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HOMESTAND PROMOTIONS

JULY 4 Wednesday, 6:05 p.m. vs. Hagerstown Suns

Q105 Fireworks – Come out and join the Shorebirds to celebrate America's birthday. The Shorebirds will light up the sky with their seventh fireworks show of the season. The July 4th show is the biggest show of the season!

Patriotic Jersey Auction – The Shorebirds will be wearing special patriotic jerseys that will be auctioned off during the game. All funds from the jersey auction will benefit the Department of MD VFW Military Assistance Program.



JULY 5 Thursday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Hagerstown Suns

Patriotic Bucket Hat Giveaway – The first 500 fans through the gates will receive a patriotic bucket hat presented by Spicer Bros. Construction Inc.

Maryland Pride Thursdays – Back for a second season, the Shorebirds players will be wearing Maryland Flag themed jerseys each Thursday during the 2018 season. All fans are encouraged to wear Maryland themed gear and join the fun! The jerseys will be auctioned off at the end of the season.

Kiss 95.9 Thirsty Thursday – Enjoy 16 ounce cans of Miller Lite and Coors Light; as well as, 16 ounce Pepsi fountain drinks for just \$2. Thirsty Thursdays are presented by University Village.



JULY 6 Friday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Hagerstown Suns

Trey Mancini Bobble Head Giveaway – The Shorebirds will be giving away Trey Mancini bobble heads to the first 1,000 fans through the gates. Trey Mancini played for the Shorebirds during the 2014 season. Presented by Perdue Foods.



Orange Fridays – The Shorebirds players will be wearing orange themed jerseys each Friday during the 2018 season. All fans are encouraged to wear orange gear and join the fun! The jerseys will be auctioned off at the end of the season.

Froggy 99.9 Big Beer Friday – 32 ounce Miller Lite and Coors Light draft beers are only \$6.

JULY 7 Saturday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Hickory Crawdads

Q105 Fireworks – Come out and watch the Shorebirds light up the sky with their eighth fireworks show of the season presented by Wor Wic Community College.



JULY 8 Sunday, 5:05 p.m. vs. Hickory Crawdads

All Star Poster Giveaway – The first 1,000 fans in attendance will receive a Shorebird all-star poster presented by Delmarva Printing. The Shorebirds all-stars were chosen to participate in the SAL all-star game in Greensboro, NC this past June.



Kids Club Game #3 – The Shorebirds have created a brand new kids club for the 2018 season. Members of the club receive tickets to 5 games, a one-of-a-kind lunch box, lanyard, player autograph session, and whole lot more! The Kids Club is presented by Maryland Excels.



Strike Out Hunger Sunday – Bring two canned food items to the Shorebirds box office and receive an upper reserve ticket for \$3. All collected items will be donated to the local area food banks.



Kids Run the Bases – All kids get to run the bases after the game presented by Chili's Grill & Bar.



JUNE 9 Monday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Hickory Crawdads

47 ABC Two Buck Monday – Enjoy \$2 upper reserved tickets, \$2 hot dogs and \$2 16 ounce fountain Pepsi products presented by Wicomico Heating & Air Conditioning.

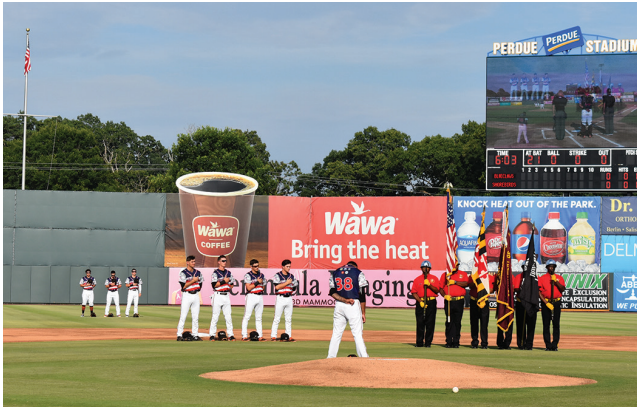




By: Drew Williams

SHOREBIRDS EMBRACE AMERICA'S PASTIME ON AMERICA'S DAY

Nothing says America like the experience of baseball on the Fourth of July.



There's just something special about the game and the day: a holiday celebrating the independence and initial founding of the United States of America combined with a sport dubbed as America's pastime just seems to exemplify a piece of being an American.

Delmarva Shorebirds skipper Buck Britton said that the experience of when these two culturally significant entities merge is a surreal

moment, especially when spending time with the people who matter most.

"You know, it's crazy, everybody loves fireworks," said Britton. "It's normally a packed house, but there's just something American about going to the ballpark – America's pastime, watching a ballgame with your family and then sitting around and watching fireworks."

