

Game Recap | July 29, 2019

## Warriors Conquer Jets 8-4 in Season Finale

27 strikeouts combined between the Jets and Warriors

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**SAN MARCOS** – The Warriors and Jets wrapped up regular season play with their series finale, but not before both teams combined for 27 strikeouts, the most in SDL history. Warriors' Charlie Nies and Zach Reeder combined for 16, while the Jets' Dylan Vail, Niko Diaz, Kyler Crone and Dylan Moran racked up 11. In the end, the Warriors came out on top, 8-4 to win the final game of the regular season on Monday July 29<sup>th</sup>.



Warriors' Zach Reeder racked up nine K's and earned the win in the season finale over the Jets. (Kevin Dahlgren/San Diego League)

Reeder pitched five innings of relief and allowed two runs

on four hits, three walks and struck out nine. "I was just trying to fill the zone up and get the guys out as quick as I could," said Reeder. "When I was down in the zone, I was hitting glove side, arm side as well as I wanted and the slider was really good too."

The Warriors jumped out to an early 3-0 lead behind Andres Contreras' two-run home run and Nick Wilkins' sac-fly in the first.

After the Jets got a run back, the Warriors added three more runs which included RBIs from Contreras and John Bicos.

A solo home run by Jets' Elias Ledesma cut the Warriors' lead to 6-3 in the sixth.

Contreras picked up another RBI but was thrown out at third and had to leave the game. According to Warriors' head coach Chris Brown, Contreras was shaken up, but he's alright. "Andres is just a great hitter, he's the kind of guys who doesn't say anything, and he just goes out and plays," said Coach Brown. "He slide in hard to third and he got the knee of the third baseman on his chin, but he'll be fine though."

Contreras finished the day 3-for-4 with four RBIs and was a triple shy of the cycle.

Both teams would score once, but the Warriors got the win 8-4 to split the series with the Jets.

With the win, the Warriors finish the season in fourth place with a 13-22 record, while the Jets finished in second with a 18-16-1 record.

The regular season may be over, but the action doesn't stop there. The SDL will host their inaugural All-Star Game on Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup> and the SDL season will conclude with a championship series on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>.

As the Warriors head into playoffs, Reeder remains confident in his team's chances in the postseason. "Our approach to the game gives us a chance just because we're out there having fun and we're not worry about the results," said Reeder.

The first playoff game will be between the No. 4 seed Warriors and the No. 3 seed Hooks at CSUSM Baseball Field at







9:05 A.M. The winner of that game will battle the No. 2 seed Jets at 12:05 P.M and the winner will take on the Long Boarders in the Championship Game at 3:05 P.M.

"[We're going to] go at them and play hard," said Coach Brown. "I like our club, I like our chances. We're going to be a little limited...but nonetheless these guys played hard all year and I don't expect anything different on [Sunday]."