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# BIERFELDT HOMERS IN GAME 2 AS BEES SPLIT DOUBLEHEADER VS. SKEETERS

**ROE PITCHES 5 SHUTOUT INNINGS, EARNS THE WIN IN GAME 2** 

**In 140 Characters or Less:** Nick Murphy gets 2 hits in game 1, Bierfeldt hits 20<sup>th</sup> homer of the year in game 2 as Bees & Skeeters split twin bill #ItsBetterWithTheBees

# The Game Changed When...

**Game 1:** Joe Benson came to bat with Wilfredo Rodriguez on third base in the top of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning with 1 out. Benson would score Rodriguez with a sacrifice fly to give Sugar Land a 2-1 lead. It would eventually go down as the game winning run. **Game 2:** Conor Bierfeldt stepped up to the plate in the bottom of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning in a scoreless game. He would send the second pitch that he saw in the at bat over the left field wall and give New Britain a 1-0 lead. The 1-0 score would be the final score, making the home run the game winning hit.

#### Pitchers of Record:

Game 1: W: Bobby Blevins (7-7) | L: Brian Dupra (4-10) | SV: Mark Haynes (12) Game 2: W: Nate Roe (6-6) | L: Patrick Mincey (0-1) | SV: Shawn Gilblair (19)

### Player(s) of the Game:

**Game 1:** Travis Scott (Sugar Land) – 2-3, 2 RBI | Craig Maddox (New Britain) – 1-3, RBI

**Game 2:** Conor Bierfeldt (New Britain) – 1-2, HR, RBI | Nate Roe (New Britain) – 5 IP, 3 H, 0 R, 2 BB, 3 K

Next Game: <u>Saturday</u>, <u>September 9<sup>th</sup></u>, 6:35 P.M.

Tale of the Tape – Sugar Land Skeeters (31-31, 61-71) vs. New Britain Bees (27-34, 53-78)

Starting Pitchers – New Britain: LHP Greg Nappo (3-1, 3.92) | Sugar Land: RHP Mitch Talbot (8-3, 3.21)

**TICKETS:** <u>BUY HERE</u> | Available at the New Britain Stadium Box Office | Call 860-826-BEES

**PROMOTIONS:** The first 1,500 fans through the gates to tomorrow night's game will take home the first bobblehead giveaway in Bees franchise history, featuring everybody's favorite mascot: Sting! The final FIREWORKS show of the season will follow the game!

**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: New Britain won game 2 of tonight's doubleheader by a score of 1-0, the first time that they won a game by that score at home since May 20<sup>th</sup> of last season against York...Conor Bierfeldt hit his 20th home run of the season in game 2 of the twin bill, tying his career high for most home runs in a season having hit 20 last year, and extending New Britain's franchise record for most home runs in a season...Nick Murphy has played in 2 games since signing with the Bees, and has recorded multiple hits in both of them...Brandon Shimo has not allowed a run in 10 of his last 11 games, and in 7 consecutive outings overall...Shawn Gilblair earned his 19th save of the season in game 2, he is now 2 saves away from tying New Britain's franchise high in saves in a season, which he set last year at 21... Nate Roe's 5 innings pitched in his start in game 2 is his longest outing of 2017, and the first time he's pitched 5 or more innings in a game since August 27th last season against Somerset...The difference in length of both games of today's doubleheader was only 1 minute. Game 1 was 1:58, game 2 was 1:57...Jovan Rosa extended his consecutive games played for the Bees streak to 271 after playing in both games of the doubleheader, and his overall consecutive games played streak to 294, 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. Tickets for the 2017 season are available by calling 860-826-BEES (2337), online at <a href="NBBees.com">NBBees.com</a>, or by visiting the New Britain Stadium Box Office.

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