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#### APRIL 23 Tuesday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Asheville Tourists

Wag Your Tail Tuesday #2 — Bring your dog to the park! The Shorebirds encourage fans to bring their dogs to Perdue Stadium to celebrate Wag Your Tail Tuesday #2! If you bring a donation item for the Wicomico County Humane Society, the Shorebirds will allow your dog free entry into the stadium. Wag Your Tail Tuesday's is presented by Concord Pet Foods and Supplies.



#### APRIL 24 Wednesday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Asheville Tourists

Silver Sluggers Wednesday — Become part of the coolest club on the Eastern Shore. If you are 55 or over you can join the Shorebirds Silver Slugger program sponsored by Peninsula Home Care. Each Wednesday you will have a chance to win prizes throughout the night while playing baseball bingo.



#### APRIL 25 Thursday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Augusta GreenJackets

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 Salisbury Pit & Pub.

Maryland Pride Thursdays — Back for a third season, the Shorebirds players will be wearing Maryland Flag themed jerseys each Thursday during the 2019 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.



#### APRIL 26 Friday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Augusta GreenJackets

Kids Cape Giveaway (12 and under) — The first 1,000 fans, that are 12 or under, in attendance will receive a kids cape giveaway.

Hit the Books #4 — The Shorebirds will honor students all season long through the HTB program sponsored by Dr. James M Crouse at the Brace Place. Tonight the Shorebirds will be hosting children from select Worcester and Somerset County schools.

Orange Fridays — The Shorebirds players will be wearing orange themed jerseys each Friday during the 2019 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 presented by First Class HVAC.



#### APRIL 27 Saturday, 7:05 p.m. vs. Augusta GreenJackets

**Q105 Fireworks** — Come out and watch the Shorebirds light up the sky with their third fireworks show of the season. Tonight's fireworks extravaganza is brought to you by Dr. Susan Vickers at Seaside Smiles. **Scout Night** — The Shorebirds will honor all area girl and boy scouts this evening. The scouts will be honored with a preaame parade and special events throughout the game. Scout Night is presented by Dr. Susan Vickers at



#### APRIL 28 Sunday, 2:05 p.m. vs. Augusta GreenJackets

**Sherman's Birthday** — Help Sherman celebrate his special day. Sherman will have many of his local friends on hand to celebrate Sherman's birthday. Sherman's birthday is presented by Pohanka of Salisbury.



Hit the Books #5 — The Shorebirds will honor students all season long through the HTB program sponsored by Dr. James M Crouse at the Brace Place. Tonight the Shorebirds will be hosting children from Talbot and Queen Anne County. MD. And the Eastern Shore of Virginia.



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 Club members get to run the bases after the game presented by Chili's Grill & Bar.



Senside Smiles

By: Will DeBoer

## Shorebirds Find Identity in Each Other as Teams Change



There's not much a minor league ballplayer can count on year-toyear. Most of the time he doesn't know where he will play until days before the season, and he certainly doesn't know how each at-bat with that team will shape up. Sometimes he gets moved around midseason: a promotion, demotion, or worse. When a minor leaguer wakes up, he doesn't know whether or not he'll still be on his current team at the end of the day.

The one thing a longtime minor leaguer does know is that wherever he goes in his system, he'll be among familiar faces.

The 2019 Delmarva Shorebirds are no different. Three factions dominated the team's Opening Day roster: nine

players spent all or most of last season playing with the short-season Aberdeen IronBirds, while four of them spent time together at the rookie-level Gulf Coast League, and nine returned to Delmarva after finishing 2018 as Shorebirds.

"It's pretty cool," said outfielder Robert Neustrom, a member of the team's old "Aberdeen gang." "We've still got that camaraderie that follows from short-season in Aberdeen to this full-season of 140 games now. So it's good to have everybody here, to really know everybody and how everybody can play, and also to be with some new guys as well."



