEC championship. After the historic regular season, the Wildcats hosted an NCAA Regional for the first time. Mingione worked extensively at UK with the likes of All-Americans Sawyer Carroll, Sean Coughlin, Collin Cowgill and Ryan Streiby, as well as second-team All-SEC infielder John Shelby III.

Mingione has a sterling reputation as a recruiter. Over the nine seasons at Kentucky and Mississippi State for which recruiting rankings are final, he has helped land classes with an average ranking of 14th, including top-three classes in 2013-15. He also has an unmatched track record of player development, coaching 64 players selected in the MLB Draft, as well as 36 All-Americans and five conference players of the year.

“Nick Mingione has been preparing for this opportunity for the last 13 years and I absolutely know that he will make the most of it,” Cohen said. “He is one of the nation’s elite recruiters. He is a brilliant tactician of the game. His ability to prepare kids for success in the SEC is of the highest level.

“He will make himself an irreplaceable part of the Kentucky baseball community and his wife is one of the finest people I’ve

ever met. You try and surround yourself with people who make you a better coach and a better person. Nick Mingione has been that kind of person for me and like a member of my family.”

Before rejoining Cohen at MSU, Mingione spent a season at Western Carolina as assistant coach and recruiting coordinator. There, Mingione helped lead the Catamounts to top-40 national ranking among in 11 different offensive categories.

Prior to his time at Kentucky, Mingione spent three years as an assistant coach at Embry-Riddle University, his alma mater. The Eagles appeared in the NAIA College World Series in each of those seasons, culminating in a runner-up finish in 2005. Mingione also coached at Florida Gulf Coast in 2002, helping lay the foundation for the program before its inaugural season in 2003. He began his coaching career in 2001 at Mariner High School, his alma mater.

Mingione – born in Tarrytown, N.Y., before growing up in Florida – graduated from Embry-Riddle in 2000 with a degree in aerospace studies, as well as a triple minor in business, psychology and humanities. He was also a four-year letterman on the school’s baseball team.

Away from coaching, Mingione travels often for both speaking engagements and mission trips. In 2013, he and six current and former members of the MSU program helped build houses and run baseball clinics for youth on the Bahamian island of Eleuthera. When he returned stateside, he was inducted into the “Be The Best You Are” Baseball Clinic Speaker Hall of Fame. Other past inductees include Ted Williams (2002), Ron Polk (2003), Leo Mazzone (2006) and Cohen (2008).

Mingione is married to the former Christen Reeves. The couple has one son, Reeves.

NICK MINGIONE FILE

Personal

Wife: Christen
Son: Reeves

Hometown

Tarrytown, N.Y.

Education

High School: Mariner (Cape Coral, Fla.)
College: Embry-Riddle University (Aerospace Studies, 2000)

Playing Career

1996-2000: Embry-Riddle

Coaching Career

2001: Mariner (Fla.) High School, Assistant Coach
2002: Florida Gulf Coast, Assistant Coach
2003-05: Embry-Riddle, Assistant Coach
2006-07: Kentucky, Assistant Coach
2008: Western Carolina, Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator
2009-16: Mississippi State, Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator
2017: Kentucky, Head Coach

MINGIONE BY THE NUMBERS

189 - SEC Academic Honor Roll selections

53 - Players coached who have been selected in the Major League Baseball Draft



39 - All-Conference honors coached

35 - All-American honors coached

14 - Seasons as a college baseball coach

9 - NCAA Regionals (2003-06, 2011-14, 2016)

9 - Nationally-ranked recruiting classes (2006-07, 2009-15)

6 - Conference championships (2003-06, 2012, 2016)

5 - Conference Players of the Year coached (2004-06, 2012, 2016)

4 - College World Series (2003-05, 2013)

3 - SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year (2013, 2014, 2015)

2 - National Championship finalists (2005, 2013)



