

'Dads Drop Series Finale To Braves

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The Rome Braves edged the Hickory Crawdads 6-4 Wednesday afternoon at L.P. Frans Stadium. It was a costly loss for the Crawdads, who now find themselves 2 1/2 games out of first place in the North Division of the South Atlantic

League. And they open a crucial series with West Virginia beginning tonight. Hickory begins the night one game behind the Power for second place in the North Division. The Braves (37-20, 55-72) wiped out a 3-1 deficit with a pair of runs in the top of the fourth. Brandon Drury had a run-scoring triple and Chase Anselment drove in Drury with the tying run on a ground-ball out to second base. The Braves took the lead for good on a solo home run by Fernando De Los Santos in the seventh; they added a pair of insurance runs in the eighth to put the game away. Kyle Kubitz and Drury knocked each drove in a run with consecutive RBI singles, stretching the lead to 6-3. Rougned Odor homered for Hickory (32-27, 68-60) in the losing cause. Kellin Deglan, Trever Adams and Nick Urbanus each had two hits apiece. Paul Schwendel (1-1) suffered the loss. He coughed up three earned runs with four strikeouts in 2.1 innings.

Crawdads Clippings:

The 'Dads hit the road to start a series against the West Virginia Power this Thursday at 7:05 p.m. Catch all the action live on Hickorycrawdads.com, and tune in 15 minutes early for Crawdads Countdown....The Crawdads then return home to wrap up the home schedule with the final three regular season games of the year at L.P. Frans Stadium, Tuesday, Aug. 28 - Thursday, Aug. 30 against the Lexington Legends. For all the info, the Crawdads full 2012 schedule and to get your tickets right now, [click here](#)....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.