



SCHEDULE/RESULTS

	FEB	RUARY	
	16	at Wofford	W, 6-1
	17	at USC Upstate (DH-1)	W, 6-5 (10)
	17	at USC Upstate (DH-2)	W, 10-3
	18	vs. Evansville (Spartanburg, S.C.)	W, 8-4
	20	XAVIER	L, 2-3 (10)
	23	OAKLAND	W, 10-1
	24	OAKLAND	W, 17-6
	25	OAKLAND	W, 15-6
	27	WESTERN KENTUCKY	W, 4-3
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MARCH

2	vs. #19! Houston^	W, 14-2 (7)
3	vs. #20! Sam Houston State^	W, 7-2
4	vs. Louisiana^	W. 10-4
6	EASTERN KENTUCKY	W. 16-5
7	NORTHERN KENTUCKY	L. 6-8
9	#3~ TEXAS TECH	W. 10-7
10	#3~ TEXAS TECH	W. 11-6
111	#3~ TEXAS TECH	L, 3-5
16	#5~ at Arkansas*	L. 4-9
17	#5~ at Arkansas* (DH-1)	L. 2-14
18	#5~ at Arkansas* (DH-2)	L. 9-16
20	at Xavier	W. 20-4
23	#9+ AUBURN*	W. 5-4
24	#9+ AUBURN* (DH-1)	L, 3-4 (7)
25	#9+ AUBURN* (DH-2)	W, 13-3 (7)
27	MIAMI (OHIO)	W, 13-7
30	at Alabama*	L. 2-4
31	at Alabama*	L, 2-4

APRIL

1	at Alabama*	W, 5-2
3	#21% LOUISVILLE	W, 8-5
6	SOUTH CAROLINA*	W, 14-1
7	SOUTH CAROLINA*	L, 1-15
8	SOUTH CAROLINA*	W, 10-5
11	at Western Carolina	W, 7-5
13	#18~ at Georgia	W, 6-4 (11
14	#18~ at Georgia (DH-1)	L, 7-9
14	#18~ at Georgia (DH-2)	W, 1-0
17	at Louisville	L, 2-8
19	#1+ FLORIDA*	L, 2-11
20	#1+ FLORIDA*	L, 4-9
21	#1+ FLORIDA*	W, 3-2
25	MOREHEAD STATE	W, 7-1
27	MISSOURI*	W, 2-1
28	MISSOURI*	L, 11-14
29	MISSOURI*	W, 11-10

MAY

4	at Tennessee*	L, 2-6
4 5 6	at Tennessee*	W, 10-3
6	at Tennessee*	L, 3-5
8	at Indiana	W, 7-6
11	MISSISSIPPI STATE*	W, 9-6
12	MISSISSIPPI STATE*	W, 4-1
13	MISSISSIPPI STATE *	L, 8-18
15	vs. Murray State (Paducah, Ky.)	W, 14-2 (8)
17	at Vanderbilt*	L, 1-8
18	at Vanderbilt*	L, 1-5
19	at Vanderbilt*	L, 6-9
22	vs. Auburn (SEC Tourney)	2 p.m.

All times EST: *SEC game: ^Shriners Hospitals for Children College Classic (Houston)

+Baseball America; ~D1Baseball; !Perfect Game; %Coaches Poll

2018 KENTUCKY BASEBALL







CATS OPEN POSTSEASON PLAY AT SEC TOURNAMENT

Kentucky coach Nick Mingione's self-proclaimed favorite time of year begins Tuesday afternoon in Hoover when the 10th-seeded Wildcats take on seventh-seeded Auburn in a single-elimination game that could have NCAA Tournament ramifications. The winner advances to the double-elimination portion of the bracket, where they will meet third-seeded Ole Miss on Wednesday.

The two teams met earlier this season in Lexington with the Cats winning two of three games over the then-No. 9 Tigers, including a three-run ninth inning rally in the opener, a game that Auburn star pitcher Casey Mize started. Luke Heyer blasted a game-tying two-run home run in that ninth inning. The Cats also won the back half of a seven-inning doubleheader to win the series.

UK's trio of Kole Cottam, Luke Heyer and Tristan Pompey has combined for 91 extra-base hits, 139 runs, 145 RBI and 23 stolen bases this season. Cottam and Heyer were each named First-Team All-SEC on Monday and Heyer is a semifinalist for both the Golden Spikes Award and Dick Howser Trophy.

First pitch on Tuesday at the Hoover Met is set for 2 p.m. ET on the SEC Network. Darren Headrick will have the radio call on the UK Sports Network.



#21 KENTUCKY VS #22 AUBURN

#21 KENTUCKY VS #22 AUBURN MAY 22 | 2 PM ET HOOVER MET • HOOVER. AL



KENTUCKY WILDCATS

2018 RECORD:		34-21 (13-17 SEC)
Coach:	NICK MINGIONE	(EMBRY-RIDDLE, 2000)
OVERALL REG	CORD:	77-44 (.636) - 2ND YEAR
AT UK:		SAME

AUBURN TIGERS

2018 RECORD: 37-19 (15-15 SEC) BUTCH THOMPSON (BIRM. SOUTHERN) COACH: OVERALL RECORD: 136-87 (.610) - 4TH YEAR 97-78 (.554) - 3RD YEAR AT AUBURN:

DATE/TIME: TUESDAY, MAY 22 (2 P.M. ET)

HOOVER, ALA. (HOOVER METROPOLITAN STADIUM) LOCATION (FACILITY):

AUBURN LEADS 78-45 (UK WON 2 OF 3 IN LEXINGTON IN MARCH) ALL-TIME SERIES: RADIO: UK SPORTS NETWORK (DARREN HEADRICK); UKATHLETICS.COM

TV/ONLINE: SEC NETWORK

PROBABLE LINEUP

	AVG	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ВВ	so
Tristan pompey (Jr., OF)	,343	40	62	20	0	7	39	31	45
KOLE COTTAM (JR., C/1B)	.346	53	74	11	0	18	49	31	49
Luke Becker (Sr., INF)	.292	37	59	12	2	7	37	36	45
LUKE HEYER (SR., INF/OF)	.340	46	69	17	0	18	57	27	48
Troy Squires (Sr., C/1B)	.271	40	54	12	0	5	51	25	36
BEN AKLINSKI (JR., OF)	.311	39	65	10	1	6	42	30	41
RYAN JOHNSON (JR., OF)	.244	30	32	9	0	3	20	13	30
TREY DAWSON (JR., INF)	.279	42	46	9	1	3	19	38	50
RYAN SHINN (JR., OF)	.244	10	19	5	1	2	8	9	23
ZEKE LEWIS (R-So., INF/OF)	.174	9	4	1	0	0	2	2	7
ALEX RODRIĞUEZ (JR., INF)	.189	11	10	4	0	0	3	11	24







2018 ROSTER

	NUMERICAL ROSTER										
No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown/Previous School				
2	Trey Dawson	IF	R/R	6-2	195	JR	Hurricane, W.Va./Chipola College				
4	Zeke Lewis	IF	S/R	5-9	165	R-SO					
5	T.J. Collett	1B/C	L/R	6-1	230	SO	Terre Haute, Ind./Terre Haute North Vigo HS				
6	Tristan Pompey	OF	S/R	6-4	205	JR	Toronto, Canada/Jean Vanier Catholic HS				
8	Marshall Gei	С	S/R	6-0	185	R-JR	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet HS				
10	Luke Becker	IF	S/R	5-11	190	SR	Fairmont, Minn./North Iowa CC				
12	Alec Maley	RHP	R/R	6-1	185	SR	Round Rock, Texas/Howard College				
13	Kole Cottam	C/1B	R/R	6-3	225	JR	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic HS				
14	Zack Thompson	LHP	L/L	6-2	225	SO	Selma, Ind./Wapahani HS				
15	Trip Lockhart	RHP	R/R	6-3	200	FR	Lexington, Ky./Lexington Catholic HS				
16	Troy Squires	C/1B	L/R	5-11	200	R-SR	Elizabethtown, Ky./Central Hardin HS				
19	Alex Rodriguez	IF	R/R	5-9	195	JR	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Northern Oklahoma College				
21	Justin Lewis	RHP	R/R	6-7	205	R-JR	Suwanee, Ga./Greater Atlanta Christian HS				
23	Brayden Combs	1B	L/R	6-5	240	R-FR	Fort Mitchell, Ky./Beechwood HS				
24	Brett Marshall	RHP	R/R	6-3	225	R-FR	Louisville, Ky./Trinity HS				
25	Coltyn Kessler	C/IF	L/R	6-3	220	FR	High Ridge, Mo./Rockwood Summit HS				
26	Luke Heyer	IF/OF	R/R	6-0	200	SR	Lithia, Fla./College of Central Florida				
28	Ryan Johnson	OF	R/L	6-3	220	JR	College Station, Texas/San Jacinto College				
30	Sean Hjelle	RHP	R/R	6-11	225	JR	White Bear Lake, Minn./Mahtomedi HS				
33	Chris Machamer	RHP	R/R	6-2	210	SO	North Canton, Ohio/Massillon HS				
34	Carson Coleman	RHP	R/R	6-2	190	R-FR	Lexington, Ky./Lexington Catholic HS				
37	Cam Hill	OF	L/R	5-10	175	FR	Georgetown, Ky./Scott County HS				
38	Jimmy Ramsey	RHP/OF		6-7	240	FR	Tonka Bay, Minn./Minnetonka HS				
39	Zach Haake	RHP	R/R	6-4	215	JR	Breese, III./John A. Logan College				
40	Crosby Bringhurst	RHP	R/R	6-3	210	FR	Taylorsville, Utah/Taylorsville HS				
41	Grant Macciocchi	RHP/IF	R/R	6-2	190	JR	West Chester Township, Ohio/Murray State College				
42	Brad Schaenzer	LHP	R/L	6-2	215	SR	Oxford, Mich./Lake Orion Community HS				
44	Ryan Shinn	OF	R/L	6-2	215	JR	Jobstown, N.J./Harford College				
45	Aaron McGeorge	RHP	R/R	5-11	170	JR	Lexington, Ky./Wabash Valley College				
50	Mason Hazelwood	LHP	L/L	6-5	200	FR	Salvisa, Ky./Mercer County HS				
52	Ben Aklinski	OF	R/R	5-11	210	JR	Phoenix, Ariz./Phoenix College				
54	Daniel Harper	RHP	R/R	6-4	215	FR	Fairway, Kan./Bishop Miege HS				

