# **NYPL All-Star Game**





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# NORTH ALL-STARS at SOUTH ALL-STARS

RHP Marcos Molina (6-2, 1.58) vs. RHP Nolan Gannon (5-2,2.68) MCU Park I Tuesday, August 19, 2014 I 7:30 PM 10th Annual New York-Penn League All-Star Game



All-Star game has a North vs. South alignment...From 2005 to 2013 the game has featured a National League vs. American League split, but with the Houston Astros departing the NL for the American Leggue last season, there was a need for a new division of teams.

LETS GET IT STARTED: RHP Marcos Molina from the Brooklyn Cyclones will make the start for the South All-Stars this evening...It marks the sixth time in franchise history that a Cyclones pitcher has been the starting pitcher of the All-Star Game, and the third consecutive year...RHP **Bobby** Parnell started the first-ever NYPL All-Star Game in 2005, and LHP Mark Cohoon (2009), RHP Yohan Almonte (2010), RHP Luis Mateo (2012), as well as RHP Miller Diaz (2013) also started the All-Star Game.

THE BOROUGH OF STARS: Tonight marks the first time since 2005 that Brooklyn has hosted the All-Star Game...In the innaugural NYPL All-Star Game. the National League defeated the American League 5-4 with future MLB All-Star 1B Gaby Sanchez collecting MVP Honors...That game featured 13 players who would go on to play in the major leagues...Prior to 2005, the last time Brooklyn had hosted an All-Star Game was 1949 at Ebbets Field...That game marked the first time that African-American players participated in the mid-summer classic and featured 16 players that are currently in the Hall of Fame...In 2015, Brooklyn will also host the NBA's All-Star Game as the Barclay's Center in downtown Brooklyn will be the site of All-Star Saturday Night, with the actual All-Star Game being played at Madison Square Garden in Manhattan.

Player of the Game - Chris Carlson, Oneonta

A NEW LOOK: This season marks the first time that the New York-Penn League GLOBE TROTTERS: Tonight's game features players from 21 different states and seven countries - The United States (38), Dominican Republic (11), Venezuela (4), Cuba (1), Australia (1), Curacao (1), and Aruba (1)...Of the players born in the United States, eight are from California and five are from Florida... There is one player from New York (OF - **J.P. Sportman)** and one player from Pennsylvania (OF - Derek Fisher).

> FUN WITH FACTS: The team that is affiliated with the host of the NYPL All-Star Game is 6-3...C Luis Torrens (18 years, 3 months, 17 days) is the youngest All-Star and RHP Fernand Cruzado (24 years, 9 months, 25 days) is the oldest...1B Casey Gillaspie (20th overall pick in 2014) is the highest drafted player and RHP **David Whitehead** (34th round in 2013) is the latest.

> CELEBRITY ALL-STAR GAME: Prior to tonight's All-Star Game there will be a Civil Servant / Celebrity Softball Challenege presented by MCU...The game will feature former NFL MVP Boomer Esigson, Basketball Hall of Famer Chris Mullin, four-time MLB All-Star John Franco, the cast of TruTV's Impractical Jokers and more...They will play along side members of the FDNY, NYPD, PAPD, and DSNY...In addition, two tickets holders for tonight's game were selected at random to represent "the fans" - Farrell Brody and Scott Sadowski - in the game.

> **ON-FIELD JERSEYS:** The jerseys worn by all of the players in tonight's game will be auctioned off through www.CyclonesAuthentics.com starting tomorrow at noon with all proceeds to benefit local charities.

> > Player of the Game - Ryan Huck, Vermont

#### New York-Penn League All-Star Game History 2005 - National 5. American 4 @ Brooklyn | 2008 - National 4, American 3 @ Tri-City 2011 - National 7. American 3 @ Lowell W - Gene Yost (VER) L- Wade Davis (HV) **W -** Adam Reifer (BAT) L- Tyler Stohr (ONE) **W -** Kvle Hallock (TRI) L- Brennan Smith (CT) Player of the Game - Gaby Sanchez, Jamestown Player of the Game - David Flores, Tri-City Player of the Game - Samuel Gonzalez, State College 2006 - American 4, National 1 @ Aberdeen 2009 - American 4, National 2 @ State College | 2012 - National 8, American 1 @ Mahoning Valley L- Henry Cabrera (WPT) W - Jacob Smith (ABD) L- Zach Foster (SC) W - John Mincone (BRK) L- Jeff Ames (HV) W - Nick Peterson (SI) Player of the Game - Mitch Hilligoss, Staten Island Player of the Game - Juancito Martinez, Jamestown Player of the Game - Jimmy Paredes, Staten Island @ Hudson Valley 2010 - American 4, National 3 @ Staten Island | 2013 - American 4, National 3 @ Connecticut 2007 - American 6, National 4 L- John Mincone (BRK) W - Felix Ventura (LOW) L- Jason Dominguez (TRI) W - Preston Claiborne (SI) L- Ryan Fraser (BRK) **W -** Zac Reininaer (CT)

