



Former Knights Having Success in Professional Baseball

Dobson, NC- The Surry baseball program is currently well represented in professional baseball with ties to seven professional players. “Surry is extremely proud to be represented by these seven professional baseball players. This shows the exposure and opportunities that Surry student-athletes can have in regard to professional baseball,” stated Athletic Director, Mark Tucker.

Justin Frady, First Baseman, Kalamazoo Kings

Frady, a Brevard College (NC) graduate signed with the Kalamazoo Kings of the Frontier League. Frady led Brevard in hitting with a .398 average in 2007. His 2008 campaign was cut short due to an injury. The first baseman from Bessemer City, North Carolina, helped lead Surry to a runner-up finish in the 2005 Region X Tournament and third-place finish in 2006.

Aaron King, LHP, San Francisco Giants

King was selected in the seventh round of the 2008 Major League Baseball Draft by the San Francisco Giants. He is currently pitching for the Scottsdale Giants of the Arizona League. King was an All-Region (2nd Team) selection for the Knights in 2008 posting a 6-4 record with a 1.79 ERA and a league best 110 strikeouts. The left-hander from Newton, North Carolina, also garnered NJCAA National Pitcher of the Week honors by tossing a no-hitter against USC-Sumter.

Chris Luck, RHP, Tampa Bay Rays

Although Luck never adorned a Surry uniform he did sign a national letter of intent with the Knights before his senior high school season. Luck was selected in the 20th round of the 2007 baseball draft by the Tampa Bay Rays and elected to sign a professional contract. The right handed pitcher had an outstanding professional debut recording a 3-1 record to go along with a

2.17 earned run average. Luck is currently 2-0 while pitching for the Princeton Rays of the Appalachian League.

Cole McCurry, LHP, Baltimore Orioles

McCurry, a pitcher for the Knights in 2005 and 2006, was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles after an outstanding season at Tennessee Wesleyan College in 2007. McCurry recorded a 13-0 record for the Bulldogs while being named an All-American. McCurry is currently 2-0 with a 2.53 ERA for the Aberdeen Iron Birds of the New York-Penn League. The left-hander finished his Orioles pro debut last season with an 8-5 record and a 2.91 earned run average. The Braves had drafted McCurry while at Surry, but he chose not to sign with Atlanta.

Jered Stanley, Outfielder, Boston Red Sox

Stanley was signed by the Boston Red Sox after leading Tennessee Wesleyan College to a 46-14 record in 2007. Stanley was named the Appalachian Athletic Conference Player of the Year and named First-Team All-American after hitting 26 home runs along with an 88 RBI, and a .438 average. Stanley helped lead Surry to the Region X Tournament Championship in 2004, and runner-up finish in 2005. The Knights finished the 2004 season ranked 8th in the NJCAA Division I poll with a 55-9 record. After starting the season at AA Portland, Stanley was sent to the Greenville Drive of the South Atlantic League. Currently he leads Greenville with a .398 average along with nine home runs and 25 RBI.

Steven Stewart, RHP, Washington Nationals

Stewart signed with the Washington Nationals after completing his senior season at Florida International University in Miami, Florida. The Icard, North Carolina native spent the 2006 season at Surry earning All-Region (2nd Team) accolades. Currently, Stewart is pitching for the Vermont Lake Monsters of the New York-Penn League. He has a 1-1 record to go along with one save.

Josh Whitlock, RHP, Chicago Cubs

Whitlock was selected in the 26th round of the 2008 Major League Baseball Draft by the Chicago Cubs. Whitlock helped lead Surry to a second place finish in the 2005 Region X Tournament. After transferring to the University of West Virginia, Whitlock led the Mountaineers in wins and

earned run average as the staff ace. Whitlock has a current record of 0-1 in two starts for the Boise Hawks of the Northwest League.