



KENTUCKY



51 ALL-AMERICANS | 107 ALL-SEC | 42 MLB PLAYERS | 165 MLB DRAFT PICKS | 9 NCAAAs | 7 GOLD GLOVE WINNERS

SCHEDULE/RESULTS

FEBRUARY

18	at Jacksonville State	W, 10-8
19	at Jacksonville State	W, 6-2
20	at Jacksonville State	W, 15-1
23	BELLARMINE	3 p.m.
25	WESTERN MICHIGAN	4 p.m.
26	WESTERN MICHIGAN	1 p.m.
27	WESTERN MICHIGAN	1 p.m.

MARCH

1	WESTERN KENTUCKY	4 p.m.
2	EVANSVILLE	4 p.m.
4	TCU	4 p.m.
5	TCU	1 p.m.
6	TCU	1 p.m.
8	MURRAY STATE	4 p.m.
9	OHIO	4 p.m.
11	HIGH POINT	4 p.m.
12	HIGH POINT	1 p.m.
13	HIGH POINT	1 p.m.
15	at Indiana	5 p.m.
18	at Arkansas*	6:30 p.m.
19	at Arkansas*	6:30 p.m.
20	at Arkansas*	Noon
22	MOREHEAD STATE	6:30 p.m.
25	GEORGIA*	6:30 p.m.
26	GEORGIA*	2 p.m.
27	GEORGIA*	Noon
29	EASTERN KENTUCKY	6:30 p.m.

APRIL

1	OLE MISS*	6:30 p.m.
2	OLE MISS*	2 p.m.
3	OLE MISS*	1 p.m.
5	LOUISVILLE	6:30 p.m.
7	at Texas A&M*	8 p.m.
8	at Texas A&M*	7:30 p.m.
9	at Texas A&M*	4 p.m.
12	BELLARMINE	6:30 p.m.
14	at Missouri*	8 p.m.
15	at Missouri*	6 p.m.
16	at Missouri*	2 p.m.
19	at Louisville	5 p.m.
22	VANDERBILT*	6:30 p.m.
23	VANDERBILT*	Noon
24	VANDERBILT*	1 p.m.
26	DAYTON	6:30 p.m.
29	at Florida*	6:30 p.m.
30	at Florida*	Noon

MAY

1	at Florida*	Noon
5	TENNESSEE*	7 p.m.
6	TENNESSEE*	6:30 p.m.
7	TENNESSEE*	2 p.m.
10	UT MARTIN	6:30 p.m.
13	at South Carolina*	7 p.m.
14	at South Carolina*	Noon
15	at South Carolina*	1:30 p.m.
17	TENNESSEE TECH	6:30 p.m.
19	AUBURN*	6:30 p.m.
20	AUBURN*	2 p.m.
21	AUBURN*	1 p.m.
24-29	SEC Tournament (Hoover)	

All times EST; *SEC game; +Baseball America; ~D1Baseball; %Coaches Poll; !Perfect Game; ^NCBWA; ~Collegiate Baseball

AT THE BALLPARK



BELLARMINE AT KENTUCKY

FEB. 23 • 3 PM ET

KENTUCKY PROUD PARK • LEXINGTON, KY



KENTUCKY WILDCATS

2022 RECORD: 3-0 (0-0 SEC)
 COACH: NICK MINGIONE
 OVERALL RECORD: 146-103 (.586) - 6TH YEAR
 AT UK: SAME

BELLARMINE KNIGHTS

2022 RECORD: 1-3 (0-0 A-SUN)
 COACH: LARRY OWENS
 OVERALL RECORD: 202-185 (.522) - 9TH YEAR
 AT BELLARMINE: SAME

DATE/TIME: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2022 / 3 P.M. ET
 LOCATION (FACILITY): LEXINGTON, KY. (KENTUCKY PROUD PARK)
 ALL-TIME SERIES: KENTUCKY LEADS 1-0
 LAST MEETING: KENTUCKY WON BOTH MEETINGS IN 2021
 RADIO: UK SPORTS NETWORK; UKATHLETICS.COM
 TV/ONLINE: SECN+

PROBABLE PITCHERS

	W-L	ERA	G/GS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
UK - SETH LOGUE (So., RHP)	N/A								
BU - DREW BUHR (JR., RHP)	0-1	40.50	1/0	1.1	7	6	6	1	0

TOP HITTERS

	AVG	R	H	2B	HR	RBI	OPS	BB	SB
UK - ORAJ ANU (SR., OF)	.500	3	7	1	1	5	1.319	1	0-0
UK - JACOB PLASTIAK (SR., IF)	.429	5	6	0	1	2	1.143	2	1-1
BU - C. MEHLBAUER (SR., IF)	.400	3	6	1	1	3	1.111	2	2-2
BU - JACOB MULCAHY (SR., OF)	.214	1	3	0	1	4	.679	0	0-0

CATS RETURN HOME FOR KENTUCKY PROUD PARK OPENER

- Kentucky swept its season-opening series at Jacksonville State.
- It was UK's first series sweep since March 26-27, 2021 at Auburn.
- The UK pitchers struck out 35 in three games and the bullpen didn't allow a run over its final 12 innings.
- RFr. OF **Nolan McCarthy** became the first freshman with 5+ RBI since AJ Reed in 2012 and first to hit a grand slam since T.J. Collett in 2017.
- UK shortstop **Ryan Ritter** is a Third-Team Preseason All-American and on the Golden Spikes Watch List.
- UK outfielder **John Thrasher** is a Third-Team Preseason All-American.
- UK has scored in 246 of 249 games in Mingione's tenure.
- UK is 82-11 vs. non-conference non-Poer Five opponents during Mingione's tenure.
- The Cats were 78-for-86 on stolen base attempts and stole their first 33 of the season. They had the highest success rate (90.7) of any Division I-A team with 50+ stolen bases.
- UK set a single-season school record for fielding percentage at .979. The Cats made just 39 errors in 1,828 chances and ranked 16th nationally in fielding percentage.
- Senior RHP **Sean Harney** became the only pitcher in school history to record at least six saves and start six or more games in a single season.
- UK brought in eight D-I transfers, including four position players and four pitchers.

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2022 QUICK FACTS

University of Kentucky

Location: Lexington, Ky.
Founded: 1865
Enrollment: 30,277
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: 146-103 (.586); 6th season
Record at UK: Same
Best Time to Call: Contact SID
Assistant Coach: Dan Roszel, 3rd season (North Florida, 2000)
Assistant Coach: Will Coggin, 3rd season (Mississippi State, 2010)
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Nick Ammirati, 1st season (Miss. State, 2013)
Director of Operations: Brock Doud
Director of Communications/PR: Matt May
 matt.may@uky.edu; (859) 806-7463 (cell); (859) 257-8504 (office)

2021 Review

Overall Record: 29-23
Home: 22-13
Away: 7-9
Neutral: 0-1
Conference Record: 12-18
Home: 6-9
Away: 6-9
Conference Finish: 6th-East

History

All-Time Record: 1,982-1,879-25 (.513)
All-Time Conference Record: 741-991-8 (.428)
All-Time Conference Tournament Record: 22-37 (.373)
Conference Tournament Titles: none
Conference Titles: one (2006)
NCAA Tournament Appearances: nine
NCAA Tournament Record: 18-19 (.486)
Super Regional Appearances: one (2017)
College World Series Appearances: none

Facility

Stadium: Kentucky Proud Park
First Year: 2019
Capacity: 5,000
Dimensions: 335-375-400-365-320
Record: .49-31 (.613)

2022 Outlook

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/16
Starters Returning/Lost: 8 (4 positional, 4 pitchers) / 5 (5 positional)
Newcomers: 19 (10 freshmen, 8 transfers, 1 JUCO)

Top Returning Position Players (2021 stats)

OF Oraj Anu (G-Sr.) .265, 31 R, 6 2B, 8 HR, 35 RBI, 4 SB
 IF Ryan Ritter (Jr.) .275, 21 R, 5 2B, 3 HR, 20 RBI, 8 SB
 IF Chase Estep (Jr.) .252, 14 R, 9 2B, 1 3B, 16 RBI, 5 SB

Top Returning Pitchers (2021 stats)

LHP Mason Hazelwood (G-Sr.) .3-0, 2.13, 6/5 G/GS, 25.1 IP, 21 H, 32 K
 RHP Cole Stupp (Jr.) .4-5, 4.76, 13 GS, 75.2 IP, 71 K
 RHP Zack Lee (Jr.) .4-6, 5.31, 13 GS, 57.2 IP, 49 K
 RHP Sean Harney (G-Sr.) 3-2, 3.69, 18/6 G/GS, 6 SV, 46.1 IP, 58 K
 RHP Daniel Harper (G-Sr.) 4-1, 4.35, 23 G, 31.0 IP, 30 K

Key Players Lost (2021 stats)

1B T.J. Collett (Sr.) .301, 39 R, 10 2B, 16 HR, 48 RBI, 1.008 OPS
 OF John Rhodes (So.) .251, 47 R, 15 2B, 11 HR, 36 RBI, .905 OPS
 OF Austin Schultz (Jr.) .329, 46 R, 11 2B, 2 3B, 6 HR, 26 RBI, 22 SB
 C Coltyn Kessler (Sr.) .349, 20 R, 11 2B, 7 HR, 25 RBI, 23 BB

Redshirts Eligible

C/OF Devin Burkes (Freshman)
 OF Nolan McCarthy (Freshman)
 LHP Evan Byers (Freshman)

D-I Transfers (career stats)

LHP Tyler Bosma (Sr., Miami [OH]) 5-6, 4.84, 109.2 IP, 57 BB, 134 K
 LHP Magdiel Cotto (So., South Carolina) .8 app, 8.31 ERA, 8.2 IP, 9 K
 OF Adam Fogel (Sr., Hawaii) .653 AB, .297, 97 R, 55 2B, 18 HR, 111 RBI
 RHP Tyler Guilfoil (Jr., Lipscomb) 6-2, 13 SV, 87.0 IP, 125 K
 IF Daniel Harris IV (Sr., EKU) .695 AB, .289, 139 R, 33 2B, 22 HR, 131 RBI
 OF Hunter Jump (Sr., Arizona State) .367 AB, .316, 43 R, 28 2B, 67 RBI
 OF John Thrasher (Sr., Hartford) .450 AB, .287, 102 R, 23 2B, 13 HR, 69 SB
 RHP Darren Williams (Sr., EKU) 6-10, 4.91, 163 IP, 184 K, .267 avg

Newcomers

IF Michael Dallas, Fr. (Arlington, Tenn.)
 IF Jase Felker, Jr. (Princeton, Ky./Rend Lake College)
 RHP Colby Frieda, Fr. (St. Johns, Fla.)
 LHP Reed Gannon, Fr. (Minooka, Ill.)
 RHP Christian Howe, Fr. (Danville, Ky.)
 OF Tanner Kim, Fr. (Knoxville, Tenn.)
 IF James McCoy, Fr. (Dunwoody, Ga.)
 RHP Mason Moore, Fr. (Morehead, Ky.)
 LHP Jackson Nove, Fr. (Fairfax, Iowa)
 IF Émilien Pitre, Fr. (Repentigny, Quebec, Canada)
 RHP Travis Smith, Fr. (Walton, Ky.)



