

2009 Season

Final Record: 31-12

Rock River: 17-6

Tri-County: 10-3

**** Tri-County Nite League Grand Champions**

**** Rock River Playoffs**

**** Jim Pokel Memorial Tourney – Runner-up**



Front Row (L to R): Matt Schilter, Jon Olla, Matt Meisenheimer, Mitch Huffman, Adam Sarauer

Back Row (L to R): Jim Ziegler, Kurt Zagzebski, Jason Strobel, Austin Sarauer, Dan Shea, Jake Panzer

A's "Walk-Off" With Night League Championship

September 13th - The Kewaskum A's captured the Tri-County Night League Grand Championship on Sunday knocking off the Rubicon Red Sox 8-7 in walk off fashion. The win capped another successful season for the team and also gave the A's their first league championship since 1988, when they also claimed the Tri-County Championship. The A's found themselves down early in this one though, as Rubicon exploded for 5 runs in the 2nd inning. Rubicon took advantage of three hits and an uncharacteristic four walks in the inning off Kewaskum starting pitcher Jim Ziegler in jumping ahead 5-0.

Kewaskum cut into that lead in the bottom half of the second inning when Jason Strobel connected on his seventh home run of the year with nobody on. Jake Panzer followed with a one out double down the left field line and Ziegler followed with a single through the hole at short to put runners on the corners. Matt Schilter then ripped a RBI single and Dan Shea delivered a two-out RBI single to cut the Rubicon lead to 5-3.

The A's kept their momentum rolling into the third inning. Kurt Zagzebski walked to lead off the inning and advanced to second on an Adam Sarauer one out single. Panzer followed with a tailor made double play ball to short, but when the throw to second sailed into right field, the A's inning remained alive. Ziegler followed with a RBI infield single to tie it and Schilter ripped a RBI single to center to give the A's a 6-5 lead after three complete innings. Both pitchers settled in from there though, as neither team scored until the 7th, when the A's added an insurance run to push their lead to 7-5.

Rubicon would not go down easily in the ninth, as a single through the right side and a walk put runners on 1st and 2nd with nobody out off reliever Jake Panzer. Panzer was able to strikeout the next batter for the first out of the inning and then induced the next batter into a possible double-play groundball to short. Everyone was safe on the play though, when the throw to second base sailed wide of the bag allowing for Rubicon to cut the lead to one. Rubicon then tied it on a fielder's choice to short, but further damage was avoided as a groundout ended the inning.

With the game tied at 7-7 in the bottom of the ninth, Jason Strobel lifted a deep fly ball to straightaway centerfield. However, in a game that featured numerous odd plays, the Rubicon centerfielder fell down backpedaling on the ball and Strobel ended up on third base giving the A's a golden opportunity to win this one. Adam Sarauer was able to work a walk, as did Jake Panzer to load the bases. With

the Rubicon pitcher completely struggling to find the zone, Ziegler walked on five pitches to force in the winning run. The A's were led by Jason Strobel 3x5 (2B, 3B, HR, RBI), Dan Shea 3x5 (2 2B, RBI), and Jim Ziegler 4x4 (3 RBI's). Jake Panzer picked up his fifth win of the season in relief. The A's end 2009 with a final record of 31-12.

A's Salvage Weekend, Advance to Nite League Championship

August 30th - While the A's had their opportunity to play in the Rock River Championship end on Saturday, they still had a chance to advance to the Tri-County Night League Championship with a win over Neosho on Sunday. In this game the A's pounded out 20 hits and hung on for an 11-6 victory over a Neosho team coming off a three week layoff. The A's now advance to play Rubicon in the championship at a time and place to be determined. The win also marked the 30th victory on the season for the A's, the second consecutive season they have reached the 30 win plateau.

The A's threatened early in this one, but wasted a chance to score when Jon Olla was thrown out at home on an Austin Sarauer single to right. The A's were still able to take a 1-0 lead in the inning though, thanks to a Kurt Zagzebski RBI single. Neosho answered back in the 2nd, taking advantage of a fly ball that dropped in for a single to score two runs. Kewaskum took the lead for good in the 4th when consecutive balls hit by Matt Schilter and Jon Olla dropped in for RBI basehits to give the A's a 3-2 lead.

The A's tacked on four more runs in the 5th to push the lead to 7-2. The big hit coming in this inning on a Jake Panzer 2 RBI double to left. Adam Sarauer, Dan Shea and Matt Meisenheimer also chipped in with singles as the A's batted around in the inning. Mitch Huffman cruised through the first seven innings only giving up the 2 runs, which came on a ball that probably should have been caught. Huffman began to run out of gas in the 8th though and gave way to Jim Ziegler who entered with the bases loaded for Neosho. An ensuing single by Neosho cut the lead to 7-6, but Ziegler was able to get a double play to get out of the jam.

Kewaskum pushed across four more runs in the 9th, with Zagzebski leading off with a double and later coming into score on a Jason Strobel RBI single. Panzer and Schilter followed with singles, mixed in between outs, to load the bases for Jon Olla. Olla ripped a clutch double to the gap, clearing the bases and pushing the A's lead to 11-6 as the A's hung on for the victory. Mitch Huffman picked up the victory for the A's tossing 7 1/3 innings and was relieved by Ziegler, who threw the final 1 2/3 innings. Olla led the A's hit parade with a 5x6 day (3 2B, 4 RBI's) at the plate. Jake Panzer was also 3x4 (2B, 2 RBI's).

Clutch Hits Missing in 1-0 Loss to Clyman

August 29th - The Kewaskum A's hopes for a chance at the Rock River Grand Championship game came to a screeching halt on Saturday as they dropped a 1-0 decision to 2-time defending champion Clyman. The A's came into the game as one of the most potent offenses in the league, but a pitcher's duel was in store, as temperatures in the low 60's and stiff breeze blowing in all day limited both team's scoring opportunities.

The A's went down in order only once in the first five innings, but most of the scoring opportunities in those innings came with two outs. The clutch base hit never seemed to come in these situations and the game remained scoreless through four. In the bottom of the 5th, Clyman led off with a double, down the left field line, just off the glove of the leftfielder. A groundball out moved the runner to third, and a double to the gap plated the only run of the game. Kewaskum threatened in the top of the 6th as Austin Sarauer ripped a one out single and Kurt Zagzebski followed with a single of his own. A fielder's choice put runners on the corners with two outs, but a failed double steal ended the inning.

The A's best chance of the day came in the 7th though. Adam Sarauer singled to lead off the inning and Mitch Huffman walked to put two runners on with nobody out. Meisenheimer laid down a sac bunt and the A's were in business with runners on 2nd and 3rd and only one out. That brought up Matt Schilter who ripped a one hopper to the shortstop, but with the infield drawn in, there was no way the runner on third ever had a chance to score. Jon Olla followed with a pop out to the first basemen to end the A's threat. Kewaskum went in order in the 8th and 9th innings as the loss eliminated Kewaskum from the Rock River playoffs. For the second consecutive year, the A's found themselves on the wrong side of a 1-0 elimination game in the Rock River playoffs. Jim Ziegler took the tough loss, throwing the complete game, while only giving up 3 hits. The A's were led offensively by Adam Sarauer (3x4) and Kurt Zagzebski (2x4).

Strobel, Ziegler Push A's Past Rubicon in Rock Playoffs

August 23rd - The Kewaskum A's avoided getting knocked out of the Rock River playoffs on Sunday as they defeated the Rubicon Red Sox 6-1. It was the first win at Rubicon in easily over a decade, but it couldn't have come at a better time for the A's. Jason Strobel led the way at the plate for the A's belting a 2 run home run to go along with a 2 RBI triple, while Jim Ziegler shut down Rubicon on the mound giving up 1 run in the complete game effort. The A's now travel to Clyman on Saturday and with a win would earn themselves a spot in the Grand Championship game to be played September 5th either at Clyman or Rubicon.

Rubicon got on the board first in this one when Shane O'Hagan dumped a RBI double in front of a diving Jon Olla in leftfield. Kewaskum finally got on the board in the fifth and took the lead on a Jason Strobel two-run home run that was crushed to left. Strobel struck again in the 7th inning. A Nick Whitty walk and an Adam Sarauer single back up the middle put runners on 1st and 2nd with one out. Strobel worked the count to 3-1 before ripping a triple to left, nearly missing his second home run of the day. The A's would tack on two additional runs in winning this one 6-1. The A's will now take on back-to-back Grand Champion Clyman on Saturday in Clyman at 1:30pm. The A's then will travel to Neosho on Sunday for a night league semi-final game at 1pm.

