

## Crawdads Ground Shorebirds, 8-3

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The Hickory Crawdads got their brief three-game road trip started on a good note Monday night. The Crawdads (24-25) took the series opener against the Delmarva Shorebirds, 8-3 at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium. Hickory also tied the team

record with six stolen bases in the game. The Crawdads grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the the first inning and never looked back. Chris Grayson, who was hitless on the night but drove in two runs, drove in a run with a base-loaded walk. Hickory added to its lead with three runs in the top of the third. Luis Sardinas started things started by reaching on an error; he stole second base, and moved to third on a passed ball, Hanser Alberto, who had two hits and three RBI on the night, drove him in with an RBI single. A single by Zach Cone and a walk to Drew Robinson loaded the bases with nobody out. Grayson and Jordan Akins plated consecutive runs with a pair of sacrifice flies that gave the Crawdads a 4-0 lead.

Winning pitcher Luke Jackson (4-4) turned in a solid effort. He went six-plus innings and gave up an earned run on six hits with four strikeouts. Wynston Sawyer finally got the Shorebirds (21-29) on the board in the bottom of the fourth with a sacrifice fly. But the Crawdads put the issue to rest with a single run in the sixth on RBI single by Alberto that made it 5-1; and three more runs in the seventh.

With one out, Akins and Kellin Deglan reached on back-to-back singles. Trever Adams and Rougned Odor followed with consecutive run-scoring singles that made it 7-1. A sacrifice fly by Alberto closed out the scoringm, giving Hickory a commanding 8-1 lead.

### **Crawdads Clippings:**

Hickory goes for their second straight win against the Shorebirds in Delmarva on Tuesday at 7:05 p.m. Catch all the action live on [Hickorycrawdads.com](http://Hickorycrawdads.com), and tune in 15 minutes early for Crawdads Countdown.....The 'Dads return home for a four-game series against the West Virginia Power.....It all kicks off Thursday at 7 p.m. The FUN-filled series will feature Thirsty Thursday, presented by Buffalo Wild Wings, Friday Fireworks will be presented by Galaxy, Texas Pete, and a T-Shirt Giveaway, courtesy of Duck Graphics for the first 1,000 fans with a paid admission, will be held on Saturday!

### **Get Tickets:**

Individual Tickets for all Crawdads home games are available right now at [Hickorycrawdads.com](http://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.