

PINSTRIPLE TIMES

RECAP >

TOUGH WEEK FOR THE SAINTS

As far as 'strength of schedule' goes, the Saints had their hands full over the past week facing off with Litchfield, Hutchinson, and Maple Lake. These three teams have a combined record of 42-18.

On Wednesday night, the Saints hosted Litchfield in the always exciting Darwin Night. The Blues' starting pitcher, Joey Hyde, pitched impressively, holding the Saints to just one run in a complete game winning effort. There were plenty of balls put in play for the hometown team, but not enough dropped in for hits, and too many runners were left on base.

Kicking off the weekend, the Saints had a chance to get some revenge on the Hutchinson Huskies. It was a close game, but some 6th inning miscues lead to a 4-run inning for the visiting Huskies. 3 hits were all the Saints could muster, albeit they did not strike out once in the game. The final score ended in a 6-2 loss.

The cold bats finally broke out on Sunday for the weekend finale. The Maple Lake Lakers came to town, and both teams would trade blows in a shootout of a game. In all, the Saints' offense tallied up 13 runs on 14 hits and 15 free passes. However, Maple Lake matched them and then some, scoring 15 runs of their own, leading to a win in this wild one. The Saints will look to bounce back in the final week of the regular season, starting this Wednesday.



UPCOMING >

TWO GAMES REMAIN

The final week of the regular season is here, and the Saints have two home games to play. First, the Saints will host Montrose-Waverly for Corn Carnival Royalty Night. Then on Sunday, in what could determine a automatic Region 12C bid, the Maple Plain Diamond Devils will come to town for Fan Appreciation Day. You won't want to miss the action!

HITTER OF THE WEEK

STEVE BOGER

.529	2	3
OBP	2B	RBI/R

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PITCHER OF THE WEEK

GRAHAM JACOBSON

3	2	0.00
IP	SO	ERA

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POW >

A VETERAN AND A YOUNG GUN TAKE THIS WEEK'S POW HONORS

Last week's top performer at the plate was none other than veteran Steve Boger, who posted a .529 OBP, smacked two doubles, drove in 3 runs, and scored 3 runs. With one week to go in the regular season, Boger is holding a strong .315/.432/.435 slash line, and will look to continue to stay strong at the plate as the Saints push towards the postseason.

On the mound, it was young Graham Jacobson taking home the Pitcher of the Week honors, tossing 3 scoreless innings of relief against a tough Hutchinson lineup, striking out 2 in the process. Jacobson lowered his season ERA to 4.09 in 11 innings.

Who will step up for the Saints in the final week? It will certainly take a group effort for the squad as they look to lock up an automatic bid in to the Region 12C tournament (Loretto). As Hall of Famer Jeff Neutzling says, it'll take good pitching, error-free defense, and some timely hitting.