Player of the Game - Jose Garcia, Lowell

# Starting Pitchers 8.19.14 - NYPL ASG

# South Starter: RHP Marcos Molina (6-2, 1.58 ERA)



Righthanded Pitcher

Height: 6-3 Weight: 188 D.O.B: 3/08/95

Hometown:

Santiago, Dominican Republic \*

Obtained:

Signed as a non-drafted Free

Agent in 2012

- Has allowed five runs, on 10 hits in the first inning of his nine starts, but has allowed just six earned runs in every other inning.
- Ranks second in the NYPL in ERA (1.58), WHIP (0.83) and opponents batting average (.177), and first in base runners/9 innings (8.04).
- Ranks first in the NYPL in strikeouts (73) and recorded a career-high of 12 strikeouts on August 15th against Vermont.
  - Leadoff batters are hitting just .183 (11-60) with one walk against him.
  - Had a 19.0 inning scoreless streak from the sixth inning on June 15 July 8th.
- Struck out the first seven batters he faced on June 27th vs. Staten Island...Also struck out seven consecutive batters on Augst 15th at Vermont.
- Spent the entire 2013 season with the GCL Mets...Went 4-1 with a 2.94 ERA (11 ER / 33.2 IP) in six starts.

2014 Starts (Brooklyn)										2014 Season Splits											
<u>Date</u> 6.15	Opp at SI (#2)	Dec. W	IP 6.0	<u>H</u>	R2	ER 1	HR 0	<u>BB</u>	K 7		W-L	ERA	G '	IP	H-AB	R	ER	HR	BB	K	AVG
6.21	at ABD		7.0	2	0	0	0	0	5	Home:	3-0	1.04	4	26.0	15-90	3	3	0	6	31	.167
6.27 7.08	vs. SI vs. HV	W	6.0	2	0	0	0	1	8	Road:	3-2	1.96	6	36.2	25-136	11	8	0	6	42	.184
7.08	at CT	L VV	5.0 4.2	5	2	2	0	2	6	June:	1-0	0.47	3	19.0	7-67	2	1	0	2	20	.104
7.21	vs. WIL	W	7.0	7	2	2	0	1	8	July:	3-1	1.99	4	22.2	19-85	7	5	0	8	21	.224
7.27 8.02	at LOW vs. CT	W W	6.0	6	3	1	0	2	2	August:	2-1	2.14	3	21.0	14-74	5	5	0	2	32	.189
8.02	at BAT	L	8.0 6.0	8	4	4	0	0	11	September:											
8.15	at VER	W	7.0	1	0	0	0	1	12	vs. McNamara:	2-0	0.38	4	24.0	8-82	2	1	0	5	26	.098
										vs. Pinckney:	1-1	4.15	2	13.0	15-52	6	6	0	1	19	.288
										vs. Stedler:	3-1	1.40	4	25.2	17-92	6	4	0	6	29	.184
										After a Win:	5-1	1.38	8	52.0	32-192	10	8	0	8	61	.166
										After a Loss:	1-1	2.53	2	10.2	8-34	4	3	0	3	13	.190
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# North Starter: RHP Nolan Gannon (5-2, 2.68 ERA)



Righthanded Pitcher

6-5 Height: Weight: 195

D.O.B: 11/03/93

Hometown: San Diego, CA Obtained:

Rays 2014 4th Round Draft

Pick

- Has made 9 starts for the Renegades this season.
- Has allowed one earned run or less in six of his nine starts.
- Is 1-1 with a 0.90 ERA in two starts during the month of August.
- Has made one start at MCU Park July 2nd...Tossed 7.0 innings, allowing four runs on seven hits as the Renegades defeated the Cyclones 8-4.
- Only walked 5 batters this season and has struck out 43
- Had a season high of 10 strikeouts against Brooklyn on July 2nd.
- Left-handed batters are batting just .228 against him and right handed batters .245
  - Has allowed just one home run in 47.0 IP this season.