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2022 ROSTER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown/Previous School
1	Daniel Harris IV	IF	R/R	6-0	195	GR	Stone Mountain, Ga./Eastern Kentucky
2	Jase Felker	IF	S/R	6-2	180	JR	Princeton, Ky./Rend Lake College
4	Émilien Pitre	IF	L/R	5-11	175	FR	Repentigny, Quebec/Felix-Leclerc HS
5	Darren Williams	RHP	R/R	6-6	230	GR	Maysville, Ky./Eastern Kentucky
6	Reuben Church	IF	R/R	6-2	245	SO	Maryville, Tenn./Maryville HS
7	Devin Burkes	C	R/R	6-3	210	R-FR	Bradenton, Fla./Villages Charter HS
8	Kirk Liebert	OF/C	L/R	6-0	195	SR	Owensboro, Ky./Wabash Valley CC
9	Alonzo Rubalcaba	C	R/R	6-0	210	SR	Fairfield, Calif./UCSB/Santa Barbara City College
10	Hunter Jump	OF	L/R	5-11	205	GR	Aliso Viejo, Calif./Arizona State
11	Colby Frieda	RHP	R/R	6-3	220	FR	St. Johns, Fla./Creekside HS
12	Chase Estep	IF	L/R	6-0	195	JR	Corbin, Ky./Corbin HS
13	James McCoy	IF	S/R	6-4	210	FR	Dunwoody, Ga./Wesleyan HS
14	Tyler Guilfoil	RHP	R/R	6-4	215	JR	Lexington, Ky./Lipscomb
16	Cole Stupp	RHP	R/R	6-4	205	JR	Milton, Ga./Milton HS
19	Nolan McCarthy	OF	R/R	6-0	200	R-FR	Kalamazoo, Mich./Portage Northern HS
20	Mason Moore	RHP	R/R	6-4	205	FR	Morehead, Ky./Rowan County Senior HS
21	Wyatt Hudepohl	RHP	R/R	6-4	220	SO	Mason, Ohio/St. Xavier HS
22	John Thrasher	OF	R/R	6-2	185	GR	Ridgefield, Conn./Hartford
23	Magdiel Cotto	LHP	L/L	6-4	245	SO	Fort Mill, S.C./South Carolina
24	Ryan Hagenow	RHP	R/R	6-5	210	SO	Knoxville, Tenn./Farragut HS
25	Seth Logue	RHP	R/R	6-1	180	SO	Mason, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller HS
26	Jacob Plastiak	IF	S/R	6-3	225	SR	Chicago, Ill./Wichita State/Wabash Valley CC
28	Oraj Anu	OF	S/R	6-1	240	GR	Orlando, Fla./Wallace-Dothan CC
30	Michael Dallas	IF	R/R	6-1	185	FR	Arlington, Tenn./Briarcrest Christian HS
31	Alex Degen	RHP	R/R	6-8	205	SR	Readington Township, N.J./Hunterdon Central HS
33	Travis Smith	RHP	R/R	6-4	215	FR	Walton, Ky./Walton-Verona HS
34	Sean Harney	RHP	R/R	6-0	190	GR	Natick, Mass./Massachusetts
35	Tyler Bosma	LHP	L/L	6-6	230	GR	Holland, Mich./Miami (Ohio)
41	Evan Byers	LHP	L/L	5-11	180	R-FR	Nicholasville, Ky./Lexington Christian Academy
42	Tanner Kim	OF	R/R	6-0	190	FR	Knoxville, Tenn./Farragut HS
43	Jackson Nove	LHP	L/L	6-5	215	FR	Fairfax, Iowa/Prairie HS
44	Reed Gannon	LHP	R/L	6-3	195	FR	Minooka, Ill./Minooka Community HS
46	Christian Howe	RHP	R/R	6-4	190	FR	Danville, Ky./Danville HS
47	Ryan Ritter	IF	R/R	6-2	200	JR	Tinley Park, Ill./John A. Logan College
48	Zack Lee	RHP	R/R	6-4	200	JR	Effingham, Ill./Effingham HS
49	Austin Strickland	RHP	R/R	6-2	205	SO	Winchester, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller HS
50	Mason Hazelwood	LHP	L/L	6-5	235	SR	Salvisa, Ky./Mercer County HS
54	Daniel Harper	RHP	R/R	6-4	225	GR	Fairway, Kan./Bishop Miege HS
55	Adam Fogel	OF	R/R	6-5	220	GR	Palos Verdes Estates, Calif./Hawaii

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28	Oraj Anu	OF
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31	Alex Degen	RHP
12	Chase Estep	IF
2	Jase Felker	IF
55	Adam Fogel	OF
11	Colby Frieda	RHP
44	Reed Gannon	LHP
14	Tyler Guilfoil	RHP
24	Ryan Hagenow	RHP
34	Sean Harney	RHP
54	Daniel Harper	RHP
1	Daniel Harris IV	IF
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46	Christian Howe	RHP
21	Wyatt Hudepohl	RHP
10	Hunter Jump	OF
42	Tanner Kim	OF
48	Zack Lee	RHP
8	Kirk Liebert	OF/C
25	Seth Logue	RHP
19	Nolan McCarthy	OF
13	James McCoy	IF
20	Mason Moore	RHP
43	Jackson Nove	LHP
4	Émilien Pitre	IF
26	Jacob Plastiak	IF
47	Ryan Ritter	IF
9	Alonzo Rubalcaba	C
33	Travis Smith	RHP
49	Austin Strickland	RHP
16	Cole Stupp	RHP
22	John Thrasher	OF
5	Darren Williams	RHP

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Nick Mingione (Embry-Riddle, 2000)

Career Record (all at Kentucky): 146-103 (.586); 6th season

Assistant Coach/Pitching: Dan Roszel #15 (North Florida, 2000)

Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator: Will Coggin, #17 (Mississippi State, 2010)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Nick Ammirati, #45 (Mississippi State, 2013)

Director of Operations: Brock Doud

Director of Player Development: Jake Scott

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Bosma	Boz-muh
Degen	Deeg-in
Émilien Pitre	Eh-milly-en Pee-tray
Estep	E-step
Frieda	Cole-bee Free-duh
Guilfoil	Gill-foil
Hagenow	Hey-guh-now
Hudepohl	Hugh-duh-pole
Liebert	Lee-ber-t
Logue	Low-guh
Magdiel Cotto	Mag-D-el CO-toe
Mingione	Min-G-own
Nove	No-V
Oraj Anu	O-raj Uh-new
Plastiak	Plass-T-ack
Roszel	Row-Zel
Rubalcaba	Roo-bull-caba



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ORAJ ANU

#28 | SENIOR | OUTFIELDER | ORLANDO, FLA.

31	50	35	15	4
R	H	RBI	XBH	SB

- **14 MULTI-HIT GAMES IN 2021**
- **8 MULTI-RBI GAMES IN 2021**
- **82 TOTAL BASES IN 2021**
- **HOMERED FROM BOTH SIDES OF PLATE DURING HIS CAREER**
- **20 XBH IN 67 CAREER GAMES**



RYAN RITTER

#47 | JUNIOR | INFILDER | TINLEY PARK, ILL.

21	49	21	8	9
R	H	RBI	SB	XBH

- **2022 GOLDEN SPIKES AWARD CANDIDATE**
- **2022 THIRD-TEAM PRESEASON ALL-AMERICAN**
- **13 MULTI-HIT GAMES IN 2021**
- **8 MULTI-HIT GAMES IN SEC PLAY**
- **SIX-RBI GAME AT No. 5 LOUISVILLE**
- **6-FOR-6 ON STEALS IN SEC PLAY**
- **ONLY WILDCAT WITH 4-HIT GAME IN 2021**



COLE STUPP

#16 | JUNIOR | RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER | MILTON, MASS.

75.2	13	4	15	71
IP	GS	W	BB	K

- LOGGED EIGHT QUALITY STARTS
- NAMED INAUGURAL **SEC** NEWCOMER OF WEEK
- IN FIRST THREE ROAD **SEC** STARTS WENT 2-0 WITH 2.45 ERA (22 IP, 6 R, 2 BB, 18 K)
- HAD NEARLY 5:1 STRIKEOUT-TO-WALK RATIO



SEAN HARNEY

#34 | SENIOR | RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER | NATICK, MASS.

3-2	6	46.1	58	3.69
W/L	SV	IP	K	ERA

- LED THE TEAM WITH SIX SAVES
- OPENED SEASON AS CLOSER AND SAVED FIVE OF FIRST 10 WINS
- BECAME JUST THIRD PITCHER IN SCHOOL HISTORY TO RECORD AT LEAST FIVE SAVES AND FIVE STARTS IN SAME SEASON
- NEEDS 7 SAVES TO SET **UK** CAREER RECORD



KENTUCKY



WEEK 2 SCHEDULE FOR KENTUCKY BASEBALL

MONDAY - 21	TUESDAY - 22	WEDNESDAY - 23	THURSDAY - 24	FRIDAY - 25	SATURDAY - 26	SUNDAY - 27
Off	Practice	vs. Bellarmine 3 p.m. ET SECN+	Practice	vs. WMU 4 p.m. ET SECN+	vs. WMU 1 p.m. ET SECN+	vs. WMU 1 p.m. ET SECN+

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW, SOMETHING BLUE

The Kentucky baseball team will have both a familiar look and air of freshness in 2022 as it mixes returning stars and established veterans from other programs while seeking to return to the postseason. Defensive wizard **Ryan Ritter** and heavy-hitting **Oraj Anu** will anchor a lineup that could be heavier on versatility than raw power, while right-handers **Cole Stupp**, **Sean Harney** and **Daniel Harper** headline a deep and experienced pitching staff.

The Wildcats added eight players from the NCAA transfer portal, including the 2021 America East Player of the Year, a former third-team all-american, a former freshman all-american, three all-conference performers, a former JUCO World Series most valuable player and a top arm for the 2023 MLB Draft. Add expanded roles for power threat **Jake Plastiak**, two-way threat **Chase Estep**, gap-loving **Kirk Liebert** and a sophomore class of pitchers that gained valuable experience a year ago and there is quiet optimism at Kentucky Proud Park.

ITTER ME THIS

Kentucky junior shortstop **Ryan Ritter** made an immediate impact on the program last season with his elite defensive skills and developing offensive game despite having played just 17 games of junior college ball before arriving in Lexington. The Chicago-area native's all-around skill set and tools have pro scouts drooling and Mingione calling him the "best defensive shortstop I've ever seen as a coach."

"Ryan Ritter is special," Mingione said. "Man, he's special. I saw guys like Dansby Swanson and Alex Bregman in college, and they are obviously better offensively, but I think he's better defensively. I think he's that good of a shortstop."

Ritter has been named a Third-Team Preseason All-American by D1Baseball.com and a Golden Spikes Award candidate by USA Baseball.