"Oh man, it's huge," said pitcher Grayson Rodriguez, himself a product of the GCL Orioles. "And you know, just being there with them, you know everybody's going through the same thing you are. I wouldn't say we're nervous, but everybody's pretty amped up for [the new season]. It's exciting, it's an exciting thing to do."

Several of the former Aberdeen players, Neustrom included, come from backgrounds in college baseball. In a way, the year-to-year roster turnover mirrors the same turnover the experienced on their old college teams. The only difference is that as they get older it's the team jerseys that are changing rather than the teammates, similar to moving up to a new grade from year-to-year in grade school.

"It's funny that you say that, because you know people move around too," said Neustrom. "Some guys move on or move up, or they stay down. So with new people always getting drafted and all that, it's kind of the same feeling."

This year it wasn't just the Shorebird players who got to move up together in clumps. Manager Kyle Moore oversaw around half the current Delmarva roster last season as the IronBirds' skipper.

"For sure, it's nice," said Moore. "I developed really good relationships with all of them last year, and as we all move up to this level together, there's some real solid foundation of communication. They know what to expect from me, and me from them. So I think it's a real quick way to get off to a good start.

"I'm really happy for the guys who had a chance to move up here, playing on a full season team this year, and I'm really looking forward to grinding out a full 140 with them."





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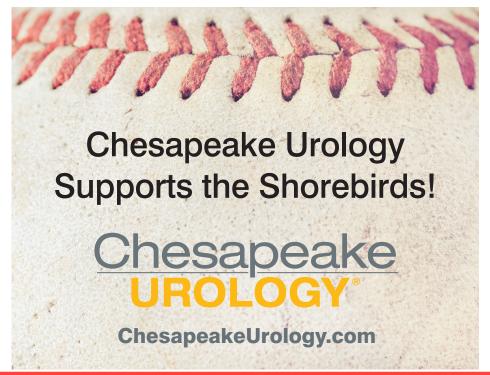


While they may have arrived in Salisbury in separate waves, the old cliques are hardly cliquey. Everybody recognizes that they're all Orioles prospects first and foremost. They trained together this spring in Sarasota, they'll play together at various points up the ladder, and the most fortunate of them will eventually make it all the way to the top.

And so this cycle resumes with another season. This season's old Aberdeen and GCL gangs will become next year's "Delmarva gang," counting on each other at the next level the same way they counted on each other before. Eventually the packs will morph into the most exclusive group of all: Baltimore Orioles.

"For a lot of us it's our first full season," said Neustrom, "so it's going to be fun to experience that together and just roll with the season."











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13 BIRDLAND HAWAIIAN SHIRT
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## Season Ticket Holder Custom Mechanical



In the spotlight is Shorebirds Season Ticket Holder Custom Mechanical. Since 1981, Custom Mechanical has been a family-owned and family-operated business serving the coastal communities of Delaware and Maryland. This is their first season as half season ticket holders, previously Custom Mechanical has scheduled staff events during Shorebirds games for the last several years.

Custom Mechanical will be

primarily utilizing their seats for employees throughout the Delmarva area. "Our staff lives all over Delmarva, and many of them have close ties to baseball through little league or fandom," said Regan Deck, owner of Custom Mechanical. "Many of our staff members love to spend time out at the games with friends and family. I've been to many games through school programs and little league teams (Lower Sussex), and after asking around on their thoughts about Shorebirds seats, I think this will be a great opportunity to boost our staff culture!"

In addition to Shorebirds seats, Custom Mechanical schedules several employee events during the year, including various spring events, and an annual holiday party. Pictured is the staff from 2018 in front of the Indian River Inlet Bridge in Bethany Beach.

The staff also participates in several volunteer efforts around the Delmarva Community, such as 'Don't Chuck Your Shucks' with the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays. Since 2014, the shell recycling program has collected shells from local restaurants for use in projects that directly benefit our Inland Bays. Regan: "We're always striving to be great community partners with several organizations, and our staff takes a lot of pride in being able to give back through a variety of volunteering events."







