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# The Official Newsletter of the Dassel-Cokato Saints PinstripeTimeS

## Players of the Week 8/3-8/9

#### Hitter of the Week:

#### Dylan Weber

- .571 AVG
- .625 OBP
- 2B
- BB

#### Pitcher of the Week

#### James Howell

- 1 APP
- 5 IP
- 3.60 ERA
- 1.20 WHIP

## Region 12C Playoffs

After dropping two games last week in the Region 12C playoffs, we fell just short of our goal of earning a berth in the 2020 MBA State Tournament. Currently, there are two teams from the North Star League/Region 12C that have qualified (#1 Buffalo and #2 Delano). The other two entrants will be decided tomorrow and Thursday night. Will it be #3 Hutchinson, #4 Howard Lake, #5 Maple Lake, or #6 Loretto? You can follow along at

http://www.northstarleague.o rg/Playoffs/Region%2012C %20Bracket2020.pdf



## Saints Outhit, but can't Outscore Bulldogs

After winning two "win or go home" games in the North Star League playoffs, the Saintshad a tough task in opening the Region 12C playoffs just three days later against the #1 ranked, undeafeated Buffalo Bulldogs. Up for the challenge was Michael Leffler, who would take the hill in an attempt to upset the top dogs.

Control would be an issue for the Saintspitchers, and Leffler opened the first frame by walking the leadoff hitter, who would eventually score. He was able to settle in for a scoreless second inning, however, but the Bulldogs high-powered offense would prove to be too much, scoring three more in the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning. James Howell would take over in the 4<sup>th</sup> inning, and pitched well for his first three frames but eventually would fall victim to Buffalo's bats, allowing runs in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> innings.

At the plate, the Saints actually would outhit the Bulldogs 8-7, but couldn't find a way to produce any runs. A few bright spots were Paul Jacobson and Jordan Flick, both collecting two hits.

In the end, it's tough to win when you can't plate any runs. The final score ended 8-0 in favor of the Bulldogs. The full box score can be found here: https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5e4adaf41ea 5462a7aa61ddd/t/5f2f8efbb38b9530036d1a3f/1596 952317388/Saints+at+Buffalo+Bulldogs+8-5-20.pdf Our season came to an end on Sunday, but we wanted to take a minute to give a HUGE thank you to the best fans in baseball! We appreciate everyone following the safety protocols at home games to help make it a successful 2020. We will see you next season!

## Saints Fall to Howard Lake, End Season

For the third time injust over a week, the Saintsfound themselves in a do-or-die game. This time, it was against NSL foe, Howard Lake. Taking the mound was Tyler Zweibohmer.

After a scoreless first inning, the Saints were able to perfectly manufacture a run with a Tyler Brandel single, a Jordan Flicksac bunt, a Dylan Weber single, and a Mike Leffler sac fly. The lead wouldn't last, however, as the Orphans would score two runs of their own in the bottom half of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning. Z would give it his all for the entire game, but the bats would stay cold, and the Saints would fall 4-1, ending their season.

On offense, Brandel would collect two hits, and Weber would finish his scorching Region 12C playoff run with 3 hits in the game and a .571 AVG on the week:

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With the team's season coming to a close, you'll want to keep an eye on our social media to see which Saints pitchers are drafted to other NSL teams to assist them on their quest for MBA gold in the coming weeks.

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