<u> 2014 Starts (Hudson Valley)</u>										2014 Season Splits											
Date	Opp	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K		W-L	ERA	G.	ΙÞ	H-AB	D	ER	HR	ממ	К	AVG
6.15	ABD	W	5.0	1	0	0	0	2	2		VV-L		G	IP_		_ K	EK	HK_	BB		
6.20	SI	W	6.0	1	0	0	0	1	8	Home:	3-1	2.68	5	25.0	22-93	8	8	0	4	19	.237
6.25	SI	L	5.0	2	2	1	0	0	5	Road:	2-1	2.45	4	22.0	20-84	7	6	1	1	24	.238
7.02	BRK	W	7.0	7	4	4	0	0	10	June:	2-1	0.56	3	16.0	4-51	2	1	0	3	15	.078
7.12	BAT		4.0	8	4	4	0	0	3	Julie.			3			_	1	U	3		
7.20	VER	W	5.0	6	1	1	0	0	6	July:	2-0	5.14	4	21.0	26-87	12	12	1	0	23	.299
7.28	VER	W	5.0	6	3	3	0	1	4	August:	1-1	0.90	2	10.0	12	1	1	0	2	5	.308
8.03	SC	W	5.0	6	0	0	0	1	3	~		0170	_	10.0		_	-	•	_	•	
8.10	TRI	L	5.0	6	1	1	0	1	2	September:											
										vs. McNamara:	3-1	1.96	4	23.0	11-79	6	5	0	3	25	.139
l										vs. Pinckney:	1-0	4.00	2	9.0	14-38	4	4	0	1	6	.368
l										vs. Stedler:	1-1	3.00	3	15.0	17-60	5	5	0	1	12	.283
										After a Win:	4-2	3.07	8	41.0	42-158	15	14	0	5	35	.266
										After a Loss:	1-0	0.00	1	6.0	1-19	0	0	0	1	8	.053

# **North Bios**

**RHP** 

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#### Johan Belisario

#### #20

#### **Connecticut Tigers**

Johan Belisario has a 5-0 record, with one save over 27.2 innings of work for the Connecticut Tigers this season and has a 0.65 ERA...The right-handed pitcher ranks third overall in the New York- Penn League, holding opposing batters to a .172 average (17 hits in 99 at bats)...He also has the lowest BB/IBB walk per 9 innings pitched with a ratio of 1.30 and places third in the NYPL with a 8.13 ratio for fewest base runners over 9 innings pitched.



#### Joe Bennie INF #3 Vermont Lake Monsters

Joe Bennie leads the Vermont Lake Monsters with 21 walks on the season. He has the second most hits for Vermont, knocking in 45 hits so far this season. The Lake Monsters second baseman gets most of his at bats in the third or fourth spot in the lineup and posts a .333 batting average versus left-handed pitchers.



## Jordan Betts INF #22 Lowell Spinners

Jordan Betts leads the Lowell Spinners with the most RBI (33), homeruns (8), and doubles (14) on the season. He had a season high five-RBI game on July 25th against Hudson Valley. The third baseman bats .360 against right-handed pitchers.



# Coty Blanchard INF #7 Hudson Valley Renegades

Hudson Valley's speedy third baseman ranks second in the New York-Penn League in Stolen Bases with 20 bases on the season. He had a season high 4-RBI game on July 29th against the Vermont Lake Monsters. Aside from third bases, Blanchard has played eight games at second and six games at shortstop. He is 2 for 4 with bases loaded this season, collecting 7 of his 24 RBI in this situation.



## Alex Carreras LHP #25 Batavia Muckdogs

Alex Carreras has made 18 relief appearances for the Batavia Muckdogs so far this season. He has a 5-2 record with a 1.69 ERA over 37.1 innings of work. The left-handed pitcher has struck out a total of 31 batters this season and has not given up a homerun. Carreras collected a season high of 4 strikeouts when he faced 7 batters on July 26th against Jamestown. Left-handed batters are only batting .158 against him and right-handed batters only .232.



## Jace Conrad INF #18 Hudson Valley Renegades

Hudson Valley's speedy second baseman is third in the New York-Penn League stolen base category with 17 stolen bases. The left-handed batter hits .341 versus left-handed pitchers and .315 when leading off an inning. Conrad is 17 for 57 when there are runners in scoring position, leading to his 18 RBI on the season.

