

Archbold rolls, faces Coldwater for AA title

LIMA—The Archbold Blue Streaks baseball team remained as the only Class AA area team alive in the tourney trail as they whipped the Celina Bulldogs, 16-4, Tuesday afternoon in the district semi-finals at Shawnee High School.

Archbold, 9-6 overall, plays Coldwater at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at Shawnee.

The Streaks jumped on Celina's Becker for 12 runs in the first three innings as they scored three in the first on a Doug Newman homer and added three more in the second on a bases loaded double by Craig Rath. The Blue Streaks didn't let up any as they added six more in the third.

Rath went the first four innings and gained the win for Archbold while Brian Zeigler hurled the final three innings. Becker was the starter and

loser for Celina.

Jack Arthur led the 15-hit attack with three singles while Rath added a single to go along with his double. Zeigler and Brent Schnitkey each added two singles for Archbold.

"We got off to a really good start early in the game with Newman's home run," commented Archbold Coach Doug Krauss. "That gave us a little confidence. From then on, we just kept on hitting."

Krauss commented on Coldwater. "They are a very sound, fundamental ballclub. They have some fine pitchers. One of their pitchers is the coach's son, Mark Brunswick and he is one of the better players around. They also have a fine shortstop. I know they are a good hitting club also. They are just a fine overall club. For us to be in the game we will have to play our best."

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