

## 'Dads fall to RiverDogs, 6-3, in series finale

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The Hickory Crawdads were topped by the Charleston RiverDogs, 6-3, before 2,992 fans at L.P. Frans Stadium on Saturday night.

The RiverDogs (22-27) jumped on top with a run in the top of the second against losing pitcher Nick Tepesch. A two-out walk to Eduardo Sosa and an RBI double by Francisco Arcia the RiverDogs a 1-0 lead.

But the Crawdads (26-22) responded on a solo home run by Christian Villanueva over the left field wall in the bottom of the second that tied the game.

Hickory scored a run in each of the next two innings, opening up a 3-1 lead. A sacrifice fly by Josh Richmond in the third gave Hickory a 2-1 lead. And a throwing error, a stolen base, consecutive walks and a double-play ball drove in another run, making it 3-1 in the fourth. Meanwhile, Tepesch was rolling along. He retired seven in a row during one stretch before Charleston erupted for four runs in the top of the fifth to take a 5-3 lead. Arcia worked a walk to start the inning and went to third on a double by Jose Mojica. Both runners came scored on consecutive RBI ground outs by Slade Heathcott and Anderson Feliz, tying the game at 3-3. A two-out single by Rob Segedin and a two-run homer by Kyle Roller capped off the inning. Charleston added an insurance run in the sixth, before receiving scoreless relief from Manny Barreda in the seventh and eighth and Kelvin Perez (4th save) in the ninth to close out the game.

NOTES: The Crawdads kick off a series against the Power in West Virginia on Sunday at 4:05 p.m. The 'Dads will be back home to face the Lakewood BlueClaws on Sunday, June 5 at 5 p.m. It will be Carnival Day at the ballpark, preceded by a Faith and Family Day service by Lower Creek Baptist Church from 3:15 - 4 p.m., open to all fans with a ticket to this game.