

'Hoppers Double Up Hickory

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The Greensboro Grasshoppers edged the Hickory Crawdads, 4-2, at NewBridge Bank Park on Saturday night. The Grasshoppers (5-5, 51-29) snapped a 2-2 tie against losing pitcher Arlett Mavare (2-3) in the bottom of the sixth. Tony Caldwell was hit by a pitch to start the inning, then took second on a balk. One out later, he darted home on an

RBI double by Ryan Goetz, lifting Greensboro in front, 3-2. The Grasshoppers added an insurance run in the bottom of the seventh with an RBI single by James Wooster, making it 4-2. Brad Mincey closed things out in the ninth inning for his fifth save of the year.

The loss leaves Hickory with a one-game lead in the North Division of the South Atlantic League. Hagerstown lost 12-9 at Lakewood Saturday night. The win pulled Lakewood into a second-place tie with the Suns; West Virginia and Greensboro are both two games back.

Hickory fell behind 2-0 in the bottom of the second inning. But the Crawdads (7-3, 43-36) sliced the deficit in half in the top of the third. Nick Urbanus got things started with a walk and worked around to third base on a pair of wild pitches by Charlie Lowell of Greensboro. With two down, Trever Adams brought Urbanus in with an RBI infield single, cutting the lead at 2-1. Adams struck again as he tied the game in the top of the fifth. With two down and the bases empty, Adams belted a solo bomb inside the left-field foul pole, squaring the score, 2-2.

James Nygren (5-1) of the Grasshoppers picked up the win as he worked two innings in relief. He gave up an earned run on two hits. Adams backboned Hickory offensively going 2-3 with a run scored, a home run and two RBI. The Crawdads only made six hits.

Crawdads Clippings:

The 'Dads continue the nine-game trip in Greensboro on Sunday at 4 p.m. Catch all the action live on 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.

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