#### PLAYERS & COACHES



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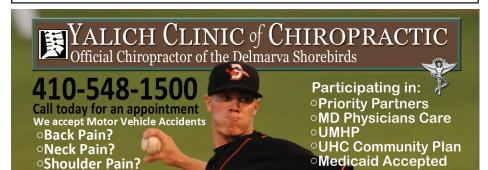
Adrian Gonzalez

Justin Ramsey

**Tom Eller** 

#### SHOREBIRDS ROSTER

# PITCHERS B/T				WT	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED			
	Brandon Bonilla (IL)	R/L	6-3	200	10/21/93 (25	5) Greenwich, CT	13th Rd. (2016)			
30	Matt De La Rosa	L/R	6-2	210	11/15/93 (25	5) Austin, TX	28th Rd. (2016)			
21	Gray Fenter	R/R	6-0	200	1/25/96 (23)	West Memphis, AR	7th Rd. (2015)			
18	Nick Gruener	R/R	6-0	185	5/16/95 (24)	Miami, FL	22nd Rd. (2016)			
35	Hector Guance	R/R	6-6	200	7/12/95 (23)	San Cristobal, D.R.	FA (6/9/2015)			
16	Blaine Knight	R/R	6-3	165	6/28/96 (22)	Bryant, AR	3rd Rd. (2018)			
29	Tyler Joyner	R/R	6-4	225	5/10/96 (22)	East Brewton, AL	30th Rd. (2018)			
25	Jalen Miller	R/R	6-1	190	3/15/93 (26)	Louisville, KY	FA (3/7/2019)			
38	Tim Naughton	R/R	6-3	195	11/14/95 (23	3) Goldsboro, NC	34th Rd. (2017)			
37	Jhon Peluffo	R/R	6-3	140	6/16/97 (21)	Cartagena, COL	FA (5/30/2014)			
39	Ofelky Peralta	R/R	6-5	195	4/20/97 (21)	Bonao, D.R.	FA (9/7/2013)			
36	Grayson Rodriguez	R/R	6-5	220	11/16/99 (19	9) Nacogdoches, TX	1st Rd. (2018)			
19	Drew Rom	L/L	6-2	170	12/15/99 (19	P) Fort Thomas, KY	4th Rd. (2018)			
26	Nick Vespi	L/L	6-3	215	10/10/95 (23	B) Miami, FL	18th Rd. (2015)			
	Ryan Wilson (IL)	L/L	6-1	190	11/6/96 (22)	Carlsbad, CA	33rd Rd. (2017)			
#	CATHERS	B/T	HT	WT	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED			
12	Ben Breazeale	L/R	6-0	208	10/21/94 (24)	Louisville, TN	7th Rd. (2017)			
14	Daniel Fajardo	R/R	6-1	170	11/19/94 (24)	Maracay, VEN	FA (8/2/2011)			
11	Wagner Ramírez (IL)	R/R	5-11	170	12/11/94 (24)	San Juan de la Maguana, D.R.	FA (6/18/2015)			
	Cody Roberts (IL)	R/R	6-1	195	6/16/96 (22)	Johns Creek, GA	11th Rd. (2018)			
#	INFIELDERS	в/т	НТ	WT	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED			
4	Branden Becker	L/R	6-1	175	9/13/96 (22)	Redlands, CA	17th Rd. (2015)			
	Seamus Curran	L/R	6-6	245	9/6/97 (21)	Springfield, MA	8th Rd. (2015)			
1	J.C. Encarnacion	R/R	6-3	195	1/17/98 (21)	San Juan de la Maguana, D.R.	Trade (7/2018)			
6	Andrew Fregia	R/R	6-1	170	12/18/96 (22)	Liberty, TX	13th Rd. (2018)			
3	Cadyn Grenier	R/R	5-11	188	10/31/96 (22)	Henderson, NV	1st Rd. (2018)			
	Adam Hall	R/R	6-0	170	5/22/99 (19)	London, ONT	2nd Rd. (2017)			
#	OUTFIELDERS	B/T		WT	BORN/AGE	•	ACQUIRED			
	Nick Horvath	R/L			7/13/96 (22)		25th Rd. (2018)			
	Robert Neustrom	L/L	6-2		11/12/96 (22)	• •	5th Rd. (2018)			
7	Will Robertson	R/R			3/2/95 (24)	Greenville, SC	30th Rd. (2017)			
•	Doran Turchin	R/R			7/7/97 (21)	Oak Creek, WI	14th Rd. (2018)			
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	#2 Kyle Moore	2		#:	15 Justin Ramsey		#9 Tom Eller			
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	#23 Pat Leyland	d		1	Adrian Gonzalez	Tim Chiar	olanza			



