

## **BATEMAN'S NO-HITTER AGAINST STILLWATER PROPELS TRI-CITY RED INTO SUBSTATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

*New Brighton, Minn. (July 26)* -- Tri-City Red beat Stillwater 10-0 on Thursday night at Irondale High School, to advance to the championship game of the Substate 8 Playoff tournament, thanks to a five-inning no-hitter from Brett Bateman. The no-hitter was the second of the tournament for Tri-City Red.

Red had a 3-0 lead heading into the fifth inning, in which they poured on the runs, with seven runs on four hits, including a three-RBI triple from Jonah Sparks and singles from Bateman, Carter Traczyk and Justin Langer. Also scoring for Red were Ben Jepko, Channing Cole and Matt Herold.

Sparks was on third with two outs, when John Solfest hit a ground ball back to the pitcher, who booted the ball, allowing Sparks to cross the plate, which gave Red the walk-off victory.

Sparks finished the game 2-4, with three runs batted in, while Bateman was 2-3 with two runs scored. Other Red players who finished with two hits were Ben Jepko (2-3) and Traczyk (2-3). Traczyk also had two runs batted in.

Red gets a day off before playing for the Substate 8 championship on Saturday, with its opponent being determined on Friday. The first game of the day will be at 3 p.m. and will feature Lino Lakes against Tri-City Maroon. The winner will play at 5:30 p.m. against Stillwater; the winner of that game will face Red on Saturday.

### **Game 32: July 26, 2018 (SS8 Playoff Game 3)**

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Bateman and Herold.  
Seeman, Andrews (5) and Venske

Winning Pitcher: Brett Bateman  
Losing Pitcher: Nicholas Seeman

TCR Record: 25-6-1

### **Other Substate 8 Scores**

Game 9: #3 Tri-City Maroon 5, #5 Tri-City Blue 1 (Tri-City Blue eliminated)  
Game 10: #4 Lino Lakes, #7 Chisago Lakes 0 (5 innings; Chisago Lakes eliminated)

### **Friday's Schedule (All games at Irondale)**

Game 12: #4 Lino Lakes vs. #3 Tri-City Maroon 3:00 p.m.  
Game 13: (Game 12 Winner) vs #2 Stillwater 5:30 p.m.

[Link to Bracket](#)

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