

# Chippewa River Baseball League



2017 CRBL Champion Osseo Merchants

## 2018 Schedule

## Tilden home games @ Casper

- EC Bears home games @ Altoona
- ➤ EC Rivermen home games @ Stein

## Saturday, April 28 JIM FALLS @ BLOOMER

TILDEN @ CADOTT

## Sunday, April 29 CADOTT @ JIM FALLS

AUGUSTA @ OSSEO TILDEN @ STANLEY EC BEARS @ EC RIVERMEN **BLOOMER @ EC CAVALIERS** 

## Wednesday, May 2 EC RIVERMEN @ AUGUSTA

Sunday, May 6 BLOOMER @ EC BEARS (2H) CADOTT @ OSSEO (2H)

EC CAVALIERS @ JIM FALLS WHITEHALL @ AUGUSTA

## Saturday, May 12 BLOOMER @ WHITEHALL (2H) JIM FALLS @ OSSEO (2H)

Sunday, May 13 CADOTT @ EC RIVERMEN (2H) 12:00

## STANLEY @ EC CAVALIERS Wednesday, May 16 TILDEN @ EC CAVALIERS

## Saturday, May 19 STANLEY @ BLOOMER

Sunday, May 20 EC RIVERMEN @ WHITEHALL TILDEN @ BEEF RIVER (2H) AUGUSTA @ JIM FALLS (2H) STANLEY @ OSSEO (2H)

### Wednesday, May 23

Cadott @ EC Cavaliers FC Bears @ Beef River Osseo @ EC Rivermen 7:00 Bloomer @ Tilden

### Friday, May 25 WHITEHALL @ EC RIVERMEN 7:00

Sunday, June 3 STANLEY @ BLOOMER TILDEN @ EC BEARS (2H)
OSSEO @ EC CAVALIERS (2H) CADOTT @ AUGUSTA (2H) EC RIVERMEN @ JIM FALLS (2H)

## Wednesday, June 6 CADOTT @ STANLEY WHITEHALL @ BEEF RIVER

Friday, June 8 WHITEHALL @ OSSEO

## Saturday, June 9 AUGUSTA @ TILDEN (2H) STANLEY @ JIM FALLS

EC CAVALIERS @ BLOOMER Sunday, June 10 EC CAVALIERS @ CADOTT

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## Wednesday, June 13 BEEF RIVER @ AUGUSTA

### Saturday, June 16 OSSEO @ TILDEN (2H) EC RIVERMEN @ BLOOMER (2H) STANLEY @ BEEF RIVER (2H) 3:00 EC BEARS @ AUGUSTA

Sunday, June 17 JIM FALLS @ CADOTT 3:00

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Wednesday, June 20 BEEF RIVER @ EC RIVERMEN 7:00 OSSEO @ AUGUSTA STANLEY @ TILDEN

Saturday, June 23 EC CAVALIERS @ BEEF RIVER (2H)

## Sunday, June 24 STANLEY @ CADOTT

TILDEN @ JIM FALLS AUGUSTA @ EC CAVALIERS (2H)

## Wednesday, June 27 JIM FALLS @ EC CAVALIERS

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## Saturday, June 30 ALL GAMES @ OSSEO

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### Sunday, July 1 ALL STAR GAME @ WHITEHALL 12:30

Saturday, July 7 WHITEHALL @ TILDEN (2H) JIM FALLS @ EC BEARS (2H) @ STEIN

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Sunday, July 8 STANLEY @ AUGUSTA (2H) OSSEO @ BLOOMER (2H) EC CAVALIERS @ EC RIVERMEN (2H) BEEF RIVER @ CADOTT (2H)

## Wednesday, July 11 EC CAVALIERS @ TILDEN BEEF RIVER @ EC BEARS

Friday, July 13 EC CAVALIERS @ STANLEY

## Saturday, July 14 JIM FALLS @ WHITEHALL (2H)

Sunday, July 15 EC BEARS @ EC CAVALIERS (2H). EC RIVERMEN @ STANLEY (2H) WHITEHALL @ CADOTT (2H) BEEF RIVER @ BLOOMER (2H) JIM FALLS @ TILDEN

