

The Iowa Valley League opened 2023 league play on Sunday, May 28th, with the following six teams taking to the field:

- **Fairfax Stars**
- **Norway Bandits**
- **Red Top**
- **Walford Hogs**
- **Watkins Mudhens**
- **Williamsburg Sox's**

5/28 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Norway squared off with **Red Top** and took the **first game** 2-0 behind the pitching of Jordan Hanlon. In a complete game, Hanlon scattered 5 hits with 9 K's and no walks. The winning run for Norway came on an RBI single from Sam Monroe. In **Game 2**, Norway would score 3 runs in the top of the 7th to tie the game, but **Red Top's** Drew Turner would get his 2nd hit of the game for the winning RBI in a 4-3 final.

In Game 1, **Watkins** defeated **Fairfax** 3-1, on six strong innings of work from Hunter Davis. Skylar Sneed got a Save by closing out the 7th Inning. Christian Cordero had the game winning RBI, with a double in the 6th. Eli Park gave Fairfax five solid innings of work, and left with the game tied 1-1. In **Game two**, the score would be tied 2-2 after five complete innings of play, but Watkins starter Lucas Pierce would out last Noah Leist for the win. Christian Cordero would have a solo home run for Watkins and Jonny Frese would have 3 RBI's.

Walford would take two "hotly contested" games from **Williamsburg**. The first game ended 3-0 with Parker Bolt throwing a complete game one hitter with 6 K's. **Game two** was even more of a battle, but ended with Walford winning 2-1. Caleb Banowetz would throw 4 innings of relief to claim the win.

6/4 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Watkins and **Walford** were rained out at Watkins, when a very severe rain storm with violent winds popped-up before the start of **game one**.

Norway squared off with **Fairfax** at Norway and took the **first game** 10-0 behind five solid innings of pitching from Caden Richards. **Game two** got started, but after a ½ inning of play the storm that rolled through Watkins brought play to an end.

Red Top took two "hotly contested" games from **Williamsburg** at Mt. Mercy. Williamsburg appeared to have **game one** in hand, leading 4-1 in the bottom of the 7th with 2 outs and nobody on, but Red Top would rally to score a run; then Red Top loaded the bases, and a walk-off grand slam from Noah McCreary ended the game 6-4. **Game two** was another battle. Drew Wilcox would get the win: 4-3, but Donnie Jestel had to get the last six outs to hold off Williamsburg for the save.

6/11 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Watkins v. Williamsburg - Game One: Watkins scores 2 in the 1st, but Williamsburg wins 5-2 on Ryan Vondracek's complete game. Juan Goitia: 2 hits and 2 RBIs. **Game Two:** Watkins wins: 3-2. Brady Lukavsky: 2 RBI Single. **Winning Pitcher:** Lucas Pierce / **Save:** Connor Lyons

Walford v. Norway - Game One: Walford scores 4 runs in the top of the 8th to win: 7-6... Norway scores 3, but leaves the bases loaded. **Winning Pitcher:** Caleb Banowetz **Game Two:** Norway scores in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th innings to win 12-2. **Winning pitcher:** Caden Evans

Fairfax v. Red Top - Game One: Fairfax wins in 9 Innings: 6-4, on walk off single by Eli Anderson. **Winning Pitcher:** Brendon Groth **Game Two:** Red Top wins 7-2. **Winning Pitcher:** Cai Brevig

6/18 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Red Top v. Watkins - Rained Out
Norway v. Williamsburg - Rained Out
Fairfax v. Walford - Rained Out

6/25 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Fairfax v. Watkins - Rained Out
Walford v. Williamsburg - Rained Out
Red Top v. Norway - Rained Out

7/8 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Norway v. Watkins - Game One: Norway scores 3 in the 1st, 5 in the 2nd and 5 more in the 7th to win 13-3: McVeigh, Funke, VanScoyoc and Martensen all had 2 RBI's. The **Winning Pitcher** was Dreighton LeVeine who threw 7 complete innings. **Game Two:** Watkins scores 2 in the 1st on Lukavsky's 2 run homer, and 4 in the 3rd: Lukavsky gets another RBI and Cael Hodges has 2 in the 6-2 win. **Winning Pitcher:** Hunter Davis throws a complete game.