A's Continue to Struggle Against Brownsville, Lose 4-2

August 22nd - The Kewaskum A's recent woes against the Brownsville 49ers continued on Saturday as they dropped a 4-2 Rock River Playoff game at home. Brownsville jumped ahead 1-0 on a James Goodfellow 1st inning homer to dead center off Kewaskum starter

Mitch Huffman. The A's were able to tie the game in the 2nd inning on an Adam Sarauer RBI single back up the middle. Brownsville came right back in the top half of 3rd and took a 2-1 lead on a Goodfellow RBI single. The A's quickly tied the game back up in the bottom of the 3rd on an Austin Sarauer RBI single.

With the game still tied at 2-2 in the sixth, Nick Whitty and Adam Sarauer ripped back-to-back singles to put two on for the A's with only one out. Brownsville starting pitcher Tyler Witkowski was able to strike out the next two Kewaskum batters as the A's wasted one of their best opportunities of the game to score. Brownsville rode that momentum into the 7th as JJ Raflik belted a 2 run home run putting the 49ers up 4-2. The A's put a runner on base in each of the next three innings but were unable to get much else going and dropped their fourth game of the season to Brownsville. With the loss the A's face a must win on Sunday in the Rock River playoffs. Nick Whitty and Adam Sarauer led the A's at the plate each going 3x4.

A's Remain Unbeaten in Rock Playoffs With Win Sunday

August 16th - The Kewaskum A's remained unbeaten in the Rock River Playoffs with an 8-2 victory over the Lebanon Whitetails Sunday afternoon. The A's struggled early against Lebanon starting pitcher, Zach Lauersdorf, but the toll of Lauersdorf already throwing two complete games already this week may have began to show in the fourth. With Kewaskum trailing 1-0 in the fourth inning, Jake Spaeth walked to leadoff the inning. Spaeth was able to get to third base thanks to a throwing error and a wild pitch and came into score on a Kurt Zagzebski RBI single tying the game at 1-1. The A's took advantage of another Lebanon miscue in the fifth as they loaded the bases with two outs, but were only able to score one run, thanks to an errant throw back to the pitcher.

Kewaskum tacked on a single run in the sixth inning as Austin Sarauer reached on a single, and eventually scored on a wild pitch. The A's put the game away in the seventh inning when they plated three more runs. Matt Meisenheimer doubled to lead off the inning and scored on a one-out RBI single by Spaeth. Shea reached on a fielder's choice to load the bases and Austin Sarauer followed with a 2 RBI single past a drawn-in infield to put the lead at 6-1. The A's also picked up an insurance run in the 8th and 9th innings as they scored at least one run in each of the final 6 innings. Jim Ziegler got the win on the mound tossing 8 innings, while giving up 2 runs on 7 hits. Jake Panzer threw a scoreless ninth to closeout the victory. The A's were led at the plate by Nick Whitty 3x5 (2 2B), Kurt Zagzebski 3x4 (2B, RBI) and Austin Sarauer 2x5 (2 RBI). The A's continue their Rock River playoff run on Saturday as they host the Brownsville 49ers in Kiwanis Park at 1:30pm. The A's will also play on Sunday against an opponent and location TBD.

Kewaskum Picks up Victory on Day 1 of Playoffs

August 15th - The Kewaskum A's knocked off Madison L.T. 10-2 on Saturday in a Rock River Playoff game. Madison L.T. jumped ahead 2-0 off Kewaskum starting pitcher Mitch Huffman in the top of the 1st, but Huffman settled in from there and shut down L.T. over the next 6 innings allowing no more runs. Jake Lathers threw two scoreless innings of relief to seal the victory for the A's.

L.T.'s lead was shortlived on Saturday though, as the A's put up 9 runs over the first two innings. Matt Meisenheimer got things started in the first with a walk, followed by singles from Dan Shea and Austin Sarauer to load the bases for Kurt Zagzebski. Meisenheimer scampered in on a wild pitch during the at-bat and Zagzebski eventually ripped a sac fly to left knot the score at 2-2. Jason Strobel blooped a double into right to give the A's the lead and Whitty dropped a double of his own in to put the A's up 4-2 after one complete inning.

The second inning was more of the same for the A's as Adam Sarauer lifted a solo home-run to left, his second homer of the year. Jake Panzer followed with a single. After a sac bunt from Jake Spaeth, Meisenheimer again walked to put runners on 1st and 2nd. Dan Shea delivered a RBI single putting the score at 6-2. Austin Sarauer singled to load the bases for the A's and Zagzebski followed that up with a RBI single. Nick Whitty capped the scoring in the inning with a 2 RBI single back up the middle pushing the A's lead to 9-2. This was more than enough support for the A's as they cruised to the 10-2 victory. Leading the way at the plate for the A's were Dan Shea 3x4 (RBI) Nick Whitty 2x3 (2B, 3 RBI) and Adam Sarauer 2x4 (HR, 2 RBI).

Kewaskum Wins Nite League Playoff Thriller Over Lannon

August 13th - The Kewaskum A's knocked off the Lannon Stonemen Thursday night 10-9 in 12 innings in a Tri-County Night League playoff game. It was the A's third extra inning victory in their last six games and the first time they have won at Lannon in a significant number of years. The A's jumped ahead in the first as Matt Schilter led off the game with a single and Jake Spaeth followed with a double to put runners on 2nd and 3rd with no one out. A passed ball brought in Schilter for the first run and Jason Strobel followed with a two-run home run to put the A's up 3-0 before the hosts even came to bat. The A's picked up single runs in the second and third innings. Spaeth had a two-out RBI single in the second to score Schilter and Strobel had a RBI single to score Kurt Zagzebski in the third.

Lannon came storming back in the bottom of the third as they sent 10 batters to the plate scoring 6 runs. The big blow was a grand slam off A's pitcher Nick Whitty that snuck just inside the foul pole in right. Trailing 7-5 in the fifth, the A's loaded the bases on singles by Spaeth & Austin Sarauer and a walk to Zagzebski. Nick Whitty jumped on the first pitch he saw for a grand slam to put the A's back on top 9-7. Lannon didn't stay down for long as they scored two quick runs to again tie the game at 9-9.

A game that started off as a slugfest quickly turned into a pitcher's duel. Jake Panzer came on in relief of Whitty in the sixth inning and tossed 7 innings of shutout ball. In his first lengthy appearance on the mound in quite a few years, Panzer dazzled to keep the A's in the game. Lannon also countered with solid pitching after the fifth though. The A's did not get the clutch hit in innings 6-11 that they needed, but in the top of the 12th with two-outs, Austin Sarauer ripped the go-ahead single to right plating Schilter. Panzer worked out of a jam in the bottom half of the 12th inning to preserve the victory. The A's advance to play a Night League semi-final game versus a

team and time to be determined. The A's also learned their Rock River opponents for the weekend. Kewaskum will host Madison L.T. on Saturday at 1:30pm and then will travel to Lebanon on Sunday also at 1:30pm.

A's Lock up #2 Seed in Rock Playoffs

August 10th - The A's were able to secure the number 2 seed in the upcoming Rock River Playoffs as they defeated Oakfield 13-3 in Brownsville Monday night. The A's jumped ahead 2-0 in the first thanks to an Austin Sarauer 2 RBI double to right. The A's pushed their lead to 3-1 on a Dan Shea RBI single in the third, but Oakfield scrapped together two runs in the top of the fourth to tie the game at three apiece. Kewaskum took the lead in the fifth on a Shea sac fly and blew the game open in the sixth as they sent 12 batters to the plate and scored 7 runs. Nick Whitty had a big 2 RBI single in the inning putting the A's up 6-3. Shea, Austin Sarauer and Jason Strobel each had RBI singles in the inning. Jim Ziegler picked up the win on the mound tossing seven innings and Jake Panzer followed with two perfect innings of relief. Leading hitters were Dan Shea 3x4 (3 RBI), Austin Sarauer 2x4 (2B, 3 RBI) and Nick Whitty 2x5 (2 RBI). The A's travel to Lannon on Thursday night for a night league playoff game before returning home Saturday for a Rock River playoff game. The A's will play at Kiwanis at 1:30pm on Saturday against a team to be determined at this point.

A's Offense Shut Down in Loss to Hartford

August 9th - With Rubicon defeating Brownsville on Saturday and the Rock River Northern Division title no longer a possibility, the A's looked to lock up the number 2 seed in the playoffs with a win over Hartford on Sunday. Hartford had other ideas though as they knocked off the A's 3-1. The A's couldn't cash in on numerous scoring opportunities as they left 11 runners on base and hit into two double plays as well. Taking the tough luck loss for the A's was Mitch Huffman who gave up 5 hits to go along with 11 strikeouts. A few timely hits by Hartford was enough to give them the victory. Leading the way at the plate was Matt Meisenheimer who went 3x5 with a RBI. The A's look to lock up the number 2 seed Monday as they take on Oakfield in their final regular season game.

