

Crawdads Gallo Named SAL Player Of Week

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The South Atlantic League announced today that Hickory Crawdads 3B Joey Gallo has been named the SAL player of the week for games ending on Sunday, June 16.

Joey Gallo

PLAYER OF THE WEEK:

.452/.500/1.226, 8 G, 14-for-31, 3 2B, 0 3B, 7 HR, 13 RBI, 11 R, 2 BB, 10 K

Gallo, selected by the Texas Rangers in the first round (39th overall) of the 2012 First-Year Player Draft out of Bishop Gorman High School in Las Vegas, Nev., went 14-31 for a .452 batting average during the week of June 10-16th. He hit 7 home runs, had 11 runs scored and 13 runs batted in. Additionally Gallo hit safely in six of the eight games, and had four multi-hit games.

His week was highlighted by a four-hit night against the Hagerstown Suns in Game 1 of the 7 inning doubleheader on Tuesday, June 11th. Three of those hits were home runs! The second homer was a solo shot that gave the Crawdads a comfortable 5-2 lead in in the top of the 5th inning. The 'Dads went on to win the contest 6-2. Gallo accounted for 4 runs and 14 total bases, setting a Crawdads single game record.

In 68 games played during the 2013 season, the Crawdads are putting on a collective display of power this year that may be unprecedented in the South Atlantic League. At the heart of it are sluggers Gallo and Ryan Rua, who are tied for the Minor League lead with 22 home runs apiece. No one else in the Minors has more than 18, and nine teams in the Sally League cannot match their combined 44 blasts.

NOTES: The Crawdads will have the next three days off due to the SAL All-Star game, which will feature six 'Dads on the Northern Division roster. The 'Dads will kick off the second half of the season back at L.P. Frans stadium for a 4-game series against the Greensboro Grasshoppers on Thursday....Individual tickets for all Hickory Crawdads home games are available right now at Hickorycrawdads.com or by calling (828) 322-3000!

Group Outings, corporate partnerships, Buffalo Wild Wings Claw Club memberships and Ticket Books are also available right now by calling the Front Office at (828) 322-3000.