

The Hickory Crawdads seized the lead in the first inning and never looked back en route to the 7-3 win against the Charleston RiverDogs at Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Park on Thursday night. The Crawdads (32-27) took the early lead with

two runs in the top of the first inning. Luis Sardinas led off with a single; Drew Robinson walked; Hanser Alberto singled loading the bases. Jeremy Williams drove in Sardinas in from third with an infield single to short, and a throwing error on the play allowed Robinson to score for a 2-0 lead.

The Crawdads extended their lead with three more runs in the fourth inning. Kellin Deglan led off the inning with a solo home run; Alejandro Selen had a run-scoring double, and Trever Adams had an RBI single that gave Hickory a commanding 5-0 lead. Alberto drove in Sardinas with an RBI single in the sixth, and Williams led-off the seventh with a double and he eventually scored on a pair of wild pitches for a 7-1 advantage.

Sardinas, Adams, Alberto and Deglen each had two hits apiece; Williams had three hits, including two doubles, and drove in a run. Luke Jackson went five innings and gave up an earned run on five hits for his fifth win of the year; Kevin Matthews went three innings, and despite giving up two earned runs, picked up his second save of the season.

Crawdads Clippings:

Hickory returns home for a three-game home series against the Greenville Drive starting this Friday at 7 p.m. Don't miss Friday Night Fireworks after the game, presented by Mann Travels and KICKS 103.3FM! Friday will also be Carnival Night, presented by Gold and Silver Assay Company! Gates open at 6 p.m....Then on Saturday, the Crawdads take on the Drive at 6 p.m. Myron Noodleman, the hippest nerd in 'da biz, will entertain fans of all ages throughout the game....Saturday's game is also Shred Night, presented by Enviro-Shred - bring paper documents to the ballpark to be shredded from 4 - 6 p.m. and get a FREE ticket to the game! And don't forget to stick around after Saturday's game for Post-Game Autographs! 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.