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BEES FACE BLUEFISH IN HOME AND HOME DOUBLEHEADER, GAME 2 TONIGHT AT NEW BRITAIN STADIUM

BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH (20-20, 61-49) VS. NEW BRITAIN BEES (15-23, 41-67)

In 140 Characters or Less: An action packed day of baseball begins in Bridgeport with game 1 of today's doubleheader between the Bees and Fish #NewBritainVsEverybody

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 was postponed yesterday due to inclement weather. Today, 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. On Sunday, the two teams will play in another doubleheader to make up game 1, with the first game beginning at 1:00 P.M. at New Britain Stadium.

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PROMOTIONS: Today is the Bridgeport vs. New Britain home and home doubleheader presented by DATTCO! Game 1 of the twin bill will be played at 12:00 P.M. in Bridgeport, followed by game 2 in New Britain at 6:35 P.M.! After game 2: FIREWORKS! It is also Scout Campout Night at New Britain Stadium, where scout troops can camp out under the lights in the ballpark!

The Bees: New Britain took an early lead in their game on Thursday 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 DeJulio Jr., Manny Delcarmen and Wander Perez combined for the shutout.

Starting Pitchers – New Britain: LHP Greg Nappo (3-1, 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 the starting pitchers early, forcing Bridgeport to play from behind throughout both games. The Bees will then not need to worry about trying to gain a lead of their own against a red hot Bluefish bullpen.

Broadcast: The Bees' Official YouTube Channel ([youtube.com/NewBritainBees](https://www.youtube.com/NewBritainBees)) and Facebook Live ([facebook.com/newbritainbees](https://www.facebook.com/newbritainbees)), starting at 11:50 A.M.

Bees Buzz: Michael Crouse stole his team leading 31st base in the bottom of the 1st inning on Thursday, and his 32nd base in the bottom of the 2nd...Craig Maddox has 10 RBI through his last 6 games after notching 2 RBI on Thursday...Every Bees player in the starting lineup reached base at least once in Thursday's game...Southern Maryland had 19 hits in Thursday'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 Thursday...Mike Lee's start of 3 2/3 innings on Thursday 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 Thursday'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...Thursday'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 on Thursday, 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 [NBBees.com](https://www.NBBees.com).

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