Baseball has provided us with plenty of fireworks over the years that reinforce the magic on the day. Dave Righetti's no-hitter for the Yankees against the Boston Red Sox in 1983. The 19-inning "Game That Wouldn't End" between the Braves and Mets in 1985 – people called 911 during the post-game fireworks thinking the city was under attack. Lou Gehrig's "Luckiest Man" speech in 1939, one of the game's most iconic moments. All amplified in the context of Independence Day.

The Shorebirds are no strangers to making Fourth of July fireworks of their own on the baseball diamond. Back in 2014, the Shorebirds hung 17 runs on the Lakewood BlueClaws behind a combined nine RBIs from Chance Sisco and Gregory Lorenzo. Current Shorebirds assistant coach Cameron Kneeland had

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AMERICA'S PASTTIME CONT...

a memorable Independence Day in 2015 against the West Virginia Power, going 4-for-4 with a triple and RBI.

The experience of taking in a baseball game on the Fourth of July is pretty special for any fan in the stands. But as a player, taking the field on Independence Day can be just as memorable because these types of moments don't always come around so often. These are the types of moments they cherish.



"Any time as a player you got to play on that day and have your family in town, those chances you get to do it are special," said Britton, who saw plenty of holiday time on the diamond over his nine professional seasons.

Shorebirds hitting coach Bobby Rose played 15 seasons professionally, including parts of four with the California Angels. Rose said that baseball and the Fourth of July combine two elements that bring a great atmosphere around the ballpark. Players always know when that date rolls around.

"You know it's always going to be exciting because there's always going to be a lot of fans," said Rose. "They are enjoying their hot dogs and beer during a big celebration of our independence and it's nice to see all these people come out and enjoy this over a baseball game."

Rose also shares an experience that Americans around the world can relate to. He played eight lauded seasons for the Yokohama BayStars in Japan, winning a Central League championship in 1998. In a country where July 4 is just another day, he found a way to be American in a foreign land.

"They have a military base where I was playing," said Rose, "so we got to go up there and hang out with the military people, have barbeques, celebrate up there and just be around Americans around that time."

July 4, 2018 marks the 242nd anniversary of that day in Philadelphia in 1776. That day that means so much to so many, including family gatherings with baseball at the center, capped by fireworks at evening's end. Here's to 242 years of independence, and for future fireworks with the ones who mean the most and America's game that matters most.

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JUNE

- 1 FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
POSTGAME, ALL FANS
- 12 DYLAN BUNDY BOBBLEHEAD**
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- 15 ORIOLES FLOPPY HAT**
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- FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
POSTGAME, ALL FANS
- 17 FATHER'S DAY NECK TIE**
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- 25 BUCK "SNOW" ALTER SNOW GLOBE**
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- 29 FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
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JULY

- 13 FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
POSTGAME, ALL FANS
- ORIOLES MARYLAND FLAG SCRIPT REPLICCA JERSEY**
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ALL FANS
- 27 FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
POSTGAME, ALL FANS
- 28 TREY MANCINI BOBBLEHEAD**
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- 29 BIRDLAND SUMMER GARDEN GNOME**
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AUGUST

- 10 FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
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- 11 EXCLUSIVE ORIOLES CARD PACK**
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- 12 RETRO TALKING ALARM CLOCK**
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- 15 ORIOLES T-SHIRT**
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- 24 FRIDAY FIREWORKS**
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SEPTEMBER

- 13 ORIOLES T-SHIRT**
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- 15 ORIOLES LIGHTWEIGHT HOODIE**
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- 16 ORIOLES CAP**
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- 20 **Mike Seidel Bobble Head Giveaway**
Sponsor - Real Hospitality Group
Fireworks #9
- 21 **Fireworks #10**
Sponsor - Market Street/ Mojo's
- 22 **Christmas Stocking Giveaway**
- 31 **Bark in the Park**
Sponsor - Johnson-McKee Animal Hospital

August

- 3 **Fireworks #11**
Sponsor - Pohanka of Salisbury
Money Giveaway
Sponsor - Bank of Delmarva
- 4 **Fireworks #12**
Sponsor - Mountaire Farms
- 5 **Summer Reading Night (DE/VA)**
- 16 **MD Pride Hat Giveaway**
Sponsor - Spicer Bros. Construction Inc.
- 17 **Human Cannonball**
- 18 **Fireworks #13**
Sponsor - Allen Harim
Delmarva Scrapple Night
- 19 **Float for the Fund**
Sponsor - Georgeo's/Mug Root Beer
Summer Reading Program (MD)
- 21 **Bark in the Park**
Sponsor - Johnson-McKee Animal Hospital
- 30 **Fan Appreciation Night**
Fireworks #14

WEEK DAY PROMOTIONS



47 ABC 2 BUCK MONDAY

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FROGGY 99.9 BIG BEER FRIDAY

32 ounce Miller Lite & Coors Light draft beers are only \$6.