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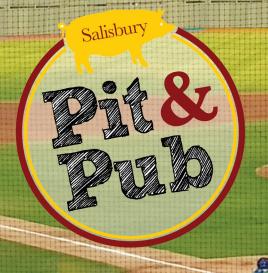


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By: Will DeBoer



#### Dykhoff, Liz Wore Name Proudly as Shorebirds

For the baseball-following segment of the population, baseball-reference.com is its holy scripture. Frequent users of the site are bound to find certain quirks and happenstances within the registry. One such quirk revolved around the first name Radhames.

There have been only two men named Radhames who have ever made it to the major leagues. Both — Radhames Dykhoff and Radhames Liz — at one time played for the Delmarva Shorebirds.

The first Radhames to pass through Salisbury truly did pass through. Radhames Dykhoff was in his fifth year in the Orioles system when he pitched in one game for the Shorebirds in 1997.

After spending the previous two seasons in High-A, the

Aruban-born lefty took a brief detour in Delmarva on the way to Double-A Bowie, tossing three scoreless innings in his lone Shorebird appearance.

Dykhoff was just a footnote during the Shorebirds' run to the South Atlantic League championship that season, and the next year he added one more footnote to his resume: the first Shorebird to make it to The Show as a Baltimore Oriole. Much like his time with Delmarva, his major league tenure was just as brief. On June 7, 1998, at Camden Yards, Dykhoff came in for mopup duty in the ninth inning and allowed a pair of runs to put the Atlanta Braves up 9-0. In the bottom half of that frame, Greg Maddux finished off



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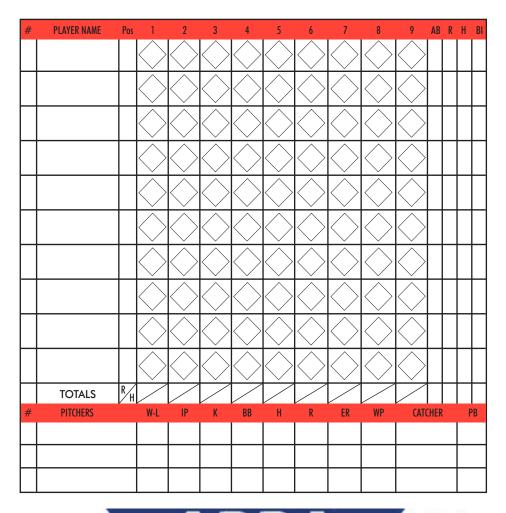






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- 1. Address Use at least 4-inch reflective numerals
- 2. YARD Keep a green, mowed lawn at least 30 feet around all sides of the house.
- 3. Maintenance Keep roof, twigs and other debris.
- gutters and yard free of leaves,

4. Access Clear driveway 12

feet wide, 14 feet high for

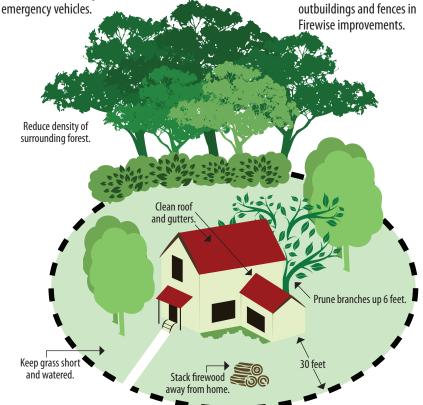
5. DECKS Remove debris. Enclose underneath with lattice, backed with wire screen.

