

# 2021 SOMERSET PATRIOTS GAME NOTES

Double-A Affiliate of the New York Yankees

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## Somerset Patriots (28-15) vs. Portland Sea Dogs (25-18) LHP JP Sears (3-0, 1.98 ERA) vs. RHP Brayan Bello (0-0, 1.93 ERA)

Thursday, June 24, 2021 | Game #44 | Away Game #21  
6:00 p.m. | Hadlock Field | Portland, ME  
Radio: 1450 WCTC | TV: MiLB.TV



**Land Ho!** The Patriots split a twin-bill yesterday against the Portland Sea Dogs. The Sea Dogs battled back after trailing 3-1 in the first contest to win 5-3. Somerset's offense exploded in game two scoring 11 runs on 12 hits en route to the 11-3 win. Portland trails Somerset by three games in the Northeast Division standings. While the Sea Dogs are 25-18 on the season, the Patriots are the first team they're playing that has a record above .500.

**Bring in the Lefty:** JP Sears makes his third start of the season tonight. In nine appearances, Sears owns a 1.98 ERA (27.1IP, 6ER) with five walks and 46 strikeouts. The left-hander has not allowed a run in 11 straight innings and has allowed just one unearned run in the month of June (13.1 IP).

**Awards Show:** Janson Junk was named the Double-A Northeast League pitcher of the week for the week of 6/15-6/20. The righty tossed six innings on Friday, June 18, allowing just a run on one hit. He retired the first 12 batters he faced and has only allowed more than one earned run in a single outing this season. Junk's 1.03 ERA leads all qualified minor league pitchers.

**Go Diego, Go!** Diego Castillo collectively went 4-for-9 with 2 RBI and 3 2Bs in yesterday's doubleheader. The infielder is hitting .364 (28-for-77) in the month of June with 9 2Bs and 5 home runs. Castillo also owns a .395 OBP in June.

**Peraza Percolating:** Oswald Peraza carries an 11-game on-base streak into tonight's contest. Over the streak, Peraza has reached base at a .417 clip and has 14 hits. The infielder started every game last week against Richmond, finishing 10-for-23 (.435).

**Starting with a Bang:** The Patriots have hit 18 home runs in the first inning this season: the most in all of Minor League Baseball and 10 more than any other team in the Double-A Northeast League. Additionally, Somerset is collectively hitting .308 in the first inning - tops in all of Double-A - and is outscoring their opponents 46-18 in the first frame.

**Hits and Misses:** The Patriots pitching staff owns a 3.10 ERA, lowest among all Double-A teams and second-lowest in all of Minor League Baseball (Charleston). The team has also struck out the most batters (522), 29 more than the next-closest Double-A team (Corpus Christi), leads in WHIP (1.15) and has the lowest batting average against (.200) in Double-A.

**Whiz Kid Waldichuk:** Ken Waldichuk earned his first win at the Double-A level in game two of last night's doubleheader. The lefty pitched 5.1 innings without allowing a hit but gave up a single then home run to the final two batters he faced. He also struck out ten in the performance.

### Patriots Breakdown

Overall.....	28-15
First Half.....	28-15
Second Half.....	0-0
Home.....	17-6
Road.....	11-9
Streak.....	L1
Day.....	4-2
Night.....	24-13
Vs. Northeast Division.....	16-9
Vs. Southwest Division.....	12-6
Vs. NL Affiliates.....	20-4
Vs. AL Affiliates.....	8-11
1-Run.....	5-2
2-Run.....	6-3
3-Run.....	1-2
4+Run.....	16-8
Extras.....	3-2
Shutout.....	4-2
W/ HR.....	22-12
No HR.....	6-3
0 Errors.....	11-6
1-2 Errors.....	16-7
3+ Errors.....	1-2
vs. LHP.....	9-2
vs. RHP.....	19-13
Somerset Score 1st.....	21-6
Opp Score 1st.....	7-9
Score 3-.....	6-12
Score 4+.....	22-3
Lead after 7th.....	19-1
Tied after 7th.....	1-2
Trail after 7th.....	3-11
Lead after 8th.....	19-0
Tied after 8th.....	1-2
Trail after 8th.....	2-10
May.....	16-7
June.....	11-8
July.....	0-0
August.....	0-0
September.....	0-0
Series Record.....	5-2
Sweeps (SOM-Opp).....	1-0
Somerset vs. Portland	
2021 vs. Portland.....	1-1
@ POR.....	1-1
@ SOM.....	0-0
All-Time.....	1-1
@ POR.....	1-1
@ SOM.....	0-0

