

Adam Johnson, Saint John's

Week of: 2007-05-07

Saint John's University junior pitcher **Adam Johnson** (Elbow Lake, Minn./West Central Area) allowed just two hits, struck out five and walked none in a complete-game shutout of Bethel in the second game of a doubleheader on May 2. The win improved his record to 3-2 on the season and clinched the Johnnies' first 20-win season and MIAC Tournament appearance since 2003.

Lonnie Robinson, St. Olaf

Week of: 2007-04-30

Pitcher - University of St. Thomas junior right-handed pitcher Lonnie Robinson (Brooklyn Park/Osseo) had two solid starts to help St. Thomas get two key victories and stay in the MIAC title race. After Hamline pounded UST 13-2 in game one, Robinson shut down the Pipers on four hits and one run with no walks and seven strikeouts in a 6-1, complete-game win. He allowed a first-inning solo HR to standout Andrew Bennett but retired 12 of the last 13. Leading 2-1, he got Bennett to pop out with runners at second and third to end the inning. He helped the Toms avert their first three-game MIAC losing streak in more than 10 years. Saturday at St. Olaf, Robinson allowed no earned runs, three hits and two walks and left after three innings with a 2-1 lead in an eventual 4-3 victory. In MIAC play, Robinson is 3-0 with a 2.21 ERA with 19 strikeouts and six walks in 21 innings.

Riley Bosch, St. Thomas

Week of: 2007-04-23

Pitcher - University of St. Thomas senior right-handed pitcher Riley Bosch (Vadnais Heights, Minn./White Bear Lake) lowered his conference-best ERA to 0.99 and extended his scoreless-inning streak to 17 as he pitched seven shutout innings in the Tommies' 5-1 win over a potent St. Scholastica team. Bosch (5-1 on the season) helped end a 15-game win streak for the Saints (now 22-4), who lead Division III in runs per game with 12.3 (St. Scholastica swept Gustavus 13-1 and 7-0 on Sunday). Bosch, who outdueled CSS All-America pitcher Matt Moriarity, struck out six, walked two and scattered five hits. Leading 3-0, Bosch used an inning-ending strikeout to dash a bases-loaded threat in the seventh inning. Bosch is scheduled to make his 50th career mound appearance Tuesday vs. Hamline. St. Thomas is 21-8 overall and tied for second in the MIAC with eight games remaining.

Case Paxton, Saint John's

Week of: 2007-04-16

Pitcher - Saint John's University sophomore relief pitcher Case Paxton (Brooklyn Park, Minn./Osseo) allowed three hits and one run (unearned) in 5 1/3 innings of relief (3 appearances) to earn two saves and his second victory of the season last week for the Johnnies. Paxton allowed one hit in two innings of relief to improve his record to 2-0 on the season in SJU's 2-1 win in 10 innings over Hamline in Game 1 on April 14, and then pitched 1 1/3 innings to earn his second save of the season in the 5-3 win in Game 2. Paxton allowed one hit and struck out one in 2 innings of scoreless relief to earn his third save of the season in the Johnnies' 5-3 win over Gustavus the following day on April 15. In addition to his 2-0 record with three saves, Paxton boasts a 1.62 ERA in a team-high 11 appearances and 16 2/3 innings of relief so far this season.

Todd Mathison, St. Olaf

Week of: 2007-04-09

Pitcher - St. Olaf College sophomore pitcher Todd Mathison (Northfield, Minn.) threw a three-hit shutout to lead the St. Olaf baseball team to a 3-0 win over Macalester College in the first half of an MIAC-opening doubleheader on Monday. Mathison struck out eight and walked only one to improve to 4-0 on the year with the win and 6-0 in MIAC games in his career. He is yet to give up an earned run in seven career league appearances (38.1 innings). Mathison has a 1.84 ERA and has allowed three earned runs in the his last 28-plus innings (0.96 ERA). St. Olaf, ranked ninth in the latest ABCA Poll, hosts Saint Mary's University this afternoon.