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38 19	Jimmy Ramsey Alex Rodriguez	RHP/OF IF
42 44 16 14	Brad Schaenzer Ryan Shinn Troy Squires Zack Thompson	LHP OF C/1B LHP

ALPHABETICAL

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Nick Mingione, #27 (Embry-Riddle, 2000) <u>Career Record:</u> 77-44 (.636); 2nd Season

Record at UK: same

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:** Cameron Langfels (Eastern Kentucky, 2015)

Student Assistant Coach: John T. Shelby

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

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2018 RADIO/TV SPOT CHART



TREY DAWSON



ZEKE LEWIS IF • R-SO



T.J. COLLETT 1B/C • SO



TRISTAN POMPEY



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LUKE BECKER



ALEC MALEY



KOLE COTTAM C/1B • JR



ZACK THOMPSON LHP • SO



TRIP LOCKHART RHP • FR



TROY SQUIRES C/1B • R-SR



ALEX RODRIGUEZ



JUSTIN LEWIS



BRAYDEN COMBS 1B • R-FR



BRETT MARSHALL RHP • R-FR



COLTYN KESSLER C/IF • FR



LUKE HEYER IF/OF • SR



RYAN JOHNSON OF • JR



SEAN HJELLE RHP • JR



RHP • SO



CHRIS MACHAMER CARSON COLEMAN RHP • R-FR



CAM HILL



JIMMY RAMSEY RHP/OF • FR



ZACH HAAKE



RHP • FR



CROSBY BRINGHURST GRANT MACCIOCCHI BRAD SCHAENZER RHP/IF • JR





RYAN SHINN $\mathsf{OF} \bullet \mathsf{JR}$





AARON McGeorge Mason Hazelwood I HP • FR



OF • JR



DANIEL HARPER RHP • FR



STRENGTH COACH



NICK MINGIONE HEAD COACH



ASSISTANT COACH

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ASSISTANT COACH





DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS







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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
Athletics Director: Mitch Barnhart

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Nick Mingione (Embry-Riddle, 2000)
Assistant Coaches: Jim Belanger, Roland Fanning,

Todd Guilliams

Director of Operations: Cameron Langfels

2017 Review

Overall Record: 43-23 Home: 30-6 Away: 11-14 Neutral: 2-3

Conference Record: 19-11

Home: 10-5 Away: 9-6

Conference Finish: Second in SEC East

2018 Outlook

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/14

Starters Returning: 7 (4 positional, 3 pitchers) Starters Lost: 6 (5 positional, 1 pitchers) Newcomers: 24 (14 HS, 9 JUCO, 1 transfer)

History

All-Time Record: 1882-1799-25 (.511)

All-Time Conference Record: 709-933-8 (.432)

Conference Titles: one (2006)

NCAA Tournament Appearances: nine (2017)

Facility

Stadium: Cliff Hagan Stadium at Shively Field

First Year: 1969 Capacity: 3,000

Dimensions: 340-365-390-350-310

Support Staff

Shae Carson, Nutrition Addison Coffery, Student Manager Phil DePase, Video Coordinator

Ryan DeVriendt, Strength & Conditioning Coach

Charlie Haunert, Student Manager Darren Headrick, Voice of UK Baseball Keirce Kimbel, Graduate Student Manager Angel Lazu, Graduate Athletic Trainer Mike Missen, Grad Assistant Strength Coach

Alex Morgan, Student Manager Tyler Schwalbach, Student Manager John T. Shelby, Student Assistant Coach Taylor Stemmle, Student Manager

Michael Stone, Director of Academic Services

Bryan Wells, Athletic Trainer

Reece Wallace, Head Equipment Manager

MEDIA INFORMATION

CREDENTIALS

If you have a 2017-18 football or men's basketball season credential it is valid for home baseball games. All other 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 sports information office by contacting Matt May. UK Media Relations has final determination on all credential requests.

PRESS BOX

The Cliff Hagan Stadium Press Box sits above the grandstand behind home plate. There is limited seating in the Press Box with the majority of media seats available on a first-come, first-serve basis. There are several spaces available for overflow seating we can direct you to if necessary.

LIVE STATS

For home games you can access live game stats via StatBroadcast at http://www.statbroadcast.com/events/index.php.

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. The sports Information department will send postgame summaries, notes, photos (when available) and box scores via email, UKathletics.com and UK Baseball's social media accounts.

POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Interviews with players and coaches are conducted on the field following each game. Please let Matt May or a member of the media relations staff know of any postgame interview requests and we will coordinate for you. For assistance in locating any member of the Kentucky team, find Matt May for help. For assistance with opposing players and coaches, please see the opposing SID.

PRACTICE/INTERVIEWS

Practices are typically in the afternoon with the exception of Mondays (off day). Head coach Nick Mingione is available for interviews weekday mornings except Mondays, as well as before/after practice and games.

Players are available for interviews before practice on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. <u>DUE TO NCAA TIME MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS, PLAYER INTERVIEW REQUESTS MUST BE TURNED IN BY SUNDAY AT 5 P.M. FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK.</u> Please arrange all interviews through the UK Sports Information 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 in the UK 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 2018 media guide are available 24 hours a day on the official website of Kentucky athletics, www.UKathletics.com.

COACH MINGIONE RADIO/TV SHOWS

Coach Mingione has both weekly radio and television shows. The radio show will air weekly on Monday night at 7 p.m. ET on 630 AM-WLAP. The television show airs on WKYT.



Matt May

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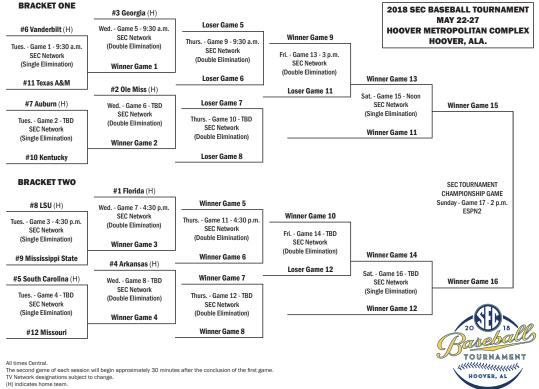








2018 SEC TOURNAMENT BRACKET





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WEEK 15 SCHEDULE FOR KENTUCKY BASEBALL

MONDAY - 21	TUESDAY - 22	WEDNESDAY - 23	THURSDAY - 24	FRIDAY - 25	SATURDAY - 26	SUNDAY - 27
Practice	UK VS AUBURN SEC TOURNAMENT 2 PM ET	SEC Tournament	SEC Tournament	SEC Tournament	SEC Tournament	SEC Tournament

MINGIONE MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Kentucky fans quickly have fallen in love with **Nick Mingione**, whose infectious and unrelenting enthusiasm and down-to-earth personality has earned legions of new fans. Although it is certainly an ingredient in Mingione's on-field success, the fact he can flat out coach and get the best out of his players has been the biggest factor in the success he's achieved everywhere he's been (see graphic to the right).

Mingione had a brilliant playing career at Embry-Riddle - he ranks 10th on its career hits list - where he helped lead the program to 154 victories and three NAIA World Series appearances in three seasons as an assistant. When he arrived at Kentucky in 2006 he was immediately part of what is still the Cats' only SEC championship club, then smelled success at Mississippi State before returning to the one place he had always wanted to be a head coach - UK. First season, first Super Regional appearance for the Cats.

He has the most overall and SEC wins through his first two seasons of any UK coach:

WINS	SEC
77	32
59	25
54	21
53	14
	77 59 54

DANDY DOZEN: CATS LEAD THE SEC IN INDIVIDUAL HONORS

Although the strength of our TEAM is our TEAM, the Cats have had standout individual performances that have caught the attention of observers across the country and in the SEC offices. Since the beginning of the 2017 season, UK players have been named either SEC Player or Pitcher of the Week *TWELVE* times, the most for any school in the conference. Riley Mahan (3), **Luke Heyer** (2), **Kole Cottam**, **Tristan Pompey** and **Troy Squires** have earned Player of the Week, while **Sean Hjelle**, **Justin Lewis**, **Chris Machamer** and Logan Salow were honored as Pitcher of the Week.

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>HONORS</u>		
KENTUCKY	12		
LSU	8		

COLLETT'S COMMUNITY SERVICE

One of the tenets of Mingione's philosophy for the UK progam is that young men in it are students first, people second an players third. Sophomore 1B/C T.J. Collett was honored for the person part of that by being named to the SEC's Community Service Team.

Collett, who hails from Terre Haute, Indiana, is heavily involved with the NEGU/Jessie Rees Foundation, whose mission is connecting with families of young cancer patients, bringing awareness to their stories, offering them a network of helpful resources and sending the entire family encouragement throughout their journey. NEGU, which stands for Never Ever Give Up, has worked with

THE MINGIONE EFFECT

In 15 seasons as a collegiate coach Mingione has produced a sparkling track record. Those teams have averaged 39 victories a year and advanced to the postseason 10 times with two national runner-up finishes.

KENTUCKY (HEAD COACH)

2017: 43-23 NCAA Super Regional

MISSISSIPPI STATE

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

WESTERN CAROLINA

2008: 29-28

KENTUCKY 2006: 44-17^

2004: 53-11^

2007: 34-19-1	0_0 0.1a.mpo, 110/11110a.m.
EMBRY-RIDDLE 2003: 48-16	Sun Conf. champs; NAIA World Series

Sun Conf. champs; NAIA Final Four

SEC champs; NCAA Tourney

2005: 53-10[^] Sun Conf. champs; NAIA

runner-up

Total: 588-327-2 (.643)

^school record for wins at the time







WILDCATS RECORD WHEN...

