

Blackhawks Rally Late Against Huskies

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The Ashe County High baseball team closed out the regular season on a sour note. The Huskies (9-10 overall; 6-8 Mountain Valley 1A-2A Conference) dropped a 4-2 decision at West Wilkes Friday night in the season finale for both teams in Millers Creek, N.C.

The Huskies, who qualified for the state playoffs with a win at North Wilkes on Thursday, grabbed a 2-0 lead with a pair of runs in the top of the fourth. Matthew Hamilton and freshman Chadler Clay each drove in a run. But the Blackhawks, who narrowed the game with a run in the bottom of the fifth, rallied to take the lead with a three more runs in the sixth.

Alex Laws went six innings and suffered the loss. He gave up four runs, two earned, with eight hits, two walks and no strikeouts. Hamilton paced the Huskies offensively going 2-2 with a run scored and an RBI. The loss snapped Ashe County's three-game winning streak.

Ashe County, a No.4 seed in the MVC 1A-2A Conference, will host Elkin or North Wilkes in the opening round of the conference tournament Monday. The semifinals and finals will be played at West Wilkes Wednesday and Thursday.