

## Carroll opens season with loss at Harlan

HARLAN - Carroll gave up nine unearned runs and committed seven errors in a 10-5 loss to Harlan in its baseball season opener Tuesday night.

Michael Dirks took the loss for the Tigers in two innings on the mound, allowing six runs (1 earned) on one hit with five walks and one strikeout.

Kyle Semprini and Jake Landon each threw one inning for Carroll and Steven Irlbeck pitched the final three.

Addison Patrick, Brock Bengtson and Semprini were each 2 for 4 at the plate. Patrick hit a double and Semprini a rbi single. Irlbeck added a rbi double.

"I was happy with the way we hit the ball, the kids were swinging the bat well, particularly off Harlan's top returning pitcher, Neil Gross," Carroll coach Dirk Troutman said. "Defensively we struggled, we had a lot of new faces in the line-up. We gave up nine unearned runs and committed seven errors, so that's a part of the game we need to work on. We look forward to improving quickly."

Harlan scored five runs in the first inning, one in the second and fifth, and three in the sixth. Carroll scored one run in the second and four in the seventh.

