



2008 BROOKLYN CYCLONES NEWS & NOTES

Monday, June 30, 2008

Hudson Valley Renegades (8-5) vs. Brooklyn Cyclones (6-7)
Game #14, Home Game #8 (3-4)

NYPL Champions: 2001
McNamara Division Champions: 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007

TONIGHT'S STARTER: RHP **Scott Shaw** (1-0, 0.00) makes his second start of the season for the Cyclones, and his third appearance. In his last outing (his first start), Shaw hurled five scoreless innings, and allowed just three hits while striking out six, in an eventual 1-0, 12-inning loss.

Shaw was selected by the Mets in the 13th round of this year's June draft, out of the University of Illinois (IL).

DATE	OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
6/20	@ABD	W	4.0	1	0	0	0	1	8	0
6/25	@HV	ND	5.0	3	0	0	0	0	6	0
	REC	ERA	IP <th>H</th> <th>R</th> <th>ER</th> <th>HR</th> <th>BB</th> <th>K</th> <th>WP</th>	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
TOTAL	1-0	0.00	9.0	4	0	0	0	1	14	0

Shaw (6'5", 225) went 4-4 with a 7.83 ERA for the Illini in 2008, making 11 starts and tossing two complete games. He struck out 48 batters in 56.1 innings and walked only 24 batters, which ranked seventh in the Big Ten. In conference games, he gave up only 38 hits, which ranked third.

Scott also earned seven varsity letters at Warren Township High school, three in baseball, three in golf and one in basketball. He was named to the All-Area baseball team in 2003 and 2004, and was named to the All-North Suburban Conference baseball team in 2003 and 2004. Scott was also named to the All-NSC golf team in 2002 and 2003.

In addition, he helped lead the summer Warren baseball team to the state finals in 2002. Shaw also played for the Waterloo Bucks in the Northwoods League, and was named a mid-season all-star in 2007.

PROBABLES: The probable pitching matchups for the finale of the series is:

Tuesday, July 1

Cyclones (7:05pm) RHP Brad Holt (1-1, 2.45)
at Renegades RHP Shane Dyer (0-1, 4.50)

ZACH ATTACK: 3B **Zach Lutz** is off to a hot start for the Cyclones, and leads the team with a .344 average (11-for-32). Lutz also leads the team with six RBI, and has a team-best .447 on-base percentage, with a .438 slugging percentage, for an .885 OPS.

Lutz was the Cyclones' Opening Day starter in 2007, but broke his foot after just two at-bats, and required season-ending surgery. After almost a full year of rehab, he returned to the field in early June and was once again Brooklyn's Opening Day starter at third base in 2008.

Lutz was drafted by the Mets in the fifth round in 2007, out of Alvernia College (PA) where he was a two-time Pennsylvania Athletic Conference Baseball Player of the Year, and was named Division III National Player of the Year in 2007 by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association.

PITCHING MATCHUP
RHP Nicholas Barnese (HV)
0-0, 0.77 ERA
VS.
RHP Scott Shaw (BRK)
1-0, 0.00 ERA

2008 GAME RESULTS

6/17 vs. SI - W, 3-1	7/27 vs. SI - 5:00
6/18 @ SI - W, 9-4	7/28 @ SI - 7:00
6/19 vs. SI - L, 7-2	7/29 @ VER - 7:05
6/20 @ ABD - W, 3-2	7/30 @ VER - 7:05
6/21 @ ABD - L, 3-1	7/31 @ VER - 7:05
6/22 @ ABD-W, 4-2 (10)	8/1 @ SI - 7:00
6/23 vs. HV - L, 3-2	8/2 vs. SI - 6:00
6/24 @ HV - L, 4-1	8/3 @ SI - 6:00
6/25 @ HV - L, 1-0 (12)	8/4 vs. SI - 7:00
6/26 vs. ABD - W, 4-2	8/6 @ LOW - 7:05
6/27 vs. ABD - W, 4-3	8/7 @ LOW - 7:05
6/28 vs. ABD - L, 4-1	8/8 @ LOW - 7:05
6/29 vs. HV - L, 6-4	8/9 vs. BAT - 6:00
6/30 vs. HV - 7:00	8/10 vs. BAT - 5:00
7/1 @ HV - 7:05	8/11 vs. BAT - 7:00
7/2 @ WPT - 7:05	8/12 @ AUB - 7:05
7/3 @ WPT - 7:05	8/13 @ AUB - 7:05
7/4 @ WPT - 7:05	8/14 @ AUB - 7:05
7/5 vs. MV - 6:00	8/15 vs. TRI - 7:00
7/6 vs. MV - 5:00	8/16 vs. TRI - 6:00
7/7 vs. MV - noon	8/17 vs. TRI - 5:00
7/9 @ JAM - 7:05	8/21 vs. LOW - 7:00
7/10 @ JAM - 7:05	8/22 vs. LOW - 7:00
7/11 @ JAM - 7:05	8/23 vs. LOW - 6:00
7/12 vs. SC - 6:00	8/24 @ TRI - 5:00
7/13 vs. SC - 5:00	8/25 @ TRI - 7:00
7/14 vs. SC - 7:00	8/26 @ TRI - 7:00
7/16 @ ONT - 7:00	8/27 vs. ONT - 7:00
7/17 @ ONT - 7:00	8/28 vs. ONT - 7:00
7/18 @ ONT - 7:00	8/29 vs. ONT - 7:00
7/19 @ SI - 7:00	8/30 @ HV - 7:05
7/20 vs. SI - 5:00	8/31 vs. HV - 5:00
7/21 @ SI - 7:00	9/1 @ ABD - 7:05
7/22 vs. VER - 7:00	9/2 @ ABD - 7:05
7/23 vs. VER - 7:00	9/3 @ HV - 7:05
7/24 vs. VER - 7:00	9/4 vs. HV - 7:00
7/25 vs. SI - 7:00	9/5 vs. ABD - 7:00
7/26 @ SI - 7:00	9/6 vs. ABD - 6:00