**6. House** Use fire resistant materials when replacing roof or siding.

7. Landscaping use Firewise plants and mulch. Keep ornamental plants 30 feet

from house. Space plants so fire can't spread.

- 8. Foundation Clear flammables and keep landscaping 4 feet away from house.
- 9. FIREWOOD Move firewood pile at least 30 feet away from any buildings.
- 10. OUTBUILDINGS Include all outbuildings and fences in Firewise improvements.





#### ASHEVILLE ROSTER

#	PITCHERS	B/T	HT	WT	BIRTHDATE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED				
33	Bird, Jake	R-R	6-3	200	12-04-95	Valencia, California	5th rd. 2018				
29	Bush, Nick	L-L	6-0	195	08-23-96	Leesburg, Georgia	8th rd. 2018				
14	Feltner, Ryan	R-R	6-4	190	09-02-96	Hudson, Ohio	4th rd. 2018				
26	Garcia, Alfredo	L-L	6-2	225	07-22-99	Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela	NDFA 2016				
	Hepple, Eric	R-R	6-0		03-28-96	Margate, Florid	27th rd. 2018				
	Johnson, Boby	R-R	6-1		04-08-97	Miller, Missouri	16th rd. 2018				
	Kennedy, Nick	R-L	6-1		06-20-96	Tampa, Florida	5th rd. 2017				
	Lackey, Shelby	R-R			07-08-97	Linden, California	18th rd. 2018				
	Martinez, Alexander	R-R	6-1		12-28-96	San Pedro de Macoris, D.R.					
30	Nikorak, Mike	R-R	6-5		09-16-96	Stroudsburg, PA	1st rd. 2015				
27	-, -,	R-R	6-5		11-06-97	Lenexa, Kansas	1st rd. 2016				
	Poulin, PJ	R-L	6-1		07-25-96	Marion, MA	11th rd. 2018				
18	Rolison, Ryan	R-L	6-2	195	07-11-97	Jackson, Tennessee	1st rd. 2018				
#	CATCHERS	В/Т	нт	WT	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED				
9	Guevara, Javier	R-R	5-11	165	09-25-97	Valencia, Venezuela	NDFA 2014				
25	Jones, Greg (Inactive)	L-R	6-2	220	10-17-94	Maryville, Tennessee	FA 2017				
	MacIver, Willie	R-R	6-2	205	10-28-96	Pleasant Hill, California	9th rd. 2018				
#	INFIELDERS	В/Т	нт	WT	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED				
17	Cresto, Johnny	R-R	6-3	225	12-15-96	San Diego, California	28th rd. 2018				
3	Datres, Kyle	R-R	6-0	205	01-05-96	Williamsport, PA	12th rd. 2018				
16	Jipping, Daniel	R-R	6-2	215	04-10-96	Canton, Michigan	22nd rd. 2017				
	Lavigne, Grant	L-R	6-4	220	08-27-99	Bedford, NH	1st rd. CBA 2018				
5	Montes, Coco	R-R	6-1	200	10-07-96	Miami, Florida	15th rd. 2018				
1	Stovall, Hunter	R-R	5-8	170	09-05-96	Pelham, Alabama	21st rd. 2018				
6	Vavra, Terrin	L-R	6-1	185	05-12-97	Menomonie, Wisconsin	3rd rd. 2018				
#	OUTFIELDERS	в/т	НТ	WT	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED				
8	Golsan, Will	R-R			03-06-96	Columbus, Mississippi	26th rd. 2018				
4	Harris, Cade	L-R	6-2		05-27-97	Leona, Texas	10th rd. 2018				
