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OBA Trojan Pitchers Deliver Win Over Firehawks

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Trojan Tyler Ohlsen slides into 3rd for a triple Photo Frank Tse

As major league pitchers tuned up for opening day, the Orinda Trojan pitching staff was already into their midseason form as five Trojans combined for 13 strikes and just one walk in their 10-5 win over the Orinda Firehawks on March 25.

Trojan pitcher Shane Dalton started the game with two shutout innings. But in the 4th, the Firehawks rallied with four runs after Derrick Garcia's lead-off walk was followed up by four straight hits. Trojan outfielders Steven Rein, Walker Lambert and Jonah Medal-Katz repeatedly chased down the hits to limit the damage.

The Trojans answered back with more excellent pitching, as pitchers Will Cassriel and Timothy Tierney combined to strike out five of the last six batters. "Our pitching really stood up and won this game," said Trojan manager Steve Cassriel.

Although out hit by the Firehawks, the Trojans made their hits count. Ben Mollahan scored three runs and ignited a pair of 3-run innings with lead-off singles. Christian Schillinger, Tyler Ohlsen, Dalton and Will Cassriel each provided extra-base hits to fuel the Trojan offense.

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