	2040	MINICIONE
Record	2018 34-21	MINGIONE 77-44
Home	19-9	49-15
Away	10-12	21-26
Neutral		
SEC		
Home Road	9-6 1 11	19-11
Non-Conference		
Home	10-3	30-4
Road	6-1	9-9
_ Neutral		
Postseason	0-0	5-5
Day games	23-11	47-25
Day games Night games	11-10	30-19
One-run games	8-2	12-10
Two-run games	2-6	7-12
Five+-run games	17-9	42-11
Extra-inning games	Z-1 1_0	
Scoring firet	20-8	51_20
Opponent scores first	. 14-13	26-26
Scoring 10 or more runs	1/ - 1	37-1
Allowing 10 or more runs	1-6	1-10
Scoring six runs or more	26-6	61-10
Scoring four runs or less Allowing four runs or less	5-15	10-33
Hitting home run(s)	20-4 27 ₋ 15	52-9 58-20
Allowing home run(s)	14-16	41-32
Out-hitting an opponent	30-5	66-16
I Out-hit by opponent	4-15	9-27
Matching opponents hits	0-1	2-1
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vs. LHPvs. RHP	14-4	20-11 54 22
Leading after seventh inning	. 20-17 26 ₋ 1	
Trailing after seventh inning	6-18	7-37
Tied after the seventh inning	1-1	3-3
Decided in the last at bat	5-2	7-4
Not committing an error	1 <u>2-8</u>	30-15
Committing two or more errors.	7-5	15-18
vs. Top 25	11-8	28-23
l vs. Top 10	5-7	9-14
On Sunday	7-4	16-9
On Monday	0-0	1-0
On Tuesday	7-2	15-3
On Wednesday	2-1	6-3
On Thursday	U-1 Q_6	∠-ა 21₋12
On Saturday	9-7	16-14
In February	8-1	11-6
In March	10-8	27-10
In April	11-6	22-14
In May In June	5-6	17-13
In 1st Base Dugout	0 - 0 28_17	4-3 66_22
In 3rd Base Dugout		
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Collett on bringing children and their families to UK home baseball games to experience pregame activities on the field and in the dugout, as well as be announced during the game. As part of his work with NEGU, Collett has spearheaded an effort where members of the UK baseball team delivery Joy Jars to young cancer patients. The jars are stuffed with toys, games, and other things to brighten patients' days while fighting the disease. More information on NEGU can be found at negu.org.

BIG BLUE BOMBERS

The Cats have proven to be one of the most power-laden clubs in the country and are on pace to rank amongst the school's all-time home run happy teams. Although there is power up and down the lineup the duo of **Kole Cottam and Luke Heyer** has been especially difficult to handle and through May 21 make UK the only team in Division I with two players who have at least 18 home runs. The Cats ended the regular season ranking third nationally in total home runs and sixth in slugging percentage.

The combined home run total for Cottam and Heyer could very well end up being the most for a duo in UK's history. The 1991 tandem of Mike Harris and Rick Norton combined for 40 total home runs, which could be in reach for this season's Big Blue Bash Bros:

YEAR	HR	PLAYERS (HR)
1991	40	Mike Harris (20) and Rick Norton (20)
1999	39	John Wilson (23) and Aaron McGlone (16)
2008	38	Sawyer Carroll (19) and Collin Cowgill (19)
2006	38	Ryan Strieby (20) and John Shelby (18)
2018	36	LUKE HEYER (18) AND KOLE COTTAM (18)
1987	35	Mitch Knox (19) and Chris Estep (16)
1984	32	Randy Clark (20) and Mike Agnich (12)

THE BAT TEAM - KOLE. NUKE AND POMP

Kentucky is blessed with three legitimate All-America candidates in its lineup in **Kole Cottam, Luke Heyer and Tristan Pompey,** all of whom are having tremendous seasons. With Pompey heating up since the calendar flipped to May the trio stacks up against any other in the country. Their combined numbers:

Average - .343 Hits - 205 Runs - 139 RBI - 145 Doubles - 48 Home Runs - 43 Total Bases - 382 Stolen bases - 23 Walks - 89

#BBN LOVES BASEBALL

With 91,551 fans passing through the Cliff Hagan Stadium gates this season, the BBN set a school-record for total season attendance, an average of 3,270 fans per game. The average ranks in the nation's top 20.

Although not often mentioned in the same breath with baseball hotbeds around the country there is a deep and longstanding bond with the game in the Bluegrass region, particularly the "triangle" extending the Lexington to Cincinnati to Louisville. The Cats ranked in the top 25 in home attendance last season, ahead of more traditional powers such as Miami, Arizona State, Wichita State, Tulane, Long Beach State, North Carolina and Stanford. In 2018 as the program sold its entire allotment of season tickets for the first time in school history, ensuring The Cliff will be as good a homefield advantage as ever this season.





TRACKING KENTUCKY'S EXTRA-BASE HITS							
Player	Doubles 2018 (career)	Triples 2018 (career)	Home Runs 2018 (career)	Totals 2018 (career)			
BEN AKLINSKI LUKE BECKER T.J. COLLETT BRAYDEN COMBS KOLE COTTAM TREY DAWSON MARSHALL GEI LUKE HEYER RYAN JOHNSON COLTYN KESSLER ZEKE LEWIS TRISTAN POMPEY ALEX RODRGIUEZ RYAN SHINN TROY SQUIRES	10 (10) 12 (31) 4 (4) 0 (0) 11 (29) 9 (9) 1 (1) 17 (24) 9 (11) 1 (1) 1 (1) 20 (46) 4 (4) 5 (5) 12 (25)	1 (1) 2 (2) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (1) 1 (1) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (1) 0 (0) 1 (1) 0 (0)	6 (6) 7 (15) 10 (11) 1 (1) 18 (26) 3 (3) 0 (0) 18 (21) 3 (3) 0 (0) 0 (0) 7 (24) 0 (0) 2 (2) 5 (6)	17 (17) 21 (48) 14 (15) 1 (1) 29 (56) 13 (13) 1 (1) 35 (44) 12 (14) 1 (1) 1 (1) 27 (71) 4 (4) 8 (8) 17 (31)			
TOTALS	116 (200)	5 (7)	80 (116)	202 (321)			

In the home opener the Cats drew a then-regular season record crowd of 4,118 and then bested that number with a crowd of 4,798 vs. Louisville on April 3. In all, five regular or postseason attendance records have been set since coach Nick Mingione arrived and the top ten crowds in the stadium's history have come the past two seasons.

MACHAMER MOWS 'EM DOWN

Chris Machamer was named SEC Player of the Week on April 16 after the right-hander did not allow a run in 5.1 innings of work against No. 18 Georgia and Western Carolina, yielding just three hits, striking out seven and issuing an intentional walk while going 1-0 with two saves.

On the season, the sophomore now has 10 saves, which third all-time on UK's single-season list behind the 12 Trevor Gott (2013) and Logan Salow (2017) recorded. His 11 career saves ranks sixth on the school's all-time list.

LINEUP MAKEOVER

The UK offense was relentless in 2017, leading the SEC in eight offensive categories, ranking second in three others and residing in the national top 20 in 11 total categories, including seven top 10 ranks. It was efficient, explosive and kept pressure on opponents from No. 1 through 9 in the batting order. The level of success caught scouts' eyes and turned into high draft picks, which means the Cats lost at least 60 percent of their production in starts, at bats, runs, hits, doubles, triples, home runs and RBI. It hasn't seemed to slow the Cats down, as the offensive production this season is remarkable similar to 2017 at this point in the season:

STAT CATEGORY	2018	2017
(THROUGH 55 GAMES)		
BATTING AVERGAGE	.294	.323
RUNS SCORED	394	426
Hits	542	602
Doubles	116	132
TRIPLES	5	9
HOME RUNS	80	64
RBI	364	392
TOTAL BASES	908	944
SLUGGING PERCENTAGE	.493	.506
Walks	276	265
Ніт Ву Рітсн	68	81
On-Base Percentage	.401	.424
STOLEN BASES	57	58

MULTI-HIT GAMES

PLAYER	<u> 2018</u>	CAREER
Tristan Pompey Kole Cottam Luke Becker Troy Squires Luke Heyer Ben Aklinski T.J. Collett Trey Dawson Ryan Johnson Ryan Shinn Brayden Combs Colfyn Kessler	2018 18 23 17 14 21 19 10 9 7 2	CAREER 52 49 44 27 25 19 10 7 2 1 1
Alex Rodriguez	1	1

MULTI-RBI GAMES

PLAYER	2018	CAREER
Kole Cottam	15	30
Tristan Pompey Troy Squires Luke Heyer Luke Becker	8	28 20
Troy Squires	<u> 13</u>	20
Luke Heyer	<u>1</u> 5	18
Luke Becker	10	17
T.J. Collett	<u>1</u> 0	12
Ben Aklinski	1	1
Troy Downer	4	4
Braydon Combo	4	4
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2018 SPLITS

	G	AVG.	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ВВ	K	SB
OVERALL	55	.294	394	542	116	5	80	364	276	446	57
SEC	30	.271	161	271	43	1	34	147	129	258	19
NON-SEC	25	.321	233	271	74	4	46	217	147	188	38
HOME	28	.310	222	284	62	1	38	198	152	229	35
AWAY	22	.259	119	196	34	0	31	115	97	188	15
NEUTRAL	5	.363	53	62	20	4	11	51	27	29	7
DAY	34	.316	285	364	83	4	59	267	177	249	36
NIGHT	21	.258	109	178	33	1	21	97	99	197	21
WINS	34	.333	313	382	89	5	60	290	190	243	42
LOSSES	21	.230	81	160	27	0	20	74	86	203	15
FEBRUARY	9	.324	78	101	27	0	16	75	52	63	8
MARCH	18	.321	150	196	40	4	30	139	85	150	21
APRIL	17	.270	101	150	26	0	21	91	96	142	18
MAY	11	.261	65	95	23	1	13	59	43	91	10
JUNE											

THEY WEREN'T READY FOR THIS HJELLE

Reigning SEC Pitcher of the Year **Sean Hjelle** hit the ground running this season, turning in a pair of tremendous starts through two turns of the rotation. In his second outing, he did not give up a hit through 7.2 innings and struck out a career-high 13 batters. The performance produced the highest strikeout total for a UK player since 2011 and is one of just four to have 13 or more K's in a game since 2006.

