

Grasshoppers Spring by 'Dads, 9-3

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The Hickory Crawdads split the series with the Greensboro Grasshoppers after falling, 9-3, on Friday night before 1,540 fans at L.P. Frans Stadium. A five-run rally by the Grasshoppers in the top of the second inning led to Hickory's downfall. Consecutive doubles by Josh Adams and James Wooster drove in two runs and gave

Greensboro a 2-1 lead. An RBI single by Brent Keys made it 3-1, and a two-run double by Austin Barnes closed out the scoring for the Grasshoppers.

A run-scoring single by Barnes in the fourth, a run-scoring single by Goetz in the sixth by Goetz and a solo home run by Senne in the seventh gave Greensboro a commanding 8-1 lead. Key's sacrifice fly in the eighth made it 9-1 in the top of the eighth.

Hanser Alberto had an RBI single for the Crawdads in the first inning; Drew Robinson had a two-run shot in the eighth. The teams split their four-game series right down the middle. The teams find themselves with identical 14-7 records and in a tie for first place in the North Division of the South Atlantic League. Charleston comes to town for a weekend series this weekend.

Crawdads Clippings:

The 'Dads welcome the Charleston RiverDogs to L.P. Frans this Saturday with a 6 p.m. First Pitch. It will be Magnet Schedule Giveaway, with the first 1,000 fans with a paid admission receiving a FREE magnet schedule, courtesy of the North Carolina Education

Lottery.....Saturday's game will also be Little League Night - wear your Little League uniform for a FREE ticket to the game, courtesy of Hickory Daily Record and the Morganton News Herald.

There will be a pre-game Blood Drive with the Community Blood Center of the Carolinas from 3 - 6 p.m. - donate blood and receive a FREE ticket to the game! Gates open at 5 p.m.

Get Tickets:

Individual Tickets for all Crawdads home games are available right now at Hickorycrawdads.com or by calling (828) 322-3000! Group outings, corporate partnerships, Levine Children's Hospital Claw Club memberships and Ticket Books for the 20th Anniversary Season are also available right now by calling the Front Office at (828) 322-3000.