

Recap: First place Rox hand Bees worst loss of the season in New Britain



This Saturday, June 5 the new Britain Bees played host to the Brockton Rox looking for their third win in as many games. With a chance to vault the 5-1 Rox and earn first place in the FCBL, the Bees were shut out 11-0 in a home loss where virtually the whole roster struggled.

Perhaps the best performance from a New Britain player Saturday came from starting pitcher Kevin Seitter. The righty from Quinnipiac tossed five one-run innings, giving his team a chance to rally for a victory as they so often have this year. Instead, the bullpen was unable to hold down the fort, immediately surrendering four runs in the sixth inning and six more in the seventh.

The Bees lost by virtue of the mercy rule; They were down by more than 10 runs after seven innings, which FCBL rules dictate is the end of the game. They lost by a final score of 11-0.

Until Saturday, New Britain Stadium had been a distinct advantage for the Bees on both sides of the plate. They entered the contest with a 3-0 record at home and a 31-10 run differential. The loss to Brockton was the Bees' worst of the season and lowered their record to a still-solid 5-3.

The Bees' offense was almost completely held in check by Brockton's pitching staff. Rox starter Jack Snook threw six scoreless innings with seven strikeouts and only three hits allowed. The Bees were shutout and reached base only four total times.

Luckily for New Britain, they won't have to wait long to try and exact their revenge. The Bees will be in Brockton Sunday to take on the Rox at 1:35 p.m. Eastern. Colin Blake is expected to make the start for the Bees.