Ritter got off to an uneven start in the famed Cape Cod League last summer but turned a corner mid-way through and then punched it into overdrive at the plate down the stretch, earning all-league honors. He ranked fourth in the league in batting with a .330 mark, had a .410 OBP and posted a 12-game hitting streak the final few weeks. He's been ranked as high as the No. 23 college prospect for the

THE BIG INNING (O)

(*4 or more runs scored)

OPPONENT	INNING	RUNS
J-ville State	8	5
J-ville State	9	7

QUALITY STARTS (O)

(*6 IP, 3 OR FEWER EARNED RUNS)

DATE	PITCHER (#)	IP (H, R-ER, BB, K)
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SAVES (O)

DATE	PITCHER (#)	OPPONENT
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““”

LET'S TALK LEATHER. IT IS OH SO GOOD.
ENTIRE PACKAGE IS AS TANTALIZING AS IT GETS.

**LOOKS THE PART.
FIRST ROUND WRITTEN
ALL OVER HIM.**

PROSPECTS LIVE

RYAN RITTER
JUNIOR SHORTSTOP



WILDCATS RECORD WHEN...

	2021	MINGIONE
Record	3-0	146-103
Home	0-0	98-46
Away	3-0	41-52
Neutral	0-0	7-5
SEC	0-0	51-69
Home	0-0	27-33
Road	0-0	24-36
Non-Conference	3-0	94-30
Home	0-0	71-13
Road	3-0	17-16
Neutral	0-0	6-1
Non-Power Five	3-0	82-11
Postseason	0-0	5-7
Day games	3-0	94-59
Night games	0-0	52-44
One-run games	0-0	24-19
Two-run games	1-0	17-19
Five+-run games	1-0	72-43
Extra-inning games	0-0	4-5
In shutouts	0-0	1-3
Scoring first	2-0	100-42
Opponent scores first	1-0	6-63
Scoring 10 or more runs	2-0	60-2
Allowing 10 or more runs	0-0	1-33
Scoring six runs or more	3-0	113-22
Scoring four runs or less	0-0	19-74
Allowing four runs or less	1-0	105-19
Hitting home run(s)	2-0	105-61
Allowing home run(s)	2-0	63-77
Out-hitting an opponent	3-0	123-24
Out-hit by opponent	0-0	16-78
Matching opponents hits	0-0	7-1
vs. LHP	0-0	51-27
vs. RHP	3-0	95-76
Leading after seventh inning	2-0	121-10
Trailing after seventh inning	0-0	14-85
Tied after the seventh inning	1-0	8-7
Decided in the last at bat	1-0	20-11
Not committing an error	1-0	63-27
Committing two or more errors	0-0	24-43
vs. Top 25	0-0	37-62
vs. Top 10	0-0	17-37
On Monday	0-0	1-0
On Tuesday	0-0	35-9
On Wednesday	0-0	11-4
On Thursday	0-0	3-9
On Friday	1-0	34-29
On Saturday	1-0	31-31
On Sunday	1-0	31-21
In February	3-0	28-14
In March	0-0	58-24
In April	0-0	36-34
In May	0-0	24-30
In June	0-0	4-3
In 1st Base Dugout	0-0	77-45
In 3rd Base Dugout	3-0	69-57

UNI WATCH

HOME		
White top/White pants/Blue cap	0-0	26-9
Blue top/White pants/Blue cap	0-0	24-6
Blue top/Pinstripe pants/Blue cap	0-0	8-4
Blue top/White pants/Black cap	0-0	1-0
Black top/White pants/Black cap	0-0	10-9
Black top/White pants/Blue cap	0-0	1-0
Black top/Pinstripe pants/Camo cap	0-0	3-2
Creams/Blue cap	0-0	11-3
Pinstripes/Blue cap	0-0	14-10

ROAD

Gray top/Gray pants/Blue cap	0-0	12-16
Gray top/Gray pants/Black cap	1-0	4-5
Blue top/Gray pants/Blue cap	1-0	17-19
Black top/Gray pants/Black cap	1-0	9-16
Black top/Gray pants/Blue cap	0-0	1-0

2022 MLB Draft (D1Baseball) and No. 43 overall prospect (Perfect Game), and was excellent during fall practice as scouts flocked to Lexington to get a look at his development.

What They're Saying About Ritter:

"Ultra smooth defender who continues to improve in every phase of the game, but especially with his arm strength and the ability to drive the baseball. He's a game changer on defense with plus range, elite hands and an ever-improving 65-grade arm. His rifle is accurate from all angles and distances. He can go get outfield bloopers with over the shoulder catches or make acrobatic pivots to complete the DP. If that's not enough, watch him make an on the move on-line relay throw to home plate from behind second base. His body control is tremendous and it's easy to envision him winning Gold Gloves at the professional level." - Dave Siefert, D1Baseball

PORTAL POWER

UK hit the NCAA transfer portal hard in the offseason, signing eight players from the D-I ranks to provide immediate help. The group was rated as the No. 5 transfer class in the country according to *Baseball America*, while D1Baseball had two of the players ranked in the top 60 of all transfers.

The four position players – outfielders Adam Fogel, Hunter Jump and John Thrasher along with infielder Daniel Harris IV – have nearly 2,500 combined career collegiate plate appearances and 572 games started. Thrasher was the America East Player of the Year and Fogel a second-team All-Big West honoree in 2021, while Harris was a third-team All-American in 2020.

- **Adam Fogel** (OF, Hawaii) - .297 career hitter in 653 AB, 97 R, 55 2B, 18 HR, 111 RBI
- **Daniel Harris IV** (IF, ECU) - .289, 695 AB, 201 H, 139 R, 33 2B, 7 3B, 22 HR, 131 RBI, 31 SB
- **Hunter Jump** (OF, Arizona St.) - .316 in 367 AB, 43 R, 28 2B, 3 3B, 5 HR, 67 RBI, .836 OPS
- **John Thrasher** (OF, Hartford) - .287 in 450 AB, 102 R, 23 2B, 6 3B, 13 HR, 69 SB

Experience also was the objective on the mound and the Cats loaded up with a quartet of pitchers who have logged 368.1 career innings. Left-hander Tyler Bosma and righty Darren Williams each have starting experience on the weekend, while right-hander Tyler Guilfoil was one of the top closers in the Atlantic Sun Conference and southpaw Magdiel Cotto a top 50 overall prospect in the class of 2020.

- **Tyler Bosma** (LHP, Miami (OH)) - 109.2 IP, 4.84 ERA, 57 BB, 134 K
- **Magdiel Cotto** (LHP, South Carolina) - 8 app., 8.2 IP, 9 K
- **Tyler Guilfoil** (RHP, Lipscomb) - 87.0 IP, 6-2, 13 SV, 3.52 ERA, 125 K
- **Darren Williams** (RHP, ECU) - 163.0 IP, 4.91 ERA, 4 SV, 184 K

THE OLYMPIC TIES THAT BIND

UK's **Oraj Anu** and **Wyatt Hudepohl** hit the genetic gold mine, as both players have immediate family members who reached the Summer Olympics. Anu's mother, Oralee Fowler, was member of the 1980 and 1984 Bahamas track team as a sprinter, while Hudepohl's uncle, Joe, won three Olympic swimming medals during 1992 and '96 Olympics.

CHASING 2,000

Kentucky currently has 1,985 all-time victories as it barrels towards 2,000.

WIN NO.	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
1	April 11, 1896	Kentucky University	13-9
100	April 22, 1912	at Culver Military Institute	6-2
500	April 3, 1969	St. Joseph's	4-2
1,000	April 16, 1989	Auburn	9-4
1,500	April 26, 2006	Murray State	3-2



2022 SPLITS

	G	AVG.	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	K	SB
OVERALL	3	.353	31	42	6	2	4	28	18	22	1
SEC	N/A										
NON-SEC	3	.353	31	42	6	2	4	28	18	22	1
HOME	N/A										
AWAY	3	.353	31	42	6	2	4	28	18	22	1
NEUTRAL	N/A										
DAY	3	.353	31	42	6	2	4	28	18	22	1
NIGHT	N/A										
WINS	3	.353	31	42	6	2	4	28	18	22	1
LOSSES	N/A										
FEBRUARY	3	.353	31	42	6	2	4	28	18	22	1
MARCH	N/A										
APRIL	N/A										
MAY	N/A										

MULTI-HIT GAMES AT UK		
PLAYER	2022	CAREER
ORAJ ANU	3	21
RYAN RITTER	2	15
JACOB PLASTIAK	2	5
HUNTER JUMP	2	2
CHASE ESTEP	1	12
REUBEN CHURCH	0	8
ALONZO RUBALCABA	1	4
DANIEL HARRIS	1	1
KIRK LIEBERT	1	1
JOHN THRASHER	1	1

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 has been so effective the lineup has opened its "Biggie Box" 118 times since Mingione took over (37 in 2017, 31 in 2018, 20 in 2019) and recorded 11 such innings in just 17 games during the pandemic-shortened 2020 season. The Cats also are 110-22 under Mingione when scoring six or more runs. (See box on page six for Biggie Box innings)

HIT PARADE

Kentucky's offense has been one of the nation's elite the past five seasons under Mingione and his staff. In three of the five seasons, the Cats have averaged more than seven runs per game and are averaging 6.6 per game overall. Assistant coach Will Coggin will take over the main offensive duties this season and has a track record of producing success in the box.

MULTI-RBI GAMES AT UK		
PLAYER	2021	CAREER
ORAJ ANU	1	11
CHASE ESTEP	1	5
JACOB PLASTIAK	1	5
DANIEL HARRIS	1	1
NOLAN MCCARTHY	1	1
REUBEN CHURCH	0	3
RYAN RITTER	0	3

CATEGORY	FOUR-YEAR TOTAL (2017-21)
Batting Average	.291
Runs per game	6.6
On-Base Percentage	.394
Slugging Percentage	.467
OPS	.861
Extra-Base Hits	656

CURRENT HIT/REACH BASE STREAKS			
<i>(listed alphabetically; *career)</i>			
PLAYER	LONGEST*	CURRENT	REACH SAFE
ANU	6	3	3
CHURCH	10	1	1
ESTEP	2	1	3
FOGEL	2	2	2
HARRIS IV	3	3	3
JUMP	-	2	3
LIEBERT	1	1	1
MCCARTHY	1	1	1
PLASTIAK	4	3	6
RITTER	5	4	6
RUBALCABA	4	3	3
THRASHER	1	-	-

"SUPER" SENIORS

Four Wildcats opted to take advantage of the extra year of eligibility received when the 2020 season was cut short by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, giving even more experience to this spring's roster. Pitchers **Sean Harney**, **Daniel Harper** and **Mason Hazelwood** all are back, as is outfielder Oraj Anu. The quartet has been an integral part of the program's success in recent years.

In 2021, Harney and Harper were huge pieces of the pitching staff. Harney, a transfer from UMass, became the first pitcher in school history to save six games and start at least six games in the same

THIEVES OF THE INDUSTRY



John Thrasher

- In five years under coach Nick Mingione the Wildcats have swiped 309 bases in 415 attempts, a success rate of 74.5 percent.
- In 2021, the Cats stole 78 bases in 86 attempts. It was the highest success rate (90.7) of any Division I-A team with 50+ stolen bases.
- The Cats were successful on their first 33 stolen base attempts last season, the most consecutive steals to open a season in school history and longest streak in D-I in 2021.
- John Thrasher, a NCBWA Third-Team Preseason All-American who transferred from Hartford, stole 37 bases in 40 attempts last season, averaging more steals per game than NCAA leader Enrique Bradfield Jr. of Vanderbilt. Thrasher has 69 career stolen bases.
- UK's returnees from last season were a perfect 18-of-18 on stolen base attempts in 2021.
- Transfer Daniel Harris IV stole 15 bags at Eastern Kentucky last season and is 31-of-35 in his career.

