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PGCBL PLAYOFFS, OPENING ROUND

1. Amsterdam (1) vs. 4. Mohawk Valley (1)
 Game 1: Mohawk Valley 5 Amsterdam 3 (11)
Game 2: Amsterdam 10 Mohawk Valley 8 (Series tied 1-1)
 Game 3: Mohawk Valley at Amsterdam, 7:05 p.m. (Aug. 6)

AMSTERDAM 10 MOHAWK VALLEY 1

LITTLE FALLS, N.Y. - Josh Nethaway (UAlbany) drove in four runs and Chandler Shepherd (Kentucky) fired a three-hitter for seven innings as the Mohawks evened up their series with the DiamondDawgs on Saturday night at Vet's Park.

Nethaway, whose younger brother Luke played for the DiamondDawgs earlier this season, erased a 1-0 Mohawk Valley lead with the three-run home run in the fourth inning. He added an RBI double in the fifth and the Mohawks bunched together 10 runs between the fourth and sixth innings.

Shepherd scattered three hits, walked none and struck out four. The lone run he allowed came in the first inning with two outs on a solo home run by Mohawk Valley's Chris Cruz (Cornell). The Amsterdam starter blanked the host Dawgs for the next six innings and retired 15 batters in a row. Shepherd seated 21 of the 24 batters he faced and Cruz was the only Mohawk Valley swinger to hit the ball safely out of the infield. The two other hits allowed by Shepherd were infield singles.

Amsterdam followed up Josh Nethaway's three-run belt in the fourth with three more scores in the fifth and four in the sixth. Zak Colby (Faulkner) led off the fifth with a solo swat, Josh Nethaway added an RBI double and another run scored on a Mohawk Valley throwing error. Matt MacDowell (Dartmouth) highlighted the fourthly sixth with a three-run double. Brian Ruby (Binghamton) was also credited with an RBI in the inning.

Josh Nethaway finished 2-for-4 with four RBI and three runs scored. Matt MacDowell and Keaton Flint (Sacred Heart) each had two hits. Brian Ruby and Jeff Limbaugh (Parkland) both scored two runs. Denis Buckley (HVCC) and Chris Kalica (Fairfield) each provided one scoreless inning of relief.

Tyler Heck (Union, N.Y.) and Jesse Buratt (Baton Rouge CC) both picked up infield hits for the DiamondDawgs. The home run by Chris Cruz was his ninth overall between the regular season and the playoffs. Eddie Fitzpatrick (Brown) took the loss. He struck out six in four innings but walked five and allowed three runs on four hits. Mohawk Valley used five pitchers; the most effective was Mark Stuckey (Marist) with three scoreless innings of relief.

	R	H	E
Amsterdam	10	8	0
Mohawk Valley	1	3	2

Chandler Shepherd (W, 1-0), Denis Buckley (8), Chris Kalica (9) and Matt MacDowell. Eddie Fitzpatrick (L, 0-1), Raymond Morton (5), Mike Gaglianese (5), Taylor Wright (6), Mark Stuckey (7) and Jonathan Scott.

Time: 2:50
 Attendance: 903

2012 PGCBL Standings (FINAL)

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Amsterdam xy	35	12	.745	-
Glens Falls x	27	20	.574	8.0
Newark x	26	20	.565	8.5
Mohawk Valley x	25	21	.543	9.5
Oneonta	25	22	.532	10.0
Albany	22	24	.478	12.5
Watertown	18	27	.400	16.0
Elmira	17	29	.370	17.5
Cooperstown	12	32	.273	21.5

LAST NIGHT'S SCORES

Mohawk Valley at Amsterdam, PPD Rain

TONIGHT, PITCHING PROBABLES

Mohawk Valley at Amsterdam, 7:05 PM
 MV: Jesse Buratt 2-1, 4.59 ERA
 AM: Mark Leiter Jr. 3-0, 1.55 ERA
 Game 3, Series tied 1-1



PGCBL PLAYOFFS, OPENING ROUND

2. Glens Falls (2) vs. 3. Newark (0)

Game 1: Glens Falls 6 Newark 5

Game 2: Glens Falls 10 Newark 8 (Glens Falls wins series 2-0)

GLENS FALLS 10 NEWARK 8

NEWARK, N.Y. - Kevin Meyers (NE Okla. A&M) clubbed a two-run home run in the ninth inning and Neil Fryer (Siena) tossed five frames of three-hit relief as the Golden Eagles edged the Pilots in Game 2 at Colburn Park. With the win, Glens Falls punched its' ticket to the PGCBL Championship Series.

