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GRIFFIN HITS 12TH HOMER OF THE SEASON IN 3-1 LOSS TO SKEETERS **BULLPEN TOSSES 4 2/3 SCORELESS INNINGS IN LOSS**

In 140 Characters or Less: Griffin hits his 12th homer of the year, Nappo fans 6 in 4 1/3 innings but New Britain falls to Sugar Land 3-1 #ItsBetterWithTheBees

The Game Changed When... Sugar Land scored 2 runs in the top of the 5th inning to take a 3-1 lead. The offensive surge was led by an RBI single by Bryan Pounds and an RBI ground out by Albert Cordero. It broke a 1-1 tie at the time after Jon Griffin tied the game in the prior half inning with a solo home run.

Pitchers of Record: W: Mitch Talbot (9-3) | L: Greg Nappo (3-2) | SV: Felipe Paulino (14)

Player(s) of the Game: Cole Gillespie (Sugar Land) – 1-3, HR, RBI, 2 R | Jon Griffin (New Britain) – 1-2, HR, RBI | Mitch Talbot (Sugar Land) – 6 IP, 2 H, 1 ER, 1 BB, 8 K

Next Game: Sunday, September 10th, 1:35 P.M.

Tale of the Tape – Sugar Land Skeeters (32-31, 62-71) vs. New Britain Bees (27-35, 53-79)

Starting Pitchers – New Britain: LHP Nick Greenwood (4-5, 4.89) | Sugar Land: RHP Alberto Rodriguez (0-0, 3.60)

TICKETS: [BUY HERE](#) | Available at the New Britain Stadium Box Office | Call 860-826-BEES

LARRY MICHAELS PRESS BOX: Prior to tomorrow's game, the New Britain Stadium press box will be renamed in honor of the late Larry Michaels. A fixture in New Britain baseball starting with the New Britain Red Sox, Michaels was the longest tenured employee in New Britain baseball history. Michaels passed away on July 7 after a long illness. A plaque honoring Michaels' contributions to New Britain baseball will hang outside the press box at the New Britain Stadium suite level.

PROMOTIONS: Tomorrow is the final home game of 2017, and the New Britain Bees want to thank fans for all of their support throughout the season. Tomorrow is Fan Appreciation Day as well as the last Schaller Hardware City Family Fun-Day at New Britain Stadium! Food and merchandise will be discounted, fans can get player autographs before the game, kids 12 and under can take the field during the national anthem, and everybody is welcome to run the bases after the game! The first 1,500 fans through the gates will take home a special giveaway courtesy of KeyBank, and all fans in attendance will receive a voucher to the 2018 home opener!

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 1:20 P.M.

Bees Buzz: Brandon Shimo has not allowed a run in 11 of his last 12 games, and in 8 consecutive outings overall. He is currently on an 8 1/3 inning scoreless streak...Jon Griffin hit his 12th home run of the season in the game, a solo shot in the bottom of the 4th inning...James Skelton drew his 93rd walk of the season in the 1st inning of tonight's game, he is now 8 walks away from tying the Atlantic League record in that category. Skelton has also reached base safely in 10 consecutive games.....Tonight's game Michael Crouse's 798th game of his professional career...The Bees have hit 4 home runs in their last 3 games...Greg Nappo struck out 6 Sugar Land batters in his 4 1/3 innings of work, averaging 1.38 strikeouts per inning...New Britain is 1 home run away from tying their home run total last season at home (54)...Jovan Rosa extended his consecutive games played for the Bees streak to 272, and his overall consecutive games played streak to 295, 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 NBBees.com, or by visiting the New Britain Stadium Box Office.

About the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball (ALPB)

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