Q105 FIREWORKS SATURDAY

Stick around for the fireworks show after the game!



STRIKE OUT HUNGER SUNDAY

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Montrel Moore and Michael Mareno of Stephen Decatur High School were the awarded the Hunter Hudson Memorial Scholarship, one of the many scholarships held at CFES, by Hunter's parents Janice and James Hudson.



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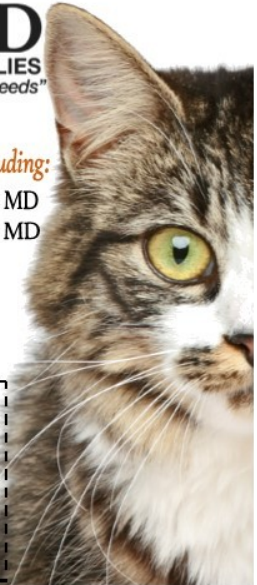
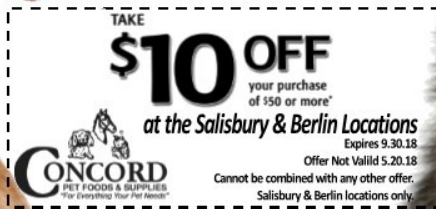
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Jill Jennings is this week's Season Ticket Holder in the spotlight. This is her fourth season as a season ticket holder, and has also worked as an EMS here at the stadium for the last 13 seasons. Before retiring this past May, Jill worked as the City of Salisbury's Fire Paramedic.

Originally from Prince George's County, Jill moved to the eastern shore in the early 1980's, and hasn't thought of moving out since. She now lives in Hebron where she has also hosted Shorebirds coaches for the past 6 seasons. "I've really enjoyed getting to know the team behind the scenes as a season ticket holder and host for the summer. As several players and coaches move up the through the system, I've really enjoyed staying in touch with many of them."



"Some of my favorite players from past seasons are Trey Mancini, Austin Wynns, and Mark Blackmar. I got a chance to get to know them during one of my first seasons as a season ticket holder in Delmarva, and it's been really exciting to see them continue improving each season."

When attending games, Jill usually frequents the pizza stand behind home for a crab pretzel braid, followed by a Perdue Stadium staple, the Sherman Gelato. She never misses our special giveaway nights, especially the special hats on select Thursdays.

Jill also has quite the family lineage when it comes to baseball. Her grandfather, Frank Jennings, was signed to play with the St Louis Browns, and also played minor league baseball in Princeton. The Browns later became the Baltimore Orioles in 1954. Jill is also a distant relative to Gil Hodges, former player with the Brooklyn/LA Dodgers and New York Mets, and also managed the Washington Senators and Mets. "I'm a baseball historical nut," said Jennings. "Being able to trace family lines to players they've played with and against is fascinating to me."

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|  #38 Tim Naughton |  #30 Cameron Bishop |  #21 DL Hall |  #3 Frank Crinella | |
|  #2 Chris Shaw |  #16 Jean Carrillo |  #7 Kirvin Moesquit |  #1 Mason McCoy | |
|  #33 Matthias Dietz |  #29 Max Knutson |  #26 Nick Vespi |  #47 Reed Hayes | |
|  #35 Ryan Ripken |  #37 Ryan Wilson |  #25 Scott Burke |  #34 Seamus Curran | |
|  #6 Max Hogan |  #18 Jaylen Ferguson |  #19 Trevor Craport |  #11 Wagner Ramirez | |
|  #14 Will Robertson |  #48 Jhon Peluffo |  #10 Zach Jarrett |  #12 Buck Britton | |
|  #17 Cameron Kneeland |  #43 Justin Lord |  #23 Bobby Rose |  Adrian Gonzalez |  Kevin Mixon |



