



Jersey Pilots Baseball

Atlantic Collegiate Baseball League

Game Notes



Game 38

Quakertown Blazers (18-21) @ Jersey Pilots (19-18)

Sunday, July 29th 2007
Krausche Field
North Plainfield, NJ

Blazers lead season series 4-3

Blazers Manager: Denny Robison (23rd season)

- Career Record: 586-342

Pilots Manager: Jim Thompson (1st season)

- Spent previous year working as a baseball operations intern with the New York Mets. Thompson also served as Mets bullpen catcher during the month of May.
- Was four-year member of Haverford College baseball team as a C/DH.
- Will attend MLB scout school program upon completion of ACBL season.

Pilots Last Game

This past Wednesday night, the Pilots fell to the Lehigh Valley Catz by a score of 4-2 at Krausche Field. Catz starter **Ryan Page** was once again brilliant, striking out 7 pilots en route to earning his league-leading 6th win of the season. Pilots starter **Joe Bartlinski** walked 7 batters as he took the loss. Jersey's pair of runs scored in the bottom of the 5th, and were both unearned, as Lehigh Valley committed 3 errors in the inning. SS **Kevin Couzzi** and newly acquired 2B **Ryan Clark** drove in the two Pilots runs. Pilots catcher **Chris Kievit** threw out 2 of 3 attempted base stealers.

2007 Jersey Pilots Schedule

SAT	JUNE 2	QUAKERTOWN	L 6-4 W 4-2
SUN	JUNE 3	@ Quakertown	L 1-0 L 12-4
WED	JUNE 6	LEHIGH VALLEY	L 4-1
THU	JUNE 7	@ Kutztown	W 6-2
SAT	JUNE 9	KUTZTOWN	W 3-2 L 7-2
SUN	JUNE 10	@ Stamford	W 4-2 L 3-2
WED	JUNE 13	KUTZTOWN	W 3-2
SAT	JUNE 16	METRO NY	W 3-2
SUN	JUNE 17	@ New York	L 19-10 W 7-6
TUE	JUNE 19	@ Quakertown	W 6-3
SAT	JUNE 23	NEW YORK	W 3-1 W 10-1
SAT	JUNE 30	LONG ISLAND	W 2-1 L 6-3
SUN	JULY 1	@ Lehigh Valley	L 2-1 L 6-0
TUE	JULY 4	@ Quakertown	L 5-3
SUN	JULY 8	@ Kutztown	L 3-2 L 6-0
SAT	JULY 14	LEHIGH VALLEY	W 8-4 W 3-2
SUN	JULY 15	@ Long Island	W 4-1 W 3-2
TUE	JULY 17	@ Lehigh Valley	L 7-6
WED	JULY 18	QUAKERTOWN	W 5-4
THU	JULY 19	@ Lehigh Valley	W 7-6
SAT	JULY 21	STAMFORD (DH)	L 5-2 W 3-2
SUN	JULY 22	@ Metro NY (DH)	L 8-5 W 8-1
TUE	JULY 24	@ Kutztown	L 5-2
WED	JULY 25	LEHIGH VALLEY	L 4-2
SUN	JULY 29	QUAKERTOWN	5:00 pm
MON	JULY 30	METRO NY *	5:00 pm
		KUTZTOWN *	6:30 pm

* Game 1 vs Metro NY is continuation of suspended game from (6/16 – score tied 2-2 with 2 outs in the bottom of the 5th). Game 2 vs Kutztown is make-up of postponed game from (7/11).

Tonight's Probable Starters

For Quakertown:

LHP Greg Angelo (Lehigh)
4-0 3.02

For Jersey:

RHP Jairo Mendez (Montclair)
3-1 1.69

The junior makes his 8th start of the season. In his last start on 7/22 vs Metro NY, Mendez allowed 1 run on 5 hits over 7 innings while striking out 6 to earn his third win of the season. Jairo ranks 5th in the ACBL in ERA (1.69), 3rd in batting average against (.195), and 2nd in innings pitched (48.0). Righties are batting just .168 against Mendez.

Game Notes

ACBL Playoff Format: The top team in each division receives a first round bye. The #3 seed in each division travels to the #2 seed for a single first-round game. The winner of each first round game then plays a best of three against the regular season division champion. The two division championship winners face off in a one game ACBL Championship.

Team Matchup: The Pilots lead the ACBL with a .271 team batting average. The Blazers rank at the bottom, batting just .227 as a team. However, Quakertown has 11 team home runs (4 more than any other team). The Blazers 2.98 ERA places them 2nd in the ACBL, while the Pilots rank 7th with a 4.10 ERA.

Inside the Numbers: Pilots 3B **Paddy Matera** and OF **Dan Shapiro** rank 4th and 5th in the ACBL in batting average. Shapiro's 39 hits are 3rd most. Pilots SS **Jeff Toth** and Blazers 2B **Mike Kacelowicz** are tied for the league lead with 19 walks. Blazers 3B **Chad Lightcap** leads the league with 7 HRs. Earlier this year, he homered in 4 straight games, including 5 out of 6. Blazers SS **Tim Schemel** ranks 2nd with 3 HRs.

The Pilots have **five walk-off wins** this season: 6/9 vs Kutztown (Kievit single), 6/16 vs Metro NY (Matera double), 6/30 vs Long Island (Shapiro single), 7/14 vs Lehigh Valley (Shapiro double), 7/18 vs Quakertown (Chiarappa double).

The Pilots recently added two players to their roster. INF **Ryan Clark** (Kean), and P **Matt Campanella** (Niagara) join Jersey for the stretch run. Clark, a junior from Livingston, NJ played in all 51 games for the D-III champion Cougars. He batted .301 with 4 HRs and 44 RBIs while manning the hot corner for Kean. Campanella is coming off his freshman year at the D-I school. During the 2007 season, Campanella appeared in 6 games (all in relief), allowing 7 runs in 5.1 innings on the hill.

Today's other ACBL games: Stamford @ Long Island (DH) at 1pm, New York @ Metro NY (DH) at 1pm.

2007 ACBL Standings

Wolff Division

	W	L	GB
Kutztown	20	15	0
Lehigh Valley	21	16	0
Jersey	19	17	1.5
Quakertown	18	19	3.0

Kaiser Division

	W	L	GB
Metro NY	18	14	0
Long Island	14	14	2.0
Stamford	12	18	5.0
New York	10	18	6.0

Pilots Alumni Update

- Joe Augustine** (2004-2005): 3-1 record with 1.44 ERA for Burlington Royals (Rookie – Appalachian League). Has allowed just 16 hits in 31.1 innings.
Brendan Monaghan (Pilots 2005): Batting .304 with 2 HRs and 17 RBIs for Bluefield Orioles (Rookie – Appalachian League).
Dave Williams (Pilots 2005), Batting .277 with 10 RBIs for Staten Island Yankees (Short-A – NY Penn League).
Dan Zeffiro (Pilots 2005) is 1-1 with a 7.71 ERA for the Billings Mustangs (Reds - Rookie – Pioneer League).