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TOMAHAWK KEEPS BREWERS FOR REGULAR SEASON PLAY

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SLEEPY EYE -- Tomahawk East baseball league voted 10-0 Monday night to allow the New Ulm Brewers to remain in the league for the 2011 regular season. St. James did not attend the meeting.

The Brewers recently were reclassified as a Class B team by the Minnesota Baseball Association (MBA) board of directors and would not be able to participate in Tomahawk East League playoffs since the Tomahawk East is a Class C league.

The League will re-evaluate its decision for 2012. The actions taken by the Tomahawk East League mirror what was used last year to keep Hanska in its regular season league play when the MBA reclassified Hanska to Class B because of its success in the 2009 State Amateur Baseball Tournament. That classification was based on an existing MBA rule.

New Ulm was reclassified when seven Kaiserhoff players obtained their releases and then signed to play with the Brewers. The State appeared to make its ruling based on the assumption that the addition of these seven players would create an imbalance to the league by creating a superiority for the Brewer team.

The Brewers had a lack-luster season in 2009, but won the league division championship in 2010 and was one of two Tomahawk League East teams to qualify for the 2010 state tournament.

Since the Brewers will not be in the Tomahawk East playoffs in 2011, thus creating an 11-team playoff structure like 2010, the League will still keep the three division playoff schedule it had last year to qualify five teams for Region 2C play which will ultimately send two teams to the state tournament. The Brewers will be involved in a Class B playoff regional.

MARSHALL REPORTS BREWERS CLASSIFIED TO CLASS B

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The Marshall Independent has reported that the board of directors of the Minnesota Baseball Association has moved the New Ulm Brewers to Class B. The Brewers have won their first two Tomahawk League games.

The Tomahawk League has called a special meeting for Monday. Only league officers and two official representatives from each team will be allowed to attend the closed meeting. The decision to put the Brewers into Class B appears to be related to seven Kaiserhoff players having been given their release earlier this year so they could play with the Brewers.

The Tomahawk League called a special meeting with this announcement Tuesday morning:

This is notice of a special league meeting to discuss the status of the New Ulm Brewers within our league. This meeting will be held next Monday evening, May 23, 2011, at the Railway Bar & Grill in Sleepy Eye beginning at 7:30 p.m. For those of you who may not have heard, the Brewers were elevated to Class B status by the MBA at their most recent board meeting on Saturday, May 14, 2011." League president Myron Seidl will provide the directors with further information.

Official minutes of the May 14 state board meeting were not posted on the MABA website as of 9:30 a.m. Tuesday morning. The following was posted on the website and attributed to the Marshall Independent.

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Board of Directors Moves New Ulm Brewers to Class B

There is one more team in Class B as of Saturday. The Board of Directors of the MBA invited representatives of the New Ulm Brewers to attend their Saturday board meeting. They had received some complaints that the Brewers had recruited seven new players that had all played with the Class B New Ulm Kaiserhoff in 2010.

In November, the Kaiserhoff had requested to be moved to Class C from Class B because they were losing **many of their players and hadn't done much over the last five years. 2006 was the last year that Kaiserhoff had played in the State Tournament.**

Brady Ranweiler, one of the players that moved from Kaiserhoff to the Brewers told the Board that four of the seven players that came had played at least two years with the Brewers previously. He also emphasized that **all 23 players that the Brewers had under contract were "100% native born New Ulm."**

Director Roufs said that they were monitoring the rosters of the Class B teams that the Board had let go to Class C. **"I received a letter about the seven Kaiserhoff players now playing with the Brewers, said Roufs, "I think it puts the Brewers in a higher level of play than other Tomahawk teams."**

After a long and sometimes vocal discussion, a motion was made to let the Brewers continue to play Class C

Nilson leads Brewers past Milroy

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By Jim Bastian - Journal Sports Writer , The Journal

NEW ULM - Adam Nilson scattered two hits through nine innings while striking out seven and New Ulm scored two runs in the first inning as the Brewers edged Milroy 2-0 Saturday night in nonleague play at Johnson Park.

Brady Ranweiler supplied all the offense that New Ulm needed with a two-run double in the first inning.

Josh Hadley took the loss for Milroy. He went seven innings and gave up two runs and yielded seven hits. He fanned two Brewer batters.

Brady Ranweiler had two hits for the Brewers who play at Searles today at 1 p.m.