### Wednesday, July 18 EC RIVERMEN @ BEEF RIVER JIM FALLS @ STANLEY OSSEO @ EC BEARS

Saturday, July 21 CADOTT @ BLOOMER EC CAVALIERS @ WHITEHALL (2H)

## Sunday, July 22 CADOTT @ TILDEN OSSEO @ BEEF RIVER BLOOMER @ JIM FALLS

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## Wednesday, July 25 AUGUSTA @ BEEF RIVER EC RIVERMEN @ EC BEARS OSSES @ WHITEHALL

Saturday, July 28 EC BEARS @ CADOTT (2H) AUGUSTA @ BLOOMER (2H) TILDEN @ EC RIVERMEN (2H)

## Wednesday, August 1 WILD CARD PLAYOFFS

Saturday, August 4 CHAMPIONSHIP @ HIGHEST SEED 12:30

## 2018 Chippewa River Baseball League Preview

elcome to yet another season of organized and competitive local baseball in the historical and documented Chippewa River Baseball League. It is with pride and respect that we recognize 2018 as the 90th season of baseball in the CRBL over a 110-year span of time dating back to 1908. It is truly is remarkable to consider that over 12,300 individuals have played in the CRBL over this long and storied existence. Definitively stated, very few if any baseball organizations – amateur or professional – across the United States can substantiate such a strong and rich place in America's pastime as that of the Chippewa River Baseball League.

2017 marked the second year in a row that the Osseo Merchants dominated the CRBL landscape. With a single-season record 21 wins (against just one loss), the talented and powerful Merchants captured the South Division, beating the Tilden Tigers 10-4 in the wildcard game, and then besting the Eau Claire Cavaliers 3-2 in the CRBL championship game played at top notch Merchant Park in Osseo. The Cavs had reached the title bout via an 8-4 win over the Eau Claire Bears in their wildcard match.

Osseo's success continued in to the WBA, where for the second consecutive year they made the Final 8 (fourth time in franchise history) but once again lost to the Sparta Millers in the WBA championship game, this time by a score of 6-4 at Viroqua.

In addition to Osseo, the 17 and 5 North Division champion Eau Claire Cavaliers also made the Final 8 (the second in their franchise's history), before losing to Spooner 3-0 in their opening game of the finals. With Osseo and Whitehall making the Final 8 in 2016, it was the first successive stretch of seasons since 2007, 2008, and 2009 that the CRBL had multiple teams make the Final 8.

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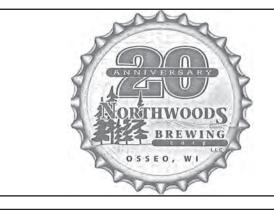
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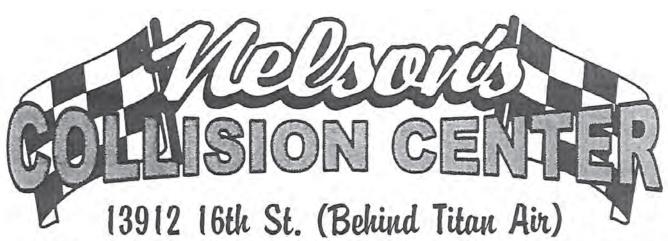
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he 2018 Eau Claire Bears look to keep things going after another excellent year in which the Bears won 17 games. They fell short of the CRBL championship in a wild-card game loss to end the league season. The bears returned to the WBA playoffs again in 2017 but lost in the first round to the Menomonie Eagles, ending their season.

As far as Individual awards go, the Bears had one player on the All-CRBL team and one Honorable Mention. In 2017 Chevy Tollefson received his 4th All-CRBL Award as a pitcher, and Austin Neu received his first honorable mention All-CRBL Award for his play at second base.

The Bears will have a little bit of a new look this season starting with the manager position. Reed Pecha is stepping down as manager of the Eau Claire Bears, ending an amazing 10 year run. Pecha ended his managerial career with an overall record of 155-51, with three CRBL Championships, and two State Titles. These will be tough shoes to fill for rookie manager Chevy Tollefson. The Eau Claire Bears are also happy to announce they will be calling a new field home in 2018. Cinder City Park will be the host of all Eau Claire Bears home games. The Bears are returning a core group of veterans and bringing in some new guys who they hope can make an immediate impact for the Bears. Make sure to come out and cheer on your Eau Claire Bears this summer! We are excited to be a part of another great CRBL season. GO BEARS!



