

Colts Blast Buffaloes 14-7

Lamar Feb. 27, 2010. The Arlington Colts JV team used a 10 run third inning to cruise to a 14-7 victory over the Haltom Buffaloes on a sunny Saturday. The win evened their overall record at 2-2 and earned them a tie for fifth place in the ten-team Lamar tournament. The game was actually closer than the final score indicated as Haltom took the early lead scoring twice in the bottom of the first off starter Ashby Dean. The Colts answered back in the bottom of the second as Lawrence Brandt roped a double down the third base line and scored along with SS Eddie Lozano (who had walked on a 3-2 pitch) on Brad Johnson's double to deep left. Johnson scored on Dean's double, and when Dean scored on an error by the catcher forced by the fleet-footed Austin McKinney, who has been wreaking havoc on the bases all season, the Colts were on top 4-2. Haltom continued to pound the ball in the second, however, and hung a crooked number on the board, taking a 7-4 lead. The Colts fans were a bit glum at the quick turnaround, but the Colts players were unimpressed by Haltom's rally. They quickly loaded the bases, with nobody out and big bopper Brad at the plate. Johnson was foiled this time, as the first of consecutive strikeout victims, leaving Haltom one out away from escaping the jam. They did not get that out until the jam was all over the floor. McKinney's two out single was followed by walks to Barber and Noonkester, and then singles by Dancer, Brandt, and Hughes. When Lozano walked the bases were juiced for the second time that inning for Johnson. He did not whiff on the chance for redemption, clearing off the bases with his second double of the game, capping the 10 run rally. Jeff Queary earned the win in relief, keeping Haltom off the board in the final frame of the time-shortened game.