Every Cyclones game is broadcast on **WKRB 90.3**, and simulcast online at www.brooklyncyclones.com



LAST GAME: After a 56 minute rain delay, the Cyclones took an early lead on Sunday, but were eventually defeated by a score of 6-4, losing their second game in a row. The Cyclones wore replica Brooklyn Royal Giants uniforms on Sunday to pay tribute to the Negro Leagues, on African-American Heritage Night.

LF **Sean Ratliff** made his professional debut in the game, and notched a hit in his first at-bat. **Dan Murphy** continued his hot hitting, as he's gotten a hit in all of his three rehab starts with Brooklyn. Both **Josh Satin** and **Kirk Nieuwenhuis** each added a pair of hits, giving the Cyclones a total of 12 hits for the game.

Jim Fuller started for the Cyclones, and pitched 2.3 innings, allowing one run, with four walks and five strikeouts. **Wendy Rosa**, **Manny Olivares**, **Mike Lynn**, and **Roy Merritt** all followed Fuller, allowing five runs on 11 hits, while walking six. Lynn (0-1) took the loss.

STRAWBERRY'S CAR WASH: On Monday, Mets legend **Darryl Strawberry** will be at KeySpan Park for the Cyclones' 7pm game against Hudson Valley. Strawberry will be appearing on behalf of Spongetech - the ultimate one-step wash and wax system. Darryl will personally present the winner (or loser, depending on how you look at it) of the Dirtiest Car in the Parking Lot contest with a Spongetech prize package.

RATLIFF ON THE ROSTER: OF **Sean Ratliff** made his professional debut on Sunday, playing left field for the Cyclones, and went 1-for-3 with a single in his first pro at-bat. Ratliff was selected by the Mets in the fourth round of the June draft, out of Stanford University (CA). Stanford recently ended its season with a loss to Georgia in the College World Series in Omaha, NE, finishing with an overall record of 41-24-2, and making the program's 16th appearance in the College World Series, where a 2-2 mark at the event continued its streak of winning at least one contest in each of its trips to Omaha. The Cardinal also finished second in the Pac-10 Conference with a 14-10 mark.

Ratliff started in all 67 games for Stanford this season, batting .294 (73-for-248), with 52 runs, 13 doubles, four triples, 22 home runs, 71 RBI, and eight stolen bases. Sean led the Cardinal in triples, home runs, and slugging percentage (.645), and was second on the team in RBI. He also notched a .387 on-base percentage, and a 1.032 OPS.

Ratliff was named an All-Pac-10 selection in 2008, which was the second time he has earned the honor. He homered four times over a three-game span (May 4-6), and also had a 13-game hitting streak from March 8- April 5.

WHEN YURY'S IN, YOU'RE OUT: RHP **Yury Santana** has been dominant out of the Brooklyn bullpen. The former infielder (who played shortstop for the Cyclones in 2005) leads the NYPL with four saves, and has yet to allow a hit or a run. In 4.1 innings, Santana has surrendered just three walks, and has struck out eight. He sports a 0.00 ERA and a 0.69 WHIP.

GETTING ON BASE: SS **Matt Bouchard** has reached base in 22 straight games for the Cyclones, dating back to 8/29/07. Bouchard was an All-Star for Brooklyn in 2007. In 12 games this year, Matt is hitting .265 (13-for-49) with five runs, three doubles, three RBI and two stolen bases.