Kentucky has stolen at least 58 bases in each of the four full seasons Mingione has been head coach.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>SB/ATT</u>
2017	63-95
2018	58-84
2019	85-116
2020	25-34
2021	78-86
2022	1-2
Total	310-417



Ryan Ritter



TRACKING KENTUCKY'S EXTRA-BASE HITS

Player	Doubles 2022 (career)	Triples 2022 (career)	Home Runs 2022 (career)	Totals 2022 (career)
ORAJ ANU	1 (9)	0 (2)	1 (12)	2 (23)
REUBEN CHURCH	0 (7)	0 (2)	0 (2)	0 (11)
CHASE ESTEP	1 (11)	0 (1)	1 (2)	2 (14)
ADAM FOGEL*	0 (55)	0 (2)	0 (18)	0 (75)
DANIEL HARRIS*	0 (33)	1 (8)	0 (22)	1 (63)
HUNTER JUMP*	0 (28)	0 (3)	0 (5)	0 (36)
KIRK LIEBERT	2 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (2)
NOLAN McCARTHY	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (1)	1 (1)
JACOB PLASTIAK	1 (2)	0 (0)	1 (5)	1 (7)
RYAN RITTER	1 (6)	0 (0)	0 (3)	1 (10)
ALONZO RUBALCABA	2 (2)	1 (1)	0 (0)	1 (3)
JOHN THRASHER*	1 (24)	0 (6)	0 (13)	1 (43)
TOTALS	6 (179)	2 (26)	4 (83)	12 (289)

(*NOTE: STATS ARE FOR ENTIRE CAREER AT D-I LEVEL; 2022 IS FIRST SEASON AT KENTUCKY)

season. He was lights out as the closer to open the year and then moved into the weekend rotation when Hazelwood, who was off to a tremendous start as well, was injured in week two of SEC play. Harper battled back from hip surgery to have his best season yet in 2021 as the staff's most trusted arm out of the bullpen once Harney moved to the rotation. Harper needs 31 appearances to set the UK career record.

CATS LEAD THE SEC IN WEEKLY 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 SEC Player, Pitcher or Newcomer of the Week **seventeen** times, tied for the most for any school in the conference.

TEAM	HONORS
KENTUCKY	17
Ole Miss	17
Vanderbilt	16
Arkansas	15
Miss. State	13
Georgia/LSU	12

MINGIONE RECEIVES CHARACTER IN COACHING AWARD

Nick Mingione is the 2022 Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award recipient by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Mingione was honored at the American Baseball Coaches Association convention in Chicago in January. Named after the late Jerry Kindall, former major leaguer and head coach at the University of Arizona, the award has been presented annually since 2006 by FCA to the college or high school baseball coach who best exemplifies the FCA values of integrity, serving, teamwork and excellence on and off the field baseball field.

He has made it a point to have his team involved in the community, part of his "Student. Person. Player." guiding principle of the program, participating in numerous philanthropic events in Lexington while also taking time for more than 100 local speaking engagements. In his first season at UK his ethos for the program was on full display as UK players earned SEC Pitcher of the Year, SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year and SEC Community Service Team honors.

RECORD CHASING

Several pitchers are making their way onto and up the career charts:

Appearances

1. Lornh Frazier	1990-93	104
2. Brock Baber	2005-08	98
3. Logan Salow	2014-17	94
4. Josh Paxton	1997-2000	92
5. Jon Hooker	1998-01	82
6. Andrew Albers	2005-08	81
Walter Wijas	2010-13	81
8. Aaron Tennyson	2003-06	77
9. Daniel Harper	2018-	76
10. Scott Smith	1990-93	73

Hits/9 innings (Min. 75 Innings)

1. Jeff Keener	1980-81	5.11
2. Zack Thompson	2017-19	6.09
3. Mason Hazelwood	2018-	6.67
4. Tim Brandenburg	1979-80	7.42
5. Chris Carroll	1982-85	7.43
6. Dustin Beggs	2015-16	7.48
7. David Voit	1986-88	7.57
8. Justin Lewis	2016-18	7.65
9. Logan Salow	2014-17	7.75
10. Jack Savage	1983-85	7.94

Strikeouts/9 innings (Min. 50 Innings)

1. Carson Coleman	2018-20	13.58
2. Zack Thompson	2017-19	12.26
3. Trevor Gott	2011-13	11.70
4. Braden Kapteyn	2009-11	11.43
5. Brian Reed	1991-94	11.09
6. James Paxton	2007-09	10.88
7. Alex Meyer	2009-11	10.76
8. Logan Salow	2014-17	10.41
9. Alex Degen	2019-	10.15
10. Scott Downs	1995-97	10.14



Troy Squires won the prestigious Senior CLASS Award in 2018, the first Kentucky athlete in any sport to do so, and Marshall Gei was First-Team Academic All-America in 2019. T.J. Collett then became the second Wildcat in four years to win the Senior CLASS Award when he was honored in 2021.

In five seasons, the Cats have had 159 players earn All-SEC academic honors, including a league-high 34 in 2020 and 39 in 2021. The program has earned the ABCA's prestigious Team Academic Excellence Award, which requires a cumulative team grade point average of at least 3.00, each of the 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 seasons, the only school in the SEC to accomplish that feat. Baseball also has had the highest UK male team GPA three straight semesters: Fall 2020, Spring 2021 and Fall 2021, including the highest team GPA of any program in Fall 2021 (3.69).

CATS LAND HERALDED 2022 RECRUITING CLASS

Kentucky made a splash during the November signing period, inking nine prep stars, including five ranked among the nation's top 200 high school players in the 2022 class. The class ranks No. 9 nationally by Perfect Game in terms of average ranking of the players signed.

The impressive class is highlighted by a pair of top 50 recruits – outfielder Tommy Specht (Dubuque, Iowa) and right-handed pitcher/infielder Caden Dana (Montgomery, New York). The other top 200 recruits include right-handed pitcher/infielder Drew Lafferty (South Park, Pennsylvania), middle infielder/right-handed pitcher Carson Applegate (Columbus, New Jersey) and outfielder Lukas Schramm (Apex, North Carolina).

SUMMER STARS

The summer baseball circuit was good to the Cats again with several players turning in head-turning performances they look to carry over to the 2022 season. Ryan Ritter shook off a slow start to finish as one of the top players in the prestigious Cape Cod League, finishing fourth in batting while being named to the Cape Cod All-League Team.

Senior catcher/outfielder **Kirk Liebert** took advantage of extended at-bats to shine for Kenosha in the Northwoods League. He earned the Rawlings "Big Stick" Award as the top-hitting catcher and was named to the NWL All-Star Game and postseason all-star team. He batted .322 with a .917 OPS, had 20 extra-base hits and eight steals.

Others that shined included **Chase Estep** (MLB Dreams Showcase, Northwoods League), **Seth Logue** (Valley League, 1.39 ERA in 19.1 IP) and **Jacob Plastiak** (led MLB Draft League in homers).

ON THE TUBE

The Kentucky baseball team featured on traditional television broadcasts at least nine times during the 2022 season. Nine conference games will air on ESPNU and the SEC Network. UK's remaining home and conference games will be streamed live on SECN+

POSITION BREAKDOWN

INFIELDERS

- MICHAEL DALLAS, FR., R/R
- **REUBEN CHURCH, So., R/R**
- **CHASE ESTEP, JR., L/R**
- JASE FELKER, JR., S/R
- *DANIEL HARRIS IV, GR., R/R
- JAMES MCCOY, FR., S/R
- ÉMILIEN PITRE, FR., L/R
- JACOB PLASTIAK, SR., S/R
- **RYAN RITTER, JR., R/R**

OUTFIELDERS

- **ORAJ ANU, GR., S/R**
- *ADAM FOGEL, GR., R/R
- *HUNTER JUMP, GR., L/R
- TANNER KIM, FR., R/R
- NOLAN MCCARTHY, R-FR., R/R
- *JOHN THRASHER, GR., R/R

CATCHERS

- DEVIN BURKES, R-FR., R/R
- ALONZO RUBALCABA, SR., R/R

UTILITY

- KIRK LIEBERT, SR., L/R

RIGHT-HANDED PITCHERS

- ALEX DEGEN, SR.
- COLBY FRIEDA, FR.
- *TYLER GUILFOIL, JR.
- RYAN HAGENOW, SO.
- **SEAN HARNEY, GR.**
- DANIEL HARPER, GR.
- CHRISTIAN HOWE, FR.
- WYATT HUDEPOHL, SO.
- **ZACK LEE, JR.**
- SETH LOGUE, SO.
- MASON MOORE, FR.
- TRAVIS SMITH, FR.
- AUSTIN STRICKLAND, SO.
- **COLE STUPP, JR.**
- *DARREN WILLIAMS, GR.

LEFT-HANDED PITCHERS

- *TYLER BOSMA, GR.
- EVAN BYERS, R-FR.
- *MAGDIEL COTTO, SO.
- REED GANNON, FR.
- **MASON HAZELWOOD, GR.**
- JACKSON NOVE, FR.

BOLD - INDICATES RETURNING STARTERS
* TRANSFER



HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

BY LOCATION

AT HOME	0
ON ROAD	4
NEUTRAL	0

BY PITCHER

VS. RIGHT	4
VS. LEFT	0

BY CONFERENCE

VS. SEC	0
VS. NON-SEC	4

BY OUTS

WITH NO OUT	2
WITH ONE OUT	1
WITH TWO OUT	1

BY RUNNERS ON

SOLO	1
TWO-RUN	2
THREE-RUN	0
GRAND SLAM	1

BY COUNT

AHEAD IN COUNT	2
EVEN IN COUNT	1
BEHIND IN COUNT	1
FULL COUNT	1
FIRST PITCH	1
TWO STRIKE	1

BY TIME OF DAY

(FIRST PITCH BEFORE/AFTER 6 P.M. EST)

DAY GAMES	4
NIGHT GAMES	0

2022 HOME RUN TRACKER

NO	PLAYER (#)	OPPONENT	ON	INN.	OUT	COUNT	RHP/LHP
1	Oraj Anu (1)	at Jacksonville St.	1	2	0	3-2	RHP
2	Chase Estep (1)	at Jacksonville St.	0	3	2	1-0	RHP
3	Jake Plastiak (1)	at Jacksonville St.	1	8	0	0-0	RHP
4	N. McCarthy (1)	at Jacksonville St.	3	9	1	0-1	RHP

HR BY POSITION

C - 0	LF - 0
1B - 1	CF - 1
2B - 0	RF - 0
SS - 0	DH - 1
3B - 1	PH - 0

HR BY INNING

1ST - 0	6TH - 0
2ND - 1	7TH - 0
3RD - 1	8TH - 1
4TH - 0	9TH - 1
5TH - 0	10+ - 0





KENTUCKY



DID YOU KNOW? WILDCATS TRIVIA ...

