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**COLEMAN TAKES THE HILL FOR GAME 2 OF 3 VS. BLUEFISH**  
**NEW BRITAIN BEES (19-24, 45-68) VS. BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH (21-24, 62-53)**

**In 140 Characters or Less:** Casey Coleman gets the nod as the Bees take on Bridgeport in the middle game of their 3 game set tonight at 7:12  
#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. The Bees won game 1 by a score of 4-2. Game 2 is tonight, and the final game of the series will be tomorrow night.

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**UPCOMING PROMOTIONS:**

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

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

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

**The Bees:** Last night the Bees defeated the Bluefish behind a solid start by pitcher Jonathan Pettibone and key offensive performances by players like Jovan Rosa, who homered and scored 2 runs, along with Jamar Walton, who went 3-4 with the game winning 2 RBI double in the top of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning. Pettibone pitched 7 innings, only allowing 2 runs off of 4 hits, striking out 2 batters.

**The Opposition:** Starting pitcher Rainy Lara was able to counter much of Pettibone's efforts throughout the contest last night, only giving up 3 runs off of 5 hits through 6 innings. Their only 2 runs came in the bottom of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> innings, both off of the bat of Gustavo Molina. He hit an RBI double in the 4<sup>th</sup> and then a sacrifice fly in the 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Bridgeport bullpen gave up 6 hits through 3 innings of relief, but only allowed one extra run.

**Starting Pitchers** – New Britain: RHP Casey Coleman (0-1, 4.24) | Bridgeport: RHP Reinier Roibal (2-2, 3.11)

**Key to the Game – Road Warrior Walton:** Last night, Jamar Walton drove in the game winning runs with a 2 RBI double in the top of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning, adding on to his impressive road game resume. In 44 games on the road, Walton is batting .281 with 10 doubles, 10 home runs and 31 RBI, generating a sum of 87 total bases. At home, he is batting .291, but only with 7 doubles, 1 home run and 13 RBI in 45 games, a total of 58 total bases. Look for Walton to continue to use his keen ability to generate extra power and split the gaps at road ballparks to his advantage, and for the rest of the New Britain batting order to revolve around his successes.

**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 7:00 P.M.

**Bees Buzz:** With the strikeout of Luis Hernandez to start the bottom of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning yesterday, Jonathan Pettibone reached 500 strikeouts in his professional career...Michael Crouse is now the Atlantic League leader in stolen bases after stealing 2 in last night's game, bringing his season total to 35...James Skelton has recorded a hit in 9 of his last 10 games...Jamar Walton has recorded multiple hits in 3 of his last 4 games...Jovan Rosa hit his 14<sup>th</sup> home run of the season in the top of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning yesterday, adding on to his personal career high for most home runs in a season...The Bees have won 4 of their last 5 games against the Bluefish...Jonathan Pettibone has pitched 7 full innings in back to back starts. With the win last night, he earned his first win of the season since June 15<sup>th</sup> against York...James Skelton drew his league leading 76<sup>th</sup> walk in the top of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning yesterday...With 3 hits in last night's game, Jamar Walton is now 13 hits away from 1,000 hits in his professional career...8 of the starting 9 hitters in New Britain's lineup all recorded at least 1 hit in yesterday's game...Jovan Rosa extended his consecutive games played for the Bees streak to 253 yesterday, and his overall consecutive games played streak to 276, 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](mailto:tickets@nbbees.com), call 860-826-BEES (2337), or visit [NBBees.com](https://www.NBBees.com).

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