2017 Kentucky Baseball
Overall Statistics for Kentucky (as of Feb 22, 2017)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 0-4 Home: 0-0 Away: 0-4 SEC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
40 Zach Reks	.500	4-4	16	3	8	1	0	0	1	9	.563	3	0	0	0	.579	0	0	2-2	7	0	0	1.000
15 Marcus Carson	.357	4-4	14	1	5	2	0	0	2	7	.500	1	1	3	0	.438	0	1	2-3	8	0	1	.889
13 Kole Cottam	.267	4-3	15	1	4	2	0	0	4	6	.400	0	0	5	2	.267	0	0	0-0	8	1	0	1.000
7 Connor Heady	.267	4-4	15	2	4	1	0	1	2	8	.533	0	0	4	0	.267	0	0	0-0	8	10	0	1.000
6 Tristan Pompey	.200	4-4	15	1	3	1	0	0	0	4	.267	2	1	4	0	.333	0	0	0-0	7	0	0	1.000
16 Troy Squires	.182	3-3	11	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	.182	1	0	2	0	.250	0	0	1-1	17	3	0	1.000
26 Luke Heyer	.143	3-2	7	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.286	2	1	2	0	.400	0	0	0-1	2	2	0	1.000
8 Storm Wilson	.143	2-2	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.143	0	0	3	0	.143	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
2 Riley Mahan	.133	4-4	15	3	2	0	0	2	4	8	.533	1	1	5	1	.235	0	1	1-1	11	8	2	.905

19 Evan White	.500	1-1	4	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	.750	0	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	9	1	0	1.000
3 Tyler Marshall	.250	2-1	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	1	0	0	0	.400	0	0	0-0	4	1	0	1.000
25 Gunnar McNeill	.167	3-2	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.167	2	0	1	0	.375	0	0	0-0	12	2	0	1.000
10 Luke Becker	.000	3-2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	4	0	.167	0	1	0-0	0	0	2	.000
4 Zeke Lewis	.000	2-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.254	4	134	14	34	9	0	3	14	52	.388	14	4	34	3	.342	0	3	6-8	96	32	5	.962
Opponents	.266	4	128	19	34	7	0	3	17	50	.391	19	3	26	2	.373	0	1	0-2	108	41	1	.993

LOB - Team (33), Opp (36). DPs turned - Team (2), Opp (3).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
28 Logan Salow	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	5.1	3	0	0	3	2	2	0	0	.176	0	0	0	0	0
30 Sean Hjelle	5.40	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	11	3	3	0	2	1	0	0	.423	0	0	0	0	0
39 Zach Logue	6.23	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	4.1	6	3	3	4	5	1	0	0	.333	0	0	0	0	1
14 Zack Thompson	7.71	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	4.2	4	4	4	1	8	2	0	1	.211	0	0	0	0	0

42 Brad Schaezner	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	3.2	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
44 Colton Cleary	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	3.2	3	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	.214	1	1	0	0	0
52 Zach Pop	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	2.0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	.167	0	0	0	0	0
22 Austin Keen	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
45 Mark Doerries	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0
12 Alec Maley	9.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	2	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	.333	0	2	0	0	0
21 Justin Lewis	22.50	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	2.0	4	5	5	3	1	0	0	2	.400	0	0	2	0	0
Totals	4.50	0-4	4	4	0	0/0	0	32.0	34	19	16	19	26	7	0	3	.266	2	3	2	0	1
Opponents	3.25	4-0	4	4	0	0/0	4	36.0	34	14	13	14	34	9	0	3	.254	3	4	0	0	3

PB - Team (0), Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (1), L. Salow 1. SBA/ATT - T. Squires (0-1), L. Salow (0-1), K. Cottam (0-1), Z. Pop (0-1).