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> 2017 CRBL MVP Award Ryan Freitag - Osseo

2017 CRBL Rookie of the Year Award Dalton Hutton – EC Rivermen

2017 Jan Kruger manager of the Year Award Garrett Nix - Osseo

> 2017 CRBL Sportsmanship Award Osseo Merchants



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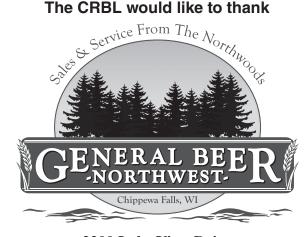
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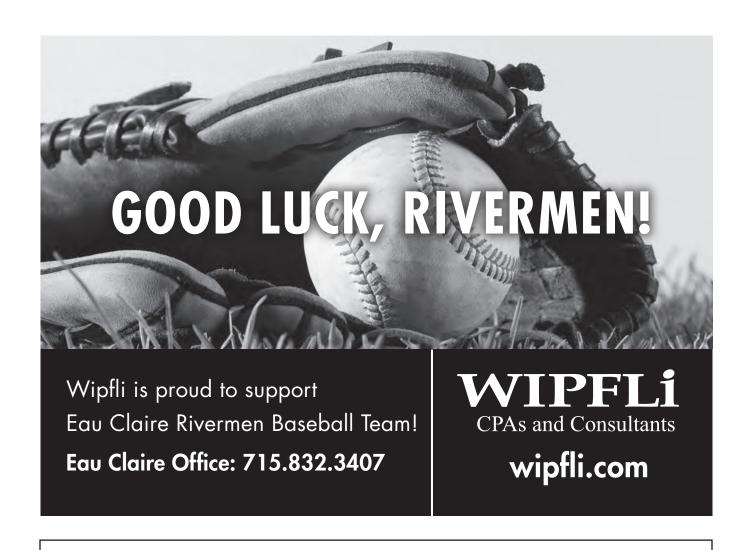
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n 2017 the Slammers struggled with a consistent lineup and staying healthy causing them to finish 6-16 in the CRBL. The Slammers hosted the 2017 WBA regional and lost to the State Champions Sparta Miller in first round of the tournament. Kevin Christorf was the Slammers Honorable Mention All CRBL award winner. The Slammers will be without a veteran this season as Shawn Knox has decided to retire. Shawn was with the team since 2012 and had a productive CRBL career.

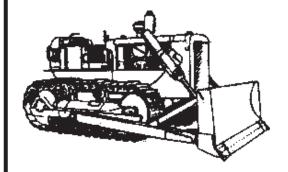
In 2018 the Slammers will look to the young players on the roster mixed in with some of the veterans remaining on the team to get that consistent lineup and put together a good season and make a run for the North Title and a return trip to the playoffs. The Slammers would like to wish all the teams the best of luck this season and are looking forward to another great year for the CRBL this season.