SHOREBIRDS ROSTER

| # | PITCHERS | B/T | HT | WT | AGE | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
|----|-----------------------|-----|------|-----|---------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Dariel Álvarez (DL) | R/R | 6-2 | 180 | 11/7/88 (29) | Camaguey, Cuba | FA (7/24/13) |
| 30 | Cameron Bishop | L/L | 6-4 | 215 | 2/14/96 (22) | Brea, CA | 26th Rd. (2017) |
| 25 | Scott Burke | R/R | 6-3 | 200 | 6/2/94 (23) | Glendora, CA | 20th Rd. (2017) |
| 33 | Matthias Dietz | R/R | 6-5 | 220 | 9/20/95 (22) | Orland Park, IL | 2nd Rd. (2016) |
| | Kory Groves (DL) | R/R | 6-1 | 200 | 9/2/94 (23) | Mesa, AZ | 34th Rd. (2015) |
| 21 | DL Hall | L/L | 6-0 | 180 | 9/19/98 (19) | Warner Robins, GA | 1st Rd. (2017) |
| 27 | Brenan Hanifee | R/R | 6-5 | 180 | 5/29/98 (19) | Harrisonburg, VA | 4th Rd. (2016) |
| 47 | Reed Hayes | R/R | 6-3 | 185 | 3/17/95 (23) | Bristol, TN | 13th Rd. (2017) |
| 32 | Alex Katz | L/L | 5-11 | 195 | 10/12/94 (23) | Manhasset, NY | Trade (5/20/2017) |
| 29 | Max Knutson | L/L | 6-2 | 205 | 4/1/95 (23) | Minneapolis, MN | 12th Rd. (2016) |
| 38 | Tim Naughton | R/R | 6-3 | 195 | 11/14/95 (22) | Goldsboro, NC | 34th Rd. (2017) |
| 48 | Jhon Peluffo | R/R | 6-3 | 140 | 6/16/97 (20) | Cartagena, COL | FA (5/30/2014) |
| 26 | Nick Vespi | L/L | 6-3 | 215 | 10/10/95 (21) | Miami, FL | 18th Rd. (2015) |
| 37 | Ryan Wilson | L/L | 6-1 | 190 | 11/6/96 (21) | Oceanside, CA | 33rd Rd. (2017) |
| # | CATCHERS | B/T | HT | WT | AGE | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 39 | Ben Breazeale | L/R | 6-0 | 208 | 10/21/94 (23) | Louisville, TN | 7th Rd. (2017) |
| 16 | Jean Carrillo | R/R | 6-0 | 200 | 6/16/97 (20) | Panama City, PAN | FA (11/26/2013) |
| 11 | Wagner Ramirez (DL) | R/R | 5-11 | 170 | 12/11/94 (23) | San Jan de la Maguana, DR | FA (6/18/2015) |
| 2 | Chris Shaw (DL) | R/R | 6-0 | 215 | 4/25/94 (23) | Winnipeg, MB | 15th Rd. (2015) |
| # | INFIELTERS | B/T | HT | WT | AGE | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 4 | Branden Becker | L/R | 6-1 | 175 | 9/13/96 (21) | Redlands, CA | 17th Rd. (2015) |
| 19 | Trevor Craport | R/R | 5-11 | 201 | 8/12/96 (21) | Norcross, GA | 11th Rd. (2017) |
| 34 | Seamus Curran | L/R | 6-6 | 245 | 9/6/97 (20) | Springfield, MA | 8th Rd. (2015) |
| 6 | Max Hogan | L/R | 5-11 | 195 | 9/24/93 (24) | Belton, TX | 32nd Rd. (2017) |
| 17 | Cameron Kneeland (DL) | R/R | 6-1 | 195 | 6/23/90 (27) | Rowley, MA | FA (11/5/2013) |
| 1 | Mason McCoy | R/R | 6-0 | 175 | 3/31/95 (23) | Peoria, IL | 6th Rd. (2017) |
| 7 | Kirvin Moesquit | S/R | 5-8 | 165 | 3/10/95 (23) | Willemstad, CW | 24th Rd. (2015) |
| 35 | Ryan Ripken | L/L | 6-6 | 205 | 7/26/93 (24) | Hunt Valley, MD | FA (3/31/2017) |
| # | OUTFIELDERS | B/T | HT | WT | AGE | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 3 | Frank Crinella (DL) | R/R | 5-11 | 188 | 6/9/94 (23) | Springfield, MA | 39th Rd. (2015) |
| 18 | Jaylen Ferguson | R/R | 6-2 | 180 | 7/21/97 (20) | Arlington, TX | 9th Rd. (2015) |
| 10 | Zach Jarrett | R/R | 6-4 | 220 | 12/8/94 (23) | Hickory, NC | 28th Rd. (2017) |
| 14 | Will Robertson | R/R | 6-2 | 190 | 3/2/95 (23) | Greenville, SC | 30th Rd. (2017) |

COACHING

#12 **Buck Britton**, Manager (1st Season)

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By: Will DeBoer

HESS' ROAD UP INCLUDED DELMARVA PIT STOP

The Orioles needed some kind of pick-me-up. In the front end of a May 12 doubleheader against Tampa Bay, they got one in the form of David Hess. Sporting the same No. 41 that adorned the shoulders of top pitchers as Tom Seaver, Clem Labine, and John Lackey, the 24-year-old right-hander made his major league debut opposite the Rays' Chris Archer. Hess gave family and friends an afternoon to remember, scattering three runs over six innings for a Quality Start. His new Oriole teammates backed him up with enough offense to win, and the O's indeed downed the Rays 6-3.

