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EAST 7 WEST 3 (PGCBL ALL-STAR GAME)

NEWARK, N.Y. – The East All-Stars scored six times over the first three innings and pounded out seven runs on 16 hits to defeat the West All-Stars, 7-3, in the 2013 Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League All-Star Game on Wednesday night at Colburn Park.

The East All-Stars struck quickly with two runs in the first, three runs in the second and one in the third to amass a 6-3 lead through three innings. Josh Anderson (Florida International) of the Glens Falls Golden Eagles and Dylan Smith (Auburn) of the Amsterdam Mohawks smacked RBI singles in the first inning for the East. The West All-Stars drew even in the bottom of the first on a fielding error and an RBI double from Chris Kalousdian (Manhattan) of the Elmira Pioneers. The East All-Stars responded with a three-run second inning on three hits. All-Star Game Most Valuable Player Mike Fischer (Columbia) of the Mohawk Valley DiamondDawgs hit a lead-off home run down the left-field line to give the East a 3-2 lead. Josh Anderson added an RBI single and Landon Thibodeaux (LSU Eunice) of the Mohawk Valley DiamondDawgs connected on a sacrifice fly to increase the lead for the East All-Stars to 5-2.

Anthony Marks (Coastal Carolina) of the Albany Dutchmen beat out a potential double-play ball in the third inning to plate the East’s sixth run. Dalton Herrington (ULM) of Mohawk Valley wrapped up the scoring in the eighth inning with an RBI single into center field that chased home Amsterdam’s John Sansone (Florida State) from second.

Nine pitchers for head coach Keith Griffin’s East All-Stars combined on a three-hitter. Cooperstown’s Eann Cox (Black Hawk), Amsterdam’s Mike Urbanski (Binghamton), Mohawk Valley’s Tyler Bray (ULM), Zach Hopf (Saint Peter’s) and Armand Rugel (Stonehill) of Glens Falls and Dylan Collett (Keene State) from Albany each pitched one scoreless and hit-less inning. All-Star Game starter Matt Snyder (Fulton-Montgomery C.C.) of the Amsterdam Mohawks conceded two runs, one earned, on two hits in the first inning. Ryan Davis (LeMoyne) of the Glens Falls Golden Eagles retired three of the four batters he faced in the third inning but allowed a solo home run to Utica’s Michael Pierson (Appalachian State) for the West’s final run. Mike Urbanski retired the side in order in the top of the fourth inning to earn the win.

The best chance for the West All-Stars came in the bottom of the sixth inning against Zach Hopf of the Glens Falls Golden Eagles. Michael Pierson drew a lead-off walk and advanced to third on a two-base error. With no outs and runners on second and third in a 6-3 game, K’Shawn Smith (Stetson) of Utica hit a bouncing ball back at Hopf. The East pitcher fielded the ball cleanly and caught Michael Pierson in a rundown at third but Pierson was able to return to the base safely. Hopf retired the next three West batters in a row to wiggle out of the bases-loaded, no-out jam. He struck out Bobby Slagle (Villanova) of Adirondack and Spencer Henderson (UC Davis) for the first two outs of the inning and then forced Watertown’s Joe Moroney (Kansas) to fly out to right field to end the frame.

Fourteen different players had at least one hit for the East All-Stars. Mike Fischer reached base safely in all three of his plate appearances; he went 2-for-2 with a single, a home run and a walk. Josh Anderson finished 2-for-3 with two RBI and one run scored. Anthony Marks finished 1-for-3 with one RBI and one run scored. Mohawk Valley’s Dalton Herrington (ULM) drove in the final run of the game in the eighth inning with an RBI single into center field. Amsterdam’s Kyle Barrett (Kentucky), Cooperstown’s Ben Hall (Central Alabama), Albany’s Tyler Orris (Millersville) and Amsterdam’s John Sansone (Florida State) all had one hit and scored one run for the East.

Michael Pierson, the PGCBL’s leader in batting average, hit a solo home run for the West and finished 1-for-2 with two walks. Chris Kalousdian scored one of the West’s three runs and drove in another. Watertown’s Joe Moroney (Kansas) also had one of the three hits for the West. Newark’s Steve Laurino (Marist) walked twice in three plate appearances.