- Oraj Anu** - Mother, Oralee Fowler, was member of the 1980 and 1984 Bahamas Olympic track team as a sprinter; Father, Linzey, played football at Florida for Steve Spurrier; Builds computers as a hobby
- Tyler Bosma** - Father, Duane, played professional basketball in Europe
- Evan Byers** - Considers himself a farmer, having purchased and raised cattle
- Michael Dallas** - Two-time all-state player in football and Tennessee Mr. Football semifinalist in high school
- Alex Degen** - Has competed in multiple sprint triathlons; Has volunteered more than 100 hours while at UK
- Chase Estep** - Father, Chad, and uncle, Chris, played baseball at Kentucky
- Adam Fogel** - Father, Seth, played football at Cal Berkeley
- Tyler Guilfoil** - Grew up one mile from Kentucky's campus
- Ryan Hagenow** - Second-highest ranked player to arrive at UK behind former RHP Alex Meyer
- Sean Harney** - Transfer from UMass, where he was 2018 Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team
- Christian Howe** - MaxPreps 2021 Small School National Player of the Year at Danville (Ky.) HS
- Wyatt Hudepohl** - Uncle, Joe Hudepohl, won three Olympic swimming medals during 1992 and '96 Olympics
- Kirk Liebert** - Father, George, was drafted by Kansas City in 1989
- Hunter Jump** - Brother, Gage, is a highly touted freshman pitcher at UCLA
- Seth Logue** - Brother, Zach, starred on UK's 2017 Super Regional team and now is on Toronto's 40-man roster
- Nolan McCarthy** - Can squat more than 500 pounds
- Jackson Nove** - If you like butterburgers his grandparents own several Culver's restaurants
- Émilien Pitre** - French is his first language; Member of Canadian Junior National Team in 2020
- Jake Plastiak** - Sister, Kayla, played softball at Grand Valley State
- Ryan Ritter** - Drafted in 33rd round of 2019 MLB Draft by Chicago Cubs
- Alonzo Rubalcaba** - Brother, Alvaro Jr., played in Los Angeles Angels organization
- Cole Stupp** - Self-described "Rock, Paper, Scissors" champion
- Darren Williams** - Pitched 2.0 innings against Kentucky in 2019 while at Eastern Kentucky

2022 HONORS

- Sean Harney**
 - Stopper of the Year Watch List
 - Top 30 preseason relief pitcher (D1Baseball)
- Danny Harris IV**
 - Top 40 preseason second baseman (D1Baseball)
- Hunter Jump**
 - Top 150 preseason outfielder (D1Baseball)
- Zack Lee**
 - Top 135 preseason starting pitcher (D1Baseball)
- Ryan Ritter**
 - Preseason Second-Team Coaches All-SEC
 - Third-Team Preseason All-America (D1)
 - Golden Spikes Watch List
 - Top 4 preseason shortstop (D1Baseball)
 - 2022 Bragan Slugger Watch List
- Alonzo Rubalcaba**
 - Top 50 preseason catcher (D1Baseball)
- Cole Stupp**
 - Top 50 preseason starting pitcher (D1Baseball)
- John Thrasher**
 - Third-Team Preseason All-America (NCBWA)
 - Top 150 preseason outfielder (D1Baseball)

TRACKING KENTUCKY CAREER HIGHS

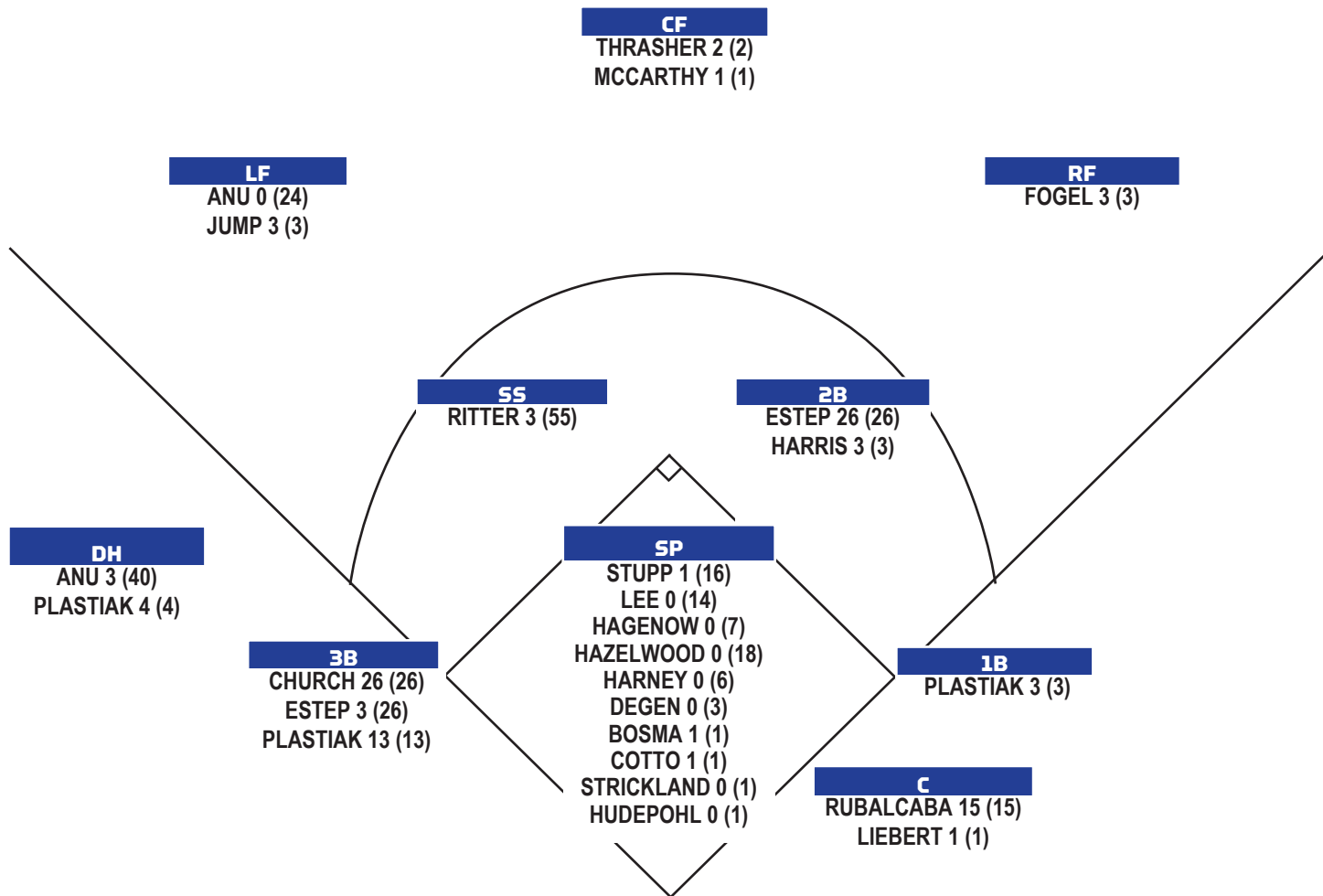
PLAYER	HITS (most recent)	RBI (most recent)	RUNS (most recent)
ORAJ ANU	3 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)	3 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
REUBEN CHURCH	2 (AT AUBURN; 3/26/21)	5 (AT AUBURN; 3/26/21)	3 (VS. MILWAUKEE; 2/27/21)
CHASE ESTEP	3 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)	3 (VS. GEORGIA ST.; 3/12/21)	3 (VS. WESTERN KY.; 3/10/20)
JASE FELKER	-	-	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
ADAM FOGEL	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
DANIEL HARRIS	3 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
HUNTER JUMP	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
KIRK LIEBERT	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	2 (VS. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)
NOLAN MCCARTHY	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	5 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
EMILIEN PITRE	-	-	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
JAKE PLASTIAK	3 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	3 (VS. BELLARMINE; 4/13/21)	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
RYAN RITTER	4 (VS. MURRAY ST.; 3/16/21)	6 (AT LOUISVILLE; 4/6/21)	3 (AT LOUISVILLE; 4/6/21)
ALONZO RUBALCABA	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	1 (VS. GEORGIA ST.; 3/13/21)	2 (VS. GEORGIA ST.; 3/12/21)
JOHN THRASHER	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	1 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)
PITCHERS	INNINGS (most recent)	STRIKEOUTS (most recent)	PITCHES (most recent)
TYLER BOSMA	5.0 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	3 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)	71 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/20/22)
MAGDIEL COTTO	4.0 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	6 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	76 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)
ALEX DEGEN	4.0 (VS. FLORIDA; 5/8/21)	5 (VS. S. CAROLINA; 5/16/21)	76 (VS. S. CAROLINA; 5/16/21)
TYLER GUILFOIL	1.0 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)	2 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)	20 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/18/22)
RYAN HAGENOW	4.0 (VS. BUTLER; 3/23/21)	6 (VS. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)	80 (VS. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)
SEAN HARNEY	6.0 (VS. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)	9 (AT GEORGIA; 4/17/21)	105 (VS. FLORIDA; 5/7/21)
DANIEL HARPER	6.0 (VS. MIAMI [OHIO]; 3/27/18)	8 (VS. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)	78 (VS. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)
MASON HAZELWOOD	7.0 (VS. NORFOLK ST.; 3/7/20)	12 (VS. GEORGIA ST.; 3/13/21)	104 (VS. TENNESSEE; 4/19/19)
WYATT HUDEPOHL	3.0 (VS. LSU; 4/9/21)	5 (VS. BELLARMINE; 3/30/21)	33 (VS. BELLARMINE; 3/30/21)
ZACK LEE	7.0 (VS. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)	8 (VS. BALL STATE; 3/6/21)	90 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/22/21)
SETH LOGUE	3.0 (VS. BALL STATE; 3/6/21)	6 (VS. BALL STATE; 3/6/21)	43 (VS. MILWAUKEE; 2/26/21)
AUSTIN STRICKLAND	4.0 (VS. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)	6 (VS. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)	68 (VS. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)
COLE STUPP	8.0 (AT GEORGIA; 4/16/21)	10 (VS. MISSOURI; 3/19/21)	110 (AT GEORGIA; 4/16/21)
DARREN WILLIAMS	3.0 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	4 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)	57 (AT J'VILLE ST; 2/19/22)



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STARTS BY POSITION AT KENTUCKY 2022 (CAREER)



GAMES-GAMES STARTED							
PLAYER	CAREER	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
DANIEL HARRIS	185-183	3-3	52-52 [^]	14-14 [^]	56-56 [^]	60-58 [^]	-
ADAM FOGEL	174-171	3-3	50-50%	15-13%	10-10%	51-51%	45-44%
JOHN THRASHER	144-136	3-2	36-36+	12-12+	49-47+	44-39+	-
HUNTER JUMP	109-93	3-3	53-53 [#]	17-16 [#]	-	36-31 [#]	-
ORAJ ANU	70-64	3-3	50-49	17-12	-	-	-
RYAN RITTER	55-55	3-3	52-52	-	-	-	-
CHASE ESTEP	55-52	3-3	40-39	12-10	-	-	-
JACOB PLASTIAK	44-30	3-3	23-17	-	18-10 [~]	-	-
REUBEN CHURCH	32-26	1-0	31-26	-	-	-	-
ALONZO RUBALCABA	23-16	2-2	21-14	-	-	-	-
KIRK LIEBERT	14-2	1-1	13-1	-	-	-	-
NOLAN MCCARTHY	1-1	1-1	-	-	-	-	-
DEVIN BURKES	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
JASE FELKER	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
EMILIEN PITRE	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	-

