

Crawdads Remain In First-Place Tie

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The Hickory Crawdads remained in a first-place tie with the Hagerstown Suns in the North Division of the South Atlantic League as they cruised to the 8-1 win against the Delmarva Shorebirds at L.P. Frans Stadium on Monday

night.

Hickory (18-13, 54-46) took a commanding 5-0 lead by the fourth inning. They erupted for four runs in the inning. Rougned Odor led off with a triple to the right-field corner. And he scored moments later on an RBI single by Zach Cone. Chris Grayson walked putting runners at first and second with nobody out before Jorge Alfaro brought them both home on a two-run double. Alfaro took third on a single by Alejandro Selen, and then Jordan Akins brought him home on an RBI fielder's choice for a 5-0 lead.

Hickory added three more runs in the bottom of the eighth. A one-out single by Luis Sardinas started the charge; he moved to second base on a passed ball. Trevor Adams then pulled an RBI double to the left-field wall, plating Sardinas. Then with one out and two runners on, Grayson unloaded a two-run triple to right-center field, scoring Adams and Cone for the 8-1 advantage.

Andrew Faulkner (3-3) picked up his third win of the year; the left hander went seven innings and gave up an earned run on seven hits with a walk and four strikeouts. Adams, Sardinas, and Jorge Alfaro each had two hits apiece; the Crawdads had 11 hits. Alfaro, Adams, and Grayson all had two RBI apiece. Mikey Planeta drove in the only run for the Shorebirds (12-18; 40-59) with a run-scoring double in the fifth.

Crawdads Clippings:

The 'Dads host the Shorebirds on Tuesday for Dollar Day at 7 p.m. Buy one ticket for Tuesday's game and get a second Grandstand Ticket for just a buck! Also, nine other items around the ballpark are just \$1 each. Tuesday is also Great Outdoors Night, so wear hunting, fishing or camping gear for a Half Off Ticket! Gates open at 6 p.m. on Tuesday.....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.