



# 2008 BROOKLYN CYCLONES NEWS & NOTES

Sunday, August 17, 2008

Tri-City Valley Cats (24-32) vs. Brooklyn Cyclones (32-26)  
Game #59, Home Game #28 (14-13)

NYPL Champions: 2001

McNamara Division Champions: 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007

**TODAY'S STARTER:** RHP **Chris Schwinden** (3-1, 1.09) makes his fifth start for the Cyclones, and his 11th appearance. Last week, Chris was named to the NYPL All-Star team, along with fellow pitchers Brad Holt and Yury Santana. Sunday is his first home start of the season for the Cyclones.

Schwinden made a start in his professional debut (6/20 @ ABD), and then moved into the bullpen for his next six appearances. He rejoined the starting rotation on August 1st, and since gone 3-0 in three starts, allowing just one earned run.

Overall, Chris is 3-1 with a 1.09 ERA in 10 games (four starts). Schwinden currently falls .03 short of the innings minimum to qualify for the league leaders (0.8 IP/team game), but his 1.09 ERA would rank second in the league. In 41.1 innings, he has allowed 28 hits, eight runs, five earned.

Schwinden has also shown impeccable control, registering just nine walks, while striking out 45 batters.

He has yet to allow more than three runs in a game, and has held opponents to one run or less in seven of his 10 appearances. On 8/7 vs. LOW, Chris tossed seven one-hit innings, and struck out 12 in his best performance of the year.

As a starter, Schwinden is 3-0 with a 1.27 ERA in 21.1 innings, over four games. As a reliever, he went 0-1 with a 0.90 ERA in 20 innings over six games.

Opponents are hitting .204 against Schwinden this season, with lefthanders batting .193 (11-for-57) and righthanders batting .213 (17-for-80).

DATE	OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
6/20	@ABD	-	2.1	3	2	2	0	2	4	0
6/25	@HV	-	4.0	5	0	0	0	1	3	1
6/30	HV	-	2.0	3	0	0	0	0	4	0
7/5	MV	L	3.0	4	2	1	0	0	1	0
7/12	SC	-	3.0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
7/18	@ONT	-	6.0	1	0	0	0	2	5	0
7/24	VER	-	2.0	2	1	1	1	0	2	0
8/1	@SI	W	6.0	4	1	0	0	0	7	1
8/7	@LOW	W	7.0	1	0	0	0	1	12	0
8/12	@AUB	W	6.0	4	2	1	0	3	5	0
	<b>REC</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>WP</b>
TOTAL	3-1	1.09	41.1	28	8	5	1	9	45	2

Schwinden (6'3", 165 pounds) was selected by the Mets in the 22nd round of the 2008 draft, out of Fresno Pacific University (CA). He was 6-1 with a 2.48 ERA this season, as Fresno Pacific tallied the best record in school history (36-14). In 90.2 innings, he allowed 63 hits, 28 runs, 25 earned, and 22 walks, with a team-high 96 strikeouts. He led the Sunbirds in Ks, starts (13), and IP (90.2). Chris held opponents to a team-low .192 average against, and was named the Golden State Athletic Conference Pitcher of the Year. He previously pitched for Lewis & Clarke State College in 2007, going 4-1 with 30 strikeouts in 41 innings, appearing in 11 games (six starts).

## PITCHING MATCHUP

RHP Robert Bono (TRI)

0-4, 4.69 ERA

VS.

RHP Chris Schwinden (BRK)

3-1, 1.09 ERA

## 2008 GAME RESULTS

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



**FLIPPING OUT:** Today, fans are invited to participate in a pre-game Card Flipping Tournament, presented by the Topps Baseball Card Company -- with a chance to square off in the finals against Brooklyn Dodger legend **Carl Erskine!**

The tournament will begin at 3:45pm, on the back field at KeySpan Park (accessible via the boardwalk) prior to the Cyclones' 5pm game against the Tri-City Valley Cats.

Each participant will receive a pack of Topps baseball cards, and then FLIP OFF in a bracket-style format. The winner will then take on 1955 World Series Champion Carl Erskine.

Erskine will be on hand to play the Nation Anthem on his harmonica, throw out the first pitch, and sign autographs. In addition, the first 2,000 adults (21 and over) in attendance for Sunday's game will receive a free limited-edition collectible Carl Erskine bobblehead.

Rules are simple; from a standing position, the first player takes a card, holds it along his side and then, with a flip of the wrist, lets it drop to the ground. It lands, with the picture facing up (heads) or the stats facing up (tails). The second player then flips and tries to match the card. If they match (both heads or both tails), player #2 wins the cards, if they do not match, the cards goes to player #1. A player is eliminated when he has no more cards to flip.

**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 **190,780** fans in 26 openings, for an average of **7,338**.

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.

**ALL-STARS:** The Cyclones' pitching staff will be well represented on August 19 for the NYPL All-Star Game. RHPs **Brad Holt** (4-3, 1.98, 69 K), **Yury Santana** (2-1, 2.95, 10 SV), and **Chris Schwinden** (3-1, 1.09, 45 K) were selected to the squad, marking the first time since 2006 the Cyclones will have three pitchers on the All-Star team.

Holt -- the Mets' third pick of the 2008 draft, out of UNC-Wilmington -- ranks third in the NYPL with a 1.98 ERA, and leads the league with 69 strikeouts. In 11 starts this season, he is 4-3. In 54.2 innings, Brad has allowed 34 hits, 14 runs, 12 earned, and 27 walks, while striking out 69. Opponents are hitting just .178 against Holt this season. Brad has allowed more than two runs just once in 11 starts, and has allowed one run or less six times. He tied a Cyclones franchise record with 14 strikeouts (in six innings) on 7/24 vs. VER, and also notched a 10-K performance on 7/13 vs. SI.