### UPCOMING PROBABLES

Fri., June 25, 6:00 p.m.	@ POR	Wesneski (R) vs. German (R)
Sat., June 26, 6:00 p.m.	@ POR	Otto (R) vs. Crawford (R)
Sun., June 27, 1:00 p.m.	@ POR	Medina (R) vs. Winckowski (R)

### Double-A Northeast League Standings

Northeast Division					Southwest Division				
	W	L	GB	L10 Stk		W	L	GB	L10 Stk
Somerset	28	15	-	7-3 W1	Bowie	27	15	-	4-6 L5
Portland	25	18	3.0	5-5 L1	Akron	27	16	0.5	7-3 W6
New Hampshire	19	24	9.0	7-3 W5	Erie	26	18	2.0	3-7 L3
Reading	16	28	12.5	7-3 W1	Altoona	25	18	2.5	5-5 L3
Binghamton	13	29	14.5	3-7 L1	Richmond	24	20	4.0	4-6 W2
Hartford	13	31	15.5	3-7 L5	Harrisburg	16	27	11.5	5-5 W2

# STARTING PITCHER



**14 JP SEARS | LHP**

**Height Weight B/T**  
5-11 180 R/L

**Born:** February 19, 1996

**Birthplace:** Sumter, South Carolina

**Acquired:** Trade with Seattle (2017)

**School/High School:** The Citadel / Wilson Hall H.S.

**Highest Level:** Double-A (2021 - Somerset)

**CURRENT:** Current 10.2 IP scoreless streak dating back to final out in 3rd inning 6/1 vs. REA... Struck out career-high 10 over 5.0 IP in first start of season (6/1 vs. REA)... Won Double-A Northeast League pitcher of the week 6/1-6/6... Tossed 4.2 innings of relief (longest outing for a Patriot this season) on 5/25 vs. NH: 4 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 0 BB, 8 K (career high)... Tallied seven strikeouts in 4.1 innings of relief on 5/13 @ NH matching a career high at the time...

**2019:** Spent the season with High-A Tampa making 13 appearances (6 starts)... In 48.2 IP allowed 41 H, 3 HR, 16 BB, 45 SO and earned a 4.07 ERA

**CAREER:** Acquired by the Yankees from the Seattle Mariners along with RHP Juan Then in exchange for RHP Nick Rumbelow on 11/18/17... originally selected by Seattle in the 11th round of the 2017 First-Year Player Draft

**PERSONAL:** In three seasons at The Citadel (S.C.), had a 17-15 record and 3.98 ERA (253.0 IP, 232 H, 125 R/112 ER, 87 BB, 317 K) in 46 career appearances (42 starts)... as a junior in 2017, was named the Southern Conference Pitcher of the Year and a Golden Spikes Award semifinalist after going 7-3 with a 2.64 ERA (95.1 IP, 69 H, 28 ER, 27 BB, 142 K) in 14 starts... ranked fifth in the nation in strikeouts and third in K/9.0IP ratio (13.41)... earned 2017 All-America honors from Collegiate Baseball (second team), Baseball America (third team), the ABCA (third team), the NCBWA (third team) and D1Baseball.com (third team)... on 3/24/17 vs. VMI, tied a school record with 20K in a two-hit shutout... graduated from Wilson Hall H.S. (S.C.) in 2014... was named the 2014 SCISA Class 3A Player of the Year... also starred as a defensive back on Wilson Hall's 2013 SCISA Class 3A State Championship football team

## CAREER HIGHS

**IP (START):** 7.0 (5/17/18 vs. Columbia)  
**HITS:** 7 (5/3/19 @ Florida)  
**RUNS:** 5 (6/11/19 vs. Fort Myers)  
**ERs:** 5 (6/11/19 vs. Fort Myers)  
**WALKS:** 5 (5/19/21 @ Hartford)  
**STRIKEOUTS:** 8 (5/25/21 vs. New Hampshire)  
**HOME RUNS:** 2 (2x)  
**PITCHES:** 93 (5/17/18 vs. Columbia)  
**SCORELESS STRK:** 11.0 IP, 6/1 - present

