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Jones County Standout Signs with ABAC Baseball Stallions

TIFTON—Keaton Gordon, a standout pitcher from Gray, is one of 14 new freshman recruits who will shoulder a heavy burden for the Golden Stallions of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College during the 2016 baseball season.

Brandon Reeder, recently named the ABAC head coach after wearing the interim title during the 2015 campaign, said the freshmen will add much needed depth to a squad which streaked out to a 12-2 start in conference play but wound up fourth in the league tournament.

“We lost our entire infield from last year’s team so we have some holes to fill,” Reeder said. “There are a lot of little areas we can improve on from last year.”

Gordon propelled Jones County High School into the semifinals of the state tournament with his 6-1 record on the mound coupled with a glittering 1.91 earned run average. A first team all-region selection, he struck out 48 batters, won the Greyhounds’ most valuable player award, and tossed a no-hitter.

“I’ve known Keaton since last summer, and you won’t find a kid with a better attitude,” Reeder said. “He had a good senior season on the mound and swinging the bat. With the Stallions, he will focus solely on his pitching and bolster the depth of our staff.”
Other freshman recruits include Austin Guest, a pitcher from Brunswick; Cain Peterson, a third baseman from Eastman; Hunter Bramlett, a catcher from Douglas; Bran Davis, an outfielder from Douglas; Preston Sparks, a pitcher from Kathleen; Tristain Daugherty, a pitcher from LaGrange; Dakota Sloan, an outfielder from Hawkinsville; Bryce Shupe, an outfielder from Walnut Grove; Chandler Hyman, a pitcher from Walnut Grove; Ethan Edwards, an outfielder from Macon; Brett Sitton, a third baseman from Fox Creek, S.C.; Tyler Bunn, a pitcher from LaGrange; and Colby Melton, a second baseman from Thomasville.

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