	Montano, Daniel	L-R	6-1		03-27-97	Maracay, Venezuela	NDFA 2015				
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10 Van Gurp, Franklin	R/R 6'1"	210 2	23 10/26/95	Phillipsburg, St. Martin	25th RD/2017			
12 Winn, Keaton	R/R 6'4"	205 2	21 02/20/98	Ollie, IA	5th RD/2018			
13 Schimpf, Tyler	R/R 6'4"	210 2	23 08/07/95	Citrus Heights, CA	13th RD/2017			
14 Corry, Seth	L/L 6'2"	195 2	20 11/03/98	Alpine, UT	3rd RD/2017			
17 Rivera, Blake	R/R 6'4"	225 2	21 01/09/98	Smiths Station, AL	4th RD/2018			
28 Bates, Solomon	R/R 6'2"	210 2	22 03/16/97	Victorville, CA	8th RD/2018			
29 Tona, Jesus	R/R 5'10"		22 03/30/96		International FA			
31 White, Preston	R/R 6'6"		22 07/29/96	- 17	24th RD/2018			
32 Santos, Gregory	R/R 6'2"		19 08/28/99	•	Trade (2017)			
33 Frisbee, Matthew	R/R 6′5″		22 11/18/96	•	15th RD/2018			
48 Gudino, Norwith	R/R 6'2"		23 11/22/95	*	Intnl. FA (2014)			
49 Walker, Ryan	R/R 6'2"		23 11/26/95	0 ,	31st RD/2018			
54 Hjelle, Sean	R/R 6'11"	225 2	21 05/07/97	Fridley, MN	2nd RD/2018			
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1 Angulo, Andres	R/R 5'10" 1	.81 210	9/05/97	Cali, Colombia Cali	Intnl. FA (2014)			
26 Parra, Jeffry	R/R 6'0" 1	.95 210	1/24/98	Santiago, D.R.	Intnl. FA (2016)			
# INFIELDERS	B/T HT V	NT BO	RN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED			
6 Giarratano, Nico	S/R 5'11" 1	72 24 1	2/15/94	San Francisco, CA	24th RD/2017			
8 Tostado, Francisco	L/L 6'2" 2	20 0	3/31/98	Camarillo, CA	19th RD/2017			
15 Matheny, Shane	L/R 6'1" 2	205 22 0	6/05/96	Bremerton, WA	23rd RD/2017			
18 Gonzalez, Jacob	R/R 6'3" 1	.90 20 0	6/26/98	Scottsdale, AZ	2nd RD/2017			
40 Franco, Wander	S/R 6'1" 1	.89 22 1	0/11/96	Bani, D.R.	FA (2018)			
# OUTFIELDERS	B/T HT	WT E	BORN/AGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED			
5 Bond, Aaron	L/R 6'5"		22 02/16/97		12th RD/2017			
16 Rincones, Diego	R/R 6'0"		19 06/14/99		Intnl. FA (2015)			
22 Layer, Jose	R/R 6'0"		21 05/28/97	San Juan, Puerto Rico	13th RD/2016			
34 Munguia, Ismael	L/L 5'10"		20 10/19/98	Chinandega, Nicaragua	Intnl. FA (2015)			
46 Edie, Mikey	R/R 5'11"		21 07/03/97	Maracaibo, Venezuela	Intnl. FA (2013)			
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the O's in short order, nailing down a four-hit, 99-pitch clean sheet, the kind of shutout that bares the now-Hall-of-Famer's name.

Dykhoff never made it back to the bigs. He finished off 1998 back in Bowie, pitched all of 1999 in Triple-A Rochester, split 2000 between Double- and Triple-A with the Mets, and finished his pro career in 2001 with Double-A Arkansas in the Angels system.

