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## Orinda Bandits Win 680 Pony Tournament

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Back row, from left: Coach Robert "Flip" Filipas, Chris Greenfield, Nick Valcke, Jack Kovalik, Holt Goodwin, Connor Jackson, Spencer Hardwick, Tommy Larsen, Coach Rob Ellis; front row: Eric Nyman, Will McConnell, Clayton Stehr, Ryan Anderson, Jarrett Perches, Josh Lee (not pictured)  
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The Orinda Bandits took the season-ending 680 Pony Playoff Tournament in Twin Creeks with a 16-8 championship victory over the Pleasant Hill Hawks.

The Bandits beat the Danville Rawlings 8-1 in the semi-finals to take on the Pleasant Hill Hawks.

Both teams scored three runs in the first inning. In the second inning, Josh Lee suffered an injury to the kidney and was taken to the emergency room. Distracted by their teammate's injury, the Bandits gave up three more runs in the third inning. However, Orinda refocused to score 11 runs in the next two innings to take a commanding lead and eventually the game.

The Bandits finished their season with a 24-6 record.

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