



2008 BROOKLYN CYCLONES NEWS & NOTES

Wednesday, August 27, 2008

Oneonta Tigers (28-34) vs. Brooklyn Cyclones (37-28)
Game #66, Home Game #32 (16-15)

NYPL Champions: 2001

McNamara Division Champions: 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007

TODAY'S STARTER: RHP **Brad Holt** (4-3, 1.75) makes his 13th start of the season, and his seventh at KeySpan Park. Holt's 1.75 ERA ranks third in the New York-Penn League, and he leads the league with 79 strikeouts.

Brad was recently named to the NYPL All-Star team, and pitched one hitless inning with two strikeouts in the NL's win on 8/19. In his last start for the Cyclones, (8/22 vs. LOW), he pitched seven innings, and allowed just one unearned run on three hits, while striking out 10.

Brad has notched a team-high three 10-K games this season. On 7/24 vs. VER, he tied a Cyclones franchise single-game record with 14 strikeouts, in six innings (Mike Cox, 2001). With three starts still scheduled, Brad is closing in on the Cyclones' single-season strikeout record -- 93 Ks, set by RHP Kevin Deaton in 2002.

Holt has allowed two runs or less in all but one of his 12 appearances, and one earned run or less nine times. He has not allowed more than three runs or five hits in a single game this season. Brad has held opponents to a .172 batting average in his 12 games, with lefthanders hitting .120 (10-for-83) and righthanders hitting .205 (27-for-132).

DATE	OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
6/21	@ABD	L	2.1	2	2	2	0	1	4	0
6/26	ABD	W	5.0	0	0	0	0	1	6	0
7/1	@HV	L	3.2	4	2	1	0	4	3	0
7/6	MV	-	5.0	3	2	2	0	2	7	0
7/13	SC	W	7.0	5	0	0	0	2	10	0
7/19	@SI	-	5.1	4	1	1	1	2	7	0
7/24	VER	W	6.0	2	0	0	0	2	14	0
7/29	@VER	-	3.1	3	3	3	0	7	2	0
8/3	@SI	-	6.0	4	2	1	1	1	5	0
8/9	BAT	L	4.0	4	1	1	0	3	3	0
8/14	@AUB	W	7.0	3	1	1	1	2	8	0
8/22	LOW	-	7.0	3	1	0	0	1	10	0
	REC	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WP
TOTAL	4-3	1.75	61.2	37	15	12	3	28	79	0

Holt was selected by the Mets in the supplemental round of the June draft (33rd overall). He posted an 11-1 record with a 3.18 ERA for UNC Wilmington in 2008, while setting career-bests in wins (11), innings pitched (93.1), strikeouts (95) and opponent batting average (.225) Holt ranks second all-time at UNCW in single-season wins, winning his final 11 decisions of the 2008 season. He was named First-Team Colonial Athletic Association, and also earned a third-team spot on the Louisville Slugger All-America squad.

In 2007, Brad made 15 starts for UNCW and finished with a 5-5 mark with a 5.90 ERA and 53 strikeouts in 76.1 innings. In 2006, he made eight starts in 14 games, going 3-3 with a 3.48 ERA with 42 strikeouts in 54.1 innings pitched.

In high school, Brad earned NCPreps.com 1A All-State honors, All-Watkin Valley Conference honors four times, All-County selection four times, and Louisville Slugger Second-team All-American while attending Albemarle HS in North Carolina.

PITCHING MATCHUP

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0-0, 0.00 ERA

VS.

RHP Brad Holt (BRK)

4-3, 1.75 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 - W, 6-5 (10)
7/9 @ JAM - L, 4-3	8/21 vs. LOW - W, 2-0
7/10 @ JAM - L, 2-0	8/22 vs. LOW - L, 2-1
7/11 @ JAM - L, 3-2	8/23 vs. LOW - L, 2-1
7/12 vs. SC - L, 1-0	8/24 @ TRI - W, 8-3
7/13 vs. SC - W, 2-0	8/25 @ TRI - W, 5-4 (11)
7/14 vs. SC - W, 7-6	8/26 @ TRI - W, 7-2
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



WILD THINGS: Three division winners and one Wild Card team (the team with the best record, excluding division winners) will qualify for the NYPL Playoffs. Brooklyn is currently 37-28, and trails the Staten Island Yankees (41-24) by **four games** for first place in the McNamara Division. The Cyclones trail Batavia (39-25, .6609) by **2.5 games** and are tied with Hudson Valley (37-28, .569) in the race for the NYPL Wild Card.

The Cyclones have four games remaining against Hudson Valley this season (8/30, 8/31, 9/3, 9/4), but do not play Batavia.

WILL(IAMS) POWER: OF **Seth Williams** has been on a tear. He has notched six hits in his last 19 at-bats, has a five-game hitting streak, and a four-game multi-hit streak. In his last five games, he has raised his season average 88 points, from .174 on 8/16 to its current .262 (17-for-65). In addition, Williams has driven in five runs in his last three games, and scored twice.

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 **220,038** fans in 30 openings, for an average of **7,335**.

CAPTAIN KIRK: OF **Kirk Nieuwenhuis** leads the Cyclones in virtually every offensive category, including average (.290), games (64), at-bats (245), runs (28), hits (71), doubles (12), triples (5), RBI (24), walks (24), and stolen bases (7). The only category in which he does not lead the team is home runs.