When Hess took the mound at Camden Yards, Hess became 103rd former Delmarva Shorebird, and first of 2018, to make it to The Show. But even the most diehard of Shorebirds fans would be forgiven for forgetting he ever was.

Baltimore drafted Hess out in the fifth round of the 2014 MLB Draft out of Tennessee Tech. After a mostly successful summer in short-season Aberdeen, he earned a promotion to Delmarva to finish out the year. Against Asheville on August 23, Hess took the mound at Perdue Stadium for the first time. He lasted four innings, allowing two runs and striking out six Tourists. Battery mate Chance Sisco doubled and drove in two runs, and the Shorebirds beat the eventual SAL champs 6-2.

One week later on the final Saturday night of the season, Hess was back on the mound in Salisbury to face Hickory. He lasted four innings once again, this time holding the Crawdads

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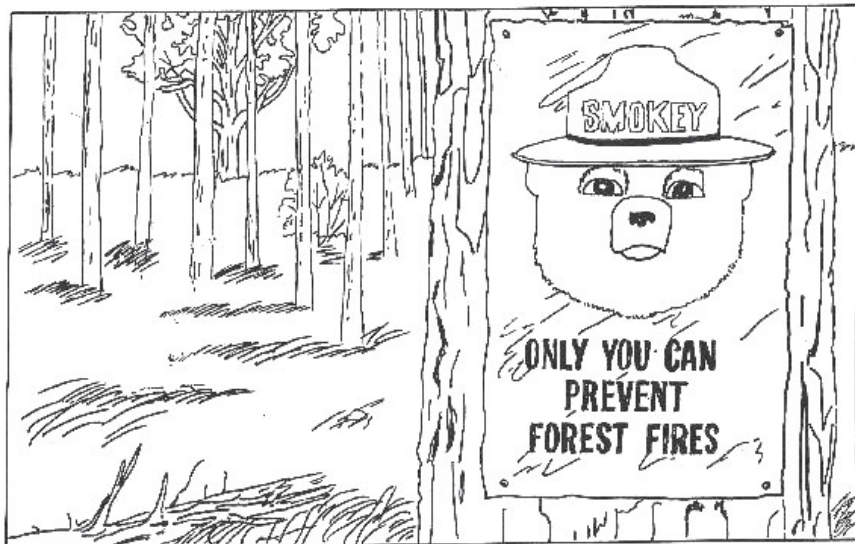
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|----|----------------------|-----|------|-----|----------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 19 | Acevedo, Carlos | R/R | 6'3" | 200 | 9/27/94 | La Vega, DR | IFA Signed 2013 |
| 11 | Alastre, Tomas | R/R | 6'4" | 170 | 6/11/98 | Valencia, VZ | IFA Signed 2014 |
| 28 | Bogucki, A.J. | R/R | 6'3" | 200 | 5/2/95 | Norristown, PA | 8th Rd 2016 |
| 33 | Brasher, Jared | R/R | 6'2" | 200 | 1/3/95 | Pell City, AL | 8th Rd 2017 |
| 25 | DeRosier, Matthew | R/R | 6'2" | 200 | 7/13/94 | Lakeside, CA | 24th Rd 2013 |
| 38 | Fuentes, Steven | R/R | 6'2" | 175 | 5/4/97 | Puerto Armuelles, PAN | IFA Signed 2013 |
| 43 | Held, Sam | R/R | 6'4" | 190 | 8/24/94 | Stockton, CA | 29th Rd 2016 |
| 21 | Johnston, Kyle | R/R | 6'0" | 205 | 7/17/96 | Flower Mound, TX | 6th Rd 2017 |
| 44 | Lee, Andrew | L/R | 6'5" | 225 | 12/2/93 | Knoxville, TN | 11th Rd 2015 |
| 26 | Morse, Phil | R/R | 6'2" | 195 | 5/23/94 | Vienna, VA | 16th Rd 2016 |
| 32 | Raguet, Nick | R/L | 6'0" | 215 | 12/12/95 | The Villages, FL | 3rd Rd 2017 |
| 37 | Stoeckinger, Jackson | L/L | 6'4" | 210 | 2/13/96 | Harredsburg, KY | 12th Rd 2017 |
| 35 | Tetreault, Jackson | R/R | 6'5" | 170 | 6/3/96 | Ruskin, FL | 7th Rd 2017 |
| # | CATCHERS | B/T | HT | WT | DOB | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 14 | Baez, Jeyner | R/R | 6'1" | 175 | 7/25/95 | El Tigre, VZ | IFA Signed 2013 |
| 47 | Flores, Alex | S/R | 6'1" | 180 | 12/27/95 | Hermosilo, Sonora, MX | IFA signed 2018 |
| # | INFIELDBERS | B/T | HT | WT | DOB | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 5 | Antuna, Yasel | S/R | 6'0" | 170 | 10/26/99 | Peravia, DR | IFA Signed 2016 |
| 6 | Boggetto, Branden | R/R | 6'0" | 190 | 11/10/93 | Joliet, IL | 25th Rd 2016 |
| 30 | Corredor, Aldrem | L/L | 6'0" | 202 | 10/27/95 | Ocumare del Tuy, VZ | 2012 Hagerstown |
| 13 | Franco, Anderson | R/R | 6'3" | 190 | 8/15/97 | Bani, DR | IFA Signed 2013 |
| 8 | Freeman, Cole | R/R | 5'9" | 175 | 9/27/94 | Mandeville, LA | 4th Rd 2017 |
| 7 | Garcia, Luis | L/R | 6'0" | 190 | 5/16/00 | New York, NY | IFA Signed 2016 |
| 16 | Scudder, Jake | L/R | 6'0" | 210 | 2/23/95 | Rock Island, IL | 16th Rd 2017 |
| # | OUTFIELDERS | B/T | HT | WT | DOB | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 4 | Banks, Nick | L/L | 6'1" | 215 | 11/18/94 | Tomball, TX | 4th Rd 2016 |
| 18 | Esthay, Kameron | L/L | 6'0" | 215 | 12/5/94 | Lake Charles, LA | 26th Rd 2017 |
| 10 | Upshaw, Armond | S/L | 6'0" | 190 | 6/20/96 | Newnan, GA | 11th Rd 2016 |

