



**POSTGAME NOTES**  
**SOMERSET PATRIOTS (20-22) @ NEW HAMPSHIRE FISHER CATS (19-23)**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024**



<b>GAME 1 (9 innings)</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>LOB</b>	<b>SERIES</b>
<b>SOMERSET</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>

**START TIME:** 4:36 p.m.

**GAME-TIME TEMPERATURE:** 81 degrees

**WINNING PITCHER:** Ryan Boyer (1-2)

**LOSING PITCHER:** Ryan Anderson (1-3)

**SAVE:** N/A

**TIME OF GAME:** 2:27

**ATTENDANCE:** 2,392

**PITCH COUNTS (Total Pitches/Strikes):**

**Patriots:** Zach Messinger (92/59)

**Fisher Cats:** Trenton Wallace (87/56)

**HOME RUNS (2024 TOTAL / INNING / RUNNERS ON BASE / OUTS / PITCHER / SCORE AFTER HR)**

**SOMERSET**

Elijah Dunham (#3 / 2<sup>nd</sup> / 1 on / 0 out / 3-2 / Wallace / SOM 2 – NH 0)  
 Ben Rice (#11 / 3<sup>rd</sup> / 0 on / 1 out / 0-1 / Wallace / SOM 3 – NH 0)

**FISHER CATS**

None

<b>GAME 2 (7 Innings)</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>LOB</b>	<b>SERIES</b>
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>SOMERSET</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>

**START TIME:** 7:44 p.m.

**GAME-TIME TEMPERATURE:** 79 degrees

**WINNING PITCHER:** Abdiel Mendoza (4-4)

**LOSING PITCHER:** Josh Maciejewski (0-2)

**SAVE:** N/A

**TIME OF GAME:** 2:23

**ATTENDANCE:** 2,392

**PITCH COUNTS (Total Pitches/Strikes):**

**Patriots:** Josh Maciejewski (46/27)

**Fisher Cats:** Nick Frazee (50/33)

**HOME RUNS (2024 TOTAL / INNING / RUNNERS ON BASE / OUTS / PITCHER / SCORE AFTER HR)**

**SOMERSET**

None

**FISHER CATS**

Rainer Nunez (#2 / 2<sup>nd</sup> / 1 on / 0 out / 2-2 / Maciejewski / SOM 0 – NH 2)

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#### SOMERSET PATRIOTS NOTES

- The Somerset Patriots were swept in a double header against the New Hampshire Fisher Cats on Thursday night, dropping a heartbreaking first game 5-4 in extra innings, and losing the second game 9-0 at Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester, NH.
  - Thursday's night cap marked the fourth time this season the Patriots have been shut out.
  - The Patriots fall to 6-9 this season vs. New Hampshire, and fall to 1-3 to begin this week's six-game series vs. the Fisher Cats.
- **RHP Zach Messinger** (5.2 IP, 7 H, 2 ER, 1 BB, 8 K) started the first game of the double header and took a no-decision.
  - Messinger struck out 8+ for the fourth time this season.
  - Over four starts in the month of May, Messinger has gone 2-0 with a 2.01 ERA, posting a 0.90 WHIP over 22.1 IP with 26 K.
  - Messinger's 56 K rank 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Eastern League this season, while his 1.09 WHIP is 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **LHP Josh Maciejewski** (2 IP, 2 R, 3 H, 1 BB, 3 K) started the second game of the double header and did not factor into a decision.
- **RHP Kevin Stevens** (1.1 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 1 BB, 3 K) worked out of a bases-loaded jam with three consecutive strikeouts over a span of 11 pitches in the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning of game two, hurling 1,1 shutout IP out of the bullpen.
  - Stevens has not allowed a run over his last seven outings dating back to 4/27 @REA, striking out 8 over 7.1 IP with only 5 H allowed over that span.
- **RHP Luis Velasquez** (1.2 IP, 0 ER, 0 H, 5 BB, 3 K) did not allow an earned run over 1.2 no-hit IP of relief in game one.
  - In the month of May, Velasquez has pitched to a 2.35 ERA over six appearances spanning 7.2 IP.
- **C Ben Rice** (2-for-7, HR, RBI, R, BB) blasted a solo home run in the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning of game one, marking his 11<sup>th</sup> homer of the season.
  - His game one solo blast marked his third long ball over a two-game span, following his two-homer day on Wednesday.
  - After adding a hit in both ends of the doubleheader, Rice has now hit safely in four straight games, over which he is 5-for-13 (.384) with 6 RBI, 3 BB, and 3 HR.
  - Rice has at least 1 RBI in five of his last seven games.
  - The Yankees No. 12 prospect ranks among the Eastern League leaders this season with 11 HR (2<sup>nd</sup>), 30 R (3<sup>rd</sup>), 26 BB (T-2<sup>nd</sup>), .507 SLG (6<sup>th</sup>), .880 OPS (6<sup>th</sup>), 16 XBH (T-5<sup>th</sup>) and 74 TB (T-3<sup>rd</sup>).
- **1B Agustin Ramirez** (2-for-4, RBI, SB) registered his ninth multi-hit game of the season in the first game of the twin bill.
  - The Yankees No. 20 prospect extended his hit streak to four games, and on-base streak to ten games.
  - Over his ten game on-base streak, Ramirez is 12-for-34 (.352) with 7 RBI, 9 R, HR, and 4 BB.
  - After swiping second base in game one, Ramirez's 10 SB are tied for the team lead with Spencer Jones and are T-7<sup>th</sup> most in the Eastern League.
  - Ramirez's 30 RBI are tops on the Patriots and mark the 3<sup>rd</sup> most in the Eastern League.
- **OF Elijah Dunham** (1-for-6, HR, 2 RBI, BB, SB, R) blasted a two-run homer in the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning of game one to put the Patriots on the board.
  - The two-run shot marked Dunham's third homer of the season, and 30<sup>th</sup> over 194 games with Somerset since 2022.
  - Dunham is now one homer shy of tying the Patriots Double-A era career HR record, currently held by Dermis Garcia who hit 31 HR in 2021.
  - Additionally, Dunham overtakes Max Burt for the Patriots Double-A era RBI record with 104.