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#### Fernand Cruzado RHP

#34

**Vermont Lake Monsters** 

Fernand Cruzado has made 19 appearances for the Lake Monsters, all out of the bullpen. He has a 2-0 record with a 2.04 ERA over 17.2 innings of work. The right-handed pitcher has 11 strikeouts. Before the game on August 15th, he had not allowed a run to score since July 2nd against Tri-City. Cruzado can wiggle out of a jam, as opposing batters are only hitting .143 with runners on and .222 with runners in scoring position against him.



#### Mason Davis INF #1

Batavia Muckdogs

Batavia's second baseman has an on base percentage of .410 and a .332 batting average, which is good for third place in the New York- Penn League in each of those standings. Davis leads the Muckdogs with 26 RBI, 23 walks, and 9 stolen bases on the season. He is likely to have success at the plate when there are men on base...He has a batting average of .380 with runners on, .414 runners on with 2 outs, .373 with RISP, and .391 RISP with 2 outs.



#### Mauricio Dubon INF #6

**Lowell Spinners** 

Mauricio Dubon leads the Spinners with 62 hits so far this season. He is able to perform under pressure, as he bats .448 with runners on with 2 outs. The Lowell shortstop had a season high 4-RBI game on July 21st against the Auburn Doubledays



## Chase Edwards RHP #10 Connecticut Tigers

Chase Edwards has the most innings pitched in the New York-Penn League with 70.0 innings of work. The righty has made 12 starts for the Tigers, going 5-3 with a 3.09 ERA over 70.0 innings. Edwards leads the Tigers pitching staff with 41 strikeouts and collected a season high of 7 strikeouts during his first outing against Tri-City on June 13th.



## Derek Fisher OF #24 Tri-City ValleyCats

Derek Fisher joined the Tri-City ValleyCats on July 7th and played 24 games straight, before going to the Disabled List on August 1st through August 11th. Fisher scored 27 runs in the 24 games he played and leads the team with 14 stolen bases. The outfielder picked up his first professional homerun on July 31st against Mahoning Valley. Fisher has had most of his at bats in the third hole of the lineup and is batting .341 with runners in scoring position.



# Michael Gerber OF #13 Connecticut Tigers

Michael Gerber leads the Tigers with 38 runs scored and also has the most hits on the team, collecting 59 hits so far this season. Gerber leads the team with 15 doubles, 6 homeruns, 32 RBI, and 98 total bases. He has only made one error in the outfield in 53 game appearances. When leading off an inning, he bats .378 (17 for 45).

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## **Casey Gillaspie**

INF

#43

**Hudson Valley Renegades** 

Casey Gillaspie is ranked across the New York-Penn League leaderboard...He ranks third in games played with 59 games, third in At Bats with 224 plate appearances, second in RBI at 38, and first in walks with 32. Hudson Valley's first baseman has the most doubles (14) on the team and is currently batting .313 with runners on and .333 with runners on with two outs.



#### Bralin Jackson OF

#27

**Hudson Valley Renegades** 

The speedy outfielder is tied for third in the New York-Penn League for most stolen bases (17) and has only been caught stealing four times. Bralin Jackson has the second most walks on the team (24) and bats .404 when leading off an inning and .333 when he faces a southpaw on the mound.



#### **Hunter Lockwood**

OF

LHP

INF

#23

**Hudson Valley Renegades** 

Hunter Lockwood is ranked across the New York-Penn League leaderboards this season. He places fourth in the NYPL in total at bats with 224 plate appearances so far this season. With 13 homeruns, he has the second most homeruns in the NYPL. The Renegades outfielder also leads the NYPL with 43 RBI, 39 runs scored, 115 total Bases, slugging percentage at .513 and extra base hits, collecting 27 so far this season.



#### Michael Mader

#21

Batavia Muckdogs

Michael Mader has started 10 games for Batavia this season and has a 1.54 ERA over 35.0 innings of work. Mader pitched a season high of 5.0 innings on July 27th and August 15th, both against Williamsport. The left-handed pitcher has kept opposing batters to a .156 batting average with runners on and .077 with runners in scoring position. The Muckdogs pitcher has not allowed a single hit to batters when he is in a two out situation... batters are 0 for 12 with RISP with 2 outs and 0 for 20 with runners on with 2 outs.



