CLINTON - Sam Gibbons pitched a spectacular game for the Cedar Rapids Kernels Saturday night in their 2-0 victory over Clinton at Ashford University Field.

Gibbons allowed only one hit in eight innings and struck out a career-best 12 batters. He had a perfect game for $52 / 3$ innings before Arby Fields reached first base on an infield single.

Gibbons, a 6-foot-4 right-hander from Australia, did not walk anyone and faced 25 batters in eight innings, just one over the minimum. He raised his record to 7-3 and lowered his ERA to 2.72.

The Minnesota Twins signed Gibbons as an international free agent in 2011.

Kernels relief pitcher Michael Theofanopoulos finished the one-hitter with a perfect frame in the bottom of the ninth for his first save.

The Midwest League game was tied, 0-0, heading into the top of the ninth inning. Edgar Corcino and T.J. White collected two-out singles for the Kernels and Brett Doe drove them in with a two-run double to left field.

The Kernels (71-53) and LumberKings (39-84) meet again Sunday at 2 p.m.

KERNELS (2): Miller, ss, 400 0, Valera, 2b, 401 0, Corcino, cf, 411 0, White, 3b, 4120 , Doe, 1b, 401 2, Murphy, dh, 40 1 0, Larson, If,
300 0, Navarreto, c, 301 0, Diemer, rf, 3000 . Totals 33272.

CLINTON (0): Mariscal, ss, 400 0, Cousino, cf, 300 0, Wawoe, rf, 300 0, Reynolds, dh, 300 0, Peguero, 2b, 300 0, DeCarlo, 3b, 3000 ,
Taylor, c, 300 0, Brito, 1b, 300 0, Fields, If, 3010 . Totals 28010.

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Gibbons, Theofanopoulos (9) and Navarreto. Littell, Medina (9) and Taylor. W - Gibbons (7-3). L - Medina (4-10). S - Theofanopoulos (1). 2B -

Navarreto (11), Doe (11). T-2:02.