2013 PGCBL Standings

East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Amsterdam	24	16	.600	-
Mohawk Valley	22	15	.595	0.5
Glens Falls	23	16	.590	0.5
Albany	22	17	.564	1.5
Cooperstown	13	24	.351	9.5
West	W	L	Pct.	GB
Watertown	24	17	.585	-
Elmira	20	19	.513	3.0
Newark	16	23	.410	7.0
Adirondack	16	24	.400	7.5
Utica	13	22	.372	8.0

TUESDAY NIGHT’S SCORES

Elmira 4 Watertown 2 (Game 1)
Watertown 7 Elmira 3 (Game 2)
Utica 9 Adirondack 5

TONIGHT’S GAMES

Utica at Albany (DH), 5:05 PM
Bob Bellizzi Field

Mohawk Valley at Newark (DH), 5:05 PM
Colburn Park

Cooperstown at Glens Falls (DH), 5:05 PM
East Field

Adirondack at Watertown, 7:00 PM
Alex T. Duffy Fairgrounds

Amsterdam at Elmira, 7:05 PM
Dunn Field



Newark's Justin D'Amato (St. John Fisher), Elmira's Parker Curry (Samford), Watertown's Logan Grant (Creighton), Utica's Nick Schavone (UNC Asheville) and Newark's Donald Frew (Young Harris) each pitched one scoreless inning for the West. All-Star Game starting pitcher Andrew Sanders (Ithaca) of the Newark Pilots allowed two runs, one earned, on three hits and walked one in the first inning. Watertown's Joe Adel (South Florida) pitched the second inning and conceded three runs on three hits. Adirondack's Chas Parsons (Mohawk Valley C.C.) yielded a run on two hits in the third and Adirondack's Austin Bartley (Shippensburg) gave up one run on three hits in the eighth.

Prior to the All-Star Game, the 2013 All-Star Game Home Run Derby was held. Albany's Matthew Dacey (Richmond 2013-14), the reigning PGCBL Player of the Week, belted three home runs in the final round to take the championship. In the finals, Dacey beat out Buddy Putnam (South Florida) of the Glens Falls Golden Eagles and Tyler Decker (Jefferson C.C.) of the Watertown Rams. Other Home Run Derby participants included Adirondack's Chris Divarco (Northern Illinois), Cooperstown's Ben Hall, Elmira's Chris Kalousdian, Utica's Michael McClellan (Georgia Southern), Newark's Jacob Russell (Kentucky), Amsterdam's Dylan Smith and Mohawk Valley's Landon Thibodeaux. Putnam socked five home runs in the first and second rounds combined.

NOTES: The attendance for the All-Star Game was 2,120...The first pitch was officially thrown at 7:49 p.m. ...The game lasted two hours and 36 minutes...The East improved to 2-0 all-time in the PGCBL All-Star Game. The East All-Stars defeated the West All-Stars, 7-4, in the 2011 All-Star Game. The 2012 All-Star Game pitted Team Griffin against Team Ebright...Two Mohawk Valley DiamondDawgs have won three of the All-Star Game MVP awards. Mohawk Valley's Cullen Wacker (Auburn) was named the Most Valuable Player of the 2011 All-Star Game.

ELMIRA 4 WATERTOWN 2 (GAME 1) (TUESDAY)

WATERTOWN, N.Y. – Brian Bashara (ODU) clubbed a two-run home run and Spencer Henderson (UC Davis) went the distance in a complete game outing as the Pioneers doubled up the Rams in the opening game of a doubleheader. Bashara's two-run belt in the sixth inning increased a two-run lead for the Pioneers to 4-0. Watertown's J.J. Wagner (Pacific) and Collin Theroux (Nevada) smacked RBI singles in the home sixth but Bashara's clout was the difference. Henderson limited the Rams to two runs on eight hits, walked one and struck out three in the seven-inning affair. He recorded his first complete game of the summer and improved to 2-0. Bashara topped the Pioneers with a 2-for-3, two-RBI performance. Chris Kaloudian (Manhattan) banged out three hits and Chris Knott (East Stroudsburg) had a sacrifice fly. J.J. Wagner went 2-for-3 with one RBI to lead three different Rams with multi-hit games.

