



POSTGAME NOTES

**RICHMOND FLYING SQUIRRELS (58-40, 15-15) @ SOMERSET PATRIOTS (53-47, 16-15)
FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026**



	R	H	E	LOB	SERIES
RICHMOND	2	8	0	11	1
SOMERSET	9	12	1	9	3

STARTING TIME: 7:07 p.m.

GAME-TIME TEMPERATURE: 86 degrees

WINNING PITCHER: Hueston Morrill (1-0)

LOSING PITCHER: Charlie McDaniel (3-2)

SAVE: None

TIME OF GAME: 2:49

ATTENDANCE: 6,549

PITCH COUNTS (Total Pitches/Strikes):

Patriots: Rory Fox (81/50)

Flying Squirrels: Charlie McDaniel (89/56)

HOME RUNS (2026 TOTAL / INNING / RUNNERS ON BASE / OUTS / COUNT / PITCHER / SCORE AFTER HR)

RICHMOND

SOMERSET

Josh Moylan (#5 / 6th / 0 on / 1 out / 2-2 / McDaniel / RIC 2 – SOM 3)

Kevin Verde (#4 / 6th / 1 on / 1 out / 1-1 / McDaniel / RIC 2 – SOM 5)

SOMERSET PATRIOTS NOTES

- The Somerset Patriots scored nine unanswered runs to vault past the Richmond Flying Squirrels 9-2 at TD Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater, NJ on Friday night.
 - The game was played in front of a sellout crowd of 6,549 – Somerset's 13th sellout crowd this season.
 - Somerset has won eight of its last nine games to stay within 3.5 games of first-place Reading in the Northeast Division and climb over .500 (16-15) for the first time in the second half.
 - After trailing 2-0 entering the fifth inning, Somerset scored two runs in the fifth, three in the sixth and four in the seventh inning.
 - In the seventh inning, Somerset brought nine batters to the plate for the 20th time this season and first time since the third inning on July 25 at New Hampshire.
 - The Patriots combined to hit 4-for-14 with RISP, marking the eighth time in the last nine games Somerset has recorded multiple hits with RISP. Somerset has won 16 consecutive games when recording multiple hits with RISP.
 - With two homers in the sixth inning, Somerset notched its ninth multi-home run inning this season and first since the sixth inning on July 23 at New Hampshire.
 - Somerset has smashed multiple homers in six of its last 10 games and has recorded multiple homers in 43 of 100 (43.0%) games this season. That surpasses Somerset's multiple homers in 35 of 138 (25.4%) games in 2025.
 - The multi-homer effort extended Somerset's streak to 11 consecutive games with a home run. Somerset has homered in 11 straight games for the first time since homering in a season-high 14 straight games on April 24 to May 8. Somerset's active 11-game streak with a home run leads the Eastern League.
 - Kevin Verde's two-run home run in the sixth inning marked Somerset's 1000th regular season home run as the Yankees Double-A Affiliate. In that span, the Patriots lead Double-A in homers.
 - Somerset's 146 homers this season pace Double-A and rank sixth in MiLB at the time of the game's conclusion.
 - Dating back to July 12 vs. Reading, Somerset starting pitching has combined to allow 15 earned runs for a 2.19 ERA, 1.15 WHIP and .197 BAA with 76 K to 27 BB in 61.2 IP across the last 14 games.
- RHP Rory Fox (4.0 IP, 6 H, 2 R, 2 BB, 2 K)** worked four innings in his Double-A debut.
 - Across his last six starts dating back to Hudson Valley, Fox has posted a 2.88 ERA, 1.05 WHIP, .223 BAA with 37 K to 7 BB in 34.1 IP.
 - Fox joined Ben Grable, Jack Cebert and Connor McGinnis as the fourth Patriot to debut at Double-A after being selected by the Yankees in the 2025 MLB Draft.
 - In relief of Fox, **Hueston Morrill (2.2 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 0 BB, 3 K)**, **Tony Rossi (1.1 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 1 BB, 0 K)** and **Harrison Cohen (1.0 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 1 BB, 1 K)** combined for five scoreless innings.



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- **CF Jace Avina (0-for-2, 3 BB, R)** extended his on-base streak to a team-leading 10 games with three walks in his last three plate appearances of the game.
 - Avina's three walks matched his career high for the sixth time and marked Avina's first time with three walks since July 23 at New Hampshire.
 - During Avina's on-base streak, he's reached base in 18 of 46 plate appearances (.413 OBP).
- **3B Coby Morales (1-for-4, 3B, 2 RBI, BB)** ripped his team-lead tying third triple of the season to knot the game 2-2 in the fifth inning.
 - Morales's two-RBI triple padded his Eastern League-leading RBI total to 72. His 72 RBI lead the Yankees minor league system.
- **1B Josh Moylan (3-for-5, HR, 2 RBI, 2 R)** smashed his fifth Double-A home run and 18th homer overall this season with a go-ahead solo shot in the sixth inning.
 - Moylan's 18 HR are a career-high and are tied for fourth in the Yankees minor league system.
 - Moylan's three hits marked his third three-hit game with Somerset and fifth multi-hit game with the Patriots this season.
 - Across his last ten games, Moylan is slashing .378/.390/.568 with 2 HR and 8 RBI.
- **C Manny Palencia (2-for-4, RBI, 2 R)** registered his 11th multi-hit game this season.
 - In July, Palencia slashed .375/.400/.438 with 3 XBH, 4 RBI and 18 hits alongside five multi-hit games.
- **SS Kevin Verde (1-for-4, HR, 2 RBI, R)** homered in his third consecutive game for the first time in his career.
 - Verde extended his hit streak to a season-high four games. In that span, he's 5-for-12 with 3 HR, 9 RBI, BB and 3 R.
 - Verde's three-game streak with a home run is tied with Tyler Hardman, Marco Luciano and Garrett Martin for the second-longest by a Patriot this season.
- **RF Luis Durango (2-for-4, 2B, R, RBI)** collected his first Double-A double in the seventh inning to secure his second multi-hit game with Somerset.
 - Across four Double-A games this season, Durango is 5-for-11 with 3 R, 2 XBH, 2 RBI, 3 SB and a BB.