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|----|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 11 | Advocate, Josh | 6'1" | 195 | R/R | 1/18/94 | Mohave Valley, AZ | 20th round (2017) |
| 9 | Alexy, A.J. | 6'4" | 195 | R/R | 4/21/98 | Honey Brook, PA | Hickory Trade (2017) |
| 24 | Anderson, Reid | 6'3" | 185 | R/R | 8/22/95 | New Egypt, NJ | 17th round (2016) |
| 18 | Barlow, Joe | 6'3" | 195 | R/R | 8/28/95 | Rivertown, UT | 11th round (2016) |
| 10 | Bremer, Noah | 6'5" | 200 | R/R | 5/13/96 | Berkeley, CA | 6th round (2017) |
| 6 | Casanova, Jean | 6'3" | 155 | R/R | 3/4/97 | Waukegan, IL | 35th round (2016) |
| 16 | Eubanks, Alex | 6'2" | 180 | R/R | 9/13/95 | Duncan, SC | 14th round (2017) |
| 21 | Evans, Demarcus | 6'4" | 240 | R/R | 10/22/96 | Petal, MS | 25th round (2015) |
| 23 | Ferguson, Tyler | 6'4" | 225 | R/R | 10/5/93 | Fresno, CA | 6th round (2016) |
| 30 | Heffel, Derek | 6'6" | 225 | R/R | 4/13/96 | Racine, WI | 14th round (2016) |
| 31 | Kuzia, Joe | 6'5" | 190 | R/R | 10/3/93 | Seymour, CT | NDFA (2017) |
| 32 | Phillips, Tyler | 6'5" | 200 | R/R | 10/27/97 | Lumberton, NJ | 16th round (2015) |
| 15 | Speas, Alex (DL) | 6'3" | 180 | R/R | 3/4/98 | Powder Springs, GA | 2nd round (2016) |
| 13 | Thompson, Tyree | 6'4" | 165 | R/R | 6/12/97 | New Orleans, LA | 26th round (2016) |
| # | CATCHERS | HT | WT | B/T | DOB | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 27 | Huff, Sam | 6'4" | 215 | R/R | 1/14/98 | Phoenix, AZ | 7th round (2016) |
| 5 | Middleton, Clay | 6'0" | 205 | R/R | 10/8/93 | Columbus, MS | 22nd round (2016) |
| 3 | Pozo, Yohel | 6'0" | 175 | R/R | 6/14/97 | Maracaibo, Venezuela | NDFA (2013) |
| # | INFIELDBERS | HT | WT | B/T | DOB | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 2 | Dorow, Ryan | 6'0" | 195 | R/R | 8/21/95 | Adrian, MI | 30th round (2017) |
| 22 | Enright, Kole | 6'1" | 175 | S/R | 1/21/98 | West Orange, FL | 3rd round (2016) |
| 1 | Hernandez, Yonny | 5'10" | 140 | S/R | 5/4/98 | Maturin, Venezuela | NDFA (2015) |
| 14 | Ratliff, Tyler | 6'2" | 210 | R/R | 11/2/95 | Alexandria, VA | 17th round (2017) |
| 38 | Reed, Tyreque | 6'2" | 260 | R/R | 6/6/97 | Houlka, MS | 8th round (2018) |
| # | OUTFIELDERS | HT | WT | B/T | DOB | HOMETOWN | ACQUIRED |
| 4 | Gonzalez, Pedro | 6'5" | 190 | R/R | 10/27/97 | Santo Domingo, DR | Trade (2017) |
| 12 | Jacobs, Justin | 6'1" | 195 | L/R | 10/25/95 | Auburn, WA | NDFA (2017) |
| 36 | O'Banion, Austin | 6'3" | 215 | R/R | 7/12/95 | Yorba Linda, CA | 37th round (2016) |
| 8 | Scott, Preston (DL) | 6'2" | 210 | R/R | 11/15/93 | Hanford, CA | 34th round (2016) |
| | Smith, Chad (DL) | 6'2" | 200 | L/L | 9/30/97 | Snellville, GA | 5th round (2015) |
| 25 | Thompson, Bubba | 6'2" | 180 | R/R | 6/9/98 | Mobile, AL | 1st round (2017) |