## 2021 HIGHS

**IP (START):** 5.0, 6/8 vs. REA  
**HITS:** 4, 5/25 vs. NH  
**RUNS:** 3, 5/19 @ HFD  
**ERs:** 3, 5/19 @ HFD  
**WALKS:** 5, 5/19 @ HFD  
**STRIKEOUTS:** 10, 6/8 vs. REA  
**HOME RUNS:** 1, 5/19 @ HFD  
**PITCHES:** 72, 6/8 vs. ERI  
**SCORELESS STRK:** 10.2 IP, 6/1 - present

## SEARS vs. POR

**0-0, 0.00**

**DATE H/A DEC IP H R/ER BB/K**

## SEA DOGS vs. SEARS

**BATTER AVG HR RBI BB K**

## 2021 GAME-BY-GAME

DATE	OPPONENT	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	LEFT GAME	RESULT	ERA
<b>with AA Somerset</b>											
5/7	Harrisburg	-	2.1	2	1	1	2	3	End 6th	W, 10-2	3.86
5/13	@ New Hampshire	W	4.1	3	1	1	0	7	Bot 8, Two Runners	W, 6-1	2.70
5/19	@ Hartford	-	2.2	2	3	3	5	4	Bot 7, Two Runners	W, 6-4	4.82
5/25	New Hampshire	W	4.2	4	1	1	0	8	Top 9, One Runner	W, 2-1	3.86
6/1	vs. Reading	W	5.0	3	1	0	0	10	Leading 6-1	W, 6-1	2.84
6/6	vs. Reading	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	Trailing 2-1	L, 5-2	2.70
6/9	@ Erie	ND	3.1	1	0	0	4	5	Leading 2-0	L, 4-2	2.31
6/15	vs. Richmond	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	Leading 10-1	W, 10-1	2.22
6/18	vs. Richmond	-	3.0	2	0	0	0	7	End Game	W, 8-1	1.98
<b>TOTALS (AA)</b>	<b>9G/2 GS</b>	<b>3-0</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>46</b>			<b>1.98</b>

*Italics denotes relief appearance*

## CAREER STATS (THRU 2020)

YR	TEAM	W-L	ERA	G/GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
2017	Clinton	0-1	0.00	10/0	0	0	3	17.0	7	2	0	0	9	29
2017	Everett	1-1	1.69	7/0	0	0	0	10.2	6	4	2	0	3	22
2018	Charleston	1-5	2.67	11/10	0	0	0	54.0	38	19	16	7	11	54
2019	Tampa	4-4	4.07	13/6	0	0	1	48.2	41	23	22	3	16	45
<b>MilB Totals</b>		<b>8-11</b>	<b>2.87</b>	<b>45/16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>144.1</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>172</b>

## 2021 SPLITS

	W-L	ERA	G/GS	IP	R/ER	BB/K
Home	3-0	1.98	9/2	27.1	7/6	12/46
Road	1-0	3.48	3/1	10.1	4/4	9/16
Day	0-0	0.00	1/0	1.0	0/0	1/0
Night	3-0	2.05	8/2	26.1	7/6	11/46
May	2-0	3.86	4/0	14.0	6/6	7/22
June	1-0	0.00	5/2	13.1	1/0	5/24
July	-	-	-	-	-	-
August	-	-	-	-	-	-
September	-	-	-	-	-	-
Starter	1-0	0.00	2/2	8.1	1/0	4/15
Reliever	2-0	2.84	7/0	19.0	6/6	8/31
1st Half	3-0	1.98	9/2	27.1	7/6	12/46
2nd Half	-	-	-	-	-	-

























