

2017 AL WILD CARD GAME, #4 MILFORD VS #5 NASHVILLE

Game #1 Scherzer vs. Degrom

NASHVILLE AT MILFORD

Assassins..... 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 - 1 4 0

Dogfish..... 1 0 0 0 0 1 7 0 - 9 9 0

Win:Degrom Loss:Scherzer

NA Homeruns- R.Grichuk

MD Homeruns- M.Conforto, G.Polanco, M.Sano

Jacob Degrom came through with a solid 7 innings as the Milford Dogfish topped the Nashville Assassins by a score of 9 to 1 at Silver Sands Park.

Milford broke the game open scoring 7 runs in the 7th. Milford finished with 9 hits while Nashville ended up with 4.

Degrom went 7 innings allowing 1 run for the win. Max Scherzer absorbed the loss. He pitched 6 innings allowing 5 hits and 4 walks.

Game #2 Hendricks vs. Archer

NASHVILLE AT MILFORD

Assassins..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 4 0 2 - 7 12 0

Dogfish.....0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 - 3 6 0

Win:Hendricks Loss:Archer

MD Homeruns- Y.Puig-2

Stephen Drew had 2 base hits and 2 RBI and Kyle Hendricks allowed Doug Campbell to rest his bullpen, tossing a complete game as the Nashville Assassins defeated the Milford Dogfish by the score of 7 to 3 at Silver Sands Park.

Nashville came up with 4 runs in the 7th inning when they had 3 base hits. The biggest moment was provided by Drew who quieted the home crowd when he doubled scoring two baserunners. Nashville banged out 12 hits on the afternoon.

The victory went to Hendricks who went the distance allowing 3 runs. The loss was charged to Chris Archer. He gave up 4 runs and 6 hits in 6 and 2/3 innings. Yasiel Puig hit 2 HR's for Milford.

Game #3 Carrasco vs. Verlander

MILFORD AT NASHVILLE

Dogfish..... 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 4 9 2

Assassins..... 2 0 0 0 0 0 3 1 - 6 12 0

Win:Verlander Loss:Carrasco

MD Homeruns- J.Villar

NA Homeruns- S.Drew

Justin Verlander struck out 12 Milford batters at Wrecking Ball Park where the Nashville Assassins beat the Milford Dogfish by the score of 6 to 4.

Verlander pitched a fine game. He surrendered 9 hits and 3 walks in 9 innings. Nashville managed 12 hits in their victory. Stephen Drew pinch a 2 run HR in the 7th to tie the game. Nelson Cruz then doubled and scored on an Ian Kinsler single to put Nashville in the lead.

Carlos Carrasco took the loss. Despite the loss, he struck out 10 Nashville batters in 6 innings. Doug Campbell was asked about the performance of Verlander, 'He had his good stuff out there tonight. The fans really get into it when the strikeouts start mounting up - and that seems to give him even more adrenalin.'

Game #4 Taillon vs. Scherzer

MILFORD AT NASHVILLE

Dogfish..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 - 2 2 0

Assassins..... 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 - 3 6 0

Win:Scherzer Loss:Taillon Save:Blevins

NA Homeruns- I.Kinsler, N.Franklin

Max Scherzer dominated striking out 12 Milford batters as the Nashville Assassins defeated the Milford Dogfish 3 to 2 at Wrecking Ball Park.

Scherzer was solid in the win. He gave up just 2 hits and 6 walks in 7 innings. Jerry Blevins, after tossing a perfect ninth, was credited with the save.

Jameson Taillon was the loser. Everyone seemed to enjoy the performance of Scherzer - except Milford. Glen A. Boucher lamented, 'WTF, he just was 'on' tonight. He was keeping our guys off balance all game. A fine game by a good strikeout pitcher - makes it a fun game for the hometown fans - unfortunately we were the visitors!'

Game #5 Carrasco vs. Lester

MILFORD AT NASHVILLE

Dogfish..... 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 - 2 6 0

Assassins..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 - 3 9 2

Win:Lester Loss:Diekman

Jon Lester struck out 13 batters at Wrecking Ball Park as the Nashville Assassins pulled off a dramatic comeback beating the Milford Dogfish by the count of 3 to 2.

Nashville erupted with the game winning runs in the 9th inning with 2 runs on 3 hits. After an out was recorded, Nick Franklin was the sparkplug when he doubled. Joe Mauer next to the plate and he drew a walk. Kris Bryant then ripped a single scoring a one-base hit run. Nelson Cruz followed and he delivered a base-hit resulting in a mighty exciting win for Nashville and the 48,101 home town fans in attendance. Nashville managed 9 hits in their victory.

The victory was credited to Lester who went the distance, allowing 2 unearned runs. Jake Diekman suffered the loss in relief.

'That was exciting!,' Cruz said. 'I would have paid money to watch this one.'

Notes: The two teams combined for 97 strikeouts in the 5 games. Nashville pitchers had 56 K's and Milford pitchers 41 K's.