[^]AT EASTERN KENTUCKY; %AT HAWAII; +AT HARTFORD; #AT ARIZONA STATE; ~AT WICHITA STATE

CATS IN THE PROS

(Highest level reached in 2021)

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

ANDREW ALBERS - MINNESOTA TWINS
 KYLE CODY - TEXAS RANGERS
 TREVOR GOTT - SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
 ANDY GREEN - CHICAGO CUBS (COACH)
 LUKE MAILE - MILWAUKEE BREWERS
 JAMES PAXTON - BOSTON RED SOX
 ZACH POP - MIAMI MARLINS
 ZACH REKS - TEXAS RANGERS
 JT RIDDLE - MINNESOTA TWINS
 TAYLOR ROGERS - MINNESOTA TWINS
 KA'AI TOM - PITTSBURGH PIRATES
 EVAN WHITE - SEATTLE MARINERS

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

(^40-man MLB roster)

ZACK BROWN (BREWERS-AAA)
 CARSON COLEMAN (YANKEES-A)
 KOLE COTTAM (RED SOX-A-ADVANCED)
 COLLIN COWGILL - ARKANSAS TRAVELERS, AA (MANAGER)
 ZACH HAAKE (ROYALS-A-ADVANCED)
 VINCE HARRISON - HILLSBORO HOPS, A-ADV. (MANAGER)
 ^SEAN HJELLE (GIANTS-AA)
 JUSTIN LEWIS (DIAMONDBACKS-AA)
 ^ZACH LOGUE (BLUE JAYS-AAA)
 RILEY MAHAN (MARLINS-AA)
 TRISTAN POMPEY (MARLINS-AA)
 CHRIS RUSIN (ROCKIES-AAA)
 LOGAN SALOW (DODGERS-AAA)
 CHANDLER SHEPHERD (TWINS-AAA)
 ZACK THOMPSON (CARDINALS-AAA)



MLB TRAINING GROUND

Kentucky has made its presence felt in the Major League Baseball Draft in recent years with 27 players selected during the Nick Mingione era, including 21 in 2017 and 2018, which was the most of any college program in the country over that span. In Evan White (2017) and Zack Thompson (2019) the Cats have had two first-round selections under Mingione. In the last five drafts:

- 15 Wildcats were selected in the first 10 rounds.
- Seven were selected in the first five rounds, including first-rounders Evan White (2017) and Zack Thompson (2019).
- The 13 picks in 2018 are the second-most for any school in a single draft since 2006 and tied for an SEC record with Texas A&M (2016) and national champion Vanderbilt (2019).
- The 16 underclassmen drafted during that span earned \$11.960 million in signing bonus money, an average of \$747,500 per player.
- All but one draftee was selected higher than previously selected.
- 18 of the draftees had not previously been drafted.
- White was named a 2020 AL Gold Glove winner, the first rookie first baseman in either league to win the award since its inception in 1957.
- Along with White having already made his MLB debut, Zach Pop made the Miami Marlins 2021 opening day roster, while Zach Reks reached The Show last summer as well. Pitchers Sean Hjelle (SF Giants) and Zach Logue (Toronto) were added to the MLB 40-Man rosters during the offseason.

WALK IT OFF

The Cats' 10 most recent walk-off victories

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	FINAL PLAY
3/23/21	Butler	6-5	Two-Run Double
3/20/21	Missouri	5-4	Passed Ball
3/4/20	Murray State	9-8	Solo Home Run
2/23/20	Appalachian State	8-7 (15)	RBI Walk
3/10/19	Middle Tennessee	5-4	Two-Run HR
2/27/19	Northern Kentucky	5-4	RBI Single
3/23/18	No. 9 Auburn	5-4	Wild Pitch
2/27/18	Western Kentucky	4-3	Wild Pitch
5/8/16	No. 2 South Carolina	5-4 (12)	Solo Home Run
4/23/16	Arkansas	5-4 (7)	RBI Single

The Cats have walked it off eight times since Nick Mingione took over as head coach before the 2017 season.

RANKINGS

OPPONENTS IN THE PRESEASON POLLS

TEAM	BA	D1	USA	PG	BWA
ARKANSAS	9	2	4	9	3
AUBURN	-	-	-	-	RV
FLORIDA	19	15	10	23	17
GEORGIA	15	16	17	RV	16
LOUISVILLE	-	-	RV	RV	RV
OLE MISS	10	3	6	10	2
S. CAROLINA	-	-	-	-	RV
TCU	-	17	18	8	19
TENNESSEE	17	18	16	19	15
TEXAS A&M	-	-	-	-	RV
VANDERBILT	7	5	2	5	9

KENTUCKY WEEK-BY-WEEK IN THE NATIONAL POLLS

TEAM	BA	D1	USA	PG	BWA
PRESEASON	-	-	-	-	RV
WEEK 1	-	-	-	-	RV
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					
WEEK 15					

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

2022 VS. RANKED OPPONENTS

TEAM	RANK	RECORD
TOTAL		0-0
	vs. Top 10	0-0

(*NCBWA; *Baseball America; +USA Coaches; %D1 Baseball; !Perfect Game; ~Collegiate Baseball)

“THE HOOK”

One of the personal touches to the Wildcats’ home, Kentucky Proud Park, is “The Hook,” which is the name of the visting bullpen just beyond the right field wall. The name is a tribute to former UK pitcher Jonathan Hooker, who pitched for the Cats from 1998-2001, and died in the plane crash of Comair Flight 5191 on Aug. 27, 2006 in Lexington.

Hooker and his wife, Scarlett Parsley, were married the night before and were on the early-morning flight headed to their honeymoon when the pilots attempted to take off from the wrong runway and crashed into a neighboring field. Forty-nine of the 50 people on board were killed, including both Hooker and Parsley.

The London, Ky. native was a beloved teammate and member of UK Baseball and his family were honored on Mar. 29, 2019 during an in-game ceremony to officially unveil “The Hook,” which features a sign and memorial to the former Wildcat.





WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME...

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:	AT No. 10 OLE MISS, 2-1 (APRIL 12-14, 2019)
WON A ROAD SERIES VS. RANKED OPPONENT:	AT No. 10 OLE MISS, 2-1 (APRIL 12-14, 2019)
SWEPT A HOME SERIES (THREE OR MORE GAMES):	vs. GEORGIA STATE (MARCH 12-14, 2021)
SWEPT A ROAD SERIES (THREE OR MORE GAMES):	AT JACKSONVILLE STATE (FEB. 18-20, 2022)
DEFEATED A TOP 5 / TOP 10 OPPONENT:	AT No. 2 VANDERBILT, 7-5, MAY 22, 2021
RECORDED A TRIPLE PLAY:	vs. LOUISVILLE (APRIL 18, 2017; 7-2-6)
PLAYED AN EXTRA-INNING GAME:	10 INNINGS, AT AUBURN; W, 8-6 (MARCH 26, 2021)
SCORED 20 OR MORE RUNS IN A GAME:	21, vs. APPALACHIAN STATE (FEB. 22, 2020)
HIT SIX HOME RUNS IN A GAME (SEE BELOW FOR 7 HR)	AT WESTERN KENTUCKY (APRIL 23, 2019; BOWLING GREEN BALLPARK)
HIT SEVEN HOME RUNS IN A GAME:	vs. ALABAMA (APRIL 25, 2020)
HIT FOUR HOME RUNS IN AN INNING:	8TH, vs. DAYTON (FEB. 21, 2016)
DREW 10 OR MORE WALKS IN A GAME:	10, vs. CANISIUS (MARCH 2, 2019)
GOT HIT BY 10 OR MORE PITCHES IN A GAME:	10, vs. MONMOUTH (MARCH 6, 2010) * TIED NCAA RECORD
HIT BY THREE OR MORE PITCHES IN A GAME (PLAYER):	MATT GOLDA (3, vs. APPALACHIAN STATE, FEB. 22, 2020)
STOLE EIGHT BASES IN A GAME:	AT AUBURN (APRIL 25, 2010)
STOLE 30 OR MORE CONSECUTIVE BASES AS TEAM:	33, 2021 (OPENED THE SEASON 33-FOR-33)
TIED A GAME:	vs. LSU (MARCH 25, 2007)
LED OFF A GAME WITH A HOME RUN:	AUSTIN SCHULTZ (AT VANDERBILT, MAY 22, 2021)
LED OFF A GAME WITH A TRIPLE:	AUSTIN SCHULTZ (vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY, MARCH 2, 2021)
HIT A GRAND SLAM:	NOLAN MCCARTHY (AT JACKSONVILLE STATE, FEB. 18, 2022)
HIT A WALK-OFF HOME RUN:	JOHN RHODES (vs. MURRAY STATE, SOLO HR, 9TH INNING, 2 OUTS, MARCH 4, 2020)
HIT AN EXTRA-INNING, GAME-WINNING HOME RUN:	DORIAN HAIRSTON (vs. SOUTH CAROLINA, MAY 8, 2016)
HIT TWO HOME RUNS IN A GAME:	JOHN RHODES (AT TENNESSEE, APRIL 30, 2021)
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:	T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 23, 2021)
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. BUTLER, 6-5, NINE INNINGS, COLTYN KESSLER TWO-RUN DOUBLE (MARCH 23, 2021)
HAD A WALK-OFF HIT OR WALK (NON-HR):	COLTYN KESSLER TWO-RUN DOUBLE, vs. BUTLER, 6-5, NINE INNINGS (MARCH 23, 2021)
HAD A WALK-OFF GRAND SLAM:	RILEY MAHAN (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 9, 2016)
HIT AN INSIDE THE PARK HOMER:	RILEY MAHAN (AT LSU, vs. APRIL 4, 2015)
HOMERED IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES:	JACOB PLASTIAK (AT TENNESSEE, APRIL 29-30, 2021)
HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE GAMES:	COLTYN KESSLER (vs. ALABAMA, APR. 25 (DH)); vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY, APR. 27, 2021)
HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:	T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APR. 25 (DOUBLEHEADER), AT TENNESSEE, APR. 29, 2021)
HOMERED IN FOUR CONSECUTIVE GAMES:	T.J. COLLETT (vs. GEORGIA STATE, MAR. 12-14; vs. MURRAY STATE, MAR. 16, 2021)
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:	T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 25, 2021)
HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE AT BATS:	T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 25, 2021)
HOMERED IN FIRST AT-BAT OF THE SEASON:	ORAJ ANU (AT JACKSONVILLE STATE, FEB. 18, 2022)
HOMERED FOR FIRST CAREER HIT:	NOLAN MCCARTHY (AT JACKSONVILLE STATE, FEB. 18, 2022)
HOMERED IN FIRST AT-BAT OF THEIR CAREER:	DALTON REED (AT AUSTIN PEAY, FEB. 15, 2019)
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 16, 2010)
HIT BACK-TO-BACK HOME RUNS (TEAM):	COLTYN KESSLER AND ORAJ ANU (vs. FLORIDA, MAY 8, 2021)
HIT THREE CONSECUTIVE HOME RUNS (TEAM):	LANCE RAY, BRADEN KAPTEYN AND MARCUS NIDIFFER (AT INDIANA, MAY 11, 2010)
SCORED SIX OR MORE RUNS IN A GAME:	ANDY BURNS (vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE, APRIL 19, 2009)
REACHED BASE SAFELY IN 8+ PLATE APPEARANCES:	T.J. COLLETT, 3 HITS, 4 WALKS, 1 HBP (AT MISS. STATE AND LOUISVILLE, APRIL 3 AND 6, 2021)
HAD A HIT IN SEVEN CONSECUTIVE OFFICIAL AT BATS:	RYAN SHINN (AT AUSTIN PEAY AND AT TEXAS TECH, FEB. 17-23, 2019)
HAD FIVE HITS IN A GAME:	RILEY MAHAN (vs. LSU, APRIL 21, 2017)
HAD SIX OR MORE HITS IN A GAME:	JT RIDDLE, 6 (vs. NIAGARA, FEB. 17, 2013)
HAD FIVE RBI IN A GAME:	NOLAN MCCARTHY (AT JACKSONVILLE STATE, FEB. 18, 2022)
HAD SIX RBI IN A GAME:	RYAN RITTER (AT LOUISVILLE, APRIL 6, 2021)
HAD SEVEN RBI IN A GAME:	JAVON SHELBY (AT GEORGIA, MARCH 20, 2016)
HAD EIGHT RBI IN A GAME:	LUKE BECKER (vs. MIAMI, OH, MARCH 12, 2017)
HIT HOME RUNS FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE PLATE:	ORAJ ANU (vs. CINCINNATI, MARCH 3, 2020)
STOLE THREE OR MORE BASES IN A GAME:	CAM HILL (3, vs. FLORIDA, MAY 7, 2021)
STOLE FIVE OR MORE BASES IN A GAME:	JAREN SHELBY (5, vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY, FEB. 26, 2019)
WALKED FOUR OR MORE TIMES IN A GAME:	RYAN JOHNSON (vs. INDIANA, MAY 7, 2019)
STRUCK OUT 10 OR MORE IN A GAME:	COLE STUPP (10, vs. MISSOURI, MAR. 19, 2021)
PITCHED A NINE-INNING COMPLETE GAME:	ZACK THOMPSON (AT FLORIDA, APRIL 27, 2019)
PITCHED A NINE-INNING SHUTOUT:	ZACK THOMPSON (vs. GEORGIA, MARCH 29, 2019)
PITCHED A NO-HITTER:	TOM BANNON (vs. GEORGIA STATE, MARCH 16, 1971; W, 3-1 IN 7 INNINGS; SEASON OPENER)