#### Jose Marmolejos-Diaz

#8

**Auburn Doubledays** 

Alex Carreras has made 18 relief appearances for the Batavia Muckdogs so far this season. He has a 5-2 record with a 1.69 ERA over 37.1 innings of work. The left-handed pitcher has struck out a total of 31 batters this season and has not given up a homerun. Carreras collected a season high of 4 strikeouts when he faced 7 batters on July 26th against Jamestown. Left-handed batters are only batting .158 against him and right-handed batters only .232.



#### **Danny Mars**

OF

#39

Lowell Spinners

The Lowell outfielder ranks fifth in the New York-Penn League with a .311 batting average. Mars has the second most hits for the Spinners with 55 hits on the season and third most total bases on the team with 76 bases. He currently leads the Spinners with 12 stolen bases. Against right-handed pitchers, Mars bats .346 and posts a .350 batting average when runners are on base (21 for 60).

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**Vermont Lake Monsters** 



#### Yairo Munoz INF #15

Yairo Munoz ranks fourth in batting averages in the New York-Penn League with a .314 average this season. The shortstop leads the Vermont Lake Monsters with 66 hits, 15 doubles, and 3 triples on the season. Munoz recently had a 17 game hit streak from July 20th- August 6th and is hitting .385 when leading off an inning.



#### Joseph Pankake

**INF** 

#32

Connecticut Tigers

Joey Pankake currently ranks ninth in the New York-Penn League Batting Average leaderboard with a .302 batting average. Connecticut's third baseman has the second most hits (57), doubles (13) and total bases (80) on the team. He had a season high 4-RBI game against Mahoning Valley on July 17th. Pankake has a .425 batting average when he leads off an inning and is more successfully batting against left-handed pitchers with a .404 average.



### Carlos Pinales RHP

#19 Lowell Spinners

Carlos Pinales leads the New York-Penn League in games finished at 20. He ranks second in the NYPL for the lowest ratio in walks per nine innings pitched with a 1.30 (4/27.2) ratio. Pinellas has the most game appearance from the Spinners bullpen over the 27.2 innings he has pitched this season. The righty has a 2.93 ERA and has collected 14 saves in 15 save opportunities. Pinales has dealt just five walks and has not given up a run in his last five appearances.



## Jamie Ritchie

C

#36

**Tri-City Valley Cats** 

Jamie Ritchie has a .365 batting average (38 hits in 104 at bats) and has collected 19 walks. Tri-City's catcher has 23 RBI in 35 games and has a .477 on base percentage. Ritchie had a 13 game hit streak from July 2nd-July 30th and is currently batting .418 versus right-handed pitchers. He also has a .362 batting average with runners on and .395 with runners in scoring position.



#### Mario Sanchez

RHP

#17

**Auburn Doubledays** 

Mario Sanchez has made 14 relief appearances for the Doubledays this season, collecting five wins and three saves. He has made the most appearances out of all of Auburn's pitching staff and leads the bullpen with 29.2 innings pitched. Right-handed batters are only batting .182 against him.



## J.P. Sportman

OF

#4

**Vermont Lake Monsters** 

J.P. Sportman made his professional debut on July 21st with the Vermont Lake Monsters. He is currently batting .367 and has collected seven doubles, three homeruns, and 14 RBI in just 26 games. He had a season high 4-RBI game on July 30th against Batavia. He is batting .458 against left-handed pitchers and .338 against right-handed pitchers.

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**Tri-City ValleyCats** 



#### Nick Tanielu INF #30

Nick Tanielu currently ranks seventh in the New York-Penn League in batting average, as he maintains a .307 average. Defensively, Tanielu has played 35 games at 3B and 16 games at 2B for the ValleyCats. He leads Tri-City with 37 RBI and has collected the most hits on the team with 61 hits. Tanielu gets most of his at-bats from the fifth hole in the ValleyCats lineup and bats .340 with Runners On with 2 outs and .469 with RISP with 2 outs. He also posts a batting average of .421 in the seventh inning or later (24 for 57).



# Ryan Thompson RHP #26 Tri-City ValleyCats

Ryan Thompson is tied for third for most saves in the New York-Penn League, with 9 saves. He is nine for ten in save opportunities this season and has a 2.79 ERA over 19.1 innings pitched. The right-handed pitcher for Tri-City has only given up 1 homerun this season, which came on July 9th against Jamestown.



## Rodrigo Vigil C #16 Batavia Muckdogs

Rodrigo Vigil is batting .333 for the Batavia Muckdogs when leading off an inning. The catcher has thrown out 15 of 29 attempted base stealers so far this season, giving him a .517 percentage. Vigil has had success later in this season's game, as he bats .310 in the seventh inning or later (9 for 29).



