

Pope Finishes Top 6 and Closes a Record-Setting Season

The 2017 season led to multiple records being set and a trip to the “Elite Eight” in Columbus, Georgia, where the Hounds were able to secure a top 6 finish in the AAAAAA state finals and an overall 30-6 record.

The road to get to Columbus was anything but easy, as the Hounds faced Winder-Barrow in round 1 and state powerhouse Harrison in the round 2. In round 1, the Hounds won game one by a score of 11-2 and game two by a score of 8-4. The series was led by the hit attack of Zoe Laneaux with two homeruns and three RBI's and the pitching strength of Hallie Adams and Trinity Pizzuti.

Round two proved to be much closer of a battle as the Hounds won 1-0 behind Hallie Adams complete game 1 hitter and Hannah Dodd plating Bailey Chapin with an RBI single. Game two was won 3-0 behind Hallie Adams's complete game shutout and RBIs from Leah Higginbotham, Hannah Rogers, and Bailey Chapin, securing the Hounds fifth trip to Columbus in the past six years.



While in Columbus, the Hounds went 1-2, defeating Evans County before falling to Allatoona and Houston County in close-fought battles. The arm of freshman Hallie Adams helped the Hounds edge out Evans County 2-0 as she threw her third no-hitter of the season. The Hounds then lost a hard-fought game 1-0 to Allatoona and fell 5-4 to Houston County to wrap up their run in Columbus.

Aside from the high finish in the state as well as winning the Region Championship for the second time in program history, the Hounds set a staggering 13 new team records in the following categories:

Winning Percentage	.833
Longest Winning Streak	14
Consecutive Shutouts	7
Runs Scored	272
Runs per Game	7.55
Batting Average	.373
Slugging Percentage	.535
On Base Percentage	.437



OPS (On base + slugging)	.972
Hits	357
Homeruns	21
RBI's	236
Hit by Pitches	38

Individually, 6 single season individual records were set:

Runs in a season	41	Hannah Rogers
Stolen Bases in a season	26	Hannah Rogers
Slugging Percentage	.853	Zoe Laneaux
OPS (On base + slugging)	1.391	Zoe Laneaux
Consecutive Scoreless Innings thrown by a pitcher	33 2/3	Hallie Adams
% of runners thrown out stealing	67%	Taylor Henson

The legacy of the 2017 team is unmatched, as an astounding 13 career records were set:

At Bats	411	Hannah Rogers
Hits	178	Hannah Rogers
On base percentage	.502	Zoe Laneaux
Runs	121	Hannah Rogers
RBI's	100	Hannah Rogers
Stolen Bases	65	Hannah Rogers
Doubles	42	Hannah Rogers
Homeruns	15	Leah Higginbotham
Hit by Pitch	13	Taylor Henson
Slugging Percentage	.697	Zoe Laneaux
OPS (On base + slugging)	1.198	Zoe Laneaux
Winning Percentage	.850	Hallie Adams
Saves	4	Trinity Pizzuti