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KENTUCKY BATTING ORDER

GAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
JACKSONVILLE ST.	RITTER	JUMP	PLASTIAK	FOGEL	ESTEP	ANU	HARRIS	RUBALCABA	THRASHER
JACKSONVILLE ST.	RITTER	JUMP	PLASTIAK	FOGEL	ESTEP	ANU	HARRIS	RUBALCABA	THRASHER
JACKSONVILLE ST.	RITTER	JUMP	PLASTIAK	FOGEL	ESTEP	ANU	HARRIS	LIEBERT	MCCARTHY





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KENTUCKY STARTING LINEUP

GAME	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH
JACKSONVILLE ST.	RUBALCABA	PLASTIAK	HARRIS	RITTER	ESTEP	JUMP	THRASHER	FOGEL	ANU
JACKSONVILLE ST.	RUBALCABA	PLASTIAK	HARRIS	RITTER	ESTEP	JUMP	THRASHER	FOGEL	ANU
JACKSONVILLE ST.	LIEBERT	PLASTIAK	HARRIS	RITTER	ESTEP	JUMP	McCARTHY	FOGEL	ANU



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KENTUCKY PROUD PARK

Kentucky baseball moved into a new home for the 2019 season, opening the \$49 million Kentucky Proud Park, a state-of-the-art facility immediately considered one of the top facilities in all of college baseball. The Wildcats won their first game in their new home, defeating Eastern Kentucky, 7-3, on Feb. 26, 2019.

The stadium features permanent seating for nearly 2,500 fans with additional space on grass berms to accommodate 5,000 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 include suites and a new club area.

The team areas were a priority and give our players and coaches everything they need to compete at a high level in a single location. The facility features 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 previous ones.

The playing surface is the AstroTurf® Rootzone Diamond Blend, which will allow the team to maximize usage in all weather conditions. The pitcher's mound will remain dirt.

The video board that looms large beyond the right-centerfield wall measures 48 feet wide by 30 feet tall, making it the eighth-largest in college baseball.

The name is a tribute to farmers and businesses of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the Big Blue Nation. Kentucky Farm Bureau secured the rights to name the stadium from JMI Sports, UK Athletics' multimedia rights partner. In turn, Kentucky Farm Bureau elected to name the stadium for Kentucky Proud, the state's official agricultural marketing program housed at the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. No state taxpayer dollars were used in funding the agreement. The Kentucky Proud program is funded through the generosity of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund. The fund is directed by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board and administered by the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy.





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HEAD COACH NICK MINGIONE

Kentucky fans have quickly created a bond 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, getting the best out of his players has been the biggest factor in the success he's achieved everywhere he's been. In 18 full seasons of coaching the teams he's been involved with have averaged 38 victories a year and advanced to the postseason 10 times with two national runner-up finishes.

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 made it a point to have his team involved in the community, part of his "Student. Person. Player." guiding principle of the program, participating in numerous philanthropic events in Lexington while also taking time for more than 100 local speaking engagements. In his first season his ethos for the program was on full display as UK players earned SEC Pitcher of the Year, SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year and SEC Community Service Team honors. He recently was named the winner of 2022 Fellowship of Christian Athletes Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award.

Mingione became the winningest UK coach during the first three seasons of his tenure with 103 total wins and 39 in SEC play. The success has carried over to the Major League Baseball Draft, where Mingione and his staff's ability to groom players for a professional career has led to 24 players being selected in the past five MLB Drafts. The 21 players selected in the 2017 and 2018 drafts were the most of any program in the country and Mignione has helped mentor two top 20 overall picks in first baseman Evan White (17th, 2017) and left-handed pitcher Zack Thompson (19th, 2019).

Mingione has a sterling reputation as a recruiter. Over the 14 seasons at Kentucky and Mississippi State for which recruiting rankings are final, he has helped land classes with an average ranking of 15th, including top-three classes in 2013-15. He also has an unmatched track record of player development, coaching 80 players selected in the MLB Draft, as well as 45 All-Americans and six conference players of the year. His first recruiting class at Kentucky was ranked in the Top 10 of all the major industry outlets.



MINGIONE VS. ALL OPPONENTS

OPPONENT	RECORD
Alabama	3-3
Appalachian State	3-0
Arkansas	1-5
Auburn	5-2
Austin Peay	3-0
Ball State	1-2
Bellarmino	2-0
Boston College	0-1
Butler	1-0
Canisius	3-0
Cincinnati	2-1
Dayton	0-0
Delaware	0-1
Eastern Kentucky	5-0
Evansville	2-0
Florida	4-9
Georgia	5-7
Georgia State	3-0
High Point	0-0
Houston	1-0
Indiana	4-0
Jacksonville State	3-0
Liberty	0-1
Lipscomb	1-0
Louisiana	1-0
Louisville	3-7
LSU	3-7
Miami (Ohio)	5-0
Michigan	1-0
Middle Tennessee	3-0
Milwaukee	3-0
Mississippi State	3-6
Missouri	7-5
Morehead State	2-0
Murray State	3-1
Norfolk State	1-0
North Carolina	0-3
North Carolina State	2-1
Northern Kentucky	2-1
Oakland	5-0
Ohio	1-0
Old Dominion	1-0
Ole Miss	4-2
Sam Houston State	1-0
South Carolina	6-8
Southeast Missouri	1-0
Southern Illinois-Edwardsville	1-0
St. Joseph's	1-0
TCU	0-3
Tennessee	5-7
Tennessee-Martin	1-0
Tennessee Tech	2-0
Texas A&M	3-3
Texas Tech	2-4
UC-Santa Barbara	3-0
UNC Wilmington	0-3
USC Upstate	2-0
Vanderbilt	3-9
Western Carolina	1-0
Western Michigan	0-0
Western Kentucky	7-0
Wofford	1-0
Wright State	1-0
Xavier	3-1
TOTALS:	146-103

(*2022 opponents in bold)



NICK MINGIONE - 2017 NATIONAL AND SEC COACH OF THE YEAR

MINGIONE BY THE NUMBERS

348 - SEC Academic Honor Roll selections

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

48 - All-Conference honors coached

45 - All-American honors coached

21 - Players who have reached MLB

18 - Seasons as a college baseball coach

14 - Nationally-ranked recruiting classes (2006-07, 2009-20)

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

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

6 - 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)

2 - Senior CLASS Award winners (2018, 2021)

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.





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2022 RADIO/TV SPOT CHART



1 UKY

DANIEL HARRIS



2 UKY

JASE FELKER



4 UKY

EMILIEN PITRE



5 UKY

DARREN WILLIAMS



6 UKY

REUBEN CHURCH



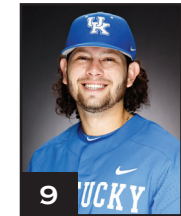
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DEVIN BURKES



8 UKY

KIRK LIEBERT



9 UKY

ALONZO RUBALCABA



10 UKY

HUNTER JUMP



11 UKY

COLBY FRIEDA



12 UKY

CHASE ESTEP



13 UKY

JAMES MCCOY



16 UKY

COLE STUPP



19 UKY

NOLAN MCCARTHY



20 UKY

MASON MOORE



21 UKY

WYATT HUDEPOHL



22 UKY

JOHN THRASHER



23 UKY

MAGDIEL COTTO



24 UKY

RYAN HAGENOW



25 UKY

SETH LOGUE



26 UKY

JACOB PLASTIAK



28 UKY

ORAJ ANU



30 UKY

MICHAEL DALLAS



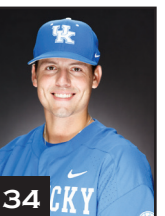
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ALEX DEGEN



33 UKY

TRAVIS SMITH



34 UKY

SEAN HARNEY



35 UKY

TYLER BOSMA



41 UKY

EVAN BYERS



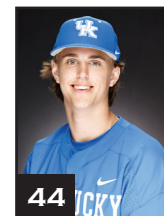
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TANNER KIM



43 UKY

JACKSON NOVE



44 UKY

REED GANNON



46 UKY

CHRISTIAN HOWE



47 UKY

RYAN RITTER



48 UKY

ZACK LEE



49 UKY

AUSTIN STRICKLAND



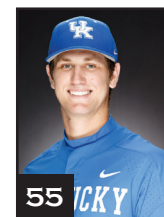
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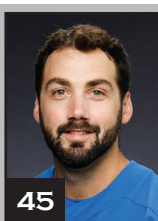
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DAN ROSZEL
ASSISTANT COACH