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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	WINNER	LOSER	SAVE	REC	PLACE	GB	TIME	ATT.
5/4	vs. Harrisburg	W, 6-0	Marinaccio	Cate	-	1-0	1st	-	2:35	1,903
5/5	vs. Harrisburg	W, 3-1	Gomez	Sanchez	Curtis	2-0	1st	-	2:39	1,656
5/6	vs. Harrisburg	L, 5-2	Globosits	Gadea	Bartow	2-1	T-1st	-	2:39	1,806
5/7	vs. Harrisburg	W, 10-2	Ridings	Sharp	-	3-1	T-1st	-	3:32	1,721
5/8	vs. Harrisburg	W, 2-0	Otto	Reyes	Gomez	4-1	T-1st	-	2:42	1,833
5/9	vs. Harrisburg	W, 6-5	Valdez	McMahan	Curtis	5-1	T-1st	-	2:42	1,820
5/11	@ New Hampshire	L, 6-5	Taylor	Weissert	-	5-2	T-1st	-	3:17	2,127
5/12	@ New Hampshire	L, 7-2	McInvale	Espinal	-	5-3	2nd	1.0	3:03	1,005
5/13	@ New Hampshire	W, 6-1	Sears	Harris	-	6-3	2nd	1.0	3:14	1,406
5/14	@ New Hampshire	L, 7-3	Castillo	Otto	-	6-4	2nd	1.0	3:06	1,844
5/15	@ New Hampshire	W, 5-3	Gomez	Ellenbest	Weissert	7-4	T-1st	-	3:13	1,722
5/16	@ New Hampshire	L, 6-0	Woods-Richardson	Semple	-	7-5	T-1st	-	2:52	1,653
5/18	@ Hartford	W, 2-1	Curtis	Doyle	Weissert	8-5	T-1st	-	2:44	2,921
5/19	@ Hartford	W, 6-4 (10)	Ridings	Fernandez	-	9-5	T-1st	-	3:18	3,588
5/20	@ Hartford	W, 11-1	Otto	Dennis	-	10-5	1st	-	3:34	4,046
5/21	@ Hartford	W, 14-3	Valdez	Kauffmann	-	11-5	1st	-	3:03	5,389
5/22	@ Hartford	W, 7-2	Anderson	Schilling	-	12-5	1st	-	2:58	6,372
5/23	@ Hartford	W, 10-3	Espinal	Gaddis	-	13-5	1st	-	3:15	5,179
5/25	vs. New Hampshire	W, 2-1	Sears	Dykstra	Weissert	14-5	1st	-	2:47	1,907
5/27 G1	vs. New Hampshire	L, 10-8 (11)	Harris	Valdez	-	14-6	-	-	4:07	1,975
5/27 G2	vs. New Hampshire	W, 2-1 (7)	Gil	Rodning	Ridings	15-6	1st	-	1:56	1,975
5/29 G1	vs. New Hampshire	L, 6-1 (7)	Logue	Semple	-	15-7	1st	-	2:18	2,326
5/29 G2	vs. New Hampshire	W, 12-0 (7)	Gomez	Finfrock	-	16-7	1st	-	2:24	2,326
5/30	vs. New Hampshire	-	CANCELLED	DUE	TO		INCLEMENT	WEATHER		
6/1	vs. Reading	W, 6-1	Sears	Glogoski	Junk	17-7	1st	-	2:40	2,412
6/2	vs. Reading	W, 5-4 (10)	Weissert	Warren	-	18-7	1st	-	3:20	2,093
6/4	vs. Reading	L, 8-3	Ross	Gil	Sullivan	18-8	1st	-	3:12	2,805
6/5 G1	vs. Reading	W, 7-2	Semple	Lindow	-	19-8	1st	-	2:16	4,752
6/5 G2	vs. Reading	W, 6-1	Krook	Morales	-	20-8	1st	-	2:02	4,752
6/6	vs. Reading	L, 5-2	Eastman	Junk	Marconi	20-9	1st	-	3:29	3,750
6/8	@ Erie	L, 8-2	Pinto	Otto	-	20-10	1st	-	2:25	1,625
6/9	@ Erie	L, 4-2	Moreno	Curtis	Martinez	20-11	1st	-	3:03	1,673
6/10	@ Erie	L, 3-2 (10)	Leiter Jr.	Weissert	-	20-12	1st	-	3:02	2,782
6/11	@ Erie	W, 5-2	Semple	Navilhon	Ridings	21-12	1st	-	2:55	2,795
6/12	@ Erie	L, 5-0	Payano	Krook	Coshow	21-13	1st	-	2:41	3,042
6/13	@ Erie	W, 2-0	Junk	Leiter	Weissert	22-13	1st	-	2:44	1,683
6/15	vs. Richmond	W, 10-1	Otto	Plassmeyer	-	23-13	1st	-	2:48	3,006
6/16	vs. Richmond	W, 7-5 (11)	Greene, Z	Rubio	-	24-13	1st	-	3:29	3,158
6/17	vs. Richmond	W, 9-3	Green, N	Williams	-	25-13	1st	-	3:07	5,025
6/18	vs. Richmond	W, 8-1	Junk	Toplikar	Sears	26-13	1st	-	2:25	7,011
6/19	vs. Richmond	L, 14-5	Morris	Wesneski	-	26-14	1st	-	3:11	5,517
6/20	vs. Richmond	W, 4-0	Otto	Plassmeyer	-	27-14	1st	-	2:52	6,839
6/23 G1	@ Portland	L, 5-3	Wickowski	Medina	Feltman	27-15	1st	-	2:16	4,105
6/23 G2	@ Portland	W, 11-3	Waldichuk	De Jesus	-	28-15	1st	-	2:49	4,105
6/24	@ Portland	6:00 pm								
6/25	@ Portland	6:00 pm								
6/26	@ Portland	6:00 pm								
6/27	@ Portland	1:00 pm								
6/29	@ Harrisburg	6:30 pm								
6/30	@ Harrisburg	6:30 pm								
7/1	@ Harrisburg	6:30 pm								
7/2	@ Harrisburg	7:00 pm								
7/3	@ Harrisburg	7:00 pm								
7/4	@ Harrisburg	1:00 pm								
7/6	vs. Erie	7:05 pm								
7/7	vs. Erie	7:05 pm								
7/8	vs. Erie	7:05 pm								
7/9	vs. Erie	7:05 pm								
7/10	vs. Erie	7:05 pm								
7/11	vs. Erie	5:05 pm								