Eight years after the first Radhames, another one would find a temporary home in the Perdue Stadium clubhouse. Dominican-born Radhames Liz belatedly began his pro career in 2005 at age 21. The right-hander debuted with the Shorebirds early that season, and he eventually made 10 starts for Delmarva, striking out 55 batters over 38.1 innings. Those Shorebirds of 2005 are still the most recent Delmarva team to make the postseason.

When the short-season Aberdeen IronBirds started up in June, Liz went back down the ladder for more seasoning; he embarrassed NYPL hitters over 11 starts, boasting a 1.17 ERA with 82 strikeouts in 56 frames. He climbed from Frederick to Bowie the next season, and after a dominant start with the Baysox in 2007 he went straight to the majors, debuting at Camden Yards on August 25 against the Twins.

Liz cracked the Oriole rotation for the back half of the 2008 season, but made just two relief appearances the next year and never made it back to Baltimore. After one season in Triple-A with the Padres, he signed with the LG Twins in the Korean Baseball Organization, pitching overseas for three years before returning stateside in the Blue Jays system in 2014.

In 2015 Liz landed with the Pirates, and six years after his last major league appearance, he made it back to The Show, pitching in 14 games throughout the season. He landed in Japan in 2016, on the Brewers farm in 2018, and will begin 2019 with the Lamigo Monkeys in China, still chasing the baseball dream at age 35.

The two Radhameses may have little else in common, but until the next Radhames comes along these two former Shorebirds will carry the torch for their name in the major league record books.







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#### Q & A ~ KYLE MOORE

Before a recent game in Lexington, Shorebirds radio voice Will DeBoer sat down with Delmarva manager Kyle Moore. Moore is in his first season as Shorebirds manager after handling the same role in Aberdeen last season. He is now in his 10th year in the Orioles system as a player or coach.

- WD: You won your first game as a Shorebird manager in Lexington under interesting circumstances, getting ejected in the seventh inning. That's a long walk from the third base dugout to the clubhouse in right field!
- KM: Yeah, it was a long walk. I wasn't expecting to get tossed, and it just happened so quickly I didn't really get a chance to argue the call. When I realized it was such a long walk, I decided I needed to hurry up and jog a little bit so [pitcher Jhon] Peluffo wouldn't have to stand there and get cold. So I hit a jog for a couple steps, then I slowed it down in front of the beer garden in right field; it wore me out all the way down there. It was an unexpected thing, but we got that out of the way. So hopefully that won't happen again for a while.
- WD: Between your season managing Aberdeen and this season, there was a regime change at the top when the Orioles hired Mike Elias as GM. Are there any differences that you already notice?
- KM: Sure, it's very different. I really feel that it's a different organization, which is really cool for me. You're wearing the same colors but a lot of things are different. The amount of information right at our fingertips that wasn't there before; the way we're playing our defense is information-based, it's based on information that we're getting, which is really cool. It's cool to see it, and it's also cool to experience it firsthand.
- WD: Like a lot of managers, in your playing days you were a catcher. Why do you think so many managers come from catching backgrounds?
- KM: I think you've got to be able to communicate and work with so many different faces in a game when you're a catcher; you've got to work with pitchers and you hit and play defense. Ultimately you have the most experience in the most areas, and that's probably why it's so easy for a catcher to transition to coach. A large majority of your coaches are catchers or infielders, just for that reason. But I think the one thing catchers have on the infielder guys is they don't necessarily work with the pitchers like we do; working with the pitching staff is really our main job. That's something I love, I love working with the pitching staff, just from a manager's perspective, and also getting to work with everybody on the field. It's a lot of fun.