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WILL COGGIN
ASSISTANT COACH



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NICK AMMIRATI
ASSISTANT COACH



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2022 Kentucky Baseball Overall Statistics for Kentucky (as of Feb 20, 2022) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 3-0 Home: 0-0 Away: 3-0 Conference: 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%
O. Anu	.500	3-3	14	3	7	1	0	1	5	11	.786	1	0	3	0	.533	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
D. Harris	.455	3-3	11	4	5	0	1	0	4	7	.636	2	2	0	1	.600	0	0	0-0	2	8	0	1.000
C. Estep	.444	3-3	9	5	4	1	0	1	4	8	.889	5	0	1	0	.600	1	0	0-1	0	3	1	.750
J. Plastiak	.429	3-3	14	5	6	0	0	1	2	9	.643	2	0	4	0	.500	0	0	1-1	20	0	0	1.000
A. Rubalcaba	.333	2-2	9	1	3	0	1	0	0	5	.556	1	0	3	0	.400	0	0	0-0	28	1	0	1.000
R. Ritter	.313	3-3	16	1	5	1	0	0	2	6	.375	0	0	3	0	.313	0	0	0-0	5	6	0	1.000
H. Jump	.286	3-3	14	4	4	0	0	0	2	4	.286	2	0	1	0	.375	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
J. Thrasher	.200	3-2	10	1	2	1	0	0	1	3	.300	1	0	1	0	.273	0	0	0-0	6	0	1	.857
A. Fogel	.167	3-3	12	3	2	0	0	0	1	2	.167	2	1	5	0	.313	1	0	0-0	10	0	0	1.000

R. Church	1.000	1-0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	1.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
K. Liebert	.667	1-1	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	4	1.333	2	0	0	0	.800	0	0	0-0	7	0	0	1.000
N. McCarthy	.200	1-1	5	1	1	0	0	1	5	4	.800	0	0	1	1	.200	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
D. Burkes	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
J. Felker	.000	1-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
E. Pitre	.000	1-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.353	3	119	31	42	6	2	4	28	64	.538	18	3	22	2	.444	2	0	1-2	81	20	2	.981
Opponents	.218	3	101	11	22	3	2	3	11	38	.376	10	5	35	2	.319	0	0	1-2	81	35	5	.959

LOB - Team (30), Opp (24). DPs turned - Team (2), Opp (2). Picked off - O. Anu 1, K. Liebert 1.

(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
D. Williams	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	3	0	0	1	4	0	1	0	.250	0	0	0	0	0
T. Bosma	1.80	1-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	3	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	.158	1	0	0	0	0
M. Cotto	4.50	1-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	4.0	3	2	2	1	6	0	1	1	.200	0	1	0	0	0
C. Stupp	13.50	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	4.0	9	6	6	1	7	2	0	1	.450	1	1	0	0	0

S. Harney	0.00	1-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
Z. Lee	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	0	0
R. Hagenow	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.250	0	1	0	0	0
T. Guilfoil	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
W. Hudepohl	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
A Strickland	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
D. Harper	6.75	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	2.2	3	2	2	0	3	1	0	1	.273	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	3.67	3-0	3	3	0	0/0	0	27.0	22	11	11	10	35	3	2	3	.218	2	5	0	0	0
Opponents	8.00	0-3	3	3	0	0/0	0	27.0	42	31	24	18	22	6	2	4	.353	8	3	0	2	0

PB - Team (0), Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (3). SBA/ATT - A. Rubalcaba (1-2), T. Guilfoil (0-1), C. Stupp (1-1).





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2022 Bellarmine University Baseball Overall Statistics (as of Feb 20, 2022)

Overall Record: 1-3 Home: 0-0 Away: 1-1 Neutral: 0-2

All games Sorted by Batting Avg

#	Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
7	Mehlbauer, Clayton	.400	4-4	15	3	6	1	0	1	3	10	.667	2	0	5	0	.444	1	0	2-2	6	15	2	.913
1	Ockerman, Jack	.400	4-3	10	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	.400	0	0	4	1	.400	0	2	0-0	8	0	0	1.000
50	Crane, Davis	.353	4-4	17	1	6	2	0	0	3	8	.471	0	1	5	0	.389	0	0	0-0	27	1	0	1.000
18	Mulcahy, Jacob	.214	4-4	14	1	3	0	0	1	4	6	.429	0	1	3	0	.250	1	0	0-0	6	0	0	1.000
17	Bratetic, Gabe	.200	3-3	10	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	.200	2	0	3	0	.333	0	0	0-0	23	5	0	1.000
8	Bertsch, Colin	.182	4-3	11	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	.182	3	0	2	0	.357	0	0	0-0	1	5	1	.857
6	Higgins, Matt	.143	4-4	14	3	2	2	0	0	0	4	.286	4	0	6	0	.333	0	0	1-1	4	0	0	1.000
28	Buhr, Drew	.000	3-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	3	1	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	3	0	1.000
3	Case, Jackson	.333	1-1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333	0	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	0	0	1	.000
27	Pfaadt, Brett	.333	1-1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333	0	1	2	0	.500	0	0	0-0	2	4	0	1.000
20	Back, Peyton	.000	2-2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	1	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000
14	Byerly, Dylan	.000	2-2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	1	2	.250	0	0	0-0	4	5	0	1.000
40	Butler, Kevin	.000	2-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	9	1	0	1.000
42	Smith, Ashton	.000	1-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
12	Nelson, Noah	.000	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	11	0	0	1.000
32	English, Ethan	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals		.218	4-4	124	12	27	5	0	2	11	38	.306	17	6	41	4	.336	2	2	3-3	102	43	4	.973
Opponents		.244	4-4	131	21	32	9	2	3	16	54	.412	17	9	34	3	.367	1	2	7-7	108	41	1	.993

LOB: Team (29), Opp (37) **DPs Turned:** Team (3), Opp (5) **IBB:** Team (1), Higgins (1), Opp (0) **Picked Off:** Mehlbauer (1)

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
23	Pender, Nolan	0.00	0-1	1	1	0	0-0	0	6.0	5	1	0	1	3	1	0	0	.227	0	0	0	0	1
16	Sorg, Casey	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	1.2	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	1
5	Parrish, Nick	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	1.1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	0
26	Spalding, Adam	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	0.2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.333	1	0	0	0	0
11	Thom, Steven	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	1.0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	.200	0	1	0	0	0
34	Braunecker, Gavin	1.80	0-0	1	1	0	0-0	0	5.0	6	1	1	1	7	2	0	0	.300	0	0	0	0	0
9	Craven, Matt	1.80	1-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	5.0	2	1	1	0	4	0	0	1	.118	1	3	0	0	0
22	Hash, Arren	2.25	0-0	1	1	0	0-0	0	4.0	1	1	1	3	2	0	0	1	.071	0	1	0	0	0
35	Wilkinson, Joe	6.75	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	1.1	2	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	.333	1	1	0	0	0
13	Ecklar, Devin	7.36	0-1	2	1	0	0-0	0	3.2	3	4	3	2	7	2	0	0	.214	2	1	0	0	0
15	Johnson, Ryan	9.00	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	2.0	3	3	2	0	3	2	0	1	.333	0	0	0	0	0
45	Common, Zac	18.00	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	1.0	1	2	2	4	2	0	0	0	.333	0	0	0	1	0
28	Buhr, Drew	40.50	0-1	1	0	0	0-0	0	1.1	7	6	6	1	0	1	2	0	.700	1	0	0	0	0
Totals		4.50	1-3	14	4	0	0	0	34.0	32	21	17	17	34	9	2	3	.244	8	9	0	1	2
Opponents		2.75	3-1	13	4	0	1	1	36.0	27	12	11	17	41	5	0	2	.218	2	6	0	2	2

PB: Team (1), Bratetic (1), Totals (1), Opp (1) **Pickoffs:** Team (0), Totals , Opp (1) **SBA/ATT:** Totals (14-14), Bratetic (7-7), Pender (3-3), Ecklar (2-2), Braunecker (1-1), Thom (1-1)



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MEDIA INFORMATION

CREENTIALS

Requests should be made through the athletics communications and public relations office by contacting Matt May. Credentials will be available for pickup on game day in the VIP lobby entrance 90 minutes prior to first pitch and all media are subject to temperature check. Parking is available in the Purple Lot adjacent to the softball/soccer complex at the end of Wildcat Court.

For midweek games, credential requests are due by Monday at noon ET. For weekend series, requests are due by Thursday at noon ET.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs and headshots are made available to the media for publication use. To obtain photos of any Wildcat player, please contact Matt May in the UK ACPR office. Please credit "UK Athletics" in any usage.

During games, photographers and videographers may shoot from anywhere on the Kentucky Proud Park concourse, terraces and grass berms, provided **NO SPECTATOR'S LINE OF SIGHT IS BLOCKED AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IS BEING OBSERVED. THE PHOTO WELLS AT THE END OF EACH DUGOUT WILL BE RESTRICTED TO INSTITUTION STAFF AND TELEVISION.** Photographers/Videographers are only allowed in the press box if utilizing the photo work room.

PRESS BOX/RADIO/TV

The Kentucky Proud Park press box sits above the grandstand on level two. You must display credential for entry. Due to Covid-19 health and safety protocols, capacity is extremely limited and will be assigned on a game-by-game basis. Masks are required to be worn at all times except when actively eating or drinking. Social distancing will be required.

MEDIA SERVICES

Final box scores will be available shortly following each game. UK ACPR will send postgame summaries, notes, photos (when available) and box scores via email and via UKathletics.com. Season stats will be updated online as quickly as possible.

POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Please see UK ACPR for more details. For assistance with opposing players and coaches, please see the visiting team 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 postgame. Players are available for interviews before practice on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. **DUE TO NCAA TIME MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS, PLAYER INTERVIEW REQUESTS MUST BE TURNED IN BY SUNDAY AT 5 P.M. FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK.** Please arrange all interviews through the UK ACPR office and baseball contact Matt May. **PLEASE DO NOT REACH OUT DIRECTLY TO PLAYERS ON SOCIAL MEDIA.**

INTERNET ACCESS

- Hard-wired internet is available in the press box.
- For media wishing to use wireless internet, each person that desires to connect to the ATHMEDIA network at Kentucky Proud Park will need a unique username and password. This username and password will be valid for the entire season, so you should only have to connect once. In order to receive a username and password to access wifi, please provide the following information for yourself and anyone in your travel party to matt.may@uky.edu.
- Info Needed: First Name, Last Name, email address, cell phone number.
- How to log in with your username and password: When you arrive at KPP, connect to the ATHMEDIA network. If your Internet browser does not open automatically, open your preferred Internet browser, go to www.uky.edu and type in your unique username and password to connect. This username and password can connect up to three devices. For more information, see a member of UK's Athletics Communication and PR office.

LIVE STATS

Live, in-game statistics and play-by-play is available via StatBroadcast. To access live game stats go to: kentucky.statbroadcast.com.

ON THE WEB

Updated results, statistics, game notes, 2022 Record Book and 2022 Season Guide are available 24 hours a day on the official website of Kentucky athletics, www.UKathletics.com. Player bios and additional information on the program also is available online.