- 14 Chris Rusin, vs. Tennessee; May 2, 2009
- 14 James Paxton, vs. LSU; March 13, 2009
- 13 SEAN HJELLE, VS. OAKLAND; FEBRUARY 23, 2018
- 13 Alex Meyer, vs. Niagara; March 12, 2011
- 13 Alex Meyer, vs. Miami (Ohio); February 20, 2011

POMPEY ADDS TO COLLECTION

Tristan Pompey was named SEC Player of the Week on April 9 after hitting .412 with three runs scored, a double, home run, 10 RBI and a steal while winning the award for the first time in his career. Hitting leadoff, Pompey matched a career high with five runs driven in against Louisville in an 8-5 win, then added three more RBI in a series-opening 14-1 win over South Carolina. He also lead off Sunday's series-clinching game with a home run, the fourth time he's done that in his career.

GOOD AND GOLDEN

Luke Heyer has been named a Golden Spikes Award semifinalist, making him one of just 25 players nationally still in the running for the nation's premier individual award. Heyer also is a semifinalist for the Dick Howser Trophy, also given to the top player in the country.

TWICE IS NICE: 'NUKE' HEYER RACKING UP AWARDS

Luke Heyer, who hails from Lithia, Fla., has been named SEC Player of the Week twice in the first six weeks of the season and twice earned National Player of the Week honors. He also was recently named Second-Team Midseason All-America by Perfect Game/Rawlings.

The SEC recognized senior on Mar. 6 after his tear through the Shriners Hospitals for Children College Classic in Houston and again on Mar. 26 after a week that saw him launch a critical game-tying home run. He also earned National Player of the Week honors from Perfect Game/Rawlings, NCBWA and Collegiate Baseball for his performance in Houston and Collegiate Baseball tabbed him again Mar. 26.

Heyer was named the Shriners tournament's Most Outstanding Player after he peppered Minute Maid

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QUALITY STARTS						
(*6 IP, 3 OR FEWER EARNED RUNS)						
DATE	PITCHER (#)	IP (H, R-ER, BB, K)				
2/16	Hjelle (1)	6.0 (2, 1-1, 2, 3)				
2/17	Lewis (1)	6.0 (2, 0-0, 0, 9)				
2/23	Hjelle (2)	7.2 (1, 0-0, 0, 13)				
3/2	Hjelle (3)	6.0 (6, 2-1, 1, 2)				
3/3	Thompson (1)	6.0 (4, 0-0, 1, 7)				
3/4	Lewis (2)	6.1 (7, 4-2, 1, 7)				
3/9	Hjelle (4)	7.0 (5, 3-2, 1, 6)				
3/27	Harper (1)	6.0 (3, 0-0, 1, 6)				
4/1	Lewis (3)	7.1 (5, 2-2, 2, 6)				
4/6	Hjelle (5)	7.0 (5, 1-0, 0, 8)				
4/14	Lewis (4)	6.0 (7, 0-0, 2, 8)				
4/21	Lewis (5)	8.0 (1, 1-0, 3, 11)				
4/27	Hjelle (6)	8.0 (6, 1-0, 2, 8)				
5/6	Lewis (6)	7.0 (6, 5-3, 2, 7)				

SAVES						
DATE	PITCHER (#)	OPPONENT				
3/9	Machamer (1)	Texas Tech				
4/1	Machamer (2)	Alabama				
4/3	Machamer (3)	Louisville				
4/8	Machamer (4)	South Carolina				
4/11	Machamer (5)	Western Carolina				
4/14	Machamer (6)	Georgia				
4/21	Machamer (7)	Florida				
4/27	Machamer (8)	Missouri				
4/29	Harper (1)	Missouri				
5/8	Machamer (9)	Indiana				
5/11	Machamer (10)	Miss. State				





WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME...

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Won a series vs. a No. 1 ranked foe:	vs. No. 1 Florida (2016)
Won a Series vs. a Top 5 Foe:	vs. No. 3 Texas Tech, 2-1 (March 9-11, 2018)
Won a Series vs. Team ranked no. 6-10:	vs. No. 9 Auburn, 2-1 (March 23-25, 2018)
Won a Road Series vs. Ranked Opponent:	AT No. 18 GEORGIA, 2-1 (APRIL 13-14, 2018)
SWEPT A HOME SERIES (THREE OR MORE GAMES):	vs. Oakland (February 23-25, 2018)
SWEPT A ROAD SERIES (THREE OF MORE GAMES):	at No. 13 Texas A&M (March 17-19, 2017)
RECORDED A TRIPLE PLAY:	vs. Louisville (April 18, 2017; 7-6-2)
PLAYED AN EXTRA-INNING GAME:	11 innings, at G eorgia; W, 6-4 (April 13, 2018)
Scored 20 or more runs in a game:	20, AT XAVIER (MARCH 20, 2018)
HIT SIX HOME RUNS IN A GAME:	vs. Dayton (April 4, 2012)
HIT SEVEN HOME RUNS IN A GAME:	at Xavier (March 20, 2018)
HIT FOUR HOME RUNS IN AN INNING:	8th, vs. Dayton (Feb. 21, 2016)
Drew 10 or more walks in a game:	11, vs. South Carolina (April 6, 2018)
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)
LED OFF A GAME WITH A HOME RUN:	Tristan Pompey (vs. South Carolina, April 8, 2018)
LED OFF A GAME WITH A TRIPLE:	Austin Cousino (vs. Georgia, March 31, 2013)
HIT A GRAND SLAM:	Tristan Pompey (vs. Murray State, May 15, 2018)
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:	Luke Heyer and Kole Cottam (vs. Xavier, March 20, 2018)
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:	Luke Becker (vs. South Carolina, April 8, 2018)
HAD A WALK-OFF WIN:	vs. Auburn, 5-4 (March 23, 2018)
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:	Kole Cottam (vs. Missouri, April 29; at Tennessee, May 4, 2018)
HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE GAMES:	T.J. Collett (vs. Sam Houston St., Mar. 3; vs. Louisiana, Mar. 4; vs. EKU, Mar. 6, 2018)
HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:	Riley Mahan (vs. Georgia, May 6-7, vs. Tennessee, May 12, 2017)
HOMERED IN FOUR CONSECUTIVE GAMES:	T.J. Collett (vs. Xavier, Feb. 20; vs. Oakland, Feb. 23-25, 2018)
HOMERED IN FOUR CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:	Riley Mahan (vs. Georgia, May 6-7, vs. Tennessee, May 12-13, 2017)
HOMERED IN FIVE CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:	AJ Reed (vs. Florida, April 4-6, vs. Missouri, April 11-12, 2014)
HOMERED IN CONSECUTIVE AT BATS:	Kole Cottam (vs. Missouri, April 29; at Tennessee, May 4, 2018)
HOMERED IN FIRST AT-BAT OF THE SEASON:	Luke Heyer (vs. Wofford, Feb. 16, 2018)
HOMERED FOR FIRST CAREER HIT:	Brayden Combs (vs. Mississippi State, May 13, 2018)
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Park with rockets in the Wildcats' wins over No. 19 Houston, No. 20 Sam Houston State and Louisiana. He followed that up with a week that saw him hit three home runs and drive in 10 against Xavier and No. 9 Auburn. He launched a game-tying, two-run, ninth-inning homer as the Cats scored three runs for a walk-off win.

STUDENT. PERSON. PLAYER.

Having recently been inducted into UK's prestigious Frank G. Ham Society of Character, Troy Squires also has been named one of just 10 finalists for the 2018 Senior CLASS Award. To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must be classified as an NCAA Division I senior and have notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition. An acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School®, the Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.

TRUST IN TROY

Senior catcher/first baseman Troy Squires was named National and SEC Player of the Week on Mar. 12 after a career week that culminated in a series win over No. 3 Texas Tech. In addition to conference honors he was recognized by Perfect Game/Rawlings and Collegiate Baseball.

Squires hit .571 with six runs scored, 11 RBI, five doubles and two home runs with a 1.095 slugging percentage for the week. He set a career-high for hits (four) and RBI (four) in a win over Eastern Kentucky and then tied both of those marks in Saturday's comeback win over the Red Raiders where he went 4-for-5 with a three-run home run that gave the Cats a 5-4 lead. Squires also delivered a two-run, two-out, two-strike single in the bottom of the ninth to tie the game and set up a walk-off win over Western Kentucky on Feb. 27

HERE, THERE, EVERYWHERE

The geographical composition of UK's roster ranges as far west as Arizona and northeast to the New England states, a rarity in college baseball. UK is one of only five schools that fielded an opening day lineup where all nine hitters hailed from different states, which the others being Army, Elon, Vanderbilt and Western Kentucky. The Cats have started 10 players from 10 different states on 21 occasions this season.

FOND FAREWELL TO THE CLIFF

The 2018 season is the 50th and final one at Cliff Hagan Stadium, the place the Cats have called home since 1969. The 29-game slate began on Feb. 20 when Xavier came to Lexington and ended with a three-game series against Mississippi State May 11-13 that was highlighted by a reunion for the 1988 team and more special events to cap the final regular season games in the venerable facility.

The Cats are coming off a 30-6 season at The Cliff, the second-best home record since the stadium opened. UK saw a record crowd of 5,005 pack the park for the NCAA Regional-clinching win over NC State on June 5, 2017 and opened this season with a regular season record crowd of 4,118 vs. Xavier that has since been eclipsed multiple times. The Cats finished with 733 all-time wins at The Cliff.

2017 RECRUITING CLASS

Kentucky's 2017 recruiting class was ranked No. 9 in the country by *Baseball America*, the second-highest rank ever for the program by the respected publication. The class is the first full one for the current coaching staff headed by Nick Mingione and only the 2008 class, which was ranked No. 4, has been rated higher by *Baseball America*. The Wildcats' class also was ranked No. 7 nationally by Perfect Game, which doesn't take into account junior college signings in its rankings.