Kyle Foster, Hamline

Week of: 2007-04-02

Pitcher - Hamline University senior pitcher Kyle Foster (Apple Valley, Minn./Eastview) pitched a complete game five-hitter to lead Hamline to a 4-3 win over Augsburg. Foster allowed three runs - two earned. He struck out seven and walked three. Stats for the Week: 1-0 record, 7.0 IP, 2 ER, 2.57 ERA, 7 K, 3 BB

Riley Bosch, St. Thomas

Week of: 2007-03-26

Pitcher - University of St. Thomas senior pitcher Riley Bosch (Vadnais Hights, Minn./White Bear Lake) went 2-0 with an 0.51 ERA and nine strikeouts and five walks in 15.1 innings in Florida last week. Last Monday, he pitched 8 1-3 innings and allowed one earned run and eight hits to beat No. 26-ranked Salisbury, 7-2. (Salisbury is now 19-3.) Four days later he silenced UW-Oshkosh on six hits, no earned runs and

no walks in seven innings in the Toms' 13-4 win. Bosch moved his career record to 9-9 with 143 strikeouts and 56 walks in 46 appearances. The No. 18-ranked Tommies have won 10 of their last 12 and start defense of their MIAC championship Saturday with a doubleheader vs. Gustavus.

Ted Kimble, Macalester

Week of: 2007-03-19

Pitcher - Macalester College senior pitcher Ted Kimble (Pine Island, Minn.) went 2-0 with a 3.86 ERA in a couple of appearances over Spring Break week in Phoenix. In 14 innings of work, he gave up six runs, six earned runs and held opponents to a .255 batting average. Kimble worked five innings, giving up six hits and four runs, in a 12-7 victory over Springfield. In an 8-2 win over No. 4-ranked College of New Jersey, he went all nine innings, giving up eight hits while fanning six.

Matt Pexa, St. Thomas

Week of: 2007-05-07

University of St. Thomas junior catcher **Matt Pexa** (New Prague, Minn.) batted .555 and had a 1.677 slugging percentage as he helped the 19th-ranked Tommies go 4-0 and secure at least a share of the MIAC title. He homered twice in Sunday's 10-6 win over Carleton that clinched the conference crown. He also homered and doubled in a 3-for-4 day in Wednesday's sweep at Macalester. He finished the week 5-for-9 with nine RBI, four runs scored, three homers, a double, a single, a HBP, a walk and two steals. He finished with a .468 batting average during the MIAC season. The Tommies are now 28-9 and will play in this weekend's MIAC Tournament.

Kirby Carr, Bethel

Week of: 2007-04-30

Player - Bethel University senior centerfielder Kirby Carr (Fergus Falls, Minn.) was 11-for-22 (.500) with five home runs, 10 runs scored, 12 RBI and an amazing 1.182 slugging pct. as the Royals went 3-3 against St. Olaf, Saint Mary's, and Gustavus last week. Carr also walked three times, twice intentionally, and had seven putouts. Against conference leader St. Olaf, Carr grabbed two runs, two RBI, and two hits, one a home run that started his current five game home run hitting streak. In a must win series against Saint Mary's, Carr helped lead the Royals to a sweep as he went a combined 3-for-6 with four runs, three RBI, and two home runs while being intentionally walked twice. On April 28 against Gustavus, Carr had a pair of 3-for-4 games with one run, five RBI, and a home run in the first game and three runs, two RBI, and a home run in the second. In the process of the week, Carr also set Bethel's all-time RBI mark as he now has 147 in his career. Carr is also the Bethel career record holder in home runs, total bases, and currently is the leader in batting avg. and slugging pct. On the season, Carr leads Bethel in batting avg. (.425), slugging pct. (.736), hits (45), runs scored (38), RBI (36) and stolen bases (5). Stats: 11-for-22 hitting (.500), 1.182 slugging pct., 5 HR, 10 R, 12 RBI, 2 BB, 1 HBP, 7 PO

Brian Knoblauch, Concordia

Week of: 2007-04-23

Player - Concordia College senior outfielder Brian Knoblauch (St. Cloud, Minn./St. Cloud Cathedral) hit .500 (8-for-16) in helping Concordia win three of six games last week. The Cobbers split with Bethel on Monday, then lost two at Gustavus on Wednesday and then posted their first conference sweep of the season by beating Augsburg twice on Saturday. The three wins were the first MIAC victories of the season for Concordia. Knoblauch finished the week with a .937 slugging percentage and an on-base percentage of .619. Of his eight hits he collected four doubles and one home run. He also walked three times and was beamed once. On Monday against Bethel, Knoblauch went 1-for-3 with two RBI's in the opener and then a perfect 3-for-3 in the second-game win for Concordia. He also scored two runs and drove in a run in CC's 11-10 victory. For the series he was 4-for-7 with three RBI's and two runs scored and made several clutch catches in the outfield with the wind that was swirling throughout both games. On Wednesday against Gustavus, Knoblauch went 1-for-5 with a double a run scored and an RBI as the Cobbers were swept by the Gusties. In the Cobbers' sweep over Augsburg, Knoblauch went 3-for-5 with a double, a home run and scored three runs. He also walked twice and was intentionally walked once. Stats for the week: G 6, GS 6, BA .500 (8-for-16), SLG% .937, OB% .619, 2B 4, HR 1, BB 3, HBP 2