## Hunter Wood RHP #5 Hudson Valley Renegades

Hunter Wood starter 11 games for the Renegades this season, posting a 3-3 record with a 2.91 ERA over 55.2 innings. Wood has only allowed 13 walks this season and has struck out 51 batters. Opposing batters are only hitting .189 with runners on and .141 with runners in scoring position against Hudson Valley's right-handed pitcher.

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#### **Greg Allen**

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**Mahoning Valley Scrappers** 

Greg Allen began his season against the Auburn Doubledays with a 3-for-5, four runs, and one run batted in performance. The great debut was just a sign of more to come as Allen is on his way to having a great first year in professional baseball. He is currently batting .259, with 17 runs batted in, but what is more impressive is he leads the league in stolen bases with 22.

#12



#### Austin Anderson INF #28 Aberdeen IronBirds

Anderson has been a bright spot in what has been a rough season for the IronBirds. After joining the team in early July, Anderson provided some much-needed offense; he currently leads the birds in batting average (.328), on-base percentage (.371), while ranking third in hits (44), and second in doubles (11). Thus far, Austin has had four multi-RBI games, including a 4-RBI day against Jamestown on August 10th.



#### Carl Anderson OF #8 Jamestown Jammers

Anderson, a 21-year-old Massachusetts native has been tearing up the base paths for the Jammers all season. With a .317 batting average when leading off, which includes 20 hits, three doubles and two walks, Anderson loves to be on base and set his teammates up with RBI opportunities. Furthermore while on base, Anderson has utilized his speed, stealing 14 bases on the season, making him tied for fifth best in the league.



## Will Anderson RHP #21 State College Spikes

Another pitcher who had a rough start to his season, Anderson began the 2014 season picking up a loss as he gave up 6 runs, only one earned as his team was defeated by Batavia. Since then Anderson has been able to win five of his last nine starts, receiving a no decision in three of the four other starts. His 2.31 ERA has landed him in fourth for best ERA. On two occasions thus far, Anderson has thrown two seven-inning shutouts, with his most recent one coming against the Lowell Spinners on August 6th.



# Shane Bay LHP #25 Brooklyn Cyclones

Bay, who missed the majority of the 2013 season due to an elbow injury, currently ranks second in the New York-Penn League with 13 saves in as many chances. In 17 games, he has tossed 18.2 innings, allowing just four runs on 18 hits while striking out 17 batters. He is unscored upon in 14 of his 17 appearances this year.



# Sean Brady LHP #31 Mahoning Valley Scrappers

After a rough start to the 2014 season, Brady has settled into a nice rhythm going into the All-Star break. The southpaw began the year with a poor outing, giving up five runs on eight hits in four innings. He bounced back and since then has not given up more than three earned runs in a start, including four shutout starts. With a 2.85 ERA, Brady currently ranks ninth amongst the top 10 pitchers, and is the only lefty on the list.

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#### Michael Bernal

#27

**Brooklyn Cyclones** 

Bernal, a slugging rightfielder, ranks second in the NYPL with eight outfield assists on the season. He and fellow all-star Jhoan Ureña are tied for the team lead with five home runs. He ranks second on the team with 30 RBI, while leading Brooklyn with 10 stolen bases on the season. He has had two, four-hit games on the year including a four-hit, four-RBI game against the Lowell Spinners on July 27th.



#### **Derek Campbell**

INF

#9

**Williamsport Crosscutters** 

With great work at the plate this season, Derek Campbell has earned his spot as a designated hitter during this year's All-Star Game. His .267 batting average is good enough lead the team, but Campbell has a knack for hitting two-baggers, he currently leads the league with 19 doubles on the season. While Campbell is listed as a designated hitter for the game, he has split time at second base, third base, and shortstop for the Crosscutters this season.



## Jay Gonzalez

OF

#6

**Aberdeen IronBirds** 

After shattering school records at the University of Mount Olive, Jay Gonzalez and his hot but arrived in Aberdeen where he has continued to shine, now butting .268, making him tied for third best on the team. In the field, Gonzalez has been one of the more consistent center fielders; he has not committed an error in 93 chances. Gonzalez had a rough start to his season, butting .122 in June, but rebounded in July with a .316 average and is off to a good start in August as he bats .302.