RANKINGS

OPPONENTS IN THE POLLS THIS WEEK					
TEAM	ВА	D1	ESPN	PG	BWA
Houston	18	21	23	-	24
TEXAS TECH	7	15	11	6	14
ARKANSAS	9	8	7	10	5
AUBURN	23	24	21	22	23
Louisville	-	-	25	-	
S. CAROLINA	22	23	24	-	-
GEORGIA	8	7	8	8	16
FLORIDA	1	1	3	1	1
Indiana	-	-	-	19	-
MISS. STATE	25	-	-	-	
VANDERBILT	-	25	-	-	

KENTUCKY WEEK-BY-WEEK IN THE NATIONAL POLLS						
TEAM	ВА	D1	ESPN	PG	BWA	
Preseason	8	8	8	8	8	
Week 1	8	8	8	8	6	
Week 2	8	7	8 6	6	6	
Week 3	8	6		6	5	
Week 4	4	4	4	3	4	
Week 5	8	6	11	7	9	
Week 6	7	6	10	7	7	
Week 7	13	9	10	10	10	
Week 8	13	8	11	9	9	
Week 9	9	6	9	8	7	
Week 10	13	14	15	14	13	
Week 11	12	14	13	13	11	
Week 12	21	21	19	17	18	
Week 13	19	19	19	16	20	
Week 14	-	-		21		
Week 15						

(BA - Baseball America; D1 - D1Baseball; ESPN - Coaches Poll; PG - Perfect Game; BWA - Baseball Writers Assoc.)

VS. RANKED OPPONENTS					
TEAM	HIGH RANK	RECORD			
Houston	19!	1-0			
SAM HOUSTON ST.	20!	1-0			
TEXAS TECH	3%	2-1			
ARKANSAS	5%	0-3			
AUBURN	6*	2-1			
Louisville	21+	1-0			
GEORGIA	18%	2-1			
FLORIDA	1*	1-2			
Indiana	19!	1-0			
TOTAL		11-8			
	vs. Top 10	5-7			

(^NCBWA; *Baseball America; +ESPN Coaches; #Collegiate Baseball; %D1 Baseball; !Perfect Game)



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CATS IN THE RECORDS BOOK (BATTING)

UK CAREER HITS

- 1. Andy Green (1997-2000) 277
- 2. Aaron McGlone (97-00) 274
- 3. Mike Botkin (79-82) 241
- 4. Evan White (2015-17) 233 Spencer Graeter (2001-04) - 233
- 6. Jeff Abbott (91-94) 232
- 7. Keenan Wiley (2007-10) 230
- 8. Ryan Wilkes (2005-08) 226
- 9. Jeff Tedesco (94-97) 223
- 10. Austin Cousino (2012-14) 216
- 11. Chad Green (94-96) 215
- 12. Mike Harris (89-91) 214
- 13. John Wilson (98-00) 212 Brad Hindersman (91-94) - 212
- 15. Chad Wright (09-11) 211
- 16. Antone DeJesus (2005-07) 202
- 17. AJ Reed (2012-14) 195

18. TRISTAN POMPEY (2016-) - 193

- 19. Michael Bertram (2003-06) 188
- 20. John Shelby (2004-06) 177
- 21. Kyle Barrett (2013-15) 174
- 22. Sawyer Carroll (2007-08) 173
- 23. Riley Mahan (2015-17) 172
- 24. Collin Cowgill (2005-08) 171
- 25. J.T. Riddle (2011-13) 170
- 26. Matt Reida (2011-14) 161
- 27. Billy Grace (2004-07) 160

28. KOLE COTTAM (2016-) - 159

- 29. Chris Bisson (2008-2010) 157
- 30. Thomas McCarthy (2011-12) 153 Braden Kapetyn (2009-11) - 153
- 32. JaVon Shelby (2014-16) 150
- 33. Ka'ai Tom (2014-15) 148

LUKE BECKER (2016-) - 148

- 35. Sean Coughlin (2006-07) 142
- 36. Zach Reks (2016-17) 137
- 37. Max Kuhn (2012-14) 133
- 38. Brian Spear (2007-08) 130 Thomas Bernal (2012-15) - 130
- 40. Mike Breyman (2003-04) 127
- 41. Chad Stewart (2003-04) 125
- 42. Chris Wade (2008-09) 123
- 43. Taylor Black (2010-11) 121 Marcus Nidiffer (2007-10) - 121
- 45. Michael Williams (2009-12) 119

46. TROY SQUIRES (2015-) - 118

- 47. Gunner Glad (2009-10) 115
- 48. Marcus Carson (2014-17) 112
- 49. Shawn Lehmann (2005-06) 111
- 50. Storm Wilson (2014-17) 109
- 51. Micheal Thomas (2011-14) 107
- 52. Connor Heady (2014-17) 106

UK CAREER SACRIFICES

- 1. Ryan Wilkes (2005-08) 40
- 2. Chris Wade (2008-09) 36
- 3. TROY SQUIRES (2015-) 34
- 4. Keenan Wiley (2008-11) 28
- 5. Matt Reida (2011-14) 27

UK CAREER HIT BY PITCH

- 1. Austin Cousino (2012-14) 47
- 2. Storm Wilson (2014-17) 39 Thomas Bernal (2012-15) - 39
- 4. Keenan Wiley (2008-11) 38
- 5. Antone DeJesus (2005-07) 36
- 6. Braden Kapteyn (2009-11) 33
- 7. Zac Zellers (2012-13) 32
- 8. Tyler Howe (2007-08) 31
- 9. TROY SQUIRES (2015-) 29
- 10. Chad Wright (2009-11) 28

UK CAREER BASE ON BALLS

- 1. Aaron McGlone (1997-2000) 134
- 2. Darin Rieman (1988-90) 128
- 3. Ryan Wilkes (2005-08) 119
- 4. Collin Cowgill (2005-06, 08) 116
- 5. Jay Tedesco (1994-97) 115
- 6. Mike Botkin (1979-82) 112
- 7. Jeff Abbott (1991-94) 108
- 8. Mike Harris (1989-91) -- 106
- 9. Spencer Graeter (2001-04) 103
- 10. Robert Buchanan (1985-88) 101

TRISTAN POMPEY (2016-) - 97 LUKE BECKER (2016-) - 94

UK SINGLE-SEASON SACRIFICES

- 1. Chris Wade (2008) 20
- 2. Chris Wade (2009) 16
- 3. Connor Heady (2017) 15
- 4. TROY SQUIRES (2018) 13 Troy Squires (2017) - 13

Ryan Wilkes (2007) - 13

UK SINGLE-SEASON SLUGGING PCT.

- 1. Jeff Abbott (1994) .886
- 2. Sawyer Carroll (2008) .782
- 3. Randy Clark (1984) .763
- 4. John Wilson (1999) .756
- 5. Allen Feldhaus (1961) .750
- 6. AJ Reed (2014) .735
- 7. Mike Harris (1991) .728
- 8. Mitch Knox (1987) .720 Lance Ray (2010) - .720
- 10. Ryan Strieby (2006) .704
- 11. John Wilson (2000) .700

LUKE HEYER (2018) - .690







CATS IN THE RECORDS BOOK (PITCHING)

UK CAREER ERA

(min. 75 innings)

- Jeff Keener (1980-81) 2.01
- 2. Trevor Gott (2011-13) 2.30
- 3. AJ Reed (2012-14) 2.83
- 4. Joe Georger (1979) 2.86
- 5. Alex Phillips (2011-12) 3.08
- 6. David Voit (1986-88) 3.23
- 7. Logan Salow (2014-17) 3.32 Dustin Beggs (2015-16) - 3.32
- 9. Aaron Lovett (2007-08) 3.38
- 10. Matt Fisher (1990-92) 3.39

JUSTIN LEWIS (2016-) - 3.62

UK CAREER WINS

- 1. Jay Ray (1982-85) 24
- Chris Rusin (2006-09) 23
 Greg Dombrowski (2005-08) 23
 Lorhn Frazier (1990-93) 23
- 5. Matthew Coleman (1986-89) 22

SEAN HJELLE (2016-) - 22

- 7. Corey Littrell (2011-13) 21
- 8. Andrew Albers (2005-08) 20 Jeff Keener (1980-81) - 20 Paul Kilgus (1981-84) - 20

UK CAREER WIN-LOSS PERCENTAGE

- 1. Greg Dombrowski (2005-08) .821
- 2. Jeff Keener (1980-81) .800
- 3. ZACK THOMPSON (2017-) .769
- 4. Dustin Beggs (2015-16) .727
- 5. Lorhn Frazier (1990-93) .719
- 6. Dylan Dwyer (2013-16) .714
- 7. **SEAN HJELLE (2016-) .688**
- 8. Chandler Shepherd (2012-14) .684
- 9. JUSTIN LEWIS (2016-) .682
- 10. Chris Rusin (2006-09) .677

UK CAREER HITS/9 INN. ALLOWED

(min. 75 innings)

- 1. Jeff Keener (1980-81) 5.11
- 2. ZACK THOMPSON (2017-) 6.13
- 3. Tim Brandenburg (1979-80) 7.42
- 4. Chris Carroll (1982-85) 7.43
- 5. Dustin Beggs (2015-16) 7.48
- 6. David Voit (1986-88) 7.57
- 7. JUSTIN LEWIS (2016-) 7.65
- 8. Logan Salow (2014-17) 7.75
- 9. Jack Savage (1983-85) 7.94
- 10. W. VanLandingham (1989-91) 7.97

SEAN HJELLE (2016-) - 8.38

UK CAREER SAVES

- 1. Trevor Gott (2011-13) 23
- 2. Logan Salow (2014-17) 16
- 3. Lorhn Frazier (1990-93) 15
- 4. Paul Morse (1993-94) 13
- 5. Andrew Albers (2005-08) 12
- 6. CHRIS MACHAMER (2017-) 11

Brock Baber (2005-08) - 11 Jon Hooker (1998-2001) - 11 David Voit (1986-88) - 11

Jack Savage (1983-85) - 10
 Alex Phillips (2011-12) - 10

SEAN HJELLE (2016-) - 8

UK SINGLE-SEASON HITS/9 INN.

