



# 2008 BROOKLYN CYCLONES NEWS & NOTES

Monday, July 14, 2008

State College Spikes (6-19) vs. Brooklyn Cyclones (12-14)  
Game #27, Home Game #14 (6-7)

NYPL Champions: 2001

McNamara Division Champions: 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007

**TONIGHT'S STARTER:** RHP **Jenry Mejia** (0-1, 11.25) makes his second start for the Cyclones, and second home start of the season. The 18-year-old Mejia (6'0", 182) was signed by the Mets as a non-drafted free agent in 2007, out of the Dominican Republic (Santo Domingo).

In his Cyclones debut (7/7 vs. MV), Mejia struggled with his control, walking five batters in 4.0 IP, and taking the loss.

Jenry began this season with the Gulf Coast Mets (R), and went 2-0 with a 0.60 ERA in three games (all starts). In 15.0 innings, he allowed nine hits, one run, earned, and three walks, with 15 strikeouts. In his last outing (7/1 @ GCL CAR), he tossed a five-inning complete game shutout, allowing just three hits and a walk, while striking out six.

DATE	OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
7/7	MV	L	4.0	2	5	5	1	5	2	0
	REC	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
TOTAL	0-1	11.25	4.0	2	5	5	1	5	2	0

Mejia began his professional career last season, for the Venezuelan Summer League Mets, going 2-3 with a 2.47 ERA in 14 games (seven starts). In 43.2 innings, he allowed 24 hits, 17 runs, 12 earned, and 27 walks, with 47 strikeouts.

**LAST GAME:** The Cyclones snapped a five-game losing streak to shut out the Spikes 2-0, behind a strong outing by RHP **Brad Holt**, and timely hitting.

Holt (2-2) made his fifth start of the season and threw seven scoreless innings, striking out a season-high 10 batters. RHP **Yury Santana** pitched a scoreless eighth innings. RHP **Stephen Clyne** made his season debut and picked up his first save of the year.

Mets OF **Angel Pagan** made his second rehab start, went 1-for-4 and stole another base (Pagan leads the Cyclones with 32 swipes all-time, having also played for the team in 2001). SS **Reese Havens** and OF **Kirk Nieuwenhuis** each picked up a hit and scored a run. 3B **Zach Lutz** and OF **Sean Ratliff** also had hits and drove in the game's only runs.

**ON THE AIR:** In addition to the standard broadcast on 90.3 WKRB, Monday's game will also be broadcast on 660AM WFAN and televised on SNY.

Popular morning-show hosts **Boomer Esiason** and **Craig Carton** will call the game on WFAN, along with WFAN/SNY personality **Chris Carlin**. Boomer & Carton are scheduled to take batting practice with the Cyclones, and throw out the game's ceremonial first pitch. In addition, the first 2,500 fans in attendance for Monday's game will receive Boomer & Carton bobbleheads.

**Kevin Burkhardt** and **Dave Gallagher** will call the game on SNY, and **Warner Fusselle** will, as always, be in the Catbird Seat for WKRB.

**PITCHING MATCHUP**  
RHP Emilis Guerrero (SC)  
1-2, 6.38 ERA  
VS.  
RHP Jenry Mejia (BRK)  
0-1, 11.25 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 - W, 6-5	8/10 vs. BAT - 5:00
7/1 @ HV - L, 2-1	8/11 vs. BAT - 7:00
7/2 @ WPT - W, 4-3	8/12 @ AUB - 7:05
7/3 @ WPT - W, 12-3	8/13 @ AUB - 7:05
7/4 @ WPT - W, 9-2	8/14 @ AUB - 7:05
7/5 vs. MV - L, 6-1 (10)	8/15 vs. TRI - 7:00
7/6 vs. MV - W, 4-2	8/16 vs. TRI - 6:00
7/7 vs. MV - L, 8-1	8/17 vs. TRI - 5:00
7/9 @ JAM - L, 4-3	8/21 vs. LOW - 7:00
7/10 @ JAM - L, 2-0	8/22 vs. LOW - 7:00
7/11 @ JAM - L, 3-2	8/23 vs. LOW - 6:00
7/12 vs. SC - L, 1-0	8/24 @ TRI - 5:00
7/13 vs. SC - W, 2-0	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](http://www.brooklyncyclones.com)



**ANGEL'S RETURN:** Mets OF **Angel Pagan** began a rehab assignment with the Cyclones on Saturday, marking a return to Brooklyn for the former Cyclone.

Pagan was an All-Star for the Cyclones in 2001, playing centerfield and batting from the leadoff spot. That season, he hit .315 (75-for-238) in 62 games, with 46 runs, 10 doubles, two triples, and 15 RBI, while stealing a franchise-record 30 bases.

Pagan is expected to play the outfield for the Cyclones again on Monday, as he makes his way back to the majors after injuring his shoulder making a spectacular over-the-wall catch against the Dodgers on May 7th in Los Angeles. Pagan drove his shoulder into a folding seat after flipping over a cement wall along the third-base line while catching a pop-up by Andre Ethier. Pagan held on to the ball and stayed in the game for another inning before aggravating the injury on a slide into second base in the third.

