



POSTGAME NOTES

SOMERSET PATRIOTS (75-62, 2-1) @ ERIE SEAWOLVES (77-58, 2-1)
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024



	R	H	E	LOB	SERIES
SOMERSET	5	9	2	4	0
ERIE	9	10	0	4	1

STARTING TIME: 6:05 p.m.

GAME-TIME TEMPERATURE: 75 degrees

WINNING PITCHER: Tim Naughton (1-0)

LOSING PITCHER: Sean Boyle (0-1)

SAVE: -

TIME OF GAME: 2:52

ATTENDANCE: 3,870

PITCH COUNTS (Total Pitches/Strikes):

Patriots: Ben Shields (81/51)

SeaWolves: Wilkel Hernandez (34/24)

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

ERIE

Chris Meyers (#2 / 5th / 1 on / 2 out / 1-1 / Boyle / SOM 4 – ERI 5)

SOMERSET

Rafael Flores (#2 / 1st / 0 on / 1 out / 1-0 / Hernandez / SOM 1 – ERI 0)

Grant Richardson (#1 / 2nd / 0 on / 1 out / 1-1 / Hernandez / SOM 2 – ERI 1)

Spencer Jones (#2 / 3rd / 1 on / 0 out / 1-0 / Hernandez / SOM 4 – ERI 2)

SOMERSET PATRIOTS NOTES

- The Somerset Patriots were defeated by the Erie SeaWolves by a final score of 9-5 in Game 1 of the Eastern League Championship Series on Sunday night at UPMC Park in Erie.
- The loss ensures that Somerset will have to win Tuesday's game at TD Bank Ballpark in order to force a decisive third game in the Championship Series, which would also be in Somerset on Wednesday.
- All-time, the Patriots fall to 6-14 at UPMC Park in Erie with a -41 run differential at the venue.
- Somerset homered in each of the first three innings of the game to take three separate leads.
 - The loss marked Somerset's fourth this year when hitting 3+ home runs (10-4 record).
- The performance marked the first time since August 31 that the Patriots have allowed more than five runs in a game.
 - It also marked the first time Somerset had allowed nine or more runs in a game in since July 31 @BOW.
- LHP Ben Shields** (4.1 IP, 3 R, 2 ER, 4 H, 2 BB, 7 K) left the game in the fifth inning, when three runs scored to give Erie its first lead of the game.
- CF Spencer Jones** (1-for-4, 2 RBI, R, HR) gave the Patriots their third lead of the game with his second postseason home run in the third inning.
 - Jones' homered had an exit velocity of 112.9 mph.
 - He has now homered in two of three postseason games, over which he is 6-for-14 (.429 AVG) with 2 HR, 4 RBI and 2 R.
 - Dating back to the regular season, Jones has reach base in 11 straight games over which he is 15-for-43 (.349 AVG) with 4 HR, 7 XBH, 8 RBI and 8 R.
- C Rafael Flores** (1-for-4, RBI, R, HR, 2 K) opened the scoring with a first inning home run.
 - Flores has now homered in back-to-back postseason games, dating back to Thursday's Division Series clincher.
 - Flores, who led all Yankees minor leaguers with 21 home runs during the regular season, hit his 23rd overall home run of the 2024 season.
- LF Grant Richardson** (3-for-4, RBI, 2 R, HR, K) was the lone Patriot with multiple hits, the first of which was a solo home run in the second inning to put the Patriots up 2-1.
 - Richardson has now hit safely in all three postseason games, over which he is 5-for-11 (.455 AVG) with 1 RBI, 3 R, 1 HR and 1 BB.