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SCRUBS NIGHT AND A CHANCE TO WIN \$50K TONIGHT! BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH (20-20, 61-49) VS. NEW BRITAIN BEES (15-23, 41-67)

In 140 Characters or Less: Tonight, the Bees welcome medical professionals for Scrubs Night and fans can enter to win weekly Friday prizes! #ItsBetterWithTheBees

Series: This series is the beginning of a stretch in which the Bees and Bluefish will face off for 7 consecutive games, beginning with a 4 game weekend series. Game 1 will be tonight in New Britain at 6:35. On Saturday, the two clubs will play a home and home doubleheader with the first game held at Bridgeport beginning at 12:00 P.M., followed by the night cap at New Britain Stadium beginning at 6:35 P.M. The final game of the weekend series will be on Sunday afternoon at 1:35 P.M. in New Britain.

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PROMOTIONS: Tonight is Scrubs Night at New Britain Stadium! There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the ballpark from 11:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M., where any fan who donates blood will get a FREE ticket to the game! Medical professionals who wear their scrubs to the game will get discounted tickets! Every Friday home game is Fat Tire Friday and Foul Pole Friday. Sign up to win weekly giveaways courtesy of Fat Tire and enter for a chance of \$50,000 on Foul Pole Friday!

The Bees: New Britain took an early lead in their game last night against Southern Maryland, but the Blue Crabs would eventually battle back to get the win. The Bees scored 4 runs in the 1st inning, led by RBI singles from Craig Maddox and Jamar Walton, followed by 2 bases loaded walks. Maddox would then bring another run home with a sacrifice fly in the 2nd, but that would be the last run they scored.

The Opposition: Bridgeport just concluded a brief 3 game road trip to Lancaster, and won 2 of the 3 games to take the series. In each victory they scored 7 runs, with a 7-3 final on Wednesday and a 7-0 win last night. In that 7-0 victory, Bridgeport only allowed 2 Lancaster hits, one in the 2nd inning and another in the 9th inning. Reinier Roibal, Frank DeJiulio Jr., Manny Delcarmen and Wander Perez combined for the shutout.

Starting Pitchers – New Britain: LHP Greg Nappo (2-1, 3.48) | Bridgeport: RHP Charles Brewer (8-5, 4.05)

Key to the Game – Early fishing: In their past series against Lancaster, the Bridgeport bullpen has pitched 9 full innings, 8 of them scoreless. The only exception is Zac Grotz allowing 3 runs in the 9th inning on Wednesday night, but the Bluefish would still win the contest 7-3. They've only allowed 4 hits combined through all 9 of those innings. The key to success for New Britain in today's game will be to attack Charles Brewer early, forcing Bridgeport to play from behind throughout the night. The Bees will then not need to worry about trying to gain a lead of their own against a red hot Bluefish bullpen. On the season, the Bees have scored 10 runs off of 19 hits in 3 games against Brewer, totaling a .288 batting average against him.

Broadcast: The Bees' Official YouTube Channel (<u>youtube.com/NewBritainBees</u>) and Facebook Live (<u>facebook.com/newbritainbees</u>), starting at 6:20 P.M.

Bees Buzz: Michael Crouse stole his team leading 31st base in the bottom of the 1st inning yesterday, and his 32nd base in the bottom of the 2nd...Craig Maddox has 10 RBI through his last 6 games after nothing 2 RBI last night...Every Bees player in the starting lineup reached base at least once in yesterday's game...Southern Maryland had 19 hits in last night's game, which ties the season high for most hits allowed in a game by the Bees pitching staff...Jordan Hinshaw has recorded a hit in 5 consecutive games, and has multiple hits in 3 of those 5 games, including last night...Mike Lee's start of 3 2/3 innings yesterday is his shortest start since May 8th in Sugar Land, where he also pitched 3 2/3 innings...The Bees allowed 5 home runs by their opponent in last night's game, which ties the season high in that category, set on June 27th when the Lancaster Barnstormers hit 5 home runs...James Skelton has recorded a hit in 7 consecutive games...Last night's game was 13 minutes shorter than New Britain's longest 9 inning game this season (3:47 on August 13th at York)...Jovan Rosa extended his consecutive games played for the Bees streak to 248 yesterday, and his overall consecutive games played streak to 271, including postseason. Rosa is also 1 game away from 900 games played in his professional career.

About the New Britain Bees

The New Britain Bees are in their second season of play as a member of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball and play at New Britain Stadium. For further information or to reserve seats, email tickets@nbbees.com, call 860-826-BEES (2337), or visit <u>NBBees.com</u>.

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