A's Give One Away in Plymouth Championship Game

August 5th - The A's found themselves in position to knock off the Brownsville 49ers for the second consecutive year in the Plymouth Tourney Championship on Wednesday night, but one bad inning left the A's on the losing end of 9-8 game. The A's jumped all over Brownsville pitching early on, scoring 8 runs in the first four innings. Matt Meisenheimer got things started with a one-out single in the 1st. After Austin Sarauer reached on an error, Kurt Zagzebski ripped a 2 RBI double to left to put the A's up 2-0. The A's stayed hot at the plate in the 2nd as Adam Sarauer and Nick Whitty reached with consecutive singles. After a sacrifice bunt by Jake Panzer, Jake Spaeth blasted a pitch off the rightcenter field fence for a 2 RBI triple. Meisenheimer followed with a sac fly and it was 5-0 Kewaskum.

Kewaskum kept the momentum rolling in the 4th with a two-out rally. Meisenheimer had an RBI single and Shea followed with a RBI double. After Austin Sarauer was hit by a pitch, Kurt Zagzebski drove a RBI single to right to make it 8-0 A's. Starting pitcher Jake Lathers cruised through 5 innings giving up only one run, which came on a ball that was lost in the lights. But in the 6th, Brownsville put together a few hits and walks and took advantage of a few Kewaskum miscues to cut the score to 8-4. Lathers was relieved by Jim Ziegler with Brownsville still batting in the 6th, but he did not fare much better as 3 consecutive hits by Brownsville put the 49ers on top 9-8. Shell-shocked by the quick turn of events, the A's never really recovered and would go on to lose 9-8. An important weekend of games await the A's, as they take on Oakfield Friday in Rock River action at Brownsville at 7:30pm before heading to Hartford on Sunday.

Panzer's Walkoff Single Lifts A's in 11 innings

August 2nd - Jake Panzer's walkoff double lifted the Kewaskum A's over the Slinger Stingers on Sunday 4-3, in 11 innings. The win still gives the A's an outside shot at winning the division and receiving the #1 seed in the upcoming Rock River playoffs. For that to happen the A's must win their final two games and Rubicon must lose their final game to Brownsville.

The A's jumped ahead 2-0 in the 4th inning as Austin Sarauer led off the inning with a homerun to get the A's on the board. With one out, Adam Martz lifted a deep fly ball to left that fell for a double. Martz would later come around to score on a RBI double by Nick Whitty. Slinger answered back in the top of the 5th as the leadoff batter reached via an error. The next two batters went in order for Slinger, but the A's were unable to escape the inning unscathed and a double by Slinger's Brad Geldnich knotted the score at 2-2. The score remained tied at two until the top of the 10th when Slinger took advantage of another Kewaskum error to take the lead at 3-2. The A's were able to bounce back in the bottom half of the inning though. Jake Spaeth was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning and Dan Shea moved him to second on a sacrifice bunt. Austin Sarauer then ripped a single up the middle to put runners at first and third for Jason Strobel. Strobel flew out to deep center, but it was more than enough to plate Spaeth and tie the game at three.

After a scoreless top of the 11th for Slinger, Adam Sarauer led off the bottom of the inning with a single for the A's. Nick Whitty executed a perfect sacrifice bunt to move pinch runner Jim Ziegler to second base setting the table for Panzer's heroics. Panzer delivered with a game winning RBI double, past a diving third basemen, to end another nail-biter for the A's. Ziegler picked up the win in relief of Mitch Huffman tossing the final 6 innings, giving up 2 hits and only one unearned run. Huffman tossed the first 5 innings, giving up four hits and just the two unearned runs. Austin Sarauer led the A's at the plate going 3x5 (HR, RBI). The A's travel to Plymouth on Wednesday night to take on Brownsville in the Plymouth Tourney Championship game. The A's then head to Brownsville on Friday night to take on Oakfield in a make-up game at 7:30pm and the A's finish their regular season on Sunday when they travel to Hartford at 1:30pm.

Martz, Lathers Carry A's Past Howards Grove

July 29th - The Kewaskum A's picked up a non-league victory over the Howards Grove Riverdogs Wednesday night by a score of 9-5. Adam Martz led the offensive attack going 3x5 with a triple and one RBI while Jake Lathers threw eight solid innings on the mound to

pick up the win. The game was back and forth through the first six innings, but the A's used a five run seventh to pull ahead by the final score of 9-5.

In the decisive 7th inning, Mitch Huffman led off with a single and Matt Meisenheimer laid down a sac bunt to get the inning going. On Meisenheimer's bunt, Huffman was able to sprint all the way around to third base. Dan Shea followed that up with a bloop RBI single down the right field line to tie the game at five. That brought up Austin Sarauer who grounded into a fielder's choice to give the A's the lead at 6-5. After two outs, Nick Whitty reached on an error scoring another run and setting the table for Jake Panzer. Panzer squeaked a RBI double down the left field line to push the lead to 8-5. The A's added another run on a Howards Grove error to cap the scoring in the inning.

Lathers worked a scoreless 7th and 8th inning, and Nick Whitty came on in relief to throw the ninth as the A's picked up their 23rd win against 8 losses. The A's host the Slinger Stingers on Sunday at Kiwanis Park at 1:30pm in their final regular season home game. This game also marks Fan Appreciation Day, so stop on out for reduced concession prices.

A's Win in Dramatic Fashion in Oakfield

July 26th - The Kewaskum A's escaped out of Oakfield with a 9-8, 11 inning victory on Sunday, ensuring themselves a spot in the Rock River Playoffs for the second consecutive year. The A's jumped on top of Oakfield with a seven run third inning, but that lead disappeared as a sloppy 5th inning let Oakfield tie the game at 7-7. A Kirk Gibson like home run by Adam Sarauer in the top of the 11th and two outstanding defensive plays by Jason Strobel and Jake Panzer helped seal the A's victory. Not to be outdone was the pitching performance by Mitch Huffman, who gave up one unearned run over 6 innings of relief to pick up his sixth victory of the year.

Oakfield jumped ahead in the bottom of inning one, taking advantage of a walk and an infield single to push across their first run. The A's responded in the 3rd as they sent 13 batters to the plate in scoring seven runs. Nick Whitty led off with a walk and Jake Spaeth reached via a HBP to put two runners on for Matt Meisenheimer. Meisenheimer dropped down a perfect bunt for a base hit to load the bases for Dan Shea. Shea hit a groundball back to the pitcher and an easy 1-2-3 double play looked to be in order, but the throw sailed over the catcher's head and two runs came into score on the play. Kurt Zagzebski took advantage and followed with a 2 RBI double down the line to put the A's up 4-1. Strobel and Adam Martz ripped consecutive singles to score another run and Adam Sarauer capped the scoring with a RBI double to deep left giving the A's a 7-1 lead.

The A's however let Oakfield back into the game in the 6th as the Oaks sent 10 batters to the plate taking advantage of 4 Kewaskum errors, 1 walk and 3 timely hits off starting pitcher Jim Ziegler to tie the score at 7-7. The A's manufactured a run in the top of the 6th as a Strobel sac fly gave the A's a brief lead. However, Oakfield responded with a run in the bottom half of the inning again tying the score, this time at eight. The score remained tied until the 11th, when Adam Sarauer, bum leg and all, belted a two-out solo homerun to left giving the A's the lead.

Oakfield would not go quietly in the bottom of the 11th, as they would put a runner on second with one out. The next batter up ripped a sharp single up the middle setting up a play at the plate. Strobel scooped up the ball in center and made a perfect throw to home to Jake Panzer. A collision at the plate ensued, but Panzer hung onto the ball to get the second out of the inning. After another single by Oakfield, Huffman was able to get a groundball to end the game. The win keeps the A's in second place in the Rock River standings and puts their overall record at 22-8. The A's travel to Howards Grove on Wednesday for a non-league game and then host Slinger on Sunday at 1:30pm. Sunday will also be Fan Appreciation Day for the A's.

Kewaskum Jumps All Over Germantown in Sunday's Victory

July 19th - The A's capped off a productive weekend on Sunday by defeating Germantown 20-0. Kewaskum scored in every inning but the first and pounded out 23 hits. It was the A's fifth shutout in their last six games. Leading the way for the A's was Austin Sarauer who went 4x4 (3 2B, 5 Runs). Adam Martz remained hot at the plate going 4x5 (2B, 4 RBI). Jason Strobel 4x6 (2 2B, 2 RBI) and Dan Shea 3x7 (RBI) each had productive days to remain near the top of the league in batting. Mitch Huffman picked up the win tossing five scoreless innings of 2 hit baseball. Jake Lathers tossed the final two innings in relief. The A's remain in second place in the Rock River North standings and travel to Oakfield next Sunday in another key league game at 1:30pm.

A's Pull Away Late in Victory Over Hustisford

July 17th - The A's knocked off the Hustisford Astros 10-0 on Friday in a Rock River matchup in West Bend. It was the fourth shutout thrown by the A's pitching staff in the last five games. The A's found themselves in trouble right away in the 1st as Hustisford loaded the bases with no one out. Unlike last weekend, Kewaskum starting pitcher Jim Ziegler, was able to get a strikeout and a double-play to get out of the inning without any runs coming across. The A's loaded the bases in the bottom half of the inning, but were only able to squeak across one run on Kurt Zagzebski fielder's choice.

