

PINSTRIPES TIMES

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**JULY 4TH
BREAK
EDITION!**

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- + TEAM STAT LEADERS**
 - + DARWIN NIGHT PREVIEW**
 - + UPCOMING EVENTS**
 - + WEEK 10 PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

TEAM LEADERS, NOTEWORTHY STORIES AND PERFORMANCES



Team Stat Leaders Through 7/6 --- Updated Season Stats at dcsaints.com/stats

Boger Shines in First Season with Saints

Through 25 games leading up to the July 4th break, Steve Boger has made an immediate impact with his new squad. Since joining the Saints, he has amassed a team leading 28 hits, 21 runs, 34 total bases, and 22 walks. Those numbers contribute to his scorching .901 OPS. Contributing his veteran leadership both on and off the field, Boger will look to continue to lead the way for the Saints down the stretch towards the playoffs.

Althoff Leads with Bat Despite Injuries

Some hard luck for second year Saint, Jim Althoff. The speedy

The speedy outfielder has ran in to some injury trouble of both the shoulder and knee variety. However, he has still been able to post a team leading .344 average and 14 stolen bases. Keeping Althoff healthy for the playoff push will be a key factor in the team's success.

Brandel Gets Hot in to the Break

After a somewhat slow start to the 2021 campaign, middle infielder and clean-up man, Tyler Brandel has flipped the switch over the past couple weeks. Tied for the team lead with a .415 SLG%, TB has smacked 11 XBH, including a North Star Leading 9 league doubles. Notably, Brandel has also spent time recently at

second base, moving from his regular shortstop position. He's looked comfortable, and should take the move in stride should this change in defensive alignment prove long-term.

Starters Log Big Innings, Bullpen Roles Carving Out

Both Jordan Flick and Collin Krick have tallied up 50+ innings on the season to this point. While still throwing well, Flick's numbers are slightly higher than last season. Krick has lowered his ERA by 15 points from last season. Noah Halonen, Jacob Niemela, and James Howell have all contributed in both starting and relieving roles. Those three will look to lockdown the 3rd starter role as well as late inning relief.

TOMORROW NIGHT!

9th Annual
Darwin Night

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7TH

SAINTS VS LITCHFIELD BLUES

GATES OPEN AT 6:00PM

PRE-GAME OLD-TIME MUSIC

BURGER BASKETS

CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH (6:50PM)



GAME STARTS AT 7:00PM

TWINE BALL RACES, PRIZE DRAWINGS, & MORE!

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KRICK AND NIEMELA NAMED PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

COLLIN KRICK		JACOB NIEMELA	
PITCHER OF THE WEEK		HITTER OF THE WEEK	
	WEEK 10		WEEK 10
	#16		#19

COLLIN KRICK (Pitcher of the Week): 1 Game Started, 7 Innings Pitched, .185 Batting Avg Against, 1.429 WHIP.

JACOB NIEMELA (Hitter of the Week): .500 Batting Average, .556 On Base Percentage, 1 Double, 1 Run Scored, 2 Runs Batted In.

In Week 10, Collin Krick and Jacob Niemela earned Player of the Week honors. For the second start in a row, Krick was able to throw quality innings, this time leading to a "no-decision" against league foe, Hutchinson. The Saints would go on to win the game, and Collin played a major role in that.

At the plate, Niemela continues to improve, batting .500 on the week and reaching base at a .556 clip. He drove in a couple runs and added a double as well.

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NSL LEAGUE LEADERS

It's the break, and the North Star League has released the league leaders to this point. Among the batting average leaders include Saints hitters Jim Althoff (.417), Steve Boger (.389), and Jordan Flick (.300). Tyler Brandel tops the list for doubles leaders with 9 as well.

For pitching leaders, Jordan Flick qualifies with a 3.72 ERA in 38 NSL innings pitched.



Saints middle infielder Tyler Brandel leads the North Star League with 9 doubles.

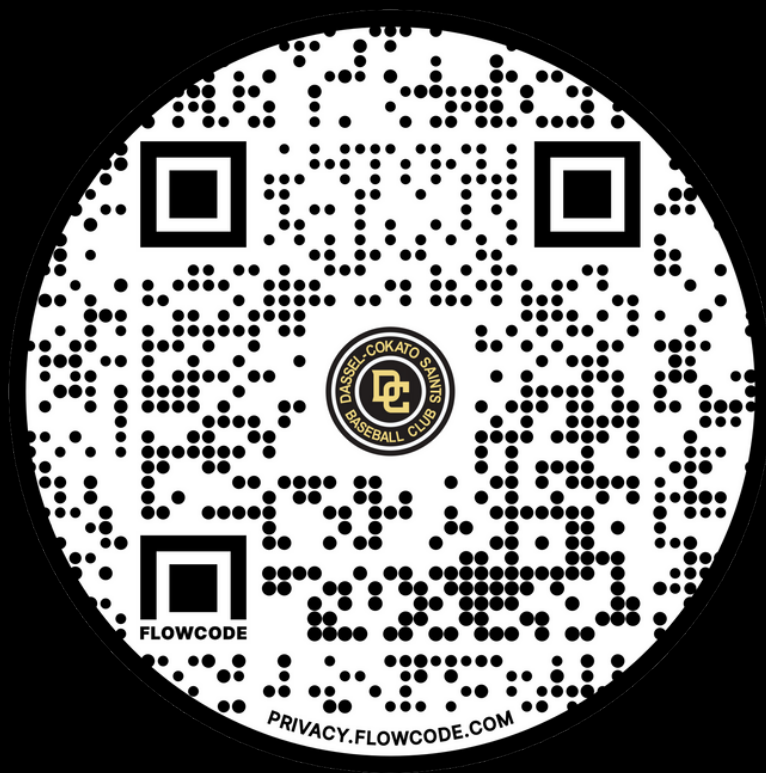
THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE



Tomorrow night we host the 9th Annual "Darwin Night"! We'll have old-time music before the game, burger baskets, twine ball races, prizes, and more! We'll take on our neighbors, Litchfield, at 7pm - Gates open at 6pm, so get there early and join in the fun! Be sure to use the hashtag #DarwinNight on all your social media posts from the game and we'll do our best to showcase them all!

Following tomorrow night's festivities, we'll start a six game road stretch, beginning with the Coors Light Classic Tournament this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Hosted by the Jordan Brewers, the CLC is jam-packed with some talented teams. On opening night under the lights at 8pm, the Saints drew the reigning Minnesota Baseball Association Class "C" champion Fairmont Martins. Game times are TBD on Saturday and Sunday, but be sure to follow along on our social media outlets and the hashtag #CoorsLightClassic.





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