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to just one run on one hit while striking out six, but the Shorebirds coughed it up in the eighth to lose 4-3.

Winter came and went, and spring training in Sarasota with it. By the time the young Birdland crew broke camp, however, Hess was headed farther north to Frederick. The Baltimore brass decided his college-bred arm was ready for a bigger workload, so the Carolina League it was. Hess proved up to the challenge; in 25 starts with the Keys and a brief cameo in Bowie, he went 10-5 with a 3.64 ERA, including a one-hit shutout of the Potomac Nationals on August 25 in his final start before promotion to Double-A.

Hess spent the next two seasons entirely with the Baysox. After backsliding in 2016 (5-13, 5.37 ERA), he rebounded nicely in 2017, winning 11 games and lowering the ERA to

3.85. By the end of this past March, he was ready for Triple-A Norfolk and made the most of his six starts with the Tides, boasting a 2.12 ERA over nearly 30 innings. The O's may have merely needed a spot-starter for the May 12 twin bill, but Hess proved to have staying power and has fitted himself in nicely with the current Oriole rotation. He even improved on his fortunes in a rematch with the Rays on May 25, spinning 6.2 scoreless frames to anchor a 2-0 shutout at Tropicana Field.

David Hess' time in Delmarva may have been more pit stop than residence, but it counts the same way when considering Shorebirds in The Show. His name is right alongside Sisco, Mancini, and the likes. Casey Stengel put it best: "You could look it up."

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COACH BOBBY ROSE, PART II

Before a recent game against Greensboro, Shorebirds radio voice Will DeBoer sat down with hitting coach Bobby Rose. Part I of this interview appeared in PlayBall! Issue 6 on June 21-26.

WD: You joined the Orioles this offseason after five years in the Texas Rangers system. How did that come about?

BR: Well the Rangers and I mutually agreed to part ways. I wanted to do something different and go seek another direction, and they were willing to let me do that. I had some connections with the Orioles, and they had an opening for me fortunately, and they brought me here to Delmarva.

WD: As someone who has come from a different organization for many years, do you feel you add something new as opposed to someone who may have been with the Orioles for a long time?

BR: No, I just try to teach baseball the best way I know how. What I've accumulated over the years I try to pass along, and I try to pass along the Orioles' philosophy in doing that. I don't try to step on any toes or anything like that. I just want to make sure that what they're trying to teach gets presented to the kids. Think of it this way: Baltimore is my new girlfriend, and you never want to talk about your old girlfriend with your new girlfriend. So Texas is my old girlfriend, and Baltimore is my new one.

WD: We had three All-Stars announced recently, the heart-of-the-order guys in Zach Jarrett, Seamus Curran, and Trevor Craport. How much, if at all, do you consider it a feather in your cap to be the hitting coach of three guys who are starting the All-Star Game?

BR: Absolutely zero. No feather in my cap whatsoever, because I don't step in that box, I don't swing the bat, I don't hit the ball. Everything that they've accomplished is what they've done. It's all their work, and they've earned it, and I'm very happy for those guys. Hitting coaches are just here to pat guys on the back when they're doing well and try to lift them up when they're doing not so well. Those are the guys who step into the batter's box every day and grind, and I'm very happy for them.

WD: Still, it must be cool to see them hammer back-to-back-to-back home runs like they did in Kannapolis on May 30 and know they're all going to the All-Star Game.

BR: That was a real treat, and that's very special. You try to keep that in your mind forever because you don't see that too often.

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HALL THRIVES THROUGH YOUTH, HARDSHIP

It was approximately one year ago that Dayton Lane Hall's life changed for good. When June 12, 2017 began, he was just an 18-year-old from South Georgia, with an eye on the future. By the end of the day, DL was the 21st overall pick in the MLB Draft. Days later, he was a certified professional ballplayer in the Baltimore Orioles organization, not to mention \$3 million richer.

