



POSTGAME NOTES
SOMERSET PATRIOTS (7-9) @ READING FIGHTIN' PHILS (7-9)
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024



	R	H	E	LOB	SERIES
SOMERSET	4	9	2	8	0
NEW HAMPSHIRE	10	8	0	5	1

START TIME: 6:47 p.m.

GAME-TIME TEMPERATURE: 63 degrees

WINNING PITCHER: Andrew Baker (1-0)

LOSING PITCHER: Zach Messinger (0-2)

SAVE: Max Lazar (3)

TIME OF GAME: 2:43

ATTENDANCE: 3,833

PITCH COUNTS (Total Pitches/Strikes):

Patriots: Zach Messinger (96/65)

Fightin' Phils: Lachlan Wells (72/51)

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

SOMERSET

Spencer Jones (#2 / 3rd / 1 on / 1 out / 1-0 / Wells / SOM 3 – REA 1)

FIGHTIN' PHILS

Marcus Lee Sang (#2 / 4th / 1 on / 1 out / 1-0 / Messinger / SOM 3 – REA 5)

SOMERSET PATRIOTS NOTES

- The Somerset Patriots were defeated by Reading Fightin' Phils on Tuesday night by a final score of 10-4 at FirstEnergy Stadium in Reading, PA.
- **RHP Zach Messinger** (6.0 IP, 4 H, 5 R, 4 ER, 2 BB, 9 K, 1 HR) matched his career-high mark of nine strikeouts for the first time this season and third time in his career.
 - Messinger pitched through the sixth inning for the third time in four starts this season. He ends the day as the Eastern League leader in innings pitched with 23.0 and strikeouts with 27.
- **CF Spencer Jones** (3-for-5, 2 RBI, R, HR, K) smashed his second home run of the season in the fourth inning to give the Patriots a 3-1 lead.
 - The homer signaled Jones' second straight game with a home run, marking the second time in his career that Jones has homered in back-to-back games (July 18-19, 2023 with High-A Hudson Valley).
 - Jones put together his third straight multi-hit game and his second straight three-hit game. It's the third time in Jones' career that he has eclipsed three hits in back-to-back games and the first time since May 13-14, 2023 with High-A Hudson Valley.
 - Over his last three games, Jones is now 8-for-13 (.615 AVG) with 3 RBI, 5 R, 2 HR and 3 SB.
- **SS Jordan Groshans** (2-for-4, RBI, R, 2 K) made his Patriots team debut and picked up his first two hits for the team.
- **1B JC Escarra** (2-for-4, RBI, R, 3B, 2B) accomplished his third multi-hit game of the season with two extra-base hits.
- **2B Ben Cowles** (1-for-2, RBI, BB, K) reached base twice and hit his Eastern League-leading eighth double of the season, which was also his Eastern League-leading 10th extra-base hit of the season.
 - Cowles ends the day as the Patriots' team leader in BA (.345) and OPS (1.003).