

BlueClaws Nip Crawdads, 4-3

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The Lakewood BlueClaws defeated the Hickory Crawdads 4-3 at FirstEnergy Park in Lakewood on Saturday night. Trailing 3-2, Lakewood jumped on top with a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth. Carlos Perdomo led-off the inning with a walk, and he scored all the way from first base on an RBI double by Kelly Dugan. Dugan advanced to third on a fly out

to center field, and he scored on Aaron Altherr's RBI single that gave the BlueClaws (25-43) a 4-3 lead. Gabriel Sanchez (2-3), who picked up the win in relief and Yari Sosa, who nailed down his first save of the year, combined for 4 1/3 scoreless innings and settled the issue for Lakewood.

Hickory rallied from an early 2-0 deficit with three runs in the top of the fifth. With two outs and the bases empty, Trevor Adams extended the inning with a double. After Jhonny Gomez walked, Chris Grayson, who will play in the South Atlantic League All-Star Game in Charleston, S.C., Tuesday night, belted a three-run homer to lift Hickory (36-32) its 3-2 advantage. Santo Perez (2-6) suffered the loss. He gave up four earned runs on seven hits in five-plus innings. Grayson was Hickory's most productive hitter going 2-4 with a three-run homer.

Christopher Duffy and Dugan had two hits apiece for the BlueClaws; Altherr drove in two runs. The Crawdads take on the BlueClaws in Lakewood Sunday at 1:05 p.m. Catch all the action live on Hickorycrawdads.com, and tune in 15 minutes before First Pitch for Crawdads Countdown.

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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