Kewaskum tacked on a single run in the fourth inning. With one out, Adam Martz doubled to rightcenter and Adam Sarauer followed with a single to left to put runners on the corners. After a pop-up to second base for the second out, Ziegler ripped a RBI single to left to make it 2-0. Martz got the Kewaskum rally going again in the sixth as he doubled to rightcenter for the second time. Later in the inning Jake Panzer ripped a RBI single to left to score Martz. After a wild pitch moved Panzer up to second, Ziegler followed with a seeing-eye RBI single to put the A's up 4-0.

The A's put the game away in the bottom half of the 8th as they sent 10 batters to the plate scoring six more runs. With one out, Adam Sarauer blooped a single into right and Panzer followed with a HBP to put two runners on with one out for Ziegler. Ziegler continued his hot night at the plate as he ripped a 2 RBI double to left. Matt Meisenheimer then reached via a HBP and Dan Shea followed with a

single to load the bases for Austin Sarauer. Austin proceeded to empty the bases as he ripped a 3 RBI triple down the line in right. Strobel followed with a RBI single to cap the scoring in the inning and for the night.

The A's were led by Adam Sarauer (3x4, 2B) and Jim Ziegler (3x4, 2B, 4 RBI) at the plate. Dan Shea, Austin Sarauer, Jason Strobel and Adam Martz all collected two hits apiece. Jim Ziegler picked up the win on the mound tossing eight scoreless innings to go along with 3 hits and 5 strikeouts. Huffman threw a scoreless ninth in relief. The A's play again on Sunday, heading to Germantown for a Rock River League tilt at 1:30pm.

Kewaskum Downs Lebanon 10-0 in Night League Action

July 16th - The Kewaskum A's secured themselves a spot in the Night League playoffs with a 10-0 victory over Lebanon on Thursday night. Kewaskum scored early and often, scoring in each of the first three innings. In the 1st inning, Kurt Zagzebski lifted a sacrifice fly to drive in the A's first run and Jason Strobel followed with a RBI single to put the A's up 2-0. Adam Martz then blooped a base hit into rightcenter to score another run for the A's putting the score at 3-0 before the hosts came to bat.

The A's used another sacrifice fly in the 2nd to plate a run, this time off the bat of Dan Shea. Austin Sarauer also had a RBI double in the inning pushing the lead to 5-0. Kewaskum was able to put the game out of reach in the third. The big blow in the inning came off the bat of Adam Sarauer, who ripped a 2 RBI single to right. It was all Nick Whitty would need as he picked up the complete game shutout victory. It is Whitty's third shutout on the season and his fourth win of the year. The A's improve their record to 19-8 (7-3 in TCNL). The A's host Hustisford (in West Bend) on Friday night at 7:30pm in Rock River league action.

Kewaskum Routed by Brownsville 8-1 on Sunday

July 12th - The A's continued their struggles against their rival the Brownsville 49ers on Sunday as they dropped the game by a score of 8-1. Brownsville took advantage of 3 walks, 3 errors, and 3 hits in the 1st inning to jump ahead to a 6-0 lead. The A's had their chances all day to get back into the game, but the initial shock of going down six in the top of the first proved to be too much to overcome. Things started on a sour note for the A's in the 1st as the leadoff batter for Brownsville reached via an error. A walk followed by a single gave Brownsville the early 1-0 lead. Kewaskum starting pitcher Jim Ziegler was able to then get a strikeout and a groundout for the first two outs of the inning, but another error opened the flood gates to four more runs for the 49ers.

The A's showed some life in the bottom half of the 1st as Matt Meisenheimer ripped a single and Jake Spaeth walked to put two runners on. All the A's could get though was a two-out RBI single by Kurt Zagzebski to cut the score to 6-1. Brownsville responded back with two more runs in 2nd to push the lead to 8-1 making a possible A's comeback a daunting task. When the A's thought they might have a chance to get back into the game, it was stopped by some stellar defensive play by Brownsville. With two on and one out in the 6th for the A's, Jake Panzer lifted what looked to be a momentum swinging homer to left. Former Kewaskum 'A' and current Brownsville leftfielder Ryan Hall had different ideas as he brought back a for sure home run with a spectacular catch as he climbed the fence in left. The A's went quietly for the final ten outs as they dropped to 18-8 overall. They remain in second place in the Rock River league behind division leader Rubicon. Ziegler took the loss tossing 5 innings and was relieved by Mitch Huffman who threw 4 scoreless innings. The Sarauer brothers, Adam and Austin, led the way for the A's at the plate each going 2x4.

On Friday night several of the A's took part in the Rock River All-Star game at Lebanon. Team members for the A's included Dan Shea, Jason Strobel, Kurt Zagzebski, Matt Meisenheimer, Mitch Huffman and Jim Ziegler. Meisenheimer led the A's going 1x2 with a double and Strobel chipped in going 1x2. Shea was 0x1 with a walk and Zagzebski finished 0x2. Ziegler tossed 2 innings giving up 2 runs, while Mitch Huffman picked up the win for the Northern Division tossing a scoreless 7th inning. The Northern Division All-Stars defeated the Southern All-Stars in comeback fashion 4-3. The A's return to the field on Thursday as they take on Lebanon in Tri-County Night League action. A win over Lebanon secures a night league playoff spot for the A's. On Friday night the A's host the Hustisford Astros in West Bend at 7:30pm and on Sunday the A's travel to Germantown for a Rock River game at 1:30pm.

Lathers, Panzer Shut Down Benders 3-0

July 9th - The Kewaskum A's knocked off the West Bend Benders 3-0 on Thursday night, due in large part to the sharp pitching of Jake Lathers and Jake Panzer. The A's got just enough clutch hits to pull out the Night League victory and with the win improve their record to 18-7. The A's broke through in the 3rd inning as Nick Whitty singled to lead off the inning. Adam Sarauer then drew a walk to put runners on 1st and 2nd. After a fielder's choice, a one-out wild pitch put runners on 2nd and 3rd for Matt Meisenheimer. With the infield playing back, Meisenheimer grounded out to short allowing the A's first run to come across.

The Benders threatened in the fourth as a leadoff single, followed by a bunt single put two runners on with nobody out. The A's caught a break on the next batter though, as Nick Whitty picked off the runner on second base as he crept too far off. On the next pitch, Lathers induced a groundball double-play to end the inning. Dan Shea led off the sixth with a bloop double to center and Kurt Zagzebski followed with a walk to put two runners on again for the A's. A perfectly executed sacrifice bunt by Adam Martz put runners into scoring position with only one out. Jason Strobel took advantage as he ripped a single through a drawn-in infield to give the A's a 2-0 lead. The A's would add their last run in the inning when Strobel became caught in a run-down and Zagzebski came into score. Lathers picked up his first win of the season tossing 7 shutout innings to go along with 8 strikeouts and only 3 hits. Panzer picked up the save, tossing the final two innings.

A's Keep Pace With Division Leading Rubicon

July 1st - The A's kept pace with Rock River division leader Rubicon, by defeating the Horicon Honkers 15-0 on Wednesday night. The A's jumped ahead early and cruised to the seven inning victory. In the 1st inning, Jake Spaeth got things started with a leadoff double and would come around to score on Austin Sarauer's RBI single. Jason Strobel followed later in the inning with a two-run home run to

put the A's up 3-0. The A's tacked two more runs on in the 3rd inning. After Dan Shea reached on a single, Kurt Zagzebski narrowly missed a home run to straight-away center to put runners on 2nd and 3rd base. Adam Martz followed with a sacrifice fly to score Shea and Zagzebski would also score on the play to put the A's up 5-0.

Kewaskum put the game away in the 5th as they sent 15 batters to the plate with 10 runs coming in to score. Strobel and Martz paced the A's in the inning as they both collected two doubles in the inning. Strobel would end up 3x4 (2 2B, HR, 3 RBI) on the night and Dan Shea would go 3x5 (RBI). Jake Spaeth 2x5 (2B, RBI), Austin Sarauer 2x5 (2 RBI), Adam Martz 2x3 (2 2B, 3 RBI), and Jake Panzer 2x3 (RBI) also pitched in with solid nights at the plate. It was more than enough for Nick Whitty as he picked up his third win of the season. Whitty pitched 6 innings giving up 1 hit to go along with 3 walks and 5 strikeouts. Jake Lathers tossed a perfect 7th inning striking out all three batters he faced. It was the 2nd time this season that the A's have only given up one hit in a game to Horicon.