Part II of this interview with Kyle Moore will be published in PlayBall! Issue 3







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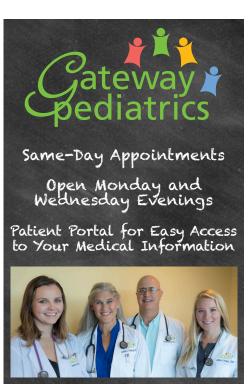
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By: Will DeBoer

#### Stellar Vespi Makes O's Take Notice



Every once in awhile, Minor League Baseball produces a "surprise star," someone who rises from the middle of the pack and seizes the attention usually reserved for early-round draft picks and high-priced "bonus babies." The Delmarva Shorebirds have had their fair share of surprise stars in recent years. Outfielder Jake Ring went from 31st-round pick to South Atlantic League All-Star in 2017; outfielder Zach Jarrett did the same in 2018 from his 28th-round roots.

Then there's pitcher Nick Vespi, back with the Shorebirds in 2019 after a lights-out season last summer. Back because the Baltimore Orioles front office had no choice but to cultivate the southpaw's talents for something more than just middle relief.

"It was after the second week of camp," said Vespi of the moment he learned the Orioles were planning to convert him

from reliever to starting pitcher in time for the new season. "They sat me down in the office and said this was going to be a possibility, and it was."

Vespi made the new Oriole brass reconfigure their plans for him after posting some of the best numbers in the organization in 2018. The Miami-born lefty was Delmarva's best reliever, stifling Sally League hitters over 40 appearances, most on the team and tied for third in the league. Vespi went 6-6 with nine saves and a 2.09 ERA – best among Shorebird relievers or starters – striking out 68 batters and walking just 23 over 64.2 innings. His best stretch came from mid-June through mid-July when he went pieced together 12 straight scoreless innings.

"It was fun just being with the guys," said Vespi of last year's Shorebirds, who finished with a winning record for the third time in four years. "I think we had a good relationship amongst the team. We did pretty well last year, too. Winning ballgames is always fun."

When the new Oriole regime arrived last fall and looked to shake things up, Vespi was a prime candidate. He spent most of 2016 as a starter in the Gulf Coast League; in 2017 he made the occasional start with short-season Aberdeen and spent a good deal of time piggybacking other starters with hard innings limits.

For Vespi, the idea of knowing days in advance exactly when he would pitch was no foreign concept. It was simply a matter of reconfiguring his body in time for his new full-time role.

"It's mostly a little more cardio," said Vespi about his offseason workouts. "Being a reliever, it's one-to-two inning stints, and being a starter you've got to be able to last the whole game. So it's a lot of cardio and lighter weights, more reps and stuff like that. It keeps your muscles conditioned to go longer."

While his body may have changed to take on the extra innings, Vespi's approach to pitching will not.

"I'm going to keep the same mindset," said Vespi. "I'm going to go into the game thinking I'll close out every inning. I'm not going to think about what I'm going to do in the third inning; I'm going take each inning as its own and work on getting three guys out each inning."

While a midseason call-up to High-A Frederick is not out of the question, Vespi is at peace growing into his new role at a place where he puzzled opposing hitters for the better part of five months.

"It feels good," said Vespi. "It's going to be a great opportunity to get my feet wet with being a starter, and finding out that routine, getting back into that routine to become the best pitcher I can be."

Nick Vespi may have been the Shorebirds' surprise star in 2018, but the secret is out for 2019. This time he's just a star.



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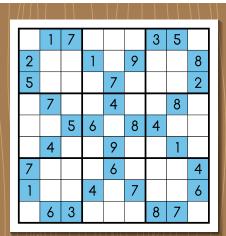


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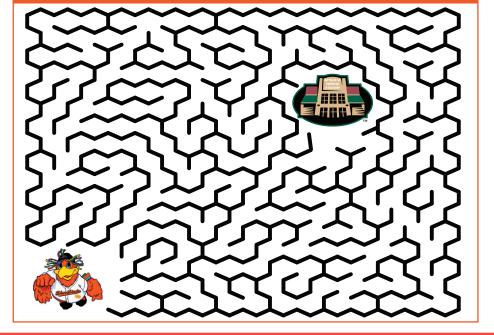


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