Kirk's 71 hits rank fifth in the NYPL. In his last 10 games, Nieuwenhuis is hitting .370 (17-for-46), with eight runs, one home run, and six RBI. He has notched hits in 21 of his last 24 games, and has 15 multi-hit games to his credit this season, including two four-hit performances (7/7 vs MV, 8/14 @ AUB).

Nieuwenhuis (6'2", 195) was selected by the Mets in the third round of the 2008 draft, out of Azusa Pacific University (CA).

A SHAW THING: RHP **Scott Shaw** has been so good this season that Tuesday's six-inning, two-run performance actually *raised* his ERA. The 6'5", 230-pound righthander from Illinois is now 6-3 with a 2.78 ERA on the year. His six wins are most on the team, and his ERA ranks second on the team and seventh in the NYPL.

With the exception of two poor outings this season (7/18 @ ONT, 8/2 vs. LOW), Scott has been amazingly consistent. He has gone five or more innings in 10 of his 12 starts, and allowed one earned run or less in 10 of his 13 appearances. He has walked just 12 batters all year, while striking out 73, third-most in the league.

Omitting his starts on 7/18 and 8/2, in which he allowed 11 combined earned runs in 2.1 innings, Scott has allowed just nine earned runs in 62.1 innings, for a 1.30 ERA.

"K" KINGS: Brooklyn's pitching staff has established a **new franchise record for strikeouts**. The staff leads the NYPL with 655 Ks this season (10.1 Ks per game), eclipsing the previous high mark of 644, set by the 2001 team (8.5 Ks per game). The Cyclones' strikeout total is 81 more than the second-place total (ABD, 574) and 232 more than the lowest total (SC, 423).

Brooklyn's pitching staff also leads the league with a **2.85 ERA**. The lowest single-season team ERA in franchise history is 2.37, set by the 2001 staff. 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).

SHOWING SOME GLOVE: Brooklyn leads the NYPL with a .980 fielding percentage. In 65 games, the Cyclones have 1,761 putouts, 643 assists, and 50 errors in 2,454 total chances. Brooklyn has turned 58 double plays, tied for third-most in the league. The 2007 Cyclones 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	5	2	3	9	8	14	3	3	4	14	17	15	15	2	13	18	2	

NYPL STANDINGS

McNAMARA DIVISION

	W	L	GB
Staten Island	41	24	-
Brooklyn	37	28	4
Hudson Valley	37	28	4
Aberdeen	31	34	10

PINCKNEY DIVISION

	W	L	GB
Jamestown	40	24	-
Batavia	39	25	1
Williamsport	32	31	7.5
Auburn	32	32	8
Mahoning Valley	28	37	12.5
State College	14	49	25.5

STEDLER DIVISION

	W	L	GB
Lowell	36	27	-
Oneonta	28	34	7.5
Vermont	27	36	9
Tri-City	25	38	11

ONE-RUN GAMES: Brooklyn has won 14 games this season by one run, including a span of four straight from 7/29 - 8/1. The team has played in 25 one-run games, going 14-11 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).

AUGUST AND EVERYTHING AFTER: The month of August has been the Cyclones' best of the season. After going 7-7 with a 2.68 ERA and .241 average in June, and 15-14 with a 3.59 ERA and .245 average in July, Brooklyn has gone **15-7 with a 2.01 ERA and .245 average** in August.

HOW 'BOUT JIMMY?: LHP **Jimmy Johnson** has been an integral part of the Cyclones bullpen all summer. The lefthander is 4-0 with a 1.29 ERA and a .160 average against in his first professional season. He has allowed just one run in his last 10 outings, a span of 20 innings, dating back to July 11th.

Overall, Johnson has allowed 15 hits, four runs, all earned, and 10 walks, while striking out 34 batters in 28 innings.

Johnson was selected by the Mets in the 28th round of the 2008 draft, out of Bial University (CA), where he went 23-11 with a 4.56 ERA and 228 career strikeouts.

150 FOR FONZIE?: Manager **Edgar Alfonzo** has amassed 143 wins in a Brooklyn uniform in three seasons at the helm, the most by any Cyclones skipper. "Fonzie" went 52-24 in the 2001 regular season and 3-1 in the '01 postseason. He went 49-25 in the 2007 regular season and 2-2 in the '07 postseason. This year's club is currently 37-28, with 11 games left on the regular-season schedule.

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 **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
- Friday, August 22 - C **Ralph Henriquez** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the Savannah (A) roster
- Friday, August 22 - C **Dock Doyle** was transferred from the Kingsport (R) roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Saturday, August 23 - RHP **Tim Stronach** was transferred from the Brooklyn roster to the St. Lucie (A) roster
- Wednesday, August 27 - OF **John Servidio** was placed on the Disabled List
- Wednesday, August 27 - IF **Matt Smith** was placed on the Disabled List
- Wednesday, August 27 - OF **Rafael Fernandez** was transferred from the Kingsport (R) roster to the Brooklyn roster
- Wednesday, August 27 - IF **Kyle Suire** was transferred from the Kingsport (R) roster to the Brooklyn roster