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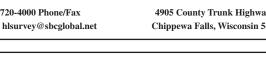
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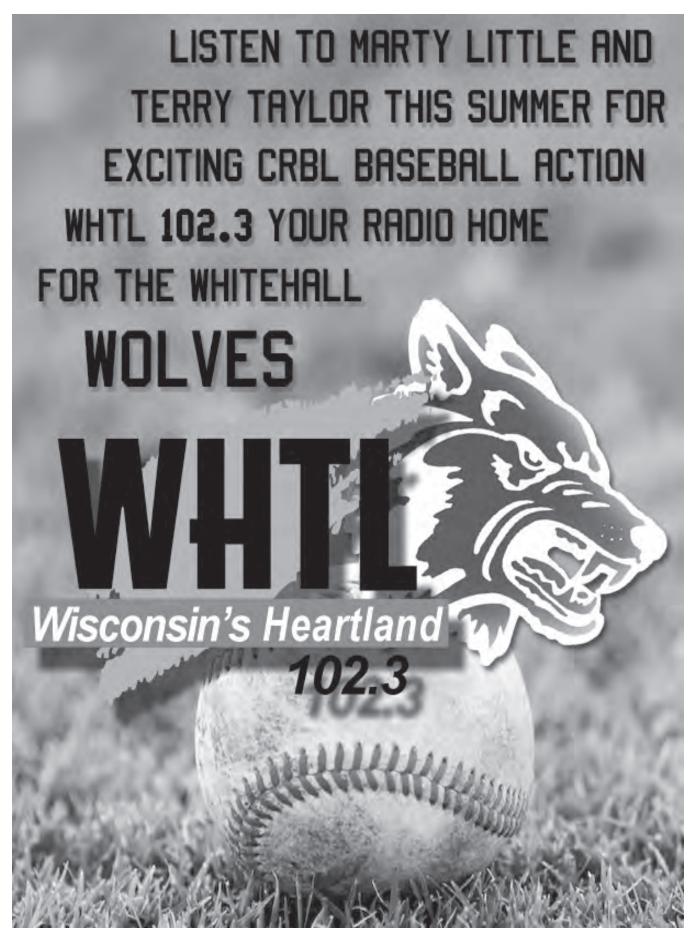
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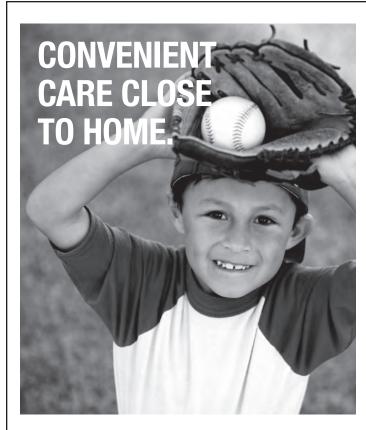
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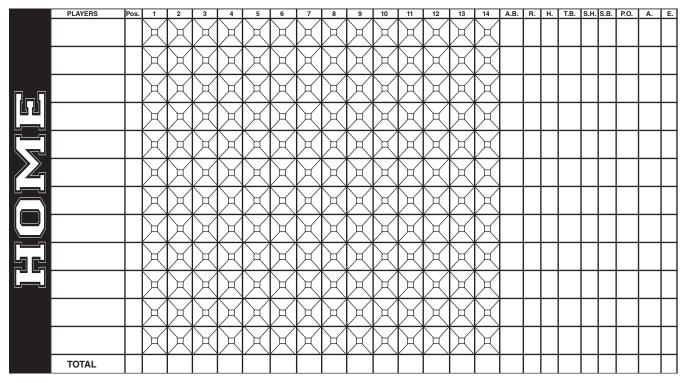


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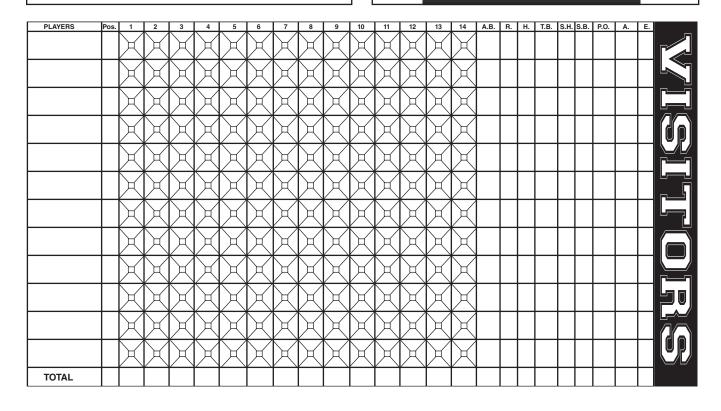
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fter two years of metamorphosis, Jim Falls manager Matt Nelson hopes to post a stable roster and field a steady lineup.