Prior to his injury, Pagan was hitting .275 (25-for-91) in 31 games, with 12 runs, seven doubles, one triple, and 13 RBI for the Mets.

Pagan is 1-for-7 in his two games with Brooklyn, with two stolen bases. The steals gives Angel 32 career stolen bases for the cyclones, extending his own franchise career record.

**HOLT EVERYTHING:** RHP **Brad Holt** has been stellar in his first professional season. The Mets' third pick of the June draft (supplemental round, 33rd overall) is 2-2 with a 1.96 ERA, good for 10th-best in the New York-Penn League. Holt's 10-K performance on Sunday gives him a team-best 30 strikeouts, tied for second-best in the NYPL. Since his debut, when he allowed two earned runs in 2.1 innings, Holt has surrendered just three earned runs on 12 hits in 20.2 IP (1.31 ERA). Opponents are hitting .175 against Holt this season.

**A SHAW THING:** RHP **Scott Shaw** ranks sixth in the New York-Penn league, with a 1.42 ERA. In 25.1 innings, over five games (four starts), Shaw has allowed 19 hits, four runs, all earned, and five walks, while striking out 25. He has gone five innings or more in each of his starts, and struck out four or more batters in all but one. In his only relief appearance, Scott fanned eight batters in four innings.

**ON THE MOUND:** Cyclones pitchers rank second in the league with a 2.71 team ERA, behind only Staten Island's 2.53. Brooklyn hurlers lead the NYPL with 248 strikeouts.

In total, Cyclones pitchers have thrown 232.2 innings, and allowed 195 hits, 83 runs, 70 earned, and 106 walks. The staff has allowed 11 home runs.

**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 **93,879** fans in 13 openings, for an average of **7,221**.

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.

**ROSTER MOVES:** IF **Josh Satin** returned to Brooklyn on Sunday, rejoining the Cyclones after three games for Kingsport (R) in which he hit .583 (7-for-12) with three runs, two doubles, a home run and two RBI.

OF **John Servidio** returns to Brooklyn on Monday, after two games with Kingsport, in which he went hitless.

IF **Ignacio Medrano** was assigned to Kingsport on Sunday. Medrano was 1-for-12 (.083) in four games with Brooklyn.

OF **Seth Williams** was assigned to Kingsport on Monday. Williams was 1-for-10 (.100) in four games with Brooklyn.

**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	
12	15	4	2	2	9	8	13	2	3	4	11.2	12	8	8	2	11	14	2	

### NYPL STANDINGS

#### McNAMARA DIVISION

	W	L	GB
Staten Island	17	9	-
Hudson Valley	15	11	2
Aberdeen	12	13	4.5
<b>Brooklyn</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>

#### PINCKNEY DIVISION

	W	L	GB
Jamestown	17	7	-
Auburn	14	11	3.5
Batavia	14	11	3.5
Williamsport	11	13	6
Mahoning Valley	11	15	7
State College	6	19	11.5

#### STEDLER DIVISION

	W	L	GB
Vermont	15	11	-
Oneonta	13	12	1.5
Lowell	11	14	3.5
Tri-City	9	17	6

**A BRUISER:** C **Jordan Abruzzo** is 1-for-7 since joining the team on Saturday. He also threw out two would-be basestealers at second base in his debut on Saturday. The 6'2", 230-pound Abruzzo was selected by the Mets in the 13th round of the 2007 draft, out of the University of San Diego (CA). He appeared in just four games for the 2007 Cyclones before an injury to his leg that kept him out for the remainder of the season.

**FIREWORKS WEEK:** There's nothing better than a Fireworks Night at KeySpan Park...except a Fireworks WEEK at KeySpan Park! For four nights in July -- the 22nd through the 25th -- every Cyclones home game will be followed by a spectacular fireworks show. Fireworks nights are among the most popular of the year, with fans invited to stay in their seats after the game, as the Coney Island fireworks light up the night sky over the Atlantic Ocean.

**MMM-MMM GOOD:** In his last eight games, IF **Eric Cambell** is hitting .375 (6-for-16) with one run and one RBI. On the season, Eric is hitting .296 (16-for-54) in 20 games, with six runs, one double, and six RBI. Campbell was selected by the Mets in the eighth round of the 2008 draft, out of Boston College.

**GOING BOLDLY:** OF **Kirk Nieuwenhuis** has been among the team's hottest hitters. In his last nine games, Nieuwenhuis is hitting .355 (11-for-31). Overall, Kirk has raised his season average to .264, after a slow start that saw him hitting .179 at the end of play on June 24th. Since then, he has hit .305 (18-for-59), including a four-hit game on July 7th against Mahoning Valley.