FEELING A DRAFT: The 2008 Brooklyn roster is filled with Mets draft picks from the June draft. 15 June draftees have appeared for the Cyclones so far this season, including 10 players taken in the first 14 rounds. SS **Reese Havens**, another first-round pick, has been with the team, but has not yet appeared in a game. Havens is slated to make his debut on Monday, as the team's Designated Hitter.

FIRST ROUNDERS: 1B **Ike Davis** became the third first-round pick (18th overall) to play for the Cyclones, joining LHP Scott Kazmir (2002) and RHP Bob Keppel (2003). SS **Reese Havens**, another first-rounder (22nd overall) is on the Brooklyn roster, and will make his debut tonight. RHP **Brad Holt** was selected by the Mets in the supplemental round between the first and second round (33rd overall).

PACKING THE PARK: The Cyclones have led the NYPL -- and the entire Short-Season classification -- in attendance in each of the team's first seven years of existence. Brooklyn is again leading the league in 2008, with **52,392** fans in seven openings, for an average of **7,485**.

In 2007 the Cyclones drew 294,972 fans in 36 openings, for an average of 8,194 fans per game (up from 7,820 in 2007). The team topped 9,000 fans on six separate occasions, and set a new all-time high with 10,073 fans on 9/7/07 vs. Lowell.

REMATCH: Tonight's game features a rematch between the starting pitchers in last Wednesday's 1-0 12-inning Cyclones loss -- Brooklyn's **Scott Shaw** and Hudson Valley's Nick Barnese. On 7/25 @ HV, Shaw tossed five scoreless frames, but was matched by Barnese, who kept the Cyclones off the board with seven shutout innings. Shaw struck out six and Barnese struck out nine. Neither pitcher factored in the decision, as Hudson Valley plated the game's lone run in the bottom of the 12th.

WE LIKE IKE: 1B **Ike Davis** signed with the New York Mets last Tuesday, and has played in three games for Brooklyn, hitting .250 (3-for-12). Davis was the Mets' first pick of the June Draft (18th overall), out of Arizona State University.

Davis is a three-time First Team All-Pac-10 selection, 2008 Collegiate Baseball First Team All-American, 2008 ASU Baseball MVP, 2008 Rivals.com First Team All-American, and a 2008 Golden Spikes Award semifinalist. He finished his junior season batting .385 with 16 home runs and 76 RBI. Ike also made 16 relief appearances for the Sun Devils, posting a 4-1 record with a 2.25 ERA and 30 strikeouts in 24 innings. As a sophomore, Davis earned First Team All-Pac-10 honors, batting .349 with eight home runs and 61 RBI, while finishing 1-1 with a 1.35 ERA on the mound.

In 2006, Davis put up one of the best freshman seasons in ASU history, setting a new freshman record with 65 RBI and tying for the team lead in home runs with nine, earning him Pac-10 Freshman of the Year, All-Pac-10 First Team, Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-American, Rivals.com First Team Freshman All-American, Baseball America Second Team Freshman All-American, and ABCA First Team All-West Region. He was previously selected in the 19th round by the Tampa Bay Rays in 2005 out of Chaparral High School in Scottsdale, AZ. Ike is the son of former major league pitcher Ron Davis.

NO-HIT HOLT: RHP **Brad Holt** (1-1, 2.45), the Mets third pick of the June draft (33rd overall), tossed five no-hit innings with six strikeouts on Thursday, before leaving the game due to a pitch count. Holt earned his first professional win with the performance, and lowered his ERA to 2.45 on the season. In 7.1 total innings, he has allowed two hits, two runs, both earned, and two walks, with 10 strikeouts.

TAKE YOUR BASE: On Saturday, June 28th, the Cyclones held the 4th annual Take Your Base 5k run/walk, and raised over **\$20,000** in support of the fight against cancer, thanks to over **200 runners and walkers**. TYB is a community and family event designed to raise awareness about, and highlight the importance of, screening and early detection of cancer.

TEAM HIGHS: The following are the high single-game totals in both batting and pitching for the 2008 club:

Batting											Pitching							
R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	E	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP
9	15	4	1	1	9	6	12	2	2	4	11.2	12	7	6	1	10	14	2

PRONUNCIATION KEY:

- Matt Bouchard (boo-SHARD)
- Matias Carrillo (mat-AY-yes car-EE-yo)
- Cesar Cordido (core-DEE-doe)
- Junior Guerra (YOU-n-your GEH-rah)
- Ralph Henriquez (en-REE-kez)
- Brandon Kawal (KAY-wall)
- Kirk Nieuwenhuis (NEW-en-HISE)
- Brandon Richey (RICH-ee)
- Josh Satin (SAT-inn)
- Chris Schwinden (SCHWINN-den)
- John Servidio (sir-VID-ee-o)
- Tim Stronach (STRAH-nick)
- Will Vogl (VOGUE-el)