

Norway, Watkins split IVL twinbill

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WATKINS - The Norway Bandits and Watkins Mudhens split an Iowa Valley League doubleheader in Watkins Saturday night.

Norway won the first game, 6-1, and Watkins rebounded in the nightcap for a 13-5 victory.

Sunday's doubleheaders that were supposed to feature Fairfax at Red Top and Williamsburg at Walford were canceled by rain and wet grounds and will be not be rescheduled.

NORWAY 6-5, WATKINS 1-13

Norway exploded for six runs in the fifth inning of the opener to take control in the 6-1 victory.

Tony Solato drew a walk and Christian Stekl was hit by a pitch to set the table for the Bandits. Ron Benich hit a key double for Norway in the inning and Mitch Walser had a two-run double. Benich and Walser had two hits in the game.

Brady Corson struck out eight batters in six innings for the victory.

Jonny Frese and Luke Hassman had two hits for Watkins in the opener.

Watkins struck for six runs in the third inning in the nightcap after Norway had taken an early 3-0 lead in the first. Luke Franzenburg tossed a complete game for the Mudhens.

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Nick Brown had three hits and three RBIs for Watkins in the second game. Carson Kuester had two hits, two RBIs and twice was hit by a pitch.

Brandon Brittain and J.T. Sole had two hits for Norway.

STANDINGS THROUGH JULY 10

Red Top	10-2
Walford	7-5
Norway	6-6
Fairfax	5-5
Williamsburg	5-7
Watkins	3-11

SCHEDULE FOR JULY 17

Red Top at Watkins, 4 p.m.
Walford at Norway, 5 p.m.
Fairfax at Williamsburg, 1 p.m.

PLAYERS OF WEEK - Ron Benich (Norway) & Nick Brown (Watkins)

PITCHERS OF WEEK - Brady Corson (Norway) & Luke Franzenburg (Watkins)

TRANSACTIONS FOR JULY 9-10

RED TOP - Add JJ Reimer and Nick Gallagher. Drop Colin Kreiter and Cale Henke.

WATKINS - Add Ezra Reiners. Drop Phil Keppler and Jake Jarbo.

WILLIAMSBURG - Add Brent Parker. Drop Jacob Holub.