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BEES AND BLUEFISH BEGIN 3 GAME SERIES IN BRIDGEPORT TONIGHT
BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH (21-23, 62-52) VS. NEW BRITAIN BEES (18-24, 44-68)

In 140 Characters or Less: Pettibone & the Bees head to Bridgeport to face their in-state rival once more, beginning a 3 game set tonight #NewBritainVsEverybody

Series: New Britain and Bridgeport will square off for the final time in the 2017 season with a 3 game series at the Ballpark at Harbor Yard. All games have a scheduled 7:12 P.M. start time. Game 1 is tonight, game 2 will be tomorrow night, and the last game of the series will be on Thursday night.

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UPCOMING PROMOTIONS:

Friday, August 25th vs. Long Island: Latin Heritage Night/Fat Tire Friday/Foul Pole Friday

Saturday, August 26th vs. Long Island: Beers in the Ballpark/Stanley Tape Measure Giveaway/FIREWORKS

Sunday, August 27th vs. Long Island: Martin Rosol's Giveaway/Schaller Hardware City Family Fun-Day

The Bees: The last time these two teams met this past weekend, New Britain took 3 of the 4 games that were played. They swept the home and home doubleheader on Saturday and then split the twin bill that followed on Sunday. In those games, Craig Maddox had 7 hits and drove in 5 runs. Kyle Simon pitched his league leading 4th complete game in game 2 on Sunday.

The Opposition: This series will be the last time that the Bluefish ever host the New Britain Bees at the Ballpark at Harbor Yard. In their past 4 game set against the Bees, four different players hit at least one home run. Wellington Dotel hit one in game 1 on Sunday, Angel Rosa hit one in game 1 on Saturday, Gustavo Molina hit one in game 2 on Sunday, and Angelys Nina hit 2 home runs, one in each game on Saturday.

Starting Pitchers – New Britain: RHP Jonathan Pettibone (1-6, 4.77) | Bridgeport: RHP Rainy Lara (9-6, 4.18)

Key to the Game – Red hot Rosa: Jovan Rosa has recorded at least 1 hit in 15 of his last 17 games, including the 4 games this past weekend against Bridgeport. Rainy Lara has only made 1 start against the Bees this season, and in that game, Rosa got on base three different times. He drew a walk in his first at bat, and then had 2 singles later on. Look for the New Britain offense to revolve around Rosa's hot bat as of late as well as off of Lara, with the top of the order getting on base and the bottom half making action on the bases happen to bring him around.

Broadcast: The Bees' Official YouTube Channel (youtube.com/NewBritainBees) and Facebook Live (facebook.com/newbritainbees), starting at 7:00 P.M.

Bees Buzz: With the win in game 2 on Sunday, Kyle Simon is the first Bees pitcher to earn a win in 3 consecutive games since August 29th – September 15th of last season (Mike Lee won 4 consecutive games)...Nate Roe made his first start of the season in game 1 of Sunday's doubleheader. Last season with the Bees he appeared in 12 games, making 10 starts...Craig Maddox has multiple hits in 4 of his last 5 games after getting multiple hits in game 1 of the doubleheader on Sunday...Jovan Rosa has recorded a hit in 15 of his last 17 games after getting a hit in game 1 of Sunday's doubleheader...Mike Hepple has not allowed an earned run against the Bluefish this season after pitching 2 innings of relief in game 1 on Sunday (8 total innings)...With 3 strikeouts in his start in game 1 on Sunday, Nate Roe is now 2 strikeouts away from 200 strikeouts in his professional career...Game 2 on Sunday was the first time since the second game of a doubleheader against Long Island on May 14th that neither the Bees or their opponent scored in multiple innings...The Bees are now 18-13 in one run games after game 2 ended in a 2-1 final score on Sunday...Jovan Rosa extended his consecutive games played for the Bees streak to 252 after playing in both games of Sunday's doubleheader, and his overall consecutive games played streak to 275, including postseason.

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.

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