7/9 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Red Top v. Walford - Game One: Red Top scores 2 in the 2nd, Walford scores 1 in the 3rd, and that's the way the game ended: 2-1. Jestel and Slyter both had RBIs. The **Winning Pitcher** was Noah Desaulniers; Cai Brevig got a **Save**. **Game Two:** Red Top scores 10 runs over 7 innings to win 10-0. **Winning Pitcher:** Drew Wilcox

Fairfax v. Williamsburg - Game One: Williamsburg wins: 20-0 in 4 innings. The **Winning Pitcher** was Travis Bowman – he gave up no hits and had 5 K's. **Game Two:** Williamsburg wins 6-1. **Winning Pitcher:** Casey Ogden

7/16 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Fairfax v. Red Top - Game One: Red Top comes back to win 6-4, behind Tyler Friis' 3 RBIs. **Winning Pitcher:** Drew Wilcox **Save:** Cody Zahn **Game Two:** Red Top wins 10-0 in 5. Mason Kamp, Drew Turner and Antonio Dominguez had home runs. **Winning Pitcher:** Cai Brevig

Williamsburg v. Watkins - Game One: Watkins scored 3 in the bottom of the First to lead 3-1, but Williamsburg would score in the 3rd and 7th innings to tie the score. Williamsburg scored 2 in the 8th. Watkins would score 1 run but left the bases loaded to make the **Final Score:** 5-4. **Winning Pitcher** Travis Bowman (7 innings) **Save:** Dustin Meierotto **Game Two:** Watkins scores 2 in the bottom of the 7th to make it close but the final score: Williamsburg 3-2. **Winning Pitcher:** Casey Ogden **Save:** Brendan Martin. Drew Cook had 2 RBIs for Williamsburg.

Norway v. Walford - Game One: It was 1 to 1 after 3 innings, but Walford scored 4 runs in the 4th. **Final Score:** 6-2. The **Winning Pitcher** was Parker Bolt with a complete game and 13 K's. Pat McGinn went 2 for 3 with 2 RBIs **Game Two:** Walford Wins 8 -1. Dom Delapaz had 2 hits and 2 RBIs. **Winning Pitcher:** Darren Kirkpatrick **Save:** Caleb Banowetz

7/23 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Watkins v. Norway - Game One: Starters. Davis & Hanlon were tied-up after 5 Innings, but Sam Monroe's Sac Fly in the 6th provides the winning run: 4-3. **Winning Pitcher:** Caden Richards **Game Two:** Watkins erupted for 16 runs in 5 innings to win 16-5. Gage & Trey Frank, Jonny Frese, Barden and Lukavsky had multiple RBIs... Skylar Frese had 3 hits. **Winning Pitcher:** Casey Stalzer goes four innings with 5 Ks.

Fairfax v. Williamsburg - Game One: The Burg wins 15-5. **Winning Pitcher:** Casey Ogden doesn't give up a hit and has 4 Ks in 4 innings. **Game Two:** The Burg wins: 14-7. **Winning Pitcher:** Dustin Meierotto goes 3 1/3 innings with 6 Ks.

Walford v. Red Top - Game One: Walford wins: 12-2. D J Hodges goes 3 for 4. The **Winning Pitcher** was Kolton Lyman who went 6 Innings **Game Two:** Walford Wins 5 -1. Jack Lux and Colin Gibson each had 2 hits. **Winning Pitcher:** Darren Kilpatrick – Complete Game

7/30 - Iowa Valley League Recap

Watkins v. Walford - Game One: Walford wins: 3-2. Mike Delzell: 3 hits, RBI. **Winning Pitcher:** Parker Bolt gives up 3 hits and 2 runs in 6 innings, with 9 K's. **Game Two:** Walford wins 7-6 in 11 innings. **In extra innings:** Jayden Gibson and Carter Gallagher had RBIs to tie the game and Dom Delapaz had an RBI double. **Winning Pitcher:** Kolton Lyman in relief

Red Top v. Williamsburg - Game One: Williamsburg 6-1. Vasin Thurman, Garrett Jensen and Reece Mayer had 2 hits; Vasin 2 RBIs. **Winning Pitcher:** Casey Ogden **Game Two:** Williamsburg wins 7-5. Jason & Vasin Thurman had 2 hits each as well as Cook and Avea. **Winning Pitcher:** Travis Bowman **Save:** Cade Armstrong

Fairfax v. Norway - Game One: Norway wins 13-3. **Winning Pitcher:** Caden Evans - 6 Innings, 3 runs, 5 hits, 9 K's. **Game Two:** Norway wins 14-1. T J Kimm has 4 RBIs. **Winning Pitcher:** Jordan Hanlon gives up 1 run and 2 hits in 4 innings.