Coming off a disappointing 6-16 record in 2017, Nelson did see progress toward becoming a more offensive team—in a good way, that is. He was encouraged by some of the performances at the plate. Landon Mueller reminded fans of the Sturgeon's long-time tendency to feature left-handed swingers by leading the

team in average (.400), hits (28), runs (12), RBI (19), and stolen bases (7). Several others contributed to the plate success. Matt Selz finished at .375. Avery Elliot sparkled as a rookie, hitting .317 with 20 hits, tied for second on the team. Lee Balsiger also had 20 hits en route to a .303 average. His 2 home runs matched an amazing 2 strikeouts in 70 plate appearances, and his 13 RBI were good for second on the team. Nelson (.284), Bob Maurer (.282 with 1 HR and a .788 OPS), Jake Sperry (.273 with 11 BB for a .448 OBP), Tyler Jepson (.268, 1 HR), and Justin Martell (.257) all helped keep opposing pitchers on edge. Additionally, the Sturgeons return several other players whose down years may well prove to be an anomaly.

Jim Falls took a hit in the pitching staff when starter Dylan Waters went down with an injury early in the season. Several others stepped in, led by Jepson (1-3, 3.92 ERA, 26 K in 41.1 innings), Nelson (1-3, 5.49, 19 K), and Martell (2-0, 6.56). Solidifying the mound situation will be a priority in 2018, and, at this writing, Jake Arrieta is still out there.

A mainstay in the CRBL and the CVL before that, Jim Falls baseball will continue to be a big part of summer. We want to thank our fans and sponsors for making Sturgeon Stadium at Grudem Field the place to be on a weekend afternoon.

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The Athletics were led by Pitcher/Third Baseman James Gilbertson. James was chosen to play in his seventh All-Star Game and was named All-C.R.B.L. for the second straight season. Matthew Gilbertson was named a starter in the All-Star Game, while playing in his fourth, and was selected Honorable Mention All-C.R.B.L.. And Zac LaGow was nominated for the C.R.B.L.'s "Rookie of the Year" Award after an outstanding first year with the club.

In addition to those three, the A's return a number of players who both have experience in the league, yet are under the age of twenty-five! Peyton Bethke, J.J. Breaker, Isaiah Gilbertson, Mitchell Hong, Quinn Kirchoff, Kayne Korger, Josh LaGow and Trenton Meyer will comprise the nucleus of an improving franchise. And look for veterans Chris Budd and Jake Krueger to continue to build on their hall-of-fame worthy resumes.

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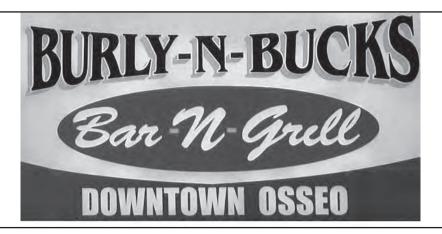
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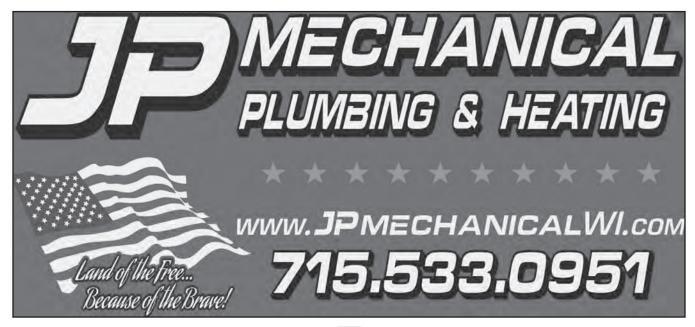


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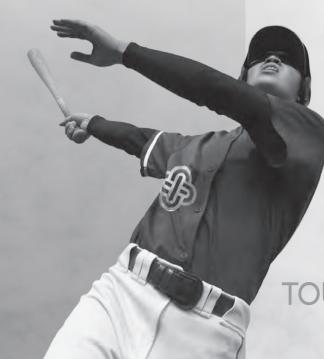