Santana -- a converted infielder who played shortstop for the Cyclones in 2005 -- is tied for third in the NYPL with 10 saves. Overall, he is 2-1, with a 2.95 ERA. In 18.2 innings, he has allowed 14 hits, eight runs, seven earned, and 10 walks, with 26 strikeouts. Yury has only surrendered a run four times in 20 total appearances. In 13 of his 20 appearances, he has not allowed a hit. Since July 20th, Santana has allowed just four hits (three coming in one game) in 8.1 innings over nine appearances. His 1.2 innings pitched on 8/10 vs. BAT was his longest outing of the season.

Schwinden -- the Mets' 22nd round pick of the 2008 draft, out of Fresno Pacific University -- moved into the Cyclones rotation on August 1st, and has since gone 3-0 in three starts, allowing just one earned run. Overall, Chris is 3-1 with a 1.09 ERA in 10 games (four starts). Schwinden currently falls .03 short of the innings minimum to qualify for the league leaders (0.8 IP/team game), but his 1.09 ERA would rank second in the league. In 41.1 innings, he has allowed 28 hits, eight runs, five earned, and just nine walks, while striking out 45 batters. He has yet to allow more than three runs in a game, and has held opponents to one run or less in seven of his 10 appearances. On 8/7 vs. LOW, Chris tossed seven one-hit innings, and struck out 12 in his best performance of the year.

**SHOWING SOME GLOVE:** Brooklyn leads the NYPL with a .981 fielding percentage. In 58 games, the Cyclones have 1,563 putouts, 579 assists, and 41 errors in 2,183 total chances. Brooklyn has turned 56 double plays, third-most in the league. The 2007 Cyclones the led the league with a .977 fielding percentage.

**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	16	4	2	3	9	8	14	3	3	4	14	17	15	15	2	13	18	2	

NYPL STANDINGS			
<b>McNAMARA DIVISION</b>			
	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GB</b>
Staten Island	37	21	
Hudson Valley	33	25	4
<b>Brooklyn</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>5</b>
Aberdeen	29	29	8
<b>PINCKNEY DIVISION</b>			
	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GB</b>
Jamestown	34	22	-
Batavia	34	23	0.5
Auburn	31	26	3.5
Williamsport	28	28	6
Mahoning Valley	25	33	10
State College	11	44	22.5
<b>STEDLER DIVISION</b>			
	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GB</b>
Lowell	31	25	-
Oneonta	25	30	5.5
Tri-City	24	32	7
Vermont	23	33	8

**ACES HIGH:** Brooklyn's pitching staff leads the NYPL with a 3.02 ERA, and also leads the league with 571 strikeouts. The all-time franchise record for strikeouts in a single season is 644, set by the 2001 team.

Two pitchers rank in the top 10 in individual ERA -- Brad Holt (third, 1.98) and Pedro P. Martinez (T-ninth, 2.93). Chris Schwinden falls just short of the innings minimum, but would lead the league with a 1.09 ERA. Scott Shaw is just outside the Top 10, with a 3.12 ERA.

Over the team's last 10 games, Cyclones pitchers have allowed just 20 earned runs in 90 innings, for a 2.00 ERA.

In each of **Hector Berrios'** four seasons as the Cyclones pitching coach (2003, 2004, 2006, 2007), the staff has ranked in the top three in team ERA, leading the league in 2007 (2.93).

**ONE-RUN GAMES:** Brooklyn has won 12 games this season by one run, including a span of four straight from 7/29 - 8/1. The team has played in a league-high 21 one-run games, going 12-9 in those contests. Entering this season, the Cyclones had an overall record of 101-71 in one-run games, and played a franchise-high 30 one-run games in 2003 (19-11).

**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 Church** 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 **Jerry 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 (R) roster
- Wednesday, July 9 - OF **John Servidio** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster
- Wednesday, July 9 - IF **Ignacio Medrano** was transferred from the Kingsport (R) 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
- Tuesday, July 15 -- RHP **Mike Lynn** was placed on the Inactive List and removed from the Brooklyn roster
- Thursday, July 17 -- OF **Angel Pagan** ends his rehab assignment with Brooklyn
- Tuesday, July 22 -- IF **Zach Lutz** was placed on the Disabled List with a right quad strain
- Wednesday, July 23 -- OF **Darren Clark** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Savannah (A) roster
- Wednesday, July 23 -- IF **J.R. Voyles** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Thursday, July 24 -- IF **Matt Bouchard** was placed on the Inactive List and removed from the Brooklyn roster
- Thursday, July 24 -- IF **Zach Lutz** was placed on the Inactive List and removed from the Brooklyn roster
- Thursday, July 24 -- IF **Jefferies Tatford** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Savannah (A) roster
- Thursday, July 24 -- IF **Jose Jimenez** was transferred to the Brooklyn roster from the Savannah (A) roster
- Sunday, July 27 - RHP **Brandon Moore** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Kingsport (R) roster
- Monday, July 28 - IF **Jake Eigsti** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Tuesday, July 29 - IF **Matt Smith** ended his rehab assignment with Brooklyn, was reinstated from the St. Lucie DL, and was transferred to the Brooklyn roster
- Wednesday, July 30 - C/1B **Jason Jacobs** was transferred from the St. Lucie (A) roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Wednesday, July 30 - OF **Seth Williams** was transferred from the Kingsport (R) roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Saturday, August 2 - LHP **Jim Fuller** was reinstated from the DL
- Tuesday, August 5 - C/1B **Jason Jacobs** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Friday, August 15 - SS **Juan Lagares** was transferred from the Savannah (A) roster to the Brooklyn roster