Gibbons named MWL Pitcher of the Week

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The Midwest League and MiLB.com announced Monday that Cedar Rapids Kernels pitcher Sam Gibbons has been named the MWL Pitcher of the Week for the period ending Aug. 2.

Gibbons pitched a nine-inning shutout Saturday in a 7-0 win at Kane County. He scattered four hits, walked one, hit a batter and struck out nine.

The Twins signed Gibbons, who is from Australia, as an international free agent on July 2, 2011. This is his fourth season in professional baseball.

Bobby Bradley of the Lake County Captains was named the MWL Player of the Week for the same period.

Gibbons is the sixth Kernel to be honored by the Midwest League this season, joining Felix Jorge, Stephen Gonsalves, Trey Vavra, Max Murphy and Keaton Steele.