

**Sep 7, 2022**

## **Knights bite back to take victory against the Sounds**

**Charlotte N.C.** – After flushing the Sounds the night before in the home opener, the Knights decided to do it yet again with a 9-8 win. The Knights really put on a show by hitting four homeruns for some furry fans at Bark at the Park night.

There was a slow start in Charlotte for the first couple of innings for both teams. At the bottom of the second inning, the bases were loaded for the Knights. Left hand pitcher Ethan Small walked Zach Remillard to give the Knights the early lead. Following close behind, Mark Payton hits a double to bring in two more runs by Craig Dedelow and Yolber Sanchez to put up a score of 3-1.

The Knights were just getting started when Carlos Perez hit a single homerun in the bottom of the third inning to put the Knights up to 4-0.

The Nashville sounds would not go unanswered throughout the game. After four innings, two Matt Lipka hit a three run homerun. Rallying behind Lipka, Cam Devanny drove in a two run home run to give the Sounds the lead 5-4.

With a touch top of the fourth, Mark Payton again battles back by hitting a home run to tie the game 5-5.

While keeping the Sounds at a score of 5, the offense of the Knights really dominated in the bottom of the 5th. Adam Haseley sent a hard line drive to center field to score a run. With the score 6-5, the Knights steals second base and home off of a throwing error. With the Knights up with an impressive lead of 7-5, Craig Dedelow brings in another RBI with a line drive to bring a score of 8-5.

Seattle did not go out without a fight, they scored two more runs between the sixth and eighth inning. Matt Lipka hit his second home run of the night.

Mark Payton finally hit his second home run of the night to give the Knights their lead of 9-7 against the Sounds. As the Sounds fought back in the ninth, it was not enough to take a lead. With the final score of 9-8, the Charlotte Knights ended with a well deserved win.

As the regular season is wrapping up, the Knights will face the Sounds for the rest of the homestand through Sunday evening.

**Sep 4, 2022**

### **Knights fall to Bulls 7-5**

**Charlotte N.C.** – In the final game of the six game series, the Charlotte Knights fell short to the Durham Bulls after giving up three runs late in the eighth inning. The Knights still put on a show for the crowd with two home runs and two RBIs.

Neither team put any runs on the board early in the game. By the third inning, Durham started to ramp things up by scoring two runs against left hand pitcher John Parke. At the bottom of the third inning, Nick Ciuffo hit a homerun to put the Knights on the board 2-1. After keeping the Bulls scoreless, the Knights were able to send another homer late in the fifth inning by Craig Dedelow.

Durham Bulls did not give up this fight. The bulls rallied and took back the lead with RBI singles owned by Grant Witherspoon and Tristan Gray. All hope was not lost when the Charlotte Knights tied the game 4-4 with a two run single by Zach Remillard.

In the top of the eighth inning, the Bulls put the Knights to rest by scoring three more runs. Bull's Jum Haley had a RBI double followed by Xavier Edwards with a two run single.

The lead was just a bit too big to answer from the Charlotte Knights. The Knights went on to score one more run in the bottom of the ninth inning to have the final score of 7-4.

The Charlotte Knights host the Nashville Sounds next Tuesday in Charlotte.

**Aug 6, 2022**

### **Charlotte Caballeros flushes Gwinnett Stripers 9-3**

**Charlotte N.C.** – In game five of the six-game series from Truist Field in Charlotte, the favored Charlotte Knights defeated the Gwinnett Stripers by a score of 9-3 thanks to home runs

from Mark Payton and Jake Burger. The victory marked Charlotte's sixth in its previous seven games and fourth in a row.

The Knights came out hot against the Stripers by taking an early 4-0 lead in the first inning. Burger's RBI single, resulted in two runs being scored on the play. Following that, Yolbert Sánchez scored as a result of a Gwinnett right fielder, Greyson Junista, making an error. In the same inning, Adam Haseley scored on a throwing error by Gwinnett third baseman Taylor Motter, and Zach Remillard added an RBI single.

Left handed pitcher, Kyle Kubat gave up 3 runs in the fifth inning. As he had a strong start in the beginning of the game, all runs were from homeruns. J.B. Olson was the victorious pitcher. In 1.2 scoreless innings, he replaced Kubat and gave up only one hit. Over the final 4.2 innings on Saturday, the Charlotte bullpen worked together to stop the Stripers from scoring.

Payton added some security with his 14th home run of the year. Burger hit his fifth home run of the year two innings later, giving the Knights a 7-3 advantage.

Thanks to RBI singles by Blake Rutherford and Laz Rivera in the bottom of the eighth inning, the Knights scored two more runs. The Knights managed 11 hits in all that night.

On Sunday night, the six-game home series between the Knights and the Gwinnett Stripers will come to an end.

Jul 17, 2022

## **Knights fall to Pigs 6-3**

**Charlotte N.C.** – On Sunday, the Charlotte Knights ended the first half of the 2022 season with a 6-3 defeat to the Lehigh Valley IronPigs. In the ninth inning, the Knights had all the bases loaded but still lost to the 'Pigs.

Xavier Fernandez gave it his all. He had three hits, including a two-run homerun. The Knights were led by Fernández, who had three hits and drove in two runs in the ninth inning. His second home run of the year was that one. The final two innings of the contest saw the Knights score all three runs.

On the other hand, Leigh Valley's Josh Ockimey, was the IronPigs' offensive powerhouse. On Sunday, Ockimey hit a grand slam in the seventh inning. Five of the team's six runs that day were scored with his RBIs. He went 2-for-4 for the game, hit a home run, and had five RBIs.

Davis Martin allowed two runs on four hits over four innings. Nevertheless, Brandon Finnegan gave up a grand slam in the seventh.

The Knights will now have four consecutive off days from Monday through Thursday for the All-Star Break. The team's three-game series against the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp of Jacksonville, Florida, will begin on Friday. The knights now have a record of 33-57 leading into the next few weeks.

Jun 15, 2022

## **Charlotte Knights takes it home 6-5 in 10 innings**

**Charlotte N.C.** – In the second of a six-game series, the Charlotte Knights defeated the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp in a dramatic 10 innings, 6-5, on Wednesday at Truist Field.

Game starter John Parke went five innings, allowing three runs on seven hits. He made no contribution to the choice. Just two runs were allowed over the remaining five innings by the Charlotte bullpen, which pitched well that evening. Finnegan gave Charlotte the victory in the contest.

After a hard fight against the Jumbo Shrimp, the Knights were trailing 5-4 after Brandon Finnegan gave up a run on a wild pitch in the top of the 10th inning. Shrimp was up 5-4 and the Knights had to battle back in order to win.

Jumbo Shrimp right hand pitcher Jeff Bringham fell to the pressure allowing the Knights to score. Bringham allowed the game-winning runs to score after Yolbert Sánchez hit a ball between the legs of Jacksonville second baseman Bryson Brigman, who was penalized with an error, after walking the first two batters to load the bases.

The last two runs of the game were scored by center fielder Adam Haseley and pinch-runner Laz Rivera, giving the Knights a dramatic walk-off victory.

On Thursday night, the Knights will resume their six-game series against the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp (the Miami Marlins' Triple-A affiliate) at Truist Field.