#### Kyle Grana

**RHP** 

#38

State College Spikes

Despite not spending as much time on the mound as several of the other top pitchers in the league, Grana is still one of the top pitching prospects coming out of the bullpen. Kyle currently ranks fifth amongst all pitchers in the league with 52 strikeouts and ranks second amongst relieves with a 13.90 strikeout per 9.0 innings pitched ratio. Grana started off the season with three wins and going 4-for-4 in save opportunities, but fell on hard times as July came to a close with two blown saves. Grana, however, has rebounded, converting two of his last two save opportunities.



#### **Mitch Gueller**

RHP

#24

**Williamsport Crosscutters** 

Gueller has had a solid season thus far on the mound for the Crosscutters. The righty is 5-4 with a 3.65 ERA as he has been a steady arm on the mound, providing solid outings each time he starts a game. Earlier this season against the Doubledays, Gueller tossed a complete game shutout, tossing 7.0 innings of four-hit baseball in the first game of a doubleheader. Most of Gueller's difficulty this season has come while playing on the road, he is 1-4 with a 7.61 ERA in five starts, meanwhile he is 4-0 with a 0.82 ERA in six starts at home.



#### **David Hess**

RHP

#16

Aberdeen IronBirds

Hess is another pitcher who began the season late, making his first appearance for the IronBirds on July 1st against the Staten Island Yankees. In eight appearances, Hess has thrown 25.1 innings, and has an ERA of 3.20. The IronBirds have been cautious with his arm since his arrival; in five starts, Hess has only pitched more than four innings on one occasion. He did however pick up his first professional win on July 5th when he pitched two scoreless innings against the Cyclones.

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#### Ty McFarland

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**Staten Island Yankees** 

McFarland has been a consistent but for Staten Island during the 2014 campaign. All season long, McFarland's butting average has lingered around .300; he is currently butting .279. Much of Ty's success has come under the lights of Richmond County Bank Ballpark, the Yankees' home. One of his best moments came against the Cyclones during the first few games of the season when he worked a bases loaded walk to win the first game of a doubleheader for his club. Entering the break he is butting 2-for-17, causing his butting average to drop from .294.

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#### Francisco Mejia

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#17 Mahoning Valley Scrappers

Mejia is one of a handful of teenagers on this year's south roster, but is on his way to having a solid year as a member of the Mahoning Valley Scrappers. Mejia leads his team in most games played, hits (58), and ranks second in batting average (.280). While he has had his fair share of success at the plate, Mejia still has some work to do as he leads the team in strikeouts, with 42 punch-outs. After making some great plays behind the plate, Mejia has found himself amongst the top catchers, ranking tenth for throwing out base stealers with a .286 percentage (14-for-49).



#### Marcos Molina

**RHP** 

#29

**Brooklyn Cyclones** 

Molina, a 19-year-old fireballer, has been a dominant force on the mound all season long. The 6-3, 188 pound hurler is 6-2 with a 1.58 ERA in 10 starts this season. The Santiago, DR native has only allowed more than two earned runs in one outing this season. He ranks second in the NYPL with a 1.58 ERA, ranks first in strikeouts with 73 and leads the league in WHIP (0.83), as well as batting average against (.177).



#### Taylor Murphy

OF

#15

**Mahoning Valley Scrappers** 

Murphy, a 21-year-old California native has been a consistent bat for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers all season long. While batting .265 on the season, Murphy knows how to start strong and end strong. When leading off innings, Murphy is batting .357 with a home run, when batting in the first inning he is hitting .429 with two runs batted in, and in the ninth inning he is batting .375 with two doubles and three runs batted in.



## **Corey Oswalt**

RHP

#10

**Brooklyn Cyclones** 

Oswalt, who missed most of the 2013 season with a knee injury, has rebounded in a big way this season. The 20-year-old right-hander is 6-1 with a 2.26 ERA in 10 games, nine starts this season. The San Diego, CA native has 50 strikeouts in 55.2 innings this season and has allowed two runs or less in eight of his nine starts. Oswalt will be more than comfortable on the mound at MCU Park where he is 5-0 with a 1.77 ERA this season. He ranks third in the NYPL with his 2.26 ERA and fourth with a .222 batting average against.



#### **Robelys Reyes**

INF

#3

**State College Spikes** 

Reyes has had a solid 2014 campaign, contributing to the very talented Spikes, who have been one of the league's best teams all season long. Robelys has proven to be a great leadoff man. When batting in the first spot in the order, Reyes has a .315 average, including two home runs and 10 runs batted in. Reyes also understands the importance of driving runners in, when batting with runners in scoring position, he is hitting .294, driving in 23 runs.

