

## Crawdads Move Into First Place

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The Hickory Crawdads took over first place in the Northern Division in the second half of the South Atlantic League season. The Crawdads (4-1; 40-34) knocked off the Kannapolis Intimidators 6-2 Monday night at CMC-Northeast Stadium to move into first place. The 'Dads jumped on top with a two-out rally in the top of the first inning. With two away and the bases empty, Rougned Odor belted a solo home run on the first pitch for a 1-0 lead. Jeremy Williams followed with a single

up the middle and promptly raced home on an RBI triple by Drew Robinson for a 2-0 advantage. Winning pitcher Victor Payano (5-3) kept the lead intact through his five scoreless innings of work. Payano scattered just three hits and struck out four. The Intimidators (3-1, 36-38) got on the board in the bottom of the sixth against relief pitcher Arlett Mavare. But Hickory put the contest out of reach with a big blast in the top of the seventh. Chris Grayson provided the fireworks with a towering three-run homer to right field, stretching the Hickory lead to 5-1. Alejandro Selen had an RBI double inside the third-base line in the eighth inning that scored Williams for a 6-1 lead. Chance Sossamon navigated out of a bases-loaded jam with only the one run scoring by inducing an inning-ending double play ball in the eighth. Sossamon then dealt a scoreless ninth, and the 'Dads ended the game by turning their fourth double play of the game.

### **Crawdads Clippings:**

The 'Dads continue the nine-game trip in Kannapolis 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....Hickory returns home for the 4th of July Fireworks Extravaganza, presented by Carolina Postal Credit Union and KICKS 103.3FM, on the Wed., July 4. First Pitch will be at 7 p.m. against the Delmarva Shorebirds, before the best Independence Day celebration in the area! Tickets are just \$10 for the game and unforgettable fireworks show, and are going fast! To secure your seats right now, [click here](#) or call the Front Office at (828) 322-3000.

### **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.