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Bee Jays Turn Out the Lights a Winner at Brent Gould

The Liberal Bee Jays didn't have a great season at home. They were just 9-8 at Brent Gould Field in Jayhawk League games while they are 9-7 on the road. But they did walk out a winner with a 5-2 win over the El Dorado Broncos Sunday night at Brent Gould Field. Liberal wins the series 2-1.

This was a 2-2 tie until Sam Pack drilled a double to left center to score two runs to make it 4-2.

Liberal scored first in the bottom of the fifth when Dalton Bernardi singled stole a base and advanced to third on a bunt by Pack. Stephen Gandy hit a sacrifice fly to make it 1-0. El Doraodo tied the game with a Tyler Coughenor homer in the sixth.

The BJ's took the lead back when Tyler Baker's sac fly with the bases loaded scored Derek Miller. The Broncos tied the game in the eighth.

Liberal broke it open in the eighth with the Pack hit and a balk to scored the fifth run.

Keegan Hucul (1-0) pitched 7 and 2/3 strong inning in a no decision. Hucul allowed two runs and struck out three without a walk. Ray Ashford (1-0) pitched 1 and 1/3 for the win.

The Bee Jays finish 17-8 at home. They are 26-15 overall and 18-15 in the Jayhawk which matches last year's record. The Broncos are 26-21 overall and 13-19 in the Jayhawk. The BJ's still are alive for 2nd place which would guarantee a bid to the NBC World Series. Haysville beat Dodge City 6-3. Liberal would have to defeat the A's Tuesday night in Dodge City and have Hays defeat Dodge on Wednesday to tie for second. Derby also defeated Hays 3-2 Sunday night in Hays but the Larks clinched the seventh Jayhawk League title in 12 years.

Liberal plays at Dodge City Tuesday night at 7 p.m. on Talkradio 1270 and kscbnews.net.

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