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#### Amed Rosario INF

Rosario, who was named the top prospect in the Appalachian League by Baseball America following the 2013 season, has been an offensive force for the Cyclones all season long. The 18-year-old shortstop is batting .286 (66-231) with 36 runs scored, 14 extra base hits and 19 RBI. He ranks third in the NYPL with 66 hits and is tied for the NYPL lead with five triples.



## Kevin Ross INF #23 Jamestown Jammers

Through more than 40 games, Ross has been a consistent player at the plate and on the field for the Jammers. Ross has a .265 batting average, racking up more than 40 hits and only striking out 13 times. His ability to work counts and be patient at the plate has given him a great total plate appearance to strikeout ratio; he currently leads the league with a 13.46 ratio. Ross has also been able to deliver for his team and drive runs in, when in a situation with runners on and two outs, Ross is batting .424 and has driven 15 runs.



## Darren Serefina INF #7 State College Spikes

After joining the Spikes two weeks into the season, Serefina has contributed greatly to State College this season. In his professional debut on June 29th, Darren showed fans he is a multi-tool player, going 2-for-4 with a single, double, scoring twice, and stealing two bases. His .308 batting average ranks him sixth best in the league, while his average and two triples lead his team, while his .367 on-base percentage ranks second. He currently ranks in the top-10 in the NYPL with 13 stolen bases.



## Sam Street RHP #45 Jamestown Jammers

Street, a Melbourne, Australia native has been a great reliever for the Jammers all season long. Thus far, he has made 12 appearances, pitching a total of 20.0 innings, going 5-for-5 in save opportunities and boasting an ERA of 1.35. In his first appearance of the season against the Scrappers on June 26th, Street pitched two scoreless innings, striking out two as his team jumped ahead, giving Street his first professional victory.



## Isaias Tejeda C #33 Staten Island Yankees

It is no surprise that Tejeda has been name to the all-star game because of his bat, he currently ranks fourth on the Staten Island Yankees with a .281 batting average, behind fellow All-Star selections Connor Spencer, and Luis Torrens. After compiling a .227 batting average in the first seven games, Tejeda went on a tear and hit safely in 20 straight games. Tejeda is at his best under the lights in Staten Island, batting .299 with two home runs, 11 doubles, and 17 runs batted in at home.



#### Luis Torrens C #4 Staten Island Yankees

Luis Torrens is the youngest player on the South team this year and one of the youngest in the league, but that has not kept the catcher from performing at a high level. Torrens made his mark as soon as he arrived in Staten Island, during his second game of the season on June 28th, Torrens went 1-3 and started what would become a 21-game hit streak that lasted through July 26th. Luis has performed at his best at home in Staten Island, batting .292 with eight doubles, two triples and a .370 on-base percentage compared to a .279 average and .307 on-base percentage in the same amount of games on the road.

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#### **Jiandido Tromp**

OF

Williamsport Crosscutters

All season long Tromp has been force to reckon with at the plate. With 12 home runs, he currently ranks second amongst active players in the league, while ranking third with a .509 slugging percentage. On several occasions, Tromp has shown his tendency to leave the yard; this season he has three multi-homerun games. Jiandido is at his best at home in Williamsport, he boasts a .302 batting average at home, all of his home runs have been at home, and 27 of his 30 runs batted in have been on the Crosscutters field.

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## Jhoan Ureña INF #13 Brooklyn Cyclones

Ureña, a 19-year old third baseman, is the only player in the New York-Penn League to appear in every game this season. The Santiago, DR native is the only player in franchise history to record three hitting streaks of 10 or more games in the same season. Before getting his third 10-plus game hitting streak, he was the second player in franchise history to have two hitting streaks of 10 or more games in the same season, joining Angel Pagan who did it with Brooklyn in 2001. Ureña leads the NYPL in hits, at-bats, games played, and ranks fifth with 38 runs hatted in.



### David Whitehead RHP #34 Williamsport Crosscutters

Whitehead is on his way to being one of the league's top pitchers if he continues to pitch the way he has all season long. With a 2.61 ERA, Whitehead ranks fifth, while ranking fifth with 62.0 innings pitched, and second amongst starters with a 1.16 walk per 9.0 innings pitched ratio. His best outing thus far was earlier this month against the Aberdeen IronBirds when he tossed 6.0 innings, giving up one unearned run on just four hits, while striking out five.