UK SINGLE-SEASON SAVES

CHRIS MACHAMER (2018) - 10

Trevor Gott (2013) - 12

Trevor Gott (2012) - 9

Alex Phillips (2012) - 8

Paul Morse (1993) - 8

Lohrn Frazier (1992) - 7

Jack Savage (1985) - 7 Andrew Albers (2006) - 7

Aaron Lovett (2007) - 7

Matt Little (2010) - 7

David Voit (1988) - 7

Logan Salow (2017) - 12

Sean Hjelle (2016) - 8

(min. 45 innings)

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- 1. Jeff Keener (1981) 3.93
- 2. Zack Thompson (2017) 5.95
- 3. Logan Salow (2017) 6.02
- 4. Jeff Keener (1980) 6.19
- 5. Tim Brandenberg (1980) 6.29
- 6. David Voit (1988) 6.61
- 7. Chris Carroll (1985) 6.94
- 8. Alex Meyer (2011) 6.95
- 9. Dustin Beggs (2016) 7.11

SEAN HJELLE (2018) - 8.12

UK CAREER STRIKEOUTS

- 1. Scott Downs (1995-97) 293
- 2. Chris Rusin (2006-09) 274
- 3. Brian Reed (1991-94) 271
- 4. Brandon Webb (1998-2000) 259
- 5. Alex Meyer (2009-11) 253
- 6. Scott Smith (1990-93) 242
- 7. Joe Blanton (2000-02) 231
- 8. Scott Wade (2000-03) 227
- 9. Corev Littrell (2011-13) 215

10. SEAN HJELLE (2016-) - 213

- 11. Rodney Bolton (1989-90) 206
- 12. Craig Snipp (2003-06) 203
- 13. Lorhn Frazier (1990-93) 202

JUSTIN LEWIS (2016-) - 189

UK SINGLE-SEASON WINS

- 1. Jeff Keener (1981) 13
- Joe Georger (1979) 12
 AJ Reed (2014) 12
- 4. Sean Hjelle (2017) 11
- 5. Matthew Coleman (1987) 10 Greg Dombrowski (2006) - 10
- 7. Dustin Beggs (2016) 9 Corey Littrell (2012) - 9
- 8. **Zack Thompson (2017) 8** 10 others

HJELLE/LEWIS (2018) - 7







Home Run Breakdown					
BY LOCATION					
AT HOME	38				
ON ROAD	31				
NEUTRAL	11				
BY PITCHER					
VS. RIGHT	57				
VS. LEFT	23				
BY CONFEREN	CE				
vs. SEC	34				
vs. non-SEC	46				
BY OUTS					
WITH NO OUT	32				
WITH ONE OUT	19				
WITH TWO OUT	29				
BY RUNNERS O					
SOLO	39				
TWO-RUN	28				
THREE-RUN GRAND SLAM	9 4				
GRAND SLAW	4				
BY COUNT	00				
AHEAD IN COUNT	23 34				
EVEN IN COUNT BEHIND IN COUNT	34 21				
FULL COUNT	4				
FIRST PITCH	13				
TWO STRIKE	26				
BY TIME OF DA	Y				
(First pitch before/after 6 p.m					
DAY GAMES	58				

HOME RUNS BY POSITION

C - 8	LF - 11
1B - 14	CF - 6
2B - 7	RF - 7
SS - 3	DH - 10
3B - 13	PH - 1

NIGHT GAMES

HOME RUNS BY INNING

1st - 6	6тн - 13
2ND - 10	7тн - 12
3RD - 9	8тн - 7
4тн - 9	9тн - 5
5тн - 10	10+ - 0

HOME RUN TRACKER	<u>.nr</u>
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36. T. Collett (9) Xavier 0 4 0 0-0 L	
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The class consisted of 16 freshmen, all of whom were All-Americans, and nine junior college players, eight of whom were ranked among the nation's top 150 JUCO prospects. The JUCO class was particularly accomplished, including two All-Americans, two Defensive Players of the Year, six who played in the NJCAA World Series and six who ranked in the top 20 nationally of at least one statistical category.

CLUB 100

A year after six Wildcats joined the 100-hit club for their collegiate career, senior INF **Luke Becker** joined them on Feb. 25, 2018 with junior C/1B **Kole Cottam** doing so with his home run against Houston on Mar. 2, becoming the 50th and 51st members of the club. Senior C/1B Troy Squires became the third player to join this season and did so in the most glamorous way possible - with a grand slam against South Carolina on April 6. In 2017, Riley Mahan, Zach Reks, Tristan Pompey, Marcus Carson, Connor Heady and Storm Wilson reached that career milestone.

THE HEIGHT OF THE MATTER

With five pitchers standing 6-foot-7 or taller on Kentucky's roster the Wildcats boast a staff that looks like it could be a basketball team. Sean Hjelle, a junior RHP from White Bear Lake, Minn., is the tallest pitcher in America at 6-foot-11 (according to info provided by school publicists) and the Cats' staff stands an average of 6-foot-4 per pitcher, which ranks second nationally.

SCHOOL	AVG. HEIGHT
CINCINNATI	6'4.5"
KENTUCKY	6'4"
Louisville	6'3.8"
St. John's	6'3.5"

FORMER STAR RETURNS AS STUDENT COACH

Former Kentucky baseball star John T. Shelby, who was an integral part of the 2006 SEC championship team, has rejoined the program as a student assistant coach while he completes course work to earn his undergraduate degree in communications.

Shelby, an infielder from Lexington, enjoyed a stellar three-year career with the Cats from 2004-06. As the club's second baseman, Shelby pushed the Cats to a then-record 44 wins in 2006 while earning Second-Team All-SEC honors, including a 20-10 mark in SEC play that earned the only league championship in school history and the program's first opportunity to host an NCAA Regional. UK head coach Nick Mingione was an assistant coach for the team that season and forged a relationship with Shelby.

The versatile Shelby spent six seasons in professional baseball after being selected by the Chicago White Sox in the fifth round of the 2006 MLB Draft. He reached Triple-A with the Tampa Bay organization before spending three years as a professional scout for the Milwaukee Brewers.

BIGGIE BOX

One of the pillars of UK's offense is working its game goals in search of the big inning - "Biggie Box" - which is defined as any inning where the Cats put four or more runs on the scoreboard. The approach was so effective last season the lineup opened its "Biggie Box" 37 times, part of the reason the offense was considered one of the most potent and deep in all of college baseball. When needed most in the NCAA Regional, the offense secured its big inning in each of three consecutive elimination game victories that pushed the program to its first-ever Super Regional appearance. Through 52 games in 2018 the UK offense has opened the "Biggie Box" 30 times.

SKOL! MINNESOTA

Kentucky's roster composition spans as far west as Arizona and Utah, east to New Jersey and Delaware, and even crosses borders in Ontario, but the state of Minnesota has a particularly unlikely presence in the Commonwealth. Three Wildcats - senior infielder Luke Becker, junior pitcher Sean Hjelle and freshman pitcher Jimmy Ramsey all call the Land of 10,000 Lakes home. Hjelle and Ramsey are both from the greater Minneapolis/St. Paul metropolitan area while Becker's family owns a pig and corn farm in the southern part of the state.

2018 SEASON HONORS

T.J. COLLETT (So., 1B/C)

- 2018 SEC COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM
- Collegiate Baseball National Players of Week (2/26/18)

- KOLE COTTAM (Jr., C/1B)
 FIRST-TEAM ALL-SEC 1B (2018)
- 2018 DICK HOWSER TROPHY SEMIFINALIST
- 2018 CoSida Academic All-District Team
- SEC Player of the Week (4/30/18)

MARSHALL GEI (Jr., C)

• 2018 ARTHUR ASHE JR. SPORTS SCHOLARS TEAM

ZACH HAAKE (Jr., RHP)

2018 MLB DRAFT PROSPECT, No. 54 (BASEBALL AMERICA)

LUKE HEYER (Sr., INF/OF)

- 2018 GOLDEN SPIKES AWARD SEMIFINALIST
- 2018 DICK HOWSER TROPHY SEMIFINALIST
- FIRST-TEAM ALL-SEC DH/UT (2018)
- 2018 Second-Team Midseason All-Ámerica (Perfect Game/Rawlings)
- SEC PLAYER OF THE WEEK (3/26/18)
- Collegiate Baseball National Player of Week (3/26/18)
- NCBWA NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE WEEK (3/5/18)
- Perfect Game/Rawlings National Player of the Week (3/5/18)
- SEC Player of the Week (3/5/18)
- Collegiate Baseball National Player of Week (3/5/18)

- SEAN HJELLE (Jr., RHP)

 2018 MLB DRAFT PROSPECT, No. 20 (BASEBALL AMERICA)
- 2018 MLB DRAFT PROSPECT, No. 34 (MLB PIPELINE)

JUSTIN LEWIS (Jr., RHP)

- SEC PITCHER OF THE WEEK (4/23/18)
- 2018 MLB DRAFT PROSPECT, No. 95 (BASEBALL AMERICA)

CHRIS MACHAMER (So., RHP)

• SEC PITCHER OF THE WEEK (4/16/18)

TRISTAN POMPEY (Jr., OF)

- SEC PLAYER OF THE WEEK (4/9/18)
- 2018 GOLDEN SPIKES AWARD MIDSÉASON WATCH LIST
- 2018 MLB Draft Prospect, No. 14 (Baseball America)
- 2018 MLB DRAFT PROSPECT, No. 29 (MLB PIPELINE)

TROY SQUIRES (Sr., C/1B)

- Perfect Game/Rawlings National Player of the Week (3/12/18)
- SEC Player of the Week (3/12/18)
- Collegiate Baseball National Player of Week (3/12/18)
- 2018 SENIOR CLASS AWARD FINALIST
- 2018 UK Frank G. Ham Society of Character Inductee

ZACK THOMPSON (So., LHP)

• 2018 Top Sophomore Prospects, No. 2 (Baseball America)







