

Gnats top 'Dads, 8-4

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The Savannah Sand Gnats topped the Hickory Crawdads, 8-4, before 3,146 fans at L.P. Frans Stadium on Saturday evening. A five-run third inning gave Savannah a commanding 5-0 lead. Charley Thurber and Albert Cordero started the inning by hitting back-to-back home runs. Then with the bases loaded and one out, Travis Taijeron and Brian Harrison had

consecutive run-scoring singles that made it 4-0; Aderlin Rodriguez closed out the scoring with a sacrifice fly. The Crawdads chipped away with two runs of their own in the bottom of the third. Chris Grayson drove in Jhonny Gomez with an RBI single to right-center field and darted to second base on a fielding error by Taijeron. Grayson moved to third on a ground out before he scored scoring on a two-out, RBI single by Hanser Alberto that made it, 5-2.

A two-run homer by Taijeron in the fifth gave the Sand Gnats a 7-2 lead. The Sand Gnats (22-13) added another run in the seventh. An RBI double by Jeremy Williams of the Crawdads (19-14) made it 8-3; and the Crawdads staged an uprising in the ninth. Zach Cone led off the inning with a double and quickly moved to third on a ground out. Cone scored on an RBI grounder by Gomez to close out the scoring. Jerad Eickhoff (4-3) coughed up five earned runs in four innings and suffered the loss.

Crawdads Clippings:

Bring your glove to play catch with a couple Crawdads after Sunday's 5 p.m. game against Savannah, presented by Countryside Pet Hospital! Sunday is also Craw"MOMS" and Breast Cancer Awareness Day, with FREE tickets for all moms! Gates open at 4 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.