New Ulm got all the offense that it needed in that first inning off of the righthanded Hadley.

Cory Ranweiler and Tyler Morgan coaxed consecutive walks with one out before Brady Ranweiler drove a Hadley offering to centerfield for a two-run double.

That held up thanks to Nilson.

He set down the first 13 straight Yankee hitters before Eric Dolan singled with one out in the top of the fifth inning.

Nilson was backed by two great defensive plays by left fielder Aaron Pfaff.

The Brewers did threaten in the third, fifth, sixth and eighth innings but failed to score as they stranded 10 runners on base in the game.

Milroy mounted just one serious scoring threat, that came in the eighth inning.

Nilson walked Andy Schmidt with one out before hitting Micah Gronli with two outs.

But Nilson then coaxed Dave Schmidt into an inning-ending groundout.

Redwood defeats Brewers

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By Kyle Murphy, Journal Sports Writer

NEW ULM - The New Ulm Brewers lost their first game of the year Wednesday against the Redwood Falls Redbirds 3-2 at Johnson Park.

The Redbirds scored two late runs in the eighth inning to take the lead, and held on to win the game.

The Brewers struck first in the bottom of the second inning by an RBI double from Ryan Domeier. In the third, Wade French reached base on an error and was driven in by a Brady Ranweiler (2-for-5) double.

The Redbirds responded on the top of the fourth inning by a bases loaded single by pitcher John Jenniges. But Brandon Hieling grounded into a double play that bailed Brewers pitcher Adam Slander out of a jam.

After a few scoreless innings from both teams, Redwood Falls started a rally by Ty Pendelton, who had three hits on the day.

Catcher Dave Darr reached base on an error, and Jenniges drove in Pendelton on a double to left field. Erich Panitzke then hit a bloop single to left to score Darr.

The Brewers had a chance to tie the game in the bottom of the ninth, but left two men on base after catcher Tyler Morgan popped out to end the game.

Winning pitcher for Redwood Falls was Jenniges, who allowed nine hits and one walk and struck out eight in nine complete innings.

Adam Slander took the loss for New Ulm, pitching 8 1/3 innings and allowing two earned runs on nine hits. He struck out nine batters.

The Brewers (3-1) host Milroy Saturday.

Brewers finish in a tie

May 15, 2011

Jim Bastian - Journal Sports Writer

NEW ULM - It is a rarity when a baseball game ends in a tie.

But thanks to Mother Nature, Saturday's game between the New Ulm Brewers and Granite Falls did just that.

Granite Falls paired the control problems that reliever Andy Irlbeck had on a soggy mound to score two runs on four walks and an error in the top of the ninth to tie the game at 4-4.

The Brewers failed to score in the bottom of the ninth and umpires then deemed the field unplayable for the rare tie contest.

The game was played in its entirety in rain and wind.

"The field really started to break down to much in the rain," Brewers coach Al Flor said. "The pitchers were having a tough time holding onto the ball and keeping their footings [on the mound]. When we started today I never thought that we would get in nine innings of baseball. But we did."

The game saw both teams combine for 10 hits with seven coming off of the bats of the Brewers. Taylor Rolloff and Adam Slander each had two of the Brewer hits with Slander driving in two runs.

New Ulm took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second inning without the aid of a hit.

Luke Altmann walked and Aaron Pfaff reached on a two-base error putting two New Ulm runners in scoring position.

A passed ball and a groundout by Zach More scored the two runs.

The Brewers added a third run in the fourth inning when Pfaff reached on a fielder's choice and raced home on a Slander single to center field.

The Kilowatts cut the lead to 3-2 with two unearned runs in the top of the seventh on an error, singles from Nate Richter and Cody Froun and the second error of the inning by New Ulm.

Slander's second RBI single of the game in the bottom of the eighth lifted the Brewers to a 4-2 lead.

But in the top of the ninth, four consecutive walks by Andy Irlbeck in a driving rain and a dropped fly ball allowed Granite Falls to tie up the contest.

The Brewers placed the potential game-winning run on second base in the bottom of the ninth with one out but failed to convert.

"This was a non-league game," Flor said. "They are a pretty decent team. I thought that we played good despite the conditions. The weather made it bad for both teams."

The game also marked the return of Jeremy Wieland to New Ulm as a member of the Granite Falls team.

Wieland played right field and reached base once.