**ZACH ATTACK:** 3B **Zach Lutz** leads the team with a .323 average (20-for-62). Lutz also leads the team with 10 RBI, and has a team-best .447 on-base percentage, with a .435 slugging percentage, for an OPS of .882. Lutz' OBP ranks fourth in the New York-Penn League.

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.

**ONE-TWO PUNCH:** The Cyclones bullpen features a potent one-two punch in the late innings. **Yury Santana**, a converted shortstop who played for Brooklyn in 2005, has racked up six saves this season, in nine appearances. In six of those nine appearances, he did not allow a hit. In 8.2 total innings, Santana has allowed six hits, three runs, all earned, and four walks, while striking out 14.

RHP **Stephen Clyne** recently re-joined the team as well, having pitched for the Cyclones in 2007. Last Night, Clyne made his debut and picked up the save, blanking the Spikes in the ninth inning. Clyne began the season with St. Lucie (A) of the Florida State League, where he was 1-3 with two saves and a 5.92 ERA in 27 games. In 2007, Clyne was 1-1 with eight saves and a 2.05 ERA for the Cyclones.

**FEELING A DRAFT:** The 2008 Brooklyn roster is filled with Mets draft picks from the past two June drafts. A total of 17 2008 June draftees have appeared for the Cyclones so far this season, including 11 players taken in the first 14 rounds. RHP **Erik Turgeon**, a 25th-round pick, recently joined the team but has not yet appeared in a game.

In addition, eight players from the 2007 draft have appeared in games for the Cyclones this year, with six on the current roster.

**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).

**TRANSACTIONS:** The following is a list of transactions made to the Cyclones roster this season:

- Tuesday, June 24 - RHP **Matias Carrillo** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster, but remains with the Brooklyn club
- Wednesday, June 25 - RHP **Matias Carrillo** was transferred from the Kingsport (R) roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Wednesday, June 25 - RHP **Eric Beaulac** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster
- Thursday, June 26 - OF **Ryan Church** begins a rehab assignment with Brooklyn (concussion)
- Thursday, June 26 - OF **Brandon Kawal** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster, but remains with the Brooklyn club
- Friday, June 27 - C **Luis Alen** was placed on the Disabled List with a chin laceration
- Friday, June 27 - IF **Dan Murphy** begins a rehab assignment with Brooklyn (shoulder)
- Saturday, June 28 - OF **Ryan Chuch** ends his rehab assignment with Brooklyn
- Sunday, June 29 - OF **Mike Parker** was placed on the Disabled List with a sprained right ankle
- Monday, June 30 - IF **Dan Murphy** ends his rehab assignment with Brooklyn and is reinstated to the Binghamton (AA) roster
- Tuesday, July 1 - IF **Matt Bouchard** was placed on the Disabled List with a strained left hip flexor
- Tuesday, July 1 - IF **Jake Eigsti** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the Savannah (A) roster
- Sunday, July 6 - RHP **Jenry Mejia** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the Gulf Coast Mets (R) roster
- Sunday, July 6 - RHP **Montero Cruz** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster from the Savannah (A) roster
- Sunday, July 6 - OF **Mike Parker** was reinstated from the DL and transferred from Brooklyn to the Savannah (A) roster
- Sunday, July 6 - LHP **Jim Fuller** was placed on the Disabled List with a left shoulder strain
- Monday, July 7 - C **Luis Alen** was reinstated from the DL
- Monday, July 7 - OF **Brandon Kawal** was released
- Monday, July 7 - IF **Brandon Richey** was released
- Wednesday, July 9 - IF **Anderson Machado** starts a rehab assignment with Brooklyn
- Wednesday, July 9 - IF **Matt Smith** starts a rehab assignment with Brooklyn
- Wednesday, July 9 - OF **Will Vogl** was released
- Wednesday, July 9 - IF **Josh Satin** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport roster
- Wednesday, July 9 - OF **John Servidio** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport roster
- Wednesday, July 9 - IF **Ignacio Medrano** was transferred from the Kingsport roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Wednesday, July 9 - OF **Seth Williams** was transferred from the Kingsport roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Wednesday, July 9 - OF **Darren Clark** was transferred from the Gulf Coast roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Friday, July 11 - IF **Anderson Machado** ends his rehab assignment and is reinstated to the New Orleans (AAA) roster
- Friday, July 11 - RHP **Manny Olivares** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Savannah (A) roster
- Friday, July 11 - RHP **Stephen Clyne** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Friday, July 11 - RHP **Erik Turgeon** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the Kingsport (R) roster
- Saturday, July 12 - OF **Angel Pagan** begins a rehab assignment with Brooklyn (shoulder)
- Saturday, July 12 - C **Jordan Abruzzo** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Saturday, July 12 - C **Luis Alen** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Sunday, July 13 - IF **Ignacio Medrano** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster
- Sunday, July 13 - IF **Josh Satin** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the Kingsport (R) roster
- Sunday, July 13 - OF **Seth Williams** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster
- Sunday, July 13 - OF **John Servidio** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the Kingsport (R) roster