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7/13	@ Richmond	6:35 pm								
7/14	@ Richmond	6:35 pm								
7/15	@ Richmond	6:35 pm								
7/16	@ Richmond	6:35 pm								
7/17	@ Richmond	6:05 pm								
7/18	@ Richmond	5:05 pm								
7/20	vs. Altoona	7:05 pm								
7/21	vs. Altoona	7:05 pm								
7/22	vs. Altoona	7:05 pm								
7/23	vs. Altoona	7:05 pm								
7/24	vs. Altoona	7:05 pm								
7/25	vs. Altoona	5:05 pm								
7/27	@ Reading	TBD								
7/28	@ Reading	TBD								
7/29	@ Reading	TBD								
7/30	@ Reading	TBD								
7/31	@ Reading	TBD								
8/1	@ Reading	TBD								
8/3	vs. Bowie	7:05 pm								
8/4	vs. Bowie	7:05 pm								
8/5	vs. Bowie	7:05 pm								
8/6	vs. Bowie	7:05 pm								
8/7	vs. Bowie	7:05 pm								
8/8	vs. Bowie	5:05 pm								
8/10	vs. Portland	7:05 pm								
8/11	vs. Portland	7:05 pm								
8/12	vs. Portland	7:05 pm								
8/13	vs. Portland	7:05 pm								
8/14	vs. Portland	7:05 pm								
8/15	vs. Portland	5:05 pm								
8/17	@ Altoona	6:30 pm								
8/18	@ Altoona	6:30 pm								
8/19	@ Altoona	6:30 pm								
8/20	@ Altoona	7:00 pm								
8/21	@ Altoona	6:00 pm								
8/22	@ Altoona	6:00 pm								
8/24	vs. Akron	7:05 pm								
8/25	vs. Akron	7:05 pm								
8/26	vs. Akron	7:05 pm								
8/27	vs. Akron	7:05 pm								
8/28	vs. Akron	7:05 pm								
8/29	vs. Akron	5:05 pm								
8/31	@ Bowie	6:35 pm								
9/1	@ Bowie	6:35 pm								
9/2	@ Bowie	6:35 pm								
9/3	@ Bowie	7:05 pm								
9/4	@ Bowie	6:35 pm								
9/5	@ Bowie	1:35 pm								
9/7	vs. Hartford	7:05 pm								
9/8	vs. Hartford	7:05 pm								
9/9	vs. Hartford	7:05 pm								
9/10	vs. Hartford	7:05 pm								
9/11	vs. Hartford	7:05 pm								
9/12	vs. Hartford	1:05 pm								
9/14	@ Akron	11:05 am								
9/15	@ Akron	6:35 pm								
9/16	@ Akron	6:35 pm								
9/17	@ Akron	7:05 pm								
9/18	@ Akron	7:05 pm								
9/19	@ Akron	2:05 pm								

