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## BRYCE BRENTZ & SHAWN MORIMANDO HONORED AS INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The International League announced today that Pawtucket outfielder Bryce Brentz and Columbus left-handed starter Shawn Morimando have been named the League's Batter and Pitcher of the Week for the period from June 26-July 2. This marks the second weekly award this season for both players, who were also honored the week of June 12-18.

### BRYCE BRENTZ, Pawtucket Red Sox

### IL BATTER OF THE WEEK

Over the past week Pawtucket outfielder Bryce Brentz hit .483 with four homers and 10 RBI while leading the International League with 14 hits, nine extra-base hits, nine runs scored, 32 total bases, and a 1.103 slugging percentage. He got his week off to a great start when he crushed a game-winning home run in Monday's extra-inning contest at Lehigh Valley, then added two more long balls in Tuesday's 14-5 PawSox victory. He has now hit safely in ten straight games, and for the season he is now 2<sup>nd</sup> in the League in both home runs and slugging percentage.

28-year-old Bryce Brentz is in his eighth season since Boston made him the 36<sup>th</sup> overall selection of the 2010 draft. He has seen action in Pawtucket each year since 2012 and has played in 34 games at the big league level with the Red Sox. Brentz is a native of Crossville, Tennessee.

	<u>G</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>SLUG</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB</u>
<b>Week:</b>	7	.483	14	29	9	4	1	1	10	1.103	4	0
<b>Season:</b>	67	.282	68	241	42	12	1	18	49	.564	27	1

### SHAWN MORIMANDO, Columbus Clippers

### IL PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Columbus southpaw Shawn Morimando tossed back-to-back complete game shutouts this week, a feat he has now accomplished in three of his last four starts despite the fact no other IL pitcher has done it more than once this season. He scattered five hits in Tuesday's 5-0 win at Charlotte while striking out a career-high twelve batters. Sunday in Toledo the Clippers didn't score until the 8<sup>th</sup> inning but managed a 2-0 victory thanks to Morimando's 9.0 scoreless frames. The Clippers' hurler now leads the League with eight wins and 103.1 innings pitched this season, while his ERA of 3.40 is currently 6<sup>th</sup> in the IL.

24-year-old Shawn Morimando is in his seventh season since Cleveland selected him in the 19<sup>th</sup> round of the 2011 draft. He made both his Triple-A and Major League debuts in 2016 after having earned honors as an All-Star in the Double-A Eastern League. Morimando is a native of Canandaigua, New York.

	<u>G</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SV</u>
<b>Week:</b>	2	2	2	2	2-0	0.00	18.0	12	0	0	1	18	0
<b>Season:</b>	16	16	3	3	8-5	3.40	103.1	106	43	39	32	74	0