WATERTOWN 7 ELMIRA 3 (GAME 2) (TUESDAY)

WATERTOWN, N.Y. – The Rams scored seven unanswered runs to rally past the Pioneers for a doubleheader split on Tuesday night. Elmira's Ryan Plantier (Cornell) launched a three-run home run in the first inning to spot the visitors a 3-0 lead. Watertown responded with two runs in the third, one in the fourth, three in the fifth and one more in the sixth. Four different Watertown swingers drove in runs paced by Trevor Marino's (VCU) two-RBI single in the third. Bobby Indegliia (Holy Cross) collected two hits for the Rams, scored two runs and notched a sacrifice fly. J.J. Wagner (Pacific) and Dominic Lopez (TAMUCC) each drove in one run and scored another. Watertown starter Kevin Klaess (Cypress) did not yield a run after the first inning; he tossed five frames and conceded three runs, two earned, on six hits, walked two and struck out one. For Elmira, Ryan Plantier finished 2-for-3 with three RBI. Spencer Henderson (UC Davis) and Chris Knott (East Stroudsburg) each scored one run.

UTICA 9 ADIRONDACK 5 (TUESDAY)

UTICA, N.Y. – Chase Livingston (URI), Joe Gallub (Concordia, N.Y.) and Michael Pierson (App. State) combined to drive in seven runs to power the Brewers past the Trail Blazers on Tuesday night at Donovan Stadium. All three drove in one run each as part of a four-run fifth that erased a 2-0 Adirondack lead. Pierson and Jay Gonzalez (Auburn) each connected on sixth-inning RBI singles to increase Utica's lead to 6-2. Adirondack's Dominic Fazio (High Point) bashed a three-run home run in the eighth to pull the Trail Blazers within one. Gallub answered back with an RBI double in the eighth and Livingston followed later in the frame with a two-run single. Utica's Eric Brothers (Sioux Falls) held Adirondack to two runs on seven hits over seven innings; he walked one and struck out three. The Brewers out-hit the Trail Blazers, 13-10. Michael Pierson and Joe Gallub each belted out three hits to lead four different Brewers with multi-hit games. Pierson, Jay Gonzalez and Michael McClellan (Ga. Southern) all scored twice. Dominic Fazio and Alex Mata (Saint Leo) both recorded two hits and scored twice for Adirondack. Bobby Slagle (Villanova) drilled a two-run double.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

	Avg.	Total	Last	High
ADK	316	6946	251	575
ALB	388	7769	428	510
AM	1094	22969	740	2142
COOP	591	11824	617	2057
ELM	2853	62774	3613	4337
GF	714	12141	618	2652
MV	800	14393	612	1713
NEW	738	13281	318	1653
UT	566	9626	410	1816
WAT	714	11428	436	1487

2013 PGCBL Quick Facts

Founded: 2010

First Season: 2011

President: Jeff Kunion

Vice President: Jason Brinkman

Executive Committee: Bob Ohmann, Paul Samulski and Tom Hickey

Regular Season: June 5 - July 31

Regular Season Games: 48

All-Star Game: July 24

Location: Colburn Park; Newark, N.Y.

Division Format

The Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League consists of 10 teams overall. The East Division includes the Albany Dutchmen, Amsterdam Mohawks, Cooperstown Hawkeyes, Glens Falls Golden Eagles and Mohawk Valley DiamondDawgs. The West Division includes the Adirondack Trail Blazers, Elmira Pioneers, Newark Pilots, Utica Brewers and Watertown Rams.
Eligibility Requirements: Player must have remaining collegiate eligibility to participate.

Roster Limit: 30 players

Playoffs: August 2013

Playoff Teams: Six. The top three teams in each division qualify for the playoffs.

Format: Teams will be seeded based on finish in the regular season standings in their respective divisions. Both the PGCBL East and West will have seeds 1-3. The opening round of the divisional playoffs will feature two winner-take-all games pitting the second seed against the third seed at the site of the second seed. The winner of the game will advance to the divisional finals to play the number one seed in a best-of-three series format. In the division finals, the one seed will host Game 1 and Game 3 (if necessary). The winners of the two divisional finals series will then meet in the PGCBL Championship Series. The highest remaining seed will have home-field advantage in the first and third games. If both teams have the same seed, the team with the best winning percentage will receive home-field advantage