The defending league champion Pilots scored seven times in the first four innings to amass a 7-3 advantage over the visiting Golden Eagles. Chase Griffin (Ga. Southern) pulled the Green and Gold to within three in the fifth with a sacrifice fly however Newark tacked on an unearned run in the home half against the just-inserted Neil Fryer to push its lead back to four.

The Eagles clawed back to tie the tilt at eight in the sixth. Singles from Buddy Putnam (USF) and J.P. Rousseau (Western Nevada-2012-13) along with a walk to Brandon Matthews (Yavapai) loaded the bases with one out. Casey Rodrigue (LSU Eunice) greeted reliever Austin McAuliffe (NJIT) with a grand slam, just the second in PGCBL playoff history, to tie the game.

The score remained tied until the ninth as Austin McAuliffe, who fanned six in two innings, and Chris Rogers (OKla. Baptist) matched Neil Fryer with back-to-back scoreless frames. In the ninth, Chase Griffin singled into center field and then was bunted into scoring position by Mike Vigliarolo (Saint Louis). With one out, Kevin Meyers smashed the third home run of the game for the Eagles, a two-run blast that put Glens Falls on top 10-8. Fryer clinched the victory in the ninth as he retired the side in order.

Fryer struck out eight and yielded one unearned run in five relief frames. Casey Rodrigue, Kevin Meyers and Alberto Morales (Clarendon) each launched a home run for the Eagles; Morales drilled a two-run home run in the first and finished 2-for-3 with two runs scored. Buddy Putnam paced the Eagles with three singles, one RBI and one run scored. Casey Rodrigue tallied twice and overall seven Golden Eagles had at least one hit.

Ben Bostick (St. John Fisher), Adam Grace (Erie CC) and Brent Langston (Delta State) all had two hits for the Pilots. Josh Perez (Miss. College) smashed a three-run triple as part of a four-run third for Newark. Joe Landi (URI) drove in one score for the Pilots as did Ben Bostick and Brent Langston.

Newark pitchers combined to record 16 strikeouts. Starter Cullen Babin (Delta State) whiffed eight in 5.1 frames, Austin McAuliffe struck out six in two innings and Chris Rogers added a pair of strikeouts.

	R	H	E
Glens Falls	10	11	4
Newark	8	9	0

Wes Judish, Neil Fryer (5) (W, 1-0) and J.P. Rousseau. Cullen Babin, Austin McAuliffe (6), Chris Rogers (8) (L, 0-1) and Adam Grace.

Time: 3:15

Attendance: 1042

ATTENDANCE REPORT (FINAL)

	Avg.	Total	Last	High
ALB	306	7352	383	436
AM	1412	33893	1130	3251
COOP	463	10660	1207	1207
ELM	3022	66478	4827	4827
GF	765	17613	908	3051
MV	755	16608	1037	2143
NEW	1073	24679	1429	2018
ONE	1516	36392	3210	4412
WAT	508	11186	926	1327

2012 PGCBL Quick Facts

Founded: 2010

First Season: 2011

President: Jeff Kunion

Executive Committee: Brian Spagnola, David Dittman, Darin Williams and Bob Ohmann

Regular Season: June 6 - August 1

Regular Season Games: 48

All-Star Game: July 24

Location: Shuttlesworth Park; Amsterdam

Division Format

All nine teams play in one nine-team division. PGCBL teams in 2012 include the Albany Dutchmen, Amsterdam Mohawks, Cooperstown Hawkeyes, Elmira Pioneers, Glens Falls Golden Eagles, Mohawk Valley DiamondDawgs, Newark Pilots, Oneonta Outlaws and Watertown Wizards.

Eligibility Requirements: Player must have remaining collegiate eligibility to participate.

Roster Limit: 30 players

Playoffs: August 3 - August 9

Playoff Teams: Four, the top four teams in the standings at the end of the regular season qualify for the playoffs.

Format: Two rounds, each contested in a best-of-three series. The playoff semifinals will run from August 3 through August 5 and those will be followed by the PGCBL Championship Series which will take place from August 7 through August 9. In the divisional playoffs, the higher seed will host the first and third game (if necessary) of the series and the lower seed will host the second game. The same format will be used in the finals with the higher-seeded team hosting the first and third game (if necessary and the lower-seeded team hosting the second game.