The A's return to action on Thursday as they take on the West Bend Benders in Night League action at West Bend. The next night (July 10th) is the Rock River All-Star game in Lebanon (8:00pm). The following A's were voted as starters in the All-Star game for the Northern Division: Dan Shea (3B), Jason Strobel (CF), and Kurt Zagzebski (DH). Jim Ziegler (Pitcher), Mitch Huffman (Pitcher), and Matt Meisenheimer (Utility) were also voted to the team. The A's then host Northern Division Rival Brownsville on Sunday July 12th at 1:30pm in a pivotal Rock River league game.

Kewaskum Closes in on Division Leader With Weekend Wins

June 28th - The A's picked up two big Rock River wins over the weekend, as they moved within a ½ game of Rubicon for the Northern Division lead. On Saturday they knocked off second place Mayville 8-3 and on Sunday downed division leading Rubicon 14-1. Against Mayville, the A's used a five run 3rd inning to propel themselves to the victory. With the game still scoreless and two outs in the third, Austin Sarauer ripped a bases loaded groundball directly through the shortstop's legs allowing all three baserunners to come around to score. Kurt Zagzebski followed with a RBI double off the wall in left allowing Sarauer to score. Zagzebski would later score in the inning on a throw wide of third on a steal attempt putting the A's up 5-0.

Zagzebski struck again in the fifth as he delivered a RBI single to score Dan Shea who had reached earlier on a single. Mayville cut the lead in half in the 6th as a two-run home run gave the Mallards some life. But the A's took advantage of another Mayville error in the 7th to score a single run and Jason Strobel delivered a RBI single in the ninth for another run to make it 8-3. Mitch Huffman picked up the win tossing 8+ innings. Kurt Zagzebski led the way going 3x4 (2B, 2 RBI, SB) and Dan Shea chipped in with a 3x5 (SB) day.

On Sunday against Rubicon, the A's jumped ahead right away in the 1st inning, scoring three runs. A Matt Meisenheimer walk and Jake Spaeth double put runners on 2nd and 3rd with nobody out. This brought up Dan Shea who doubled down the right field scoring both runners and giving the A's an early lead. Shea would eventually score too on a Zagzebski RBI groundout pushing the lead to 3-0. The A's put four runs on the board in the 4th, pushing their lead to 7-0. Kewaskum took advantage of three walks in the inning and Jake Spaeth delivered a two-out 2 RBI double to cushion the lead.

Kewaskum put the game away for good in the 6th, as they sent ten batters to the plate and exploded for six more runs. Austin Sarauer led off the inning with a bomb of a home run to right, his second home run of the year. Jason Strobel then reached on a one-out single bringing up Adam Martz. Martz fell behind 0-2 in the count, but worked himself on with a 13 pitch at-bat walk. Adam Sarauer followed with a RBI single and Nick Whitty ripped a single of his own to load the bases. Meisenheimer drew the bases loaded walk to score another and Spaeth followed with his third double of the day scoring three more runs.

Jim Ziegler picked up the win on the mound tossing 8 effective innings, while giving up just one unearned run on 7 hits. Jake Lathers pitched a scoreless ninth in relief. Jake Spaeth led the way at the plate going 3x5 (3 2B, 5 RBI) and Jason Strobel stayed hot going 3x5 (RBI). The A's take on the Horicon Honkers on Wednesday in a Rock River league game before taking a week off for an extended holiday break.

A's Pull Into 2nd Place in Rock Standings With Sunday's Win

June 21st - Kewaskum rebounded with a Rock River league victory on Sunday over the Hartford Hawks 11-1. The win moves the A's into a second place tie with Mayville and 1.5 games behind first place Rubicon. The A's play both teams next weekend in a pivotal Rock River double-up weekend. Hartford jumped ahead to a 1-0 after their turn at bat in the 1st, but Kewaskum would rule the day scoring the final 11 runs.

In the 1st, Matt Meisenheimer led off with a single and scored on a Dan Shea RBI double. Shea would come around to score on Kurt Zagzebski's single to put the A's up 2-1 after one complete inning. The A's tacked on three more runs in the 2nd inning. Mitch Huffman led off with a single and Jake Spaeth followed with a single to put runners on 1st and 3rd. Dan Shea lifted a sac-fly to score a run and Austin Sarauer followed with a RBI double to score another. Red-hot Kurt Zagzebski followed with his second RBI single of the day putting the A's up 5-1.

In the 4th, Meisenheimer blasted a solo home run to left pushing the lead to 6-1. It was all A's starter Jim Ziegler would need on this day, as he pitched an efficient 8 innings, giving up 5 hits, 2 walks and 6 strikeouts in recording his fifth win of the season. The A's tacked on 5 more runs in the 8th inning as Dan Shea, Austin Sarauer, Jason Strobel and Adam Martz all collected RBI singles.

With the win the A's improve to 14-7 on the season and 6-2 in the Rock River league. Leading the way at the plate were Jake Spaeth 4x6, Matt Meisenheimer 3x4 (HR, RBI), and Dan Shea (2B, 3 RBI). Strobel and Martz each chipped in with 3x5 days as the A's

pounded out 22 hits in the victory. The A's next home game will be Sunday (June 28th) as they host first place Rubicon at 1:30pm in a game that could possibly push Kewaskum to the top of the league standings with a win.

Green Bay Pulls Away Late in NBC Tourney Game

June 19th - The A's traveled to Menasha on Friday night to take on the Green Bay Storm in a NBC single elimination tournament game. In a back-and-forth game, Kewaskum found themselves on the wrong end of the 6-3 game. The A's jumped ahead 1-0 in the 1st. Shane O'Hagan walked to leadoff the game and scored on errant throw later in the inning. With the score tied at 1-1 in the 3rd, Mitch Huffman led off with a double to leftcenter. Huffman would score on a James Goodfellow single down the third base line later in the inning putting the A's up 2-1.

Green Bay went ahead 3-2 in the 6th, but the A's responded back to tie it up in the bottom half of the inning. Austin Sarauer struck out to leadoff the 6th inning, but reached first when the ball went to the backstop on strike three. Sarauer would score later in the inning on a wild pitch to tie the game at 3-3. In the same inning, with runners on 1st and 2nd, Adam Martz ripped a line drive to the second basemen that was caught. The second basemen quickly flipped a throw to first base to double off the runner there and end the Kewaskum threat.

The Storm went ahead for good in the 7th putting up three runs off starting and losing pitcher Mitch Huffman. The A's put two runners on with one out in the bottom half of the final inning, but were unable to push across any runs and were eliminated from the tournament. James Goodfellow led the way at the plate going 3x4 (RBI), while Mitch Huffman chipped in with a 2x2 (2B) game. Matt Meisenheimer also was 2x3 on the night.

Lannon Tops Kewaskum in Nite League Slugfest

June 18th - The A's dropped their third consecutive Tri-County Night League on Thursday to the Lannon Stonemen 12-8. The A's raced ahead to a 4-0 lead and clung to an 8-6 lead into the 5th, but Lannon scored the final 6 runs in winning by a final of 12-8. In the 1st, Austin Sarauer collected an RBI single and newcomer James Goodfellow lifted a sac-fly to score another run. The A's struck again in the second, when Adam Sarauer walked with one and Mitch Huffman singled to put two runners on. Dan Shea then ripped a 2 RBI double to the rightcenter field gap to put the A's up 4-0.

Lannon answered back over the next three innings scoring 6 runs off Kewaskum starter Nick Whitty. Trailing 6-4 in the 5th, Adam Martz reached on an error with two outs and Adam Sarauer walked to put two runners on. That brought up Matt Meisenheimer who dropped a RBI double to right to cut the lead to one. Huffman followed with an opposite field three-run home run to put the A's up 8-6. Panzer, on in relief, retired the first batter in the 5th, before giving up a single. Panzer induced the next batter into a groundball back to the mound, but the throw to second base to turn the possible double play sailed wide of the base and the A's were left with two runners on with still one out. Lannon took advantage of the miscue as they would go on to score four runs in the inning as the A's aided matters with 3 errors in the inning.

The A's were unable to mount a comeback and would go on to lose their third Tri-County game in a row. The A's drop to 5-3 in night league with two games remaining. The A's record drops to 13-6 on the season. Jake Panzer took the loss in relief, while Mitch Huffman led the way at the plate going 3x5 (HR, 3 RBI).

A's Advance to Plymouth Championship

June 17th - The Kewaskum A's picked up a second round Plymouth Tourney victory over the host Flames on Wednesday night 7-1. The A's advance to the championship game to take on the winner of Brownsville/Menomonee Falls. The date of this championship game has yet to be determined. The A's shot ahead to a quick 4-0 lead in the top of the 1st in this game. In the 1st, Matt Meisenheimer and Mitch Huffman led off the game with back-to-back singles. Austin Sarauer fouled off numerous pitches before driving a double into the gap scoring both runs. After a fly ball out that advanced Sarauer to third, Kurt Zagzebski lifted his third home run of the year to left putting the A's up 4-0 before Plymouth even came to bat.