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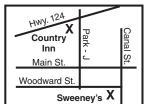
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29-Apr	12:30 PM		Bloomer Fightin' Woodticks
2-May	7:00 PM		UWEC Club Team
5-May	3:00 PM		St.Paul Stockmens Irish
6-May	12:30 PM	@	Jim Falls Sturgeons
9-May	7:30 PM		Haugen Knights
13-May	12:30 PM		Stanley Slammers*
16-May	7:30 PM		Tilden Tigers*
19-May	5:00 PM		Brill Millers
23-May	7:30 PM		Cadott Red Sox*
26-May	7:30 PM	@	Rochester Royals
27-May	3:00 PM		Sparta Miller
28-May	1:00 PM		Eau Claire Bears (NL)
3-Jun	12:30 PM		Osseo Merchants* (DH)
4-Jun	7:30 PM		Hudson River Rats
5-Jun	7:30 PM	@	Menomonie Eagles
9-Jun	12:30 PM	@	Bloomer Fightin' Woodticks*
10-Jun	12:30 PM	@	Cadott Red Sox*
18-Jun	7:30 PM		Brill Millers
21-Jun	7:30 PM		Menomonie Eagles
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24-Jun	12:30 PM		Augusta Athletics (DH)
26-Jun	7:30 PM	@	Sparta Miller
27-Jun	7:30 PM		Jim Falls Sturgeons
29-Jun	7:30 PM	@	La Crescent Cardinals
30-Jun	3:00 PM		Minneapolis River Rats
1-Jul	12:30 PM	@	CRBL ALL STAR GAME (WHITEHALL)
7-Jul	1:00 PM		Rochester Royals (@ FAIRFAX)
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20-Jul	7:00 PM		Westmont Red Sox
21-Jul	12:30 PM	@	Whitehall Wolves* (DH)
22-Jul	12:00 PM		Westmont Red Sox (DH)
27-Jul	7:30 PM	@	River Falls Fighting Fish
28-Jul	2:00 PM	Ш	La Crescent Cardinals
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On the mound the Cavaliers will be led by Brian Dickow (8-3, 65 K, 2.03 ERA in 84.1 IP), Jake Jenneman (6-6, 55 K, 3.53 ERA in 79 IP), Travis Berg (1-0, 24 K, 0.60 ERA in 15 IP), Storm Standiford (3-2, 40 K, 2.56 ERA in 31.2 IP).

Offensively the Cavaliers are led by Tom Mewhorter, (.408, 13 2B, 39 RBI), Tyler Hermann (.459, 6 2B, 11 SB), Matt Kent (.310, 33 R, 5 2B, 8 SB) Cody Cline (.303, 46 H, 8 2B, 2 3B, 6 SB) and Cole Tyman (.275, 8 2B, 1 3B, 3 HR).

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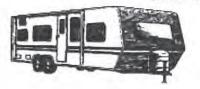
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The hydro powered offense will be propelled by shortstop and 2017 CRBL Rookie of the Year Dalton Hutton, Honorable Mention pick Josh Briggs at 1st base, All-CRBL designated hitter Andy Niese, as well as utility players Jake Krier, Sawyer Sturz and Matt Alley.

Athleticism and youth will be enhanced by the returns of Jesse Holman, Tim Schaller, and Bryan Sydow while dedicated veterans Zach Parr, Dave Roubal, Hans Soukup, Tim Wilson, and Chad Zutter will provide the stability every amateur team strives for.

Alas, the Rivermen will have to deal with two huge departures: 13-year veteran Terry McCann has decided to hang up his spikes and 3rd baseman/pitcher Travis Tomaszewski has moved to Grand Rapids, MI. Both were outstanding teammates and valuable contributors – thank you and good luck Terry and Big T!

The Eau Claire Rivermen would like to thank our generous sponsors and advertisers as we begin our second season of play in the CRBL. GO RIVERMEN!

