Crawdads Win Seventh Straight, Sweep Power

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The Hickory Crawdads just keep rolling along. They won their seventh straight game Sunday night as they knocked off West Virginia 7-6 at LP Fran Stadium. Drew Robinson, who won Saturday's game with a run-scoring double, was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded, driving in the winning run. The

Crawdads (30-25), who swept the three game series against the Power (18-39), blew a 6-2 lead on Sunday night. The Crawdads, who fell behind 2-0 in the top of the fourth inning, rallied with three runs in the bottom of the fourth to take a 3-2 lead. Robinson tied up the game with a two-run single and Jordan Aikns run-scoring triple gave the Crawdads their one-run lead. Hickory added to that lead with a single run in the sixth and two more runs in the seventh. Trailing 6-2, the Power staged a comeback. A two-run homer by Jose Osuna in the eighth inning made it 6-4, and consecutive singles, a wild pitch, and a two-run single by Gregory Polanco in the ninth inning tied the game at 6-6.

But the Crawdads won in walk-off fashion for the second night in a row in the bottom of the ninth. Losing pitcher Mike Jefferson (2-4) walked Luis Sardinas to start the inning; a bunt single by Chris Grayson put runners at first and second with nobody out. Zach Cone walked to load the bases. Jefferson retired Hanser Alberto on a shallow fly ball to left field, but he plunked Robinson to force in the game-winning run.

Alberto had two hits and scored two runs; Robinson drove in three runs. Chris Hanna, who blew a save opportunity in the top of the ninth, picked up his first win of the year.

Crawdads Clippings:

The Crawdads host the Kannapolis Intimidators on Monday at 11 a.m. for Education Day, presented by Sylvan Learning Center! Monday will also feature the Businessperson's Special, so bring a business card to the Ticket Office for a discounted \$5 Box Seat Ticket! Gates open at 10 a.m....Monday's game will be broadcast live only on Hickorycrawdads.com, starting with Crawdads Countdown at 10:45 a.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.

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