The A's tacked on three more runs in the 5th inning to build their lead to 7-1. Meisenheimer doubled with one out and Huffman knocked him in with an RBI double of his own. Austin Sarauer followed with a two-run home run, his first of the year, to rightcenter. It was all Jim Ziegler would need on the mound as he picked up his fourth victory of the year. Ziegler tossed 6 innings, allowing 5 hits, 1 ER and 2 K's. Kurt Zagzebski led the way at the plate going 4x4 (HR, 2 RBI) and Matt Meisenheimer chipped in with a 3x4 (2B) night. The A's travel to Lannon on Thursday for a Nite League game to be played at 7:30pm.

A's Rebound With Victory Over Slinger

June 14th - The A's picked up a pivotal Rock River game on Sunday over Slinger 18-5. The win improves the A's league record to 5-2 on the year. Slinger jumped ahead early before the A's stormed back to win in convincing fashion. Slinger added single runs in the first and second innings to jump ahead 2-0 before the A's finally broke through. In the 4th, Dan Shea and Austin Sarauer started the inning with back-to-back singles and Shea would eventually score on a Kurt Zagzebski RBI single. It was the first of four hits and 5 RBI's on the day for Zagzebski.

The A's took the lead in the fifth as Austin Sarauer's RBI triple put the A's on top 3-2. Zagzebski followed that up with another RBI single to put the A's up 4-2. The A's exploded for five runs in the 6th, as Adam Sarauer and Jake Panzer led off the inning with back-to-back singles. Consecutive errors then led to three Kewaskum runs and Zagzebski finished the inning off with another RBI single.

The A's put up nine more runs over the final two innings as Strobel and Zagzebski each hit home runs. Strobel's third home run of the year came with two runners on and Zagzebski's was a two-run home run, his second of the year. Mitch Huffman picked up the win on the mound tossing 6 innings. He improves to 3-2 on the year. Zagzebski led the way at the plate going 4x5 with 5 RBI's. Dan Shea chipped in with a 3x5, 3 RBI's and 5 runs scored and Jake Panzer had a 3x5 day as well.

Kewaskum Falls to Johnson Creek on Saturday

June 13th - On Saturday, the A's dropped a Tri-County game to Johnson Creek 12-8. Walks doomed Kewaskum pitching all day, and the A's were unable to dig themselves completely out from early deficits. Johnson Creek jumped ahead 4-0 into the third inning before the A's stormed back. Kurt Zagzebski's bases loaded double put the A's up 5-4 after three complete innings. Johnson Creek tied it at 5-5 in the fourth and put up five more runs in the fifth to jump ahead to the 10-5 lead. The A's attempt to mount a rally failed as they left the bases loaded in the fourth and sixth innings.

John Holt took the loss in relief for the A's, while Zagzebski led the way at the plate going 2x5 with a double and 2 RBI's. Dan Shea, Adam Martz and Jake Spaeth all contributed with 2 hit days as well. The A's now stand at 12-5 overall and return to action on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and Sunday this week. Wednesday's game is in Plymouth against the Plymouth Flames at 6:30pm.

Kewaskum Picks up Plymouth Tourney Victory Over Forest

June 12th - In a bid to repeat as Plymouth Tourney Champions, the Kewaskum A's defeated the Forest Thunder 7-4 in a first round contest Friday night. The A's advance on to play the Plymouth Flames in a semi-final game on June 17th at 6:30pm. Kewaskum jumped ahead early as Dan Shea blasted a solo home run to put the A's up 1-0 after the first inning. The A's tallied three more runs in the fourth to go up 4-0. Jim Ziegler led off this inning with a HBP and Jake Spaeth followed with a single to put runners on 1st and 2nd with nobody out. Matt Meisenheimer followed and was HBP to load the bases for Dan Shea. Shea hit into a fielder's choice to score one and Austin Sarauer followed with a 2 RBI double. Forest answered back with a single run off Kewaskum starting pitcher Jim Ziegler cutting the lead to 4-1 after three innings.

Kewaskum widened the lead in the 6th as Meisenheimer dropped in a bloop double to score two runs and Nick Whitty chipped in with a RBI single in the 7th to put the A's up 7-2. Forest mounted a threat in the bottom of the 7th as they cut the lead to 7-4 and had the bases loaded with two outs. Nick Whitty, on in relief, struck out the final batter to end the game though. Ziegler picked up the win tossing four innings, while Whitty picked up the save tossing the final three innings. Austin Sarauer led the way at the plate going 3x4 with 2 RBI and a 2B. Meisenheimer and Shea each chipped in with 2 RBI's on the night. The win improves the A's record to 11-4 on the year.

A's Struggles at the Plate Continue, Drop 2-1 Game to 7up

June 10th - The A's traveled to West Bend on Wednesday night to take on West Bend 7up in a Tri-County Night League match-up. Both teams brought in undefeated night league records in a game that took 10 innings to be decided. Unfortunately for the A's they ended up on the wrong side of a 2-1 game and wasted an excellent pitching performance from Mitch Huffman in the process. West Bend 7up struck first in the bottom of the 1st inning as Mike Mueller belted a home run to right to give 7up an early 1-0. Huffman settled in after the first inning though, only allowing one hit after that inning. He finished with 10 punch-outs to go along with 4 walks.

The A's did not muster their first hit until the fourth inning, which came on a Matt Meisenheimer single. They would finish with only 4 hits as a team for the second consecutive game. Kewaskum failed to mount any real scoring threats the entire game and trailed 1-0 heading into the ninth. After two quick outs, the A's were down to their last batter in Kurt Zagzebski, but Zagzebski belted the first pitch he saw to left for a solo home run to tie the game at 1-1. Huffman worked a perfect ninth and the game headed to extra innings.

The A's put runners on first and second with two outs in the 10th, but were unable to get the base hit to go ahead. Huffman came out to work the bottom of the 10th, but after a leadoff walk was relieved by Jim Ziegler. It was a short appearance by Ziegler as the first batter he faced hit a single into center, and when the ball scooted by the centerfielder, the runner on first came all the way around to score to end the game. Huffman took the tough loss, while Zagzebski led the way at the plate going 2x4 with the home run. The A's record drops to 10-4 on the year and 5-1 in the Tri-County League. They return to action on Friday as they travel to Plymouth to take on Forest in a tourney game. They also play Saturday as they host Johnson Creek at Kiwanis before traveling to Slinger on Sunday for a Rock River league game; both weekend games are at 1:30pm.

A's Lose to Oshkosh 6-1

June 3rd - The A's dropped a 6-1 game to the Oshkosh Giants on Wednesday night. Kewaskum did hold a 1-0 lead after their turn at bat in the fourth, but it was all Oshkosh after that. In the fourth, Austin Sarauer reached on a two-out walk and scored on Kurt Zagzebski's double to left center to put the A's up 1-0. Oshkosh responded back in the bottom half of the fourth with 2 runs off Kewaskum starter Jim Ziegler, who would take the loss after tossing four innings..

With the A's trailing 4-1 in the seventh, Zagzebski led off the inning with a single and Jason Strobel followed with a single to put runners on first and second with nobody out. A sacrifice bunt attempt back to the pitcher led to a double play giving the A's two quick outs. Adam Sarauer followed with a deep fly to right that was hauled in by a diving rightfielder stopping any kind of Kewaskum rally. Kurt Zagzebski led the way at the plate going 2x4 (2B, RBI) and Strobel and Austin Sarauer chipped in with the only two other hits. The loss puts Kewaskum at 10-3 on the season. The A's return to the field on Saturday June 6th, taking on Denmark at 2pm in Kewaskum. This game follows a game between Forest and Denmark at 12pm. On Sunday the A's host first-place Oakfield in an important Rock River league game at 1:30pm

Kewaskum's Bats Stay Hot in Win Over Germantown

May 31st - The A's completed an undefeated weekend on Sunday by defeating the Germantown Giants 8-3 in a Rock River league game. The A's improve to 10-2 on the season and 4-2 in the Rock River League standings. As was the case all weekend, the A's jumped out to an early lead. Jake Spaeth led off the bottom half of the first with a single and advanced to third when Matt Meisenheimer followed with a double. Dan Shea ripped a RBI single through the hole at short to put the A's on the board. Austin Sarauer followed with a RBI single to make the score 2-0. This was all the A's would get in the first as Sarauer and Shea were stranded in what would be a theme all day. The A's would end up stranding 14 runners despite hitting into 4 double plays.

With the A's leading 2-1 in the third, Kurt Zagzebski led off the inning with a double to left and would later score a Nick Whitty RBI single. Germantown would tie the game at three in the 4th, as three Kewaskum errors led to 2 Germantown runs in the inning. The A's regained the lead for good in the 6th. Spaeth led off the 6th, with a single and advanced to second on a Meisenheimer sacrifice bunt. That brought up Shea, who was hit by a pitch setting the table for Austin Sarauer, who smashed a RBI single into the hole at short to put the A's up 4-3.

