

# REDS MINOR League report

Monday, May 18, 2009

## MINOR LEAGUE NEWS

#### MALONEY WINS WEEKLY AWARD

**LHP Matt Maloney** (Louisville) today was named International League Pitcher of the Week for 5/11-5/17...Maloney, in 2 starts on the week, went 1-1 with a 0.64 ERA (14ip, 10h, 1r/1er, 2bb, 15k)...he now ranks 3rd in the IL with 44.1ip.

#### **MONTANO EARNS FSL HONORS**

RHP Luis Montano (Sarasota) today was named Florida State League Pitcher of the Week for 5/11-5/17...Montano made his only appearance of the week on Saturday, when in the second game of a doubleheader vs Jupiter, he fired a rain-shortened 5-inning complete-game shutout (1h, 0bb, 3k, 2-0 victory).

#### **HEISEY'S STREAK CONTINUES**

**OF Chris Heisey** (Carolina) went 1-for-4 on Friday and 2-for-4 on Saturday to extend his consecutive on-base streak to 36 games (dating back to 8/31/08)...it is the longest active streak at the Double-A level...Heisey has reached in every one of his 34 games this season and ranks among Southern League leaders in most offensive categories.

#### **ALONSO'S STREAK ENDS**

**1b Yonder Alonso** (Sarasota) in Saturday's second game of a doubleheader vs Jupiter went 0-for-2 in a rain-shortened 5-inning contest to end his hitting streak at 16 games (.350, 21-60)... it's the longest hitting streak this season in the Florida State League.

#### STEWART DEALING

RHP Zach Stewart (Sarasota) over his last 3 starts has allowed just 4 earned runs over 23.2 innings pitched (1.52era)...in 7 starts this season, he's 1-1 with a 2.13 ERA...he ranks among FSL leaders in ERA (7th) and IP (4th, 42.1).

## **OVERALL STANDINGS**

	1ST HALF		2ND HALF		OVERALL		
TEAM	W-L Place		W-L Place		W-L WIN% GB		
Louisville	18-18	1st	-	-	18-18	.500	+1.0
Carolina	14-21	4th	-	-	14-21	.400	-3.5
Sarasota	15-19	5th	-	-	15-19	.441	-7.5
Dayton	11-25	6th	-	-	11-25	.306	-14.5
Billings		-	-				-
GCL Reds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## International League (AAA)



LOUISVILLE BATS

Manager: Rick Sweet

LAST GAME (SUNDAY - PPD): Louisville

Norfolk \*RAIN OUT\*

DOUBLEHEADER TONIGHT: at Norfolk (Orioles), 6:15pm Games 2 & 3 of a 4-game series (0-1) Louisville's Probable Pitchers: RHP Sam LeCure & RHP Homer Bailey "When clouds look like black smoke, a wise man will put on his cloak."

The Louisville Bats yesterday were rained out at Norfolk (birthplace of **Dennis Anderson**, driver of the monster truck **Grave Digger**)...the game will be made up tonight as part of a doubleheader.

## Southern League (AA)

CAROLINA MUDCATS

Manager: David Bell

LAST GAME (SUNDAY - PPD): Jacksonville

Carolina \*RAIN OUT\*

DOUBLEHEADER TONIGHT: vs Jacksonville (Marlins) 5:30pm
Games 2 & 3 of a 5-game series (1-0)
Carolina's Probable Pitchers:
LHP Travis Wood & RHP Justin Mallett

"When clouds appear like rocks and towers, Earth's refreshed by frequent showers."

The Carolina Mudcats yesterday were victimized by **Mother Nature's** complete-game shutout...Nature held the 'Cats to no runs, no hits, no fans, no game and no fun.

The game will be made up tonight as part of a doubleheader.



## Florida State League (A)

SARASOTA REDS Manager: Joe Ayrault

LAST GAME (SUNDAY): Palm Beach 3 Sarasota 4

NEXT GAME (TONIGHT): vs Palm Beach (Cards), 7pm Game 2 of a 3-game series (1-0) Probable Pitcher:

RHP Jerry Gil (0-5, 10.36, 7g, 5gs)

Facing a 3-0 deficit in the bottom of the 9th, Sarasota plated 4 runs in the inning to win it...RHP Zach Stewart started for the Reds and allowed 2 runs (1er) on 3 hits in 6.2 innings (1bb, 3k, 1hb)...RHP Logan Ondrusek (2-0) picked up the win in relief (1ip, 1h, 1k)...C Devin Mesoraco paced the offense with 2 hits (2 doubles, 2rbi, 1r)...1b Yonder Alonso went 1-for-2 with a double, 2 walks and a run scored...The Reds have now won a season-high 4 straight games.



## Midwest League (A)

**DAYTON DRAGONS** *Manager: Todd Benzinger* 

LAST GAME (SUNDAY): Dayton 3
Lansing 0 (12 innings)

NEXT GAME (TONIGHT): vs Lansing (Blue Jays), 7:05pm Game 3 of a 4-game series (2-0) Probable Pitcher: LHP Matt Fairel (1-2, 3.13, 7qs) SS Miguel Rojas (2-for-6) ripped a 2-run double in the top of the 12th inning to break a scoreless tie and send Dayton into the winners column for the second straight day... DH Kyle Day added an RBI-single for Great American insurance purposes...RHP J.C. Sulbaran started for the Dragons and pitched 6.0 scoreless innings, allowing just 2 hits and 3 walks while fanning 3...RHP Scott Gaffney (2ip, 1h, 1k) and LHP Mace Thurman (W, 3-0, 4ip, 3h, 1bb, 4k) preserved the Dayton shutout.



## Pioneer League (R)

### BILLINGS MUSTANGS Manager: Julio Garcia

LAST GAME: Great Falls (White Sox)
vs Billings

NEXT GAME (6/23/09): vs Great Falls, 7:05p Game 1 of a 3-game series (0-0) Probable Pitcher:

RHP Rob Base (5-18, 19.67)

On June 23rd the Billings Mustangs will begin their 36th season as a Reds affiliate when they host Great Falls at Dehler Park... The Ponies will once again be managed by **Julio Garcia**, who last season earned Pioneer League Manager of the Year honors when his Mustangs won both half division titles and finished with a 42-32 overall record...Garcia is also known as the copy machine wizard in Sarasota during Spring Training... Garcia's staff will include 2 first-time professional coaches/long-time major league veterans **Bob Forsch** (pitching coach) and **Delino DeShields** (hitting coach).



## Gulf Coast League (R)

GCL REDS

Manager: Pat Kelly

LAST GAME: GCL Orioles vs GCL Reds

RHP Tina Fey (5-18, 19.70)

NEXT GAME (6/23/09): vs GCL Orioles Game 1 Probable Pitcher: The Gulf Coast League Reds open their season on June 23rd against the dreaded GCL Orioles...Pat Kelly will begin his third season as the Reds' skipper and director of Florida on-field operations...he also serves as the minor leagues' catching coordinator...joining Kelly's 2009 staff will be hitting coach Alex Pelaez.

TOTALS 58-83 .411