

## Huntsville Stars & Brewers agree to extension

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The Southern League's [Huntsville Stars](#) announced Friday that the club has agreed to a two-year Player Development Contract extension with the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Brewers also announced the extension of player development contracts with two of the club's other Minor League affiliates. Class-A Brevard County Manatees signed a four-year extension running through Sept. 30, 2010 and the Brewers Rookie affiliate, the Helena Brewers, signed a two-year extension running through Sept. 30, 2008.

"We are very excited to extend the relationship we have with these three clubs," said Brewers Executive Vice President and General Manager Doug Melvin. "Huntsville, Brevard County and Helena have all provided the critical resources and environment needed to continue developing and preparing our young players for our organization."

In July of this year, the Brewers announced an extension of its player development contract with the Triple-A Nashville Sounds of the Pacific Coast League through the 2010 season.

"We're very pleased that the Brewers have chosen to extend our working agreement for at least two more years," said Stars General Manager Tom Van Schaack. "The Stars have had a great working relationship with Milwaukee and we look forward to continuing to work with the Brewers for years to come."

The Stars have been Milwaukee's Double-A affiliate since 1999. Since 1999, the Stars are 536-571 in eight seasons with the Brewers, including this season's 63-70 overall record. The Stars, 39-25 in the second half, are just one win away from clinching the second half north division title after a 24-45 first half. The Stars have made two previous playoff appearances in seven seasons of being affiliated with Milwaukee (2001 & 2003).

Milwaukee and Oakland are the only two major league clubs that the Stars have been affiliated with since the club's inception in 1985. Heading into tonight's game at Birmingham, the Stars are 1565-1532 in 22 seasons.