Kewaskum put the game out of reach in the 7th, putting up four more runs. Spaeth and Meisenheimer collected RBI's in the inning on base hits and Austin Sarauer drove in another on RBI groundout. It was all Nick Whitty would need on Sunday, as Whitty tossed 7 effective innings, giving up 7 hits and only one earned run. Jim Ziegler tossed the final 2 innings in relief. Spaeth finished the day 4x6 with 3 runs scored as the A's ripped 14 hits on the day. The A's return to the field on Wednesday when they travel to Oshkosh to take on the Oshkosh Giants in a non-league game.

A's Rally Late to Upend Slinger

May 30th - The Kewaskum A's picked up two victories on Saturday, both Night League games, to improve to 5-0 in the Tri-County Night League. The A's pounded out 29 hits in the doubleheader. In the first game, the A's jumped out to an early 4-0 lead. After the first three batters of the game reached base, Austin Sarauer ripped a 2 RBI single to put the A's on the board. Adam Martz and Nick Whitty followed with back to back sacrifice flies to make it 4-0. Slinger cut the Kewaskum lead in half in the top of the second, but the A's responded with a single run in the bottom half of the inning. Dan Shea led off the 2nd inning with a single and Austin Sarauer followed with a RBI double to make the score 5-2.

Slinger took their first lead of the day in the 6th as A's starter John Holt began to labor on the mound. The Stingers tallied 5 runs in the inning to take an 8-6 lead. The lead was short-lived as the A's would tie the game up in the bottom half of the inning. Ty Schill reached on a leadoff walk and Jake Spaeth knocked him in with a RBI double. Matt Meisenheimer followed with a RBI single to knot the game at eight heading into the 8th.

The A's would take the lead for good in the eighth. Schill reached on an error to lead off the inning and Spaeth followed with a hit-by-pitch. Meisenheimer executed a perfect sacrifice bunt and reached first to load the bases. Shea followed with a 2 RBI single to give the A's the lead and Zagzebski followed that with an RBI double. Strobel then ripped a two-out RBI single to put the A's up by the final score of 12-8. Jake Panzer, on in relief, picked up the win in tossing the final 3 1/3 innings.

In the second game on Saturday, the A's took on a short-handed Rubicon/Hartford team and came away with a 12-1 victory. Dan Shea, Austin Sarauer, and Jason Strobel all collected three hit games with Strobel driving in 3 runs. Adam Martz and Kurt Zagzebski chipped in with 2 RBI games. Jim Ziegler picked up the victory tossing the 5 inning complete game. With the win the A's improve to 9-2 on the season.

A's Squeak Out Victory in Hustisford

May 24th - The A's finished their busy week on a high note as they defeated the Hustisford Astros 2-1 in a Rock River league game. Mitch Huffman dazzled on the mound and Matt Meisenheimer led the way offensively as the A's picked up their fourth win in five days. Meisenheimer gave the A's the lead in the top of the third as he blasted a solo home run to centerfield, his first homer of the season. Hustisford was able to tie the game back up at one in the bottom half of the inning, as a leadoff error ended up leading to a run off of no hits for Hustisford.

The A's took the lead for good in the 5th though. Nick Whitty led off with a single and advanced to second on sac bunt by Adam Sarauer. Meisenheimer then walked to put two runners on for Ty Schill. Schill clutched up with a RBI single to give the A's the 2-1 lead. Huffman would not need any more runs as he was on top of his game today. Hustisford's first hit did not come until the fifth inning and they finished with two hits all day. Huffman tossed the complete game giving up the 2 hits to go along with 4 strikeouts.

The win puts the A's at 7-2 overall and 3-2 in the Rock River league. The A's return to the field on Wednesday as they travel to New Berlin for a non-league game. The A's will then host "Miller Lite Day" on Saturday May 30th. The A's will play the Slinger Stingers at 11:30am and following that game they will play the Rubicon Red Sox. It should be a great day of baseball so come on out to Kiwanis Park to enjoy a game.

Kewaskum Hangs on for Night League Victory Over Watertown

May 23rd - Kewaskum got back to their winning ways on Saturday as they downed the Watertown Cardinals 9-6 in a Tri-County League game. The win puts the A's at 3-0 in the Night League Standings. The A's wasted little time getting on the board in this one as they put up four runs in the first inning. Matt Schilter and Austin Sarauer led off the game with singles and Dan Shea followed with another single to give the A's the early 1-0 lead. Kurt Zagzebski followed with a sacrifice fly to score another run and Jason Strobel delivered next with a two-run home run down the left field line to cap the scoring in the inning.

Schilter led off the second inning with another single and preceeded to steal 2nd and 3rd base. The A's would end up stealing a total of eight bases on the day. Shea drove in Schilter with a RBI groundout putting the A's up 5-0 after two innings. After Watertown tallied a single run in the top of the 4th, Kewaskum responded right back with three runs to put the lead up to 8-1. Schilter and Austin Sarauer led off the fourth with walks and a one out walk to Zagzebski loaded the bases. Strobel followed with a RBI single and Adam Martz ripped a 2 RBI single after that to give the A's the 8-1 lead.

Starting pitcher John Holt began to tire a little bit in the 5th and Watertown quickly got themselves back into the game at 8-5. Matt Meisenheimer came on in relief of Holt, and worked out of a bases loaded jam, limiting the damage to one additional run. The A's tallied a single run in the 6th as Austin Sarauer and Dan Shea collected singles in the inning. It would be all Meisenheimer would need as he picked up his first career victory for the A's in relief. Matt Schilter and Austin Sarauer both went 3x4 at the plate to lead the A's offensively.

A's Drop Pitcher's Duel To Brownsville

May 22nd - The A's traveled to Brownsville Friday night to take on the new-look 49ers, but the results were much the same as they had been in the past as they dropped a 2-1 decision. The first three batters of the game reached base for the A's, but they were only able to score one run as a double-play halted further damage. The A's clung to their 1-0 lead until the bottom of the fourth. After a strikeout for the first out of the inning, Brownsville used a walk, and three consecutive singles through hole between short and third, and another walk off starter Jim Ziegler to take the 2-1 lead.

The A's would have their chances to tie the game back up, but stranded a total of 11 base-runners on the night. With one-out and runners on 1st and 2nd in the seventh, Adam Martz ripped a single through the right side, but Jake Panzer (the runner at 2nd), was gunned down trying to score. In the 8th inning the A's put together another scoring opportunity as they loaded the bases with one-out. But a strikeout and pop-up to the second basemen ended the inning. Ziegler took the hard luck loss, tossing 7 effective innings of 5 hit baseball, to go along with 10 strikeouts. Adam Martz led the way at the plate going 4x4. Dan Shea chipped in with a 2x4 day. The loss drops the A's to 5-2 on the season.

Whitty Tosses Shutout, A's Top Denmark 5-0

May 21st - Nick Whitty tossed 9 shutout innings and Matt Schilter broke a scoreless tie in the 6th with a 2 RBI single as the A's defeated the Denmark Devilbears 5-0 on Thursday night. Whitty tossed another solid game on the mound scattering 4 hits and striking out 7 to pick up his first win of the season.

Kewaskum broke through offensively in the 6th as Ty Schill smacked a single up the middle to lead off the inning. Matt Meisenheimer dropped down a sac bunt, but ended up reaching first when the pitcher unsuccessfully tried to get the out at second base. A wild pitch moved the runners up to 2nd and 3rd and Schilter ripped a 2 RBI single to give the A's a 2-0 lead. After a double-play, Dan Shea ripped a double to the fence and would score on Austin Sarauer's RBI single to give the A's a 3-0 lead.

The A's tacked on two more in the 8th inning as Jason Strobel reached on an error and advanced to second on an attempted pickoff by the catcher. Dan Shea followed with his second double of the night to score Strobel. Pinch-hitter Mitch Huffman delivered a two-out RBI single to cap the A's scoring on the night. The A's were led by Dan Shea 3x5, RBI, 2 2B, and Matt Schilter 2x4, 2 RBI's. The A's improve to 5-1 on the year and travel to Brownsville for a Rock River league game Friday night at 7:30pm.

Kewaskum Stays Hot at the Plate in Win Over Oconomowoc

May 20th - The A's picked up their second Tri-County Night League Wednesday night with a victory over the Oconomowoc Five-O's. The A's used a seven run third inning to propel themselves ahead and eventually won by a score of 15-5. Austin Sarauer 3x4, 3 RBI's and Kurt Zagzebski 3x5, 2 2b's, 2 RBI's led the way at the plate. Jim Ziegler picked up his first win of the season in relief of John Holt. The win puts the A's at 4-1 on the season and 2-0 in the Tri-County Night League.