KENTUCKY BATTING ORDER

GAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
WOFFORD	POMPEY	Becker	AKLINSKI	COLLETT	Соттам	SHINN	SQUIRES	Heyer	Dawson
USC UPSTATE (1)	POMPEY	BECKER	AKLINSKI	COLLETT	COTTAM	Johnson	SQUIRES	RODRIGUEZ	Dawson
USC UPSTATE (2)	POMPEY	Becker	AKLINSKI	COLLETT	COTTAM	HEYER	SQUIRES	SHINN	Dawson
EVANSVILLE	POMPEY	Becker	AKLINSKI	COLLETT	COTTAM	Johnson	SQUIRES	Heyer	Dawson
XAVIER	POMPEY	BECKER	AKLINSKI	COLLETT	Соттам	Johnson	SQUIRES	Heyer	Dawson
OAKLAND	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	COLLETT	COTTAM	Johnson	SHINN	Rodriguez	Dawson
OAKLAND	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	BECKER	COLLETT	COTTAM	Johnson	SHINN	Heyer	Dawson
OAKLAND	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	COLLETT	Соттам	Johnson	Heyer	RODRIGUEZ	Dawson
WESTERN KENTUCKY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	COLLETT	Соттам	Johnson	Heyer	SHINN	Dawson
HOUSTON	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	RODRIGUEZ	Dawson
SAM HOUSTON ST.	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	RODRIGUEZ	Dawson
LOUISIANA	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	SHINN	Dawson
EASTERN KENTUCKY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	BECKER	Соттам	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	SHINN	Dawson
NORTHERN KENTUCKY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	BECKER	Соттам	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	SHINN	Dawson
TEXAS TECH	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	POMPEY	BECKER	HEYER	COLLETT	Соттам	Johnson	Dawson
TEXAS TECH	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	POMPEY	Becker	COTTAM	COLLETT	Heyer	Johnson	Dawson
TEXAS TECH	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	POMPEY	BECKER	Соттам	COLLETT	Heyer	Johnson	Dawson
ARKANSAS	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	POMPEY	BECKER	Соттам	COLLETT	Heyer	Johnson	Dawson
ARKANSAS (1)	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	POMPEY	BECKER	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	Соттам	Dawson
ARKANSAS (2)	POMPEY	SQUIRES	BECKER	Соттам	Johnson	COLLETT	AKLINSKI	HEYER	Dawson
XAVIER	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	Соттам	RODRIGUEZ
AUBURN	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	Соттам	Dawson
AUBURN (1)	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	BECKER	COLLETT	HEYER	J OHNSON	Соттам	Dawson
AUBURN (2)	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Johnson	HEYER	COLLETT	Соттам	Dawson
MIAMI UNIV.	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	BECKER	Johnson	HEYER	COLLETT	Соттам	Dawson
ALABAMA	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Johnson	HEYER	COLLETT	Соттам	Dawson
ALABAMA	AKLINSKI	Becker	POMPEY	SQUIRES	Heyer	Соттам	J OHNSON	Gei	Dawson
ALABAMA	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Heyer	Соттам	SHINN	Rodriguez	Dawson
LOUISVILLE	POMPEY	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	HEYER	Соттам	J OHNSON	Rodriguez	Dawson
SOUTH CAROLINA	Pompey	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	Becker	Соттам	HEYER	COLLETT	Rodriguez	Dawson
SOUTH CAROLINA	Pompey	SQUIRES	Aklinski	BECKER	COTTAM	HEYER	COLLETT	Rodriguez	Dawson
SOUTH CAROLINA	POMPEY	SQUIRES	HEYER	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	AKLINSKI	Rodriguez	Dawson
WESTERN CAROLINA	SQUIRES	AKLINSKI	HEYER	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	SHINN	Rodrgiuez	Dawson
GEORGIA	POMPEY	SQUIRES	HEYER	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	Rodriguez	AKLINSKI	Dawson
GEORGIA (1)	Ромреу	SQUIRES	HEYER	Becker	Соттам	COLLETT	AKLINSKI	Johnson	Dawson
GEORGIA (2)	Ромреу	SQUIRES	HEYER	BECKER	Соттам	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Rodriguez	Dawson
LOUISVILLE	Ромреу	SQUIRES	HEYER	Becker	Соттам	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Rodriguez	Dawson
FLORIDA	Ромреу	SQUIRES	HEYER	Becker	Соттам	AKLINSKI	Johnson	RODRIGUEZ	Dawson
FLORIDA	POMPEY	SQUIRES	BECKER	Соттам	HEYER	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Rodriguez	Dawson
FLORIDA	POMPEY	SQUIRES	BECKER	Соттам	HEYER	Johnson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Dawson
MOREHEAD STATE	Ромреу	SQUIRES	BECKER	Соттам	HEYER	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Johnson	Dawson
MISSOURI	POMPEY	SQUIRES	Соттам	HEYER	BECKER	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Rodriguez	Dawson
MISSOURI	POMPEY	SQUIRES	Соттам	HEYER	BECKER	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Z. Lewis	Dawson
MISSOURI	POMPEY	SQUIRES	Соттам	HEYER	BECKER	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Kessler	Dawson
TENNESSEE	Ромреу	SQUIRES	Соттам	HEYER	BECKER	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Kessler	Dawson
TENNESSEE	Ромреу	SQUIRES	Соттам	HEYER	BECKER	AKLINSKI	Kessler	JOHNSON	Dawson
TENNESSEE	Ромреу	SQUIRES	Соттам	HEYER	BECKER	Johnson	Kessler	AKLINSKI	Dawson
INDIANA	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	SHINN	Kessler	AKLINSKI	Dawson
MISSISSIPPI STATE	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	SHINN	Kessler	AKLINSKI	Dawson
MISSISSIPPI STATE	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	SHINN	Kessler	AKLINSKI	Dawson
MISSISSIPPI STATE	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	Johnson	KESSLER	AKLINSKI	DAWSON
MURRAY STATE	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	Сомвѕ	AKLINSKI	Z. LEWIS	Dawson
VANDERBILT	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	KESSLER	AKLINSKI	Z. Lewis	DAWSON
VANDERBILT	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	SQUIRES	COMBS	AKLINSKI	Z. LEWIS	DAWSON
VANDERBILT	POMPEY	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Squires	Z. Lewis	AKLINSKI	Johnson	Dawson







KENTUCKY STARTING LINEUP

GAME	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH
WOFFORD	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	Pompey	AKLINSKI	SHINN	COLLETT
USC UPSTATE (1)	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Rodriguez	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
USC UPSTATE (2)	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	COLLETT
EVANSVILLE	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
XAVIER	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
OAKLAND	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Rodriguez	Dawson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
OAKLAND	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
OAKLAND	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Rodriguez	Dawson	HEYER	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
WESTERN KENTUCKY	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
HOUSTON	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Rodriguez	Dawson	Heyer	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
SAM HOUSTON ST.	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Rodriguez	Dawson	HEYER	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
LOUISIANA	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
EASTERN KENTUCKY	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
NORTHERN KENTUCKY	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	SHINN	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
TEXAS TECH	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
TEXAS TECH	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
TEXAS TECH	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
ARKANSAS	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Heyer	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
ARKANSAS (1)	Squires	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
ARKANSAS (2)	Squires	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
XAVIER	Squires	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Rodriguez	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
AUBURN	Squires	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
AUBURN (1)	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
AUBURN (2)	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
MIAMI UNIV.	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
ALABAMA	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	COLLETT
ALABAMA	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	GEI
ALABAMA	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	Rodriguez	Dawson	HEYER	AKLINSKI	POMPEY	SHINN
LOUISVILLE	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Rodriguez	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	Johnson
SOUTH CAROLINA	SQUIRES	COTTAM	BECKER	Rodriguez	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	COLLETT
SOUTH CAROLINA	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	Rodriguez	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	COLLETT
SOUTH CAROLINA WESTERN CAROLINA	SQUIRES	COTTAM	BECKER	RODRIGUEZ	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	COLLETT
	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	RODRGIUEZ	DAWSON	SHINN	AKLINSKI	HEYER	COLLETT
GEORGIA (4)	SQUIRES	COTTAM	BECKER	RODRIGUEZ	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	COLLETT
GEORGIA (1) GEORGIA (2)	COTTAM SQUIRES	Squires Cottam	Becker Becker	Heyer Rodriguez	Dawson Dawson	POMPEY POMPEY	Aklinski Aklinski	JOHNSON	COLLETT SHINN
LOUISVILLE	COTTAM	SQUIRES	BECKER	RODRIGUEZ	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Heyer Heyer	SHINN
FLORIDA	COTTAM	SQUIRES	BECKER	RODRIGUEZ	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	JOHNSON
FLORIDA	SQUIRES	COTTAM	BECKER	RODRIGUEZ	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	HEYER	SHINN
FLORIDA	SQURES	COTTAM	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	JOHNSON	SHINN
MOREHEAD STATE	COTTAM	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	SHINN
MISSOURI	SQUIRES	COTTAM	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Rodriguez
MISSOURI	COTTAM	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Z. Lewis
MISSOURI	SQUIRES	COTTAM	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Kessler
TENNESSEE	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	KESSLER
TENNESSEE	COTTAM	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	DAWSON	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	KESSLER
TENNESSEE	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	Kessler
INDIANA	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	Ромреу	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Kessler
MISSISSIPPI STATE	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	K ESSLER
MISSISSIPPI STATE	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	SHINN	Kessler
MISSISSIPPI STATE	SQUIRES	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	JOHNSON	KESSLER
MURRAY STATE	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Z. Lewis	Сомвѕ
VANDERBILT	Squires	Соттам	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Z. Lewis	Kessler
VANDERBILT	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Z. Lewis	Сомвя
VANDERBILT	Соттам	SQUIRES	BECKER	HEYER	Dawson	POMPEY	AKLINSKI	Johnson	Z. Lewis







2017 DRAFT

Kentucky made its presence felt in the 2017 Major League Baseball Draft, setting a school record with six players selected in the first 10 rounds, including the fifth first-rounder in program history. Evan White, the Cats' decorated first baseman, was selected No. 17 overall by the Seattle Mariners to start the run on Wildcats.

Ultimately, UK's eight selections were the second most in school history and just one shy of the nine Wildcats picked in 2012. They included: White, infielder Riley Mahan (3rd, Miami), pitcher Logan Salow (6th, Oakland), pitcher Zach Pop (7th, LA Dodgers), Zach Logue (9th, Toronto), Zach Reks (10th, LA Dodgers), pitcher **Justin Lewis** (11th, Tampa Bay) and infielder Connor Heady (23rd, LA Dodgers).