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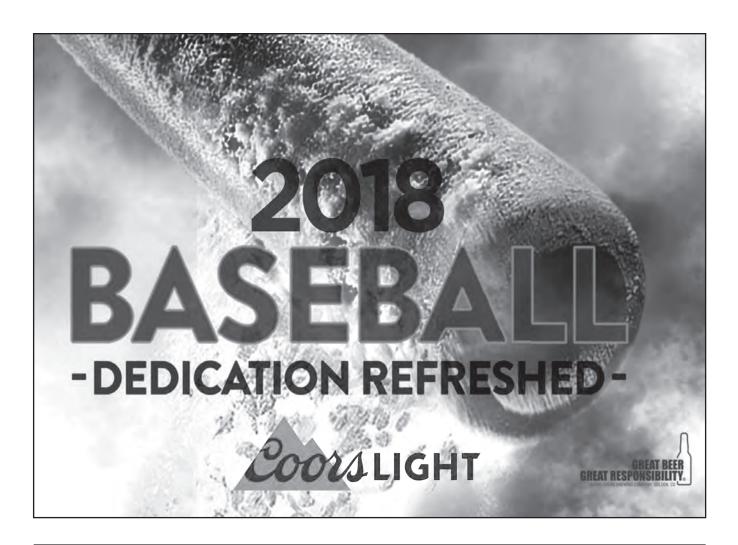
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was another successful season for the Merchants. The boys won their second straight CRBL South division crown with a league record 21 wins against only one loss, along with another CRBL championship. The season ended as it did the previous year, losing in the state title game. The pitching staff was anchored by Jake Peterson and Logan Boettcher, who were nearly unhittable. Jesse Brockman, Todd Weinkes, Sam Waters, Nolan Matson, and Joe Zawacki led a talented defense, to name a few. The offense featured

consistent and timely hitting, but was fueled by Ryan Freitag, The Ryno shattered league records by bashing 13 dingers and knocking in 48 RBI's. He also batted an even .500, and led the league in walks (25) and runs (33). Luke Anderson will take over managerial duties from Garrett Nix in 2018. Garrett will be missed in the clubhouse. 2018 will feature the unveiling of our fully operational grandstand. The timing couldn't be better, considering Osseo will host the WBA state finals in August. Thanks to all of our local sponsors, without them none of this would be possible. See you at the ballpark. WWMD!

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hitters out. They will need to do this again in the always tough Southern Division of the CRBL.

The defense behind these pitchers is led by our veteran shortstop Scott Hovell when he is not pitching. Long-time shortstop Tyler Manley is doing his residency for medical school and will not be available this summer. Third base time will be shared by Nate Pronschinske and Kyle Servais. Our right side of the infield is led by Alex Petroski at second base and Brad Schank at first base. Zack Pronshinske will also play first base when he is not pitching. Payton Slaby and Sam Hirschbaeck provide the needed depth in the infield as they can play multiple positions on the infield. The Wolves speedy outfield is led by centerfielder Trent VonDrasek. In right field we have the strong arm and speed of Sam Schweisthal that keeps many balls from dropping to the outfield grass. The always steady Drew Pronschinnske is in left field. Jon Cieminski and Carter Halverson will also provide depth in the outfield. Max Ferguson handles the catching duties and is a big part of holding down opposing team's running game. We are looking for upstart catcher Devin Zonick-Greenwold to get innings at this crucial spot also.

You have to score runs to win titles as well and in the offensive department the Wolves are led by Scott Hovell, Kyle Servais, Max Ferguson, Alex Byom, Trent Vondrasek, Nate Pronschinske, Sam Schweisthal, and Zak Pronschinske. The Wolves will be playing a tough 30 game schedule this year so all players on the roster will have opportunities to contribute.

The Whitehall Wolves would like to thank our sponsor Dave Pientok of Tri-City Sanitation, and the entire Whitehall community for their support of Wolves baseball. We would also like to thank Tom and Connie from Newcomb Valley Inn for hosting and supporting our annual fundraiser each year. Finally, we would like to thank Marty Little and Butch Halama for the tremendous coverage of Wolves' baseball. These guys cover nearly every Wolves' game no matter where we play. The Whitehall Wolves also have the honor of hosting the 2018 CRBL All-Star game this year in Whitehall. The game will be Sunday, July 1st at 12:30. We hope to see you at the park this summer for some exciting Chippewa River Baseball League games.

#### 2018 WHITEHALL WOLVES ROSTER Manager: Louie Ferguson

Players: Drew Pronschinske, Trent VonDrasek, Alex Byom, Brad Schank, Max Ferguson, Scott Hovell, Sam Hirshbeck, Alex Petroski, Payton Slaby, Kyle Servais, Zack Pronschinske, Sam Schweisthal, Collin Manley, Nate Pronschinske, Jon Ciemenski, Carter Halverson, Devin Zonick-Greenwold, Blake Thiesse





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