Kewaskum got on the board in the first as Austin Sarauer ripped a two-out RBI single to score Matt Schilter and put the A's up 1-0. The score remained there until the third when the A's exploded for seven runs. An infield single by Jon Olla and an error by the third basemen on a ball hit by Dan Shea, put two runners on with nobody out. That brought up Austin Sarauer who delivered with his second RBI single of the night, and Kurt Zagzebski followed with a RBI single of his own. After a walk to Adam Martz to load the bases, Mitch Huffman grounded into a fielder's choice to score another run. Matt Schilter followed later in the inning with the decisive blow as he ripped a 3 RBI double to the rightcenter field gap putting the A's up 8-0.

It looked as if the A's were going to cruise in this one, but Oconomowoc put up three runs (off of one deep home run) in the bottom half of the inning off Kewaskum starter John Holt, cutting the lead to 8-3. Oconomowoc tallied two quick runs in the bottom of the fourth cutting the lead to 8-5 and had the bases loaded with nobody out before Jim Ziegler came on in relief of Holt. Ziegler induced a popout to left, a forceout at home and a groundout at second to halt the Five O's rally.

The A's tallied three in the top of the 5th to put some breathing room between Oconomowoc at 11-5. Olla and Shea collected RBI's in the inning. The A's added one more in the 7th. Matt Schilter ripped a one-out triple to right center and scored on a sacrifice fly by Olla putting the A's up 12-5. The A's finished up their scoring in the top of the 8th as Zagzebski, Martz and Schill all collected RBI's. Zagszebski and Martz each had doubles and Matt Meisenheimer had a single in the inning.

A's Top Horicon in Rock River League Victory

May 17th - The A's bats started to come alive on Sunday as they jumped all over the Horicon Honkers 17-2 in a Rock River league game. The win puts the A's at 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the Rock River league. It was a solid day all around for the A's as they pounded out 17 hits and A's pitchers only allowed 1 hit for the Honkers.

The A's tallied 3 runs in the second inning to go ahead 3-0. Jason Strobel led off the inning with a double to deep left and later scored on a sacrifice fly by Jim Ziegler. Nick Whitty and Austin Sarauer followed with RBI singles to account for the other two runs in the inning. Kewaskum put another run on the board in the 3rd as Jake Panzer lifted a two-out RBI single to left to score Strobel who had reached earlier in the inning on a single. After plating another single run in the 4th, the A's exploded for 5 runs in the bottom of the 5th inning to go up 10-0. Back-to-back singles by Dan Shea and Strobel opened up the inning, and Kurt Zagzebski followed with an RBI double. That brought up Panzer, who ripped his first home run of the season, a 3-run homer to left. Austin Sarauer drove in Adam Sarauer on a fielder's choice to finish off the scoring in the inning.

It was all Mitch Huffman would need on the mound today as he retired all 15 batters he faced through 5 innings. Huffman was lifted after five innings for John Holt. Holt was nearly as successful as an error led to one run, but still no-hits for Horicon. The bid for the combined no-hitter ended in the 8th, as Horicon blooped a single into right off reliever Jim Ziegler. Bode Witzlib closed out the pitching for the A's in the ninth. The A's again struck out 15 opposing hitters for the second straight game.

Jason Strobel led the A's at the plate going 4x5 (5 runs scored), while Nick Whitty chipped in with a 3x3 day and 2 RBI's. Dan Shea went 3x5 (double) and Panzer finished 2x2 (HR) with 3 RBI's. Kurt Zagzebski added 2x5 (2 doubles) and 3 RBI's.

The A's return to the field on Wednesday, as they travel to Watertown to take on Oconomowoc at 7:30pm. It will start of a run of 5 games in 5 days for the A's. They play at Denmark (Thursday, 7:30pm) and at Brownsville (Friday, 7:30pm) before hosting Watertown on Saturday, 1:30pm in Kiwanis Park. The A's finish off their string of games on Sunday as they travel to Hustisford for a Rock River game at 1:30pm.

Panzer Leads A's to Extra Inning Win Over Mayville

May 15th - The Kewaskum A's squeezed out their second victory of the season over the Mayville Mallards on Friday night in a Tri-County Night League game. Jake Panzer ripped a RBI double to score the go-ahead run in the top of the 10th, and sealed the 3-1 victory on the mound, to pick up his 2nd win of the season. Nick Whitty started on the mound and tossed 6 solid innings before leaving with the game tied at one apiece. Panzer threw the final 4 innings in picking up the victory. Whitty and Panzer combined to strikeout 15 Mayville hitters, while only allowing 6 hits.

The A's jumped ahead in the first inning, as Matt Schilter reached on an infield single to start the game. He would later score on a Dan Shea infield single to put the A's up 1-0. The A's struggled offensively on this night as Mayville ace Tyson Apfelbeck did a great job of keeping the A's hitters off-balance. The A's wasted scoring chances in the 5th and 8th innings, but pretty much went quietly in every other inning before the 10th. Austin Sarauer started the top of the 10th off with a walk, and a sacrifice bunt by Dan Shea put Sarauer into scoring position. Panzer, making his first at-bat of the night, ripped a RBI double past the third basemen to score the go-ahead run. Jason Strobel followed with a RBI single through a drawn-in infield to put the A's up 3-1 as they held on for their second victory of the year. Leading the A's at the plate were Jason Strobel 2x4, RBI, Adam Martz, 2x4 (double) and Matt Meisenheimer, 2x4.

A's Struggles Continue at Rubicon

May 10th - After having Saturday's Night League game versus Watertown rained out, the A's traveled to Rubicon for a Rock River league game on Sunday. The A's last win in Rubicon came in the late 90's and today that streak would continue as they dropped a 4-2 game. Rubicon jumped ahead 3-0 in the first inning off of only 1 hit and made those runs hold up for the victory. Dan Shea led A's offensively going 3x4 with a double and RBI and Jason Strobel and Jon Olla each went 2x4.

The A's cut into the Rubicon 3-0 lead in the top of the third inning. Jim Ziegler led off the inning with a walk and advanced to second on a one out base hit by Jon Olla. A deep fly ball to center advanced the lead runner to third and Dan Shea ripped an RBI single to left to make the score 3-1. Jason Strobel followed with an infield single, but a groundout to the third basemen ended the Kewaskum threat.

The A's loaded the bases again in the next inning with two outs, but again were unable to get the big hit they needed to get back into the ballgame. The A's would never really mount much of a threat again until the ninth. With one out in the ninth, Jon Olla ripped a RBI single to cut the lead to 4-2, but a groundball double-play ended the game. Mitch Huffman took the loss tossing 6 1/3 innings and only giving up 3 hits as the A's never recovered to overcome the big first inning by Rubicon.

The loss drops the A's to 1-1 on the young season. Kewaskum returns to the field on Friday May 15th at Mayville as they take on the Mallards in a Night League game. The A's will then host Horicon on Sunday in a Rock River league match-up in Kewaskum at 1:30pm.

Strobel's Walk-off Homer Lifts A's in Rock River Opener

May 3rd - The Kewaskum A's wasted no time for dramatics during their 2009 season opener, as Jason Strobel delivered a two out, two-run home run in the bottom of the ninth inning to lift the A's over the Mayville Mallards. The A's entered the ninth down 5-4, before a one out single by Mitch Huffman kept Kewaskum's hopes alive. After a pop-out to the pitcher for the second out, Strobel delivered the decisive blow.

The A's jumped ahead early in this with two runs in the 2nd inning. The scoring threat got started with Jake Panzer, as he ripped a one out single to center. Adam Sarauer followed with a double to put runners on 2nd and 3rd. Matt Parrent came up next and sent a RBI single through the left side to plate the first run, and Dave Haim followed with a RBI single to the right side to score another run. Mayville responded with a quick 2 runs of their own in the top half of the third off starting pitcher Huffman to tie the score at 2-2.

Kewaskum regained the lead in the bottom half of the inning. Matt Meisenheimer led the inning off with a single to center and advanced to third on a single by Jim Ziegler. An infield single by Jason Strobel scored Meisenheimer to put the score at 3-2. Panzer followed with a fielder's choice, but Ziegler was able to score on the play as the throw by the shortstop went wide of the base at first on the double play relay.

Mayville again answered back this time in the top of the fourth off relief pitcher Ziegler. A lead-off walk followed by back-to-back errors pushed across one of the runs. A sac-fly followed to tie the score at four apiece as the A's were able to get out of the inning without further damage. Mayville took their first lead of the game in the top of the sixth as a leadoff error led to a run.

The A's had their chances in the 6th and 7th innings as they left the bases loaded each inning, but it didn't matter in the end as Strobel's homer would give the A's the victory in the opening game of the season. Panzer would pick up the win in relief throwing a scoreless ninth inning.

The A's return to action on Saturday, May 9th as they host the Watertown Cardinals in a Tri-County Night league game at 1:30pm at Kiwanis. The A's return the field the next day as they travel to Rubicon for a Sunday Rock River tilt at 1:30pm.