FUN FACTS

The Wildcats' program is full of interesting stories and tidbits, ranging from collegiate accomplishments to family ties and personal background:

Coach Nick Mingione - Ranks 10th on Embry-Riddle's career hits list (172) Ben Aklinski - 2017 JUCO Rawlings Gold Glove winner

Luke Becker - Family owns a pig and corn farm in Minnesota

T.J. Collett - First collegiate hit was a grand slam against Ole Miss

Kole Cottam - Mom, dad and uncle all played sports at Memphis; Brother is golfer at

Trey Dawson - Owns his high school's career record for scoring in basketball

Sean Hjelle - UK Student Athletic Council President; Wears #30 in honor of two uncles who passed away of cancer, combining their birthdays

Ryan Johnson - Has played in College World Series each of past two seasons with TCU and San Jacinto College (JUCO)

Justin Lewis - Selected in MLB Draft in both 2014 and 2017; Writes and eats

left-handed, does everything else right-handed

Grant Macciocchi - In 2017, led JUCO national ranks in runs (98) and hits (95) Tristan Pompey - Is from Toronto (The '6'), called that for the two area codes the city uses: 416 and 647

Jimmy Ramsey - Played hockey for 12 years prior to college

Alex Rodriguez - Born in the Dominican Republic, moved to U.S. in 2004 **Troy Squires -** Arrived at UK as an infielder; Currently in master's program



The Major League Baseball season has opened and nine former Wildcats are on their franchise's 40-man roster, the second-most in the SEC:

MLB ROSTER

Trevor Gott (RP) - Washington Nationals Luke Maile (C) - Toronto Blue Jays *Alex Meyer (SP) - Los Angeles Angels James Paxton (SP) - Seattle Mariners *J.T. Riddle (INF) - Miami Marlins Taylor Rogers (RP) - Minnesota Twins Chris Rusin (RP) - Colorado Rockies *Disabled List

40-MAN ROSTER

AJ Reed (1B/DH) - Houston Astros Chandler Shepherd (SP) - Boston Red Sox

PLAYER	HITS (most recent)	RBI (most recent)	RUNS (most recent)
BEN AKLINSKI	3 (vs. Miss. State; 5/11/18)	5 (vs. Xavier; 3/20/18)	4 (vs. Miami Univ.; 3/27/18)
Luke Becker	3 (vs. Tennessee; 5/12/17)	8 (vs Miami, OH; 3/12/17)	3 (vs. Xavier; 3/20/18)
T.J. COLLETT	4 (vs. vs. Xavier; 3/20/18)	5 (vs. Oakland; 2/24/18)	3 (vs. Xavier; 3/20/18)
Brayden Combs	2 (vs. Miss. State; 5/13/18)	2 (vs. Miss. State; 5/13/18)	2 (vs. Miss. State; 5/13/18)
KOLE COTTAM	3 (ат Ацавама; 4/11/18)	4 (vs. Texas Tech; 3/9/18)	4 (vs. Auburn; 3/25/18)
TREY DAWSON	3 (vs. Missouri; 4/28/18)	2 (vs. Miss. State; 5/13/18)	4 (vs. South Carolina; 4/6/18)
Marshall Gei	1 (vs. South Carolina; 4/6/18)	1 (vs. Wright St.; 3/7/17)	1 (at Florida; 5/19/17)
Luke Heyer	4 (vs. Louisiana; 3/4/18)	5 (vs. Xavier; 3/20/18)	3 (vs. E. Kentucky; 3/6/18)
CAM HILL	1 (AT USC UPSTATE; 2/17/18)	<u></u>	1 (vs. Louisiana; 3/4/18)
Ryan Johnson	4 (vs. MIAMI UNIV.; 3/27/18)	4 (vs. Oakland; 2/25/18)	3 (vs. Houston; 3/2/18)
COLTYN KESSLER	2 (AT TENNESSEE; 5/5/18)		2 (vs. Missouri; 4/29/18)
Zeke Lewis	1 (vs. Murray St.; 5/15/18)	1 (vs. Miss. State, 5/13/18)	2 (vs. Murray St.; 5/15/18)
TRISTAN POMPEY	4 (vs. Murray St.; 5/15/18)	5 (vs. South Carolina; 4/6/18)	4 (AT OLD DOMINION; 2/25/17)
ALEX RODRIGUEZ	4 (AT W. CAROLINA; 4/11/18)	2 (AT W. CAROLINA; 4/11/18)	3 (vs. vs. Xavier; 3/20/18)
RYAN SHINN	2 (AT ALABAMA; 4/1/18)	2 (vs.Louisiana; 3/4/18)	2 (vs. Oakland; 2/23/18)
Troy Squires	4 (vs. Texas Tech; 3/10/18)	5 (vs. Missouri; 4/29/18)	3 (vs. Tennessee; 5/12/17)
STARTING PITCHERS	INNINGS	STRIKEOUTS	PITCHES
	(most recent)	(most recent)	(most recent)
SEAN HJELLE	9.0 (AT TEXAS A&M 3/17/17)	13 (vs. Oakland; 2/23/18)	123 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/17/18)
Justin Lewis	9.0 (vs. LSU; 4/23/17)	11 (vs. Florida; 4/21/18)	119 (vs. Florida; 4/21/18)
ZACK THOMPSON	7.0 (vs. Indiana; 6/4/17)	10 (vs. Indiana; 5/9/17)	113 (vs. UT Martin; 4/12/17)
Daniel Harper	6.0 (vs. Miami Univ.; 3/27/18)	8 (vs. Evansville; 2/18/18)	78 (vs. Evansville; 2/18/18)
Zach Haake	7.2 (AT ALABAMA; 3/31/18)	5 (vs. Missouri; 4/28/18)	115 (ат Аьавама; 3/31/18)
Brad Schaenzer	6.0 (vs. Wright St.; 3/7/17)	8 (vs. Wright St.; 3/7/17)	92 (vs. Wright St.; 3/7/17)

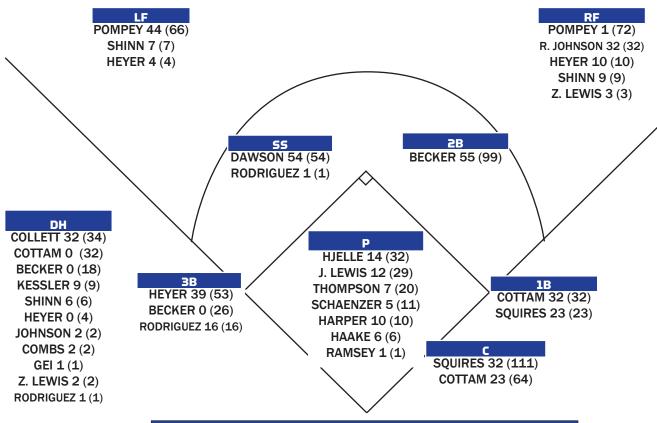






STARTS BY POSITION 2018 (CAREER)

CFAKLINSKI 55 (55)
POMPEY 0 (13)



GAMES-GAMES STARTED					
PLAYER	CAREER	2018	2017	2016	2015
Luke Becker	168-146	55-55	61-44	52-47	
TRISTAN POMPEY	164-154	49-45	66-66	49-43	-
TROY SQUIRES	153-134	55-55	49-48	35-31	14-0
KOLE COTTAM	150-128	55-55	55-50	40-23	-
Luke Heyer	91-72	54-53	37-18	-	-
TREY DAWSON	81-58	54-54	-	27-4*	-
RYAN JOHNSON	70-40	49-35	-	21-5^	-
ZEKE LEWIS	57-5	29-5	28-0	-	-
Ben Aklinski	55-55	55-55	-	-	-
T.J. COLLETT	54-34	34-32	20-2	-	-
RYAN SHINN	50-32	35-22	-	15-10+	-
ALEX RODRIGUEZ	28-19	28-19	-	-	-
Marshall Gei	19-1	10-1	9-0	-	-
COLTYN KESSLER	16-9	16-9	-	-	-
Brayden Combs	12-2	12-2	-	-	-
CAM HILL	7-0	7-0	-	-	-
* AT LSU; ^AT TCU; +AT FLORIDA GULF COAST					



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NICK MINGIONE - 2017 NATIONAL AND SEC COACH OF THE YEAR

MINGIONE BY THE NUMBERS

219 - SEC Academic Honor Roll selections

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

45 - All-Conference honors coached

40 - All-American honors coached

15 - Seasons as a college baseball coach

- Nationally-ranked recruiting classes (2006-07, 2009-17)

10 - NCAA Regionals (2003-06, 2011-14, 2016, 2017)

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

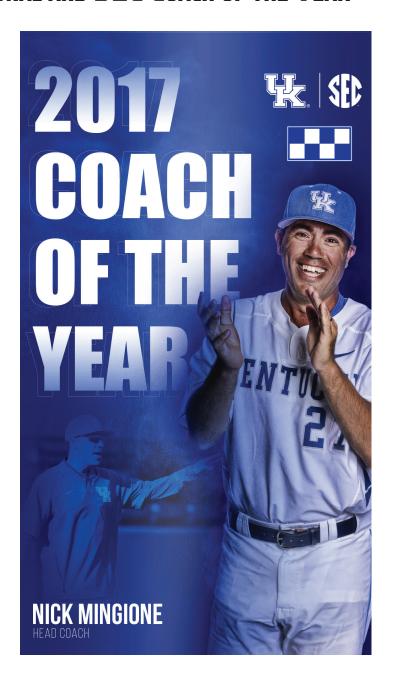
5 - Conference Players of the Year coached (2004-06, 2012, 2016, 2017)

5 - College World Series (1999, 2003-05, 2013)

4 - SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year (2013, 2014, 2015, 2017)

2 - National Championship finalists (2005, 2013)

1 - National and SEC Coach of the Year (2017)



Student. Person. Player.

COACH MINGIONE IS PASSIONATE ABOUT DEVELOPING STUDENT-ATHLETES IN THREE AREAS: STUDENT, PERSON, PLAYER.





CLIFF HAGAN STADIUM



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	30-6	10-5		
2018	19-9	9-6		
Total	733-395-2	260-284-2		

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)

LARGEST CROWD: 5,005 (vs. NC State, 6/5/2017)

Largest Regular Season Crowd: 4,798 (vs. Louisville, 4/3/2018)

REGIONALS HOSTED: 2 (2006, 2017)

BEST SEASON: 31-6 (2006)

ALL-TIME WINNING PERCENTAGE: .650

CROWDING INTO THE CLIFF

With the **TEN** largest crowds in Cliff Hagan Stadium history having come during the 2017 and 2018 seasons that now makes **FIVE** times Kentucky has set either a regular season or postseason attendance record since Nick Mingione took over as head coach. The top EIGHT regular season crowds came in 2018:







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

Construction on a new baseball stadium began in February 2017 and is expected to 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. 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 playing surface will be Astro-Turf Synthetic Turf, which will allow the team to maximize usage in all weather conditions. The pitcher's mound will remain natural dirt.

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.