"It's really been exciting, and I'm blessed to be able to have this as a job," said Hall, now 19, before a recent game in Kannapolis. "It's funny, you hear about how much of a grind it is in the minor leagues, and I think that this first year has really shown me that with all the bus trips, and all the things we have to endure as a pro baseball player. But I couldn't ask for anything better to do as a job, and I'm super excited to continue doing it."

Hall's professional debut came on August 4 in the Gulf Coast League; the southpaw threw two scoreless innings against the Rays. He would pitch just over 10 innings before the end of the summer in Sarasota.

"I think the biggest thing I learned was how to adjust and learn how to be one of those guys," said Hall. "I'd rather be another guy instead of put up on any kind of pedestal or anything like that. I think it happened naturally last year getting into that clubhouse at Ed Smith Stadium, just realizing that I'm just another guy, and we're all working toward the same goal."

While he may have only been away from home for a couple months, when Hall got back home to Valdosta for the fall and winter, everything was different.

"It was definitely exciting, especially getting back to all my family and friends," said Hall. "Of course they all wanted to hear about it. It was a good offseason. The biggest thing I looked forward to was getting to actually have an offseason where I didn't have to go to school or anything like that. I got to really focus on my craft and getting bigger and stronger, getting prepared for this year."

With his first true offseason under his belt, Hall returned to Sarasota in February eyeing a chance to start the year with a full-season club. He did, breaking camp with an assignment to Delmarva. He made his Shorebird debut on April 10, tossing three scoreless innings against Hickory in front of an adoring Perdue Stadium crowd. By the All-Star Break, he boasted a 3.76 ERA, largely against players three or four years older.

About a month into the season, though, Hall faced personal tragedy in the passing of a friend and mentor. Johnny Ard played seven seasons of pro ball in the '80s and '90s; an injury kept him from fulfilling a potential major league future. In retirement, Ard then became a coach and advisor to his sons, Luke and Jude, as well as DL. He died on May 3, and DL took leave from the Shorebirds to attend the funeral; three days later, he was back on the mound in Salisbury.

"He had a huge influence on me pitching," said Hall. "As a man, he was just a great person. He really cared about his two sons, and even us, his best friends. We had a group that always played together, and he was always there in the bleachers."

Ard's passing gave Hall a new lease on both life and baseball. It was never a question, but the



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recognition of his gifts and blessings has been permanently ingrained in his mind.

Now, one year removed from the summer that changed his life, Hall has advice to pass along to the Orioles' latest No. 1 pick: high school right-hander Grayson Rodriguez.

"Just be all ears when you get here," said Hall of what got him through his first year as a pro. "There are guys here that have been here for awhile, and they can really help you when you have your ears open. Don't get too high up, but also don't let yourself get too low. Just be ready to learn."



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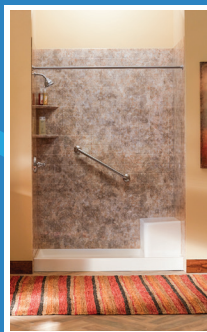
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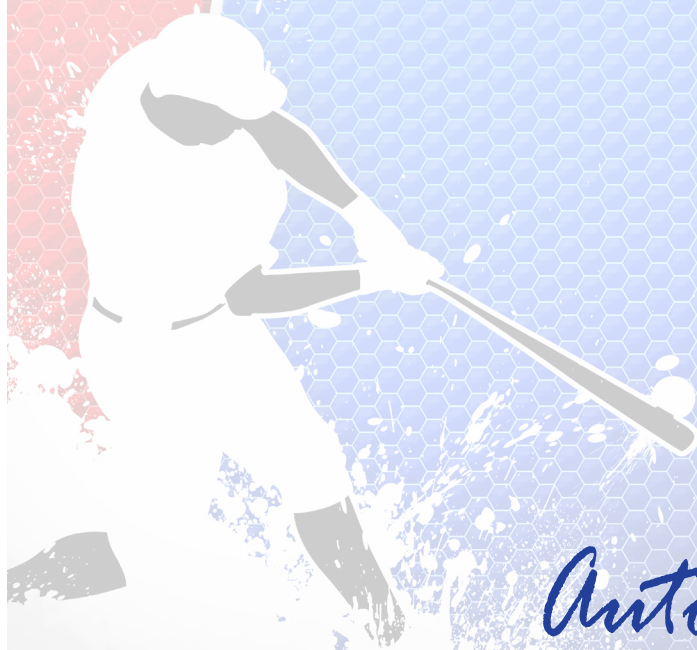
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