Eric Bigham, Gustavus

Week of: 2007-04-16

Player - Gustavus Adolphus College freshman first baseman/left fielder Eric Bigham (Robbinsdale, Minn./Benilde-St. Margaret's) hit .538 on the week, going 7-for-13 with two doubles, a grand slam home run, five RBIs, and five runs scored in five games. Bigham was also walked twice, stole a base and made 10 putouts in the field. In the 9-2 game one win over Saint John's April 15, Bigham went 3-for-4 with a double and a grand slam home run. He also scored three times. In game two, the freshman went 1-for-3 and drove in a run. Bigham went 2-for-5 with two runs scored in the April 14 doubleheader sweep of Augsburg and also had a pinch-hit single in the eighth inning of Gustavus' 4-3, 10-inning win over Hamline April 9. Stats for the Week: 5GP-4GS, .538 BA (7-13), 5R, 2 2B, 1 HR (GS), 5 RBI, .923 slg%, 2 BB, 2 SO, 1-1 SB-ATT, 10 PO, 0 E

Tony Konicek, Gustavus

Week of: 2007-04-09

Player - Gustavus Adolphus College senior centerfielder Tony Konicek (Rochester, Minn./Mayo) was 6-for-9 (.667) with three doubles, two runs scored, and an RBI as the Gusties recorded a doubleheader split with St. Thomas on April 2. Konicek was 4-for-5 in game one's 3-2, ten-inning loss with two doubles, a run and an RBI. In game two's 6-3 win over the Tommies, Konicek was 2-for-4 with a double and a run scored at the plate and also recorded a pair of outs. Stats for the Week: 6-for-9 hitting (.667), 3 2Bs, 2 RS, 1 RBI, 3 PO, 1.000 slug%.

Pat O'Laughlin, Hamline

Week of: 2007-04-02

Player - Hamline University first-year catcher **Pat O'Laughlin** (Eau Claire, Wis./Memorial) batted 4-for-7 with two doubles and three RBI in a pair of games against Augsburg on Saturday. In the Pipers' 4-3 win, O'Laughlin went 2-for-4 at the plate. In the bottom of the seventh inning, O'Laughlin hit a walkoff, two-out RBI single to win the game for the Pipers. He also scored a run in the contest. In Hamline's 6-5 loss in game one, O'Laughlin was 2-for-3 with a two-

run single in the sixth to put the Pipers up 5-4. Stats for the Week: 4-for-7 hitting (.571 average), 2 2Bs, 3 RBI, 1 RS, .857 slug%.

Josh Schultheis, St. Olaf

Week of: 2007-03-26

Player - St. Olaf College senior outfielder/designated hitter Josh Schultheis (Shoreview, Minn./Mounds View) went a combined 10-for-16 as St. Olaf went 4-0, sweeping Wartburg 7-2 and 5-4 in the Metrodome on Tuesday and UW-Oshkosh 13-3 and 5-4 on Saturday in Port Charlotte, Fla. Schultheis went 2-for-3 and 2-for-4 with a homer in the sweep of Wartburg. In Saturday's opening 13-3 win he went 4-for-5 with an RBI double. He followed with a two-hit game in the 5-4 win over the Titans. Schultheis is hitting .500 (13-for-26) in St. Olaf's 7-1 start. The Oles play Union College and Depauw University a combined five times over the next three days.

Eric Greenlee, Carleton

Week of: 2007-03-19

Player - Carleton College senior second baseman Eric Greenlee (Missouri City, Texas) was 7-for-15 (.467) with two doubles, three RBI and four runs scored as Carleton won four of its first six games on its spring break trip in Fort Pierce, Fla. The start was Carleton's best in 75 seasons, as the Knights are now 6-2 overall. In a doubleheader sweep of Swarthmore on Friday, Greenlee was a combined 3-for-3 with two stolen bases, two runs scored and a double, moving Carleton to 4-0 for the first time since 1932. On day two, he was a combined 2-for-6 in losses to St. Scholastica and Western Conn. State. Greenlee had the game-winning RBI in the win over Western Conn. State on Sunday, as the Knights rallied from a two-run deficit with three runs in the bottom of the ninth. The RBI was a walk-off ground-out with the bases loaded and game tied and one out. He then rebounded in yesterday's 10-9 win over WCSU with a 2-for-5 performance with a double, two RBI and two runs scored.