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Lander baseball shuts out Belmont Abbey

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GREENWOOD----Bob Fenn blasted a two-run home run in the first inning Wednesday afternoon as the Lander baseball team snapped a seven-game losing streak and defeated Belmont Abbey, 7-0, in a non-conference game at Legion Field.

Lander improves to 19-18 overall, while Belmont Abbey drops to 14-19-1.

Ben Howerton improved to 4-6 as he tossed the five-hit shutout, striking out seven and walking one in nine complete innings. Brandon Russell (2-2) took the loss, striking out two and allowing five runs (two earned) on three hits in 1.1 innings.

After Fenn set the pace with his two-run homer, Lander extended the lead to 5-0 in the second inning when Ryan Roeder scored on an error by Belmont Abbey second baseman Derek Brown and Jonathan Myers doubled in Jeremy Ryals and James Scrubbs. In the fifth inning Lander increased the lead to 6-0 when Roeder singled in Fenn, then Scrubbs singled Whitfield home in the seventh to go up 7-0.

Lander's Myers went 2-for-5 with one double and two RBI and Ryals went 2-for-2. Belmont Abbey's Josh Cobb went 2-for-4.