2017 Kentucky Baseball
Overall Statistics for Kentucky (as of Feb 22, 2017)
(All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Player	c	po	a	e	fld%	dp	sba	csb	sba%	pb	ci
16 Troy Squires	20	17	3	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
7 Connor Heady	18	8	10	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
25 Gunnar McNeill	14	12	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
19 Evan White	10	9	1	0	1.000	2	0	0	---	0	0
13 Kole Cottam	9	8	1	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
40 Zach Reks	7	7	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
6 Tristan Pompey	7	7	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
3 Tyler Marshall	5	4	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
26 Luke Heyer	4	2	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
21 Justin Lewis	3	2	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
44 Colton Cleary	2	0	2	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
14 Zack Thompson	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
28 Logan Salow	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
2 Riley Mahan	21	11	8	2	.905	2	0	0	---	0	0
15 Marcus Carson	9	8	0	1	.889	0	0	0	---	0	0
10 Luke Becker	2	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
22 Austin Keen	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
12 Alec Maley	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
39 Zach Logue	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
8 Storm Wilson	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
45 Mark Doerries	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
4 Zeke Lewis	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
42 Brad Schaenzer	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
52 Zach Pop	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
30 Sean Hjelle	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals	133	96	32	5	.962	2	0	2	.000	0	0
Opponents	150	108	41	1	.993	3	6	2	.750	1	0

Hitting minimums - 1 Games 50% of Games 1.5 AB/Game 1 TPA 1.5 TPA/Game

Pitching minimums - 1 Games 1 IP 1.0 IP/Game

2017 Kentucky Baseball
Games Summary for Kentucky (as of Feb 22, 2017)
(All games)

Score by innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Kentucky	2	0	4	1	1	1	3	1	1	14
Opponents	2	5	3	2	4	3	0	0	0	19

Record when ...

Overall	0-4	After 6 leading	0-0
Conference	0-0	..... trailing	0-4
Non-Conference	0-4	..... tied	0-0
Home games	0-0	After 7 leading	0-0
Away games	0-4	..... trailing	0-4
Neutral site	0-0	..... tied	0-0
Day games	0-4	After 8 leading	0-0
Night games	0-0	..... trailing	0-4
vs Left starter	0-0	..... tied	0-0
vs Right starter	0-4		
1-Run games	0-3	Hit 0 home runs	0-2
2-Run games	0-1	... 1 home run	0-1
5+Run games	0-0	... 2+ home runs	0-1
Extra innings	0-0		
Shutouts	0-0	Opponent 0 home runs	0-2
		..... 1 home run	0-1
Scoring 0-2 runs	0-1	..... 2+ HRs	0-1
..... 3-5 runs	0-3		
..... 6-9 runs	0-0	Made 0 errors	0-1
..... 10+ runs	0-0	.... 1 error	0-1
		.... 2+ errors	0-2
Opponent 0-2 runs	0-0		
..... 3-5 runs	0-3	Opp. made 0 errors	0-3
..... 6-9 runs	0-1	..... 1 error	0-1
..... 10+ runs	0-0	..... 2+ errors	0-0
Scored in 1st inning	0-2	Out-hit opponent	0-3
Opp. scored in 1st	0-2	Out-hit by opponent	0-1
Scores first	0-2	Hits are tied	0-0
Opp. scores first	0-2		

Record when team scores:

Runs	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
W-L	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Record when opponent scores:

Runs	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
W-L	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Record when leading after:

Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
W-L	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Record when trailing after:

Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
W-L	0-2	0-3	0-2	0-3	0-4	0-4	0-4	0-4

Record when tied after:

Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
W-L	0-0	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Current losing streak: 4

Longest winning streak: 0

Longest losing streak: 4

Home attendance : 0 (0 dates avg = 0)

Away attendance : 8281 (4 dates avg = 2070)

Total attendance: 8281 (4 dates avg = 2070)

2017 Kentucky Baseball
Game Results for Kentucky (as of Feb 22, 2017)
(All games)

Date	Opponent	Score	Inns	Overall	SEC	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
Feb 17, 2017	at #9 North Carolina	L 1-3	9	0-1-0	0-0-0	S. Hjelle (L 0-1)	1763	3:02
Feb 18, 2017	at #9 North Carolina	L 5-6	9	0-2-0	0-0-0	Z. Logue (L 0-1)	2551	4:00
Feb 19, 2017	at #9 North Carolina	L 4-5	9	0-3-0	0-0-0	J. Lewis (L 0-1)	2632	3:11
Feb 22, 2017	at LIBERTY	L 4-5	9	0-4-0	0-0-0	Z. Thompson (L 0-1)	1335	3:28

() extra inning game