



Now we have our exciting conclusion to our April edition of The Farmer's Almanac, focusing on Kinston and Lake County. If you missed [Part One, you can find it here](#). In addition to looking at the Indians' A ball affiliates, I'll name my minor league pitcher and hitter for the month of April at the end of the article. Most of your 2010 draftees will be found here in part two, including 1st round pick Drew Pomeranz who is dominating the Carolina League for Kinston.

### **Kinston Indians (A+)**

Kinston scuffled into May with an 8-14 record, and has had a little trouble generating runs so far this year. The Carolina League has always been more of a pitcher's league, but Kinston's bats are disappointing no matter how you look at it. A slow start won't doom the K-Tribe though, as there are two halves to the season so everything starts over after the Carolina League all-star break. Still, they need to get the bats going to support the pitching staff at some point this year.

Kinston's outfield has been carrying the load for the offense in the early going, starting with 2010 draftee **Tyler Holt**. Holt has primarily played CF and hit leadoff for the K-Tribe, and after a slow start his bat has really been heating up these past couple of weeks. Batting in the leadoff spot, Holt hit .288/.374/.375 in April with a HR and 9 SB. He's a solid defender, and is really similar to Akron's Jordan Henry.

Kinston's LF **Bo Greenwell** started off 2011 the same way he started 2010; hot at the plate. Greenwell was the only Kinston player to finish April with an average over .300, and he finished the month with a .304/.360/.367 line with a HR and 9 RBI. He stole 5 bases and was caught 3 times. Greenwell has great speed for a LF, and despite a below average arm is a solid defender simply because he gets to balls that most LF don't.

Playing RF for Kinston is the toolsy **Abner Abreu**. Abreu is finally healthy after struggling with shoulder injuries, but his production still isn't quite up to the level of a top prospect. He's repeating high A, and so far has a .262/.308/.393 line with a HR and 5 RBI. He stole 4 bases without being caught. Abreu's problem continues to be plate discipline and pitch recognition, and he struck out 24 times against just 5 walks.

Second baseman **Justin Toole** has been the most consistent hitter in the K-Tribe infield. Toole hasn't shown much pop with just 5 2B and no other XBH, but he still put up a solid .295/.358/.377 line. Those are pretty nice numbers for a second baseman. He's 24 years old, so should be in line for a promotion at some point this season.





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