

Boulders Cooled Off Upstate

Drop Middle Game at Tri-City

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Troy, NY – The New York Boulders saw their season-high tying seven-game win streak come to an end Wednesday night with a 6-5 loss in the middle game of their series against the Tri-City ValleyCats at Joseph L. Bruno Stadium.

Tri-City (39-27) grabbed the lead on a two-run homer in the bottom of the second inning by C Chris Burgess, only to see the Boulders (37-29) rally right back with a four-spot in the top of the third as SS **Austin Dennis**, C **Jason Agresti**, and DH **Alfredo Marte** all had RBI singles, while Dennis raced around from second base on a wild pitch.

But the ValleyCats went ahead to stay with a three-run bottom of the fifth – all unearned runs – against losing pitcher **Emmett Bice** (2-3 / 5 IP, 6 R (3 ER), 7 H, 1 BB, 4 K), who was taken out of the game after giving up a leadoff homer in the sixth to 3B Ian Walters.

New York closed the gap to 6-5 on an unearned run in the top of the seventh, then had nine of their last ten batters retired before Marte was stranded on first after drawing a two-out walk in the ninth.

Also of note:

* The Boulders remain percentage points ahead of Sussex County for first place in the East Division, thanks to the Miners' 10-2 loss at Trois-Rivières

* New York's trio of RHP **Scott Harper**, LHP **Grady Gorgen**, and RHP **Jordy Luciano** combined for three innings of scoreless relief as the Boulders made it 7.2 bullpen frames in the series without giving up a run

* Rookie 2B **Kyle Hess** and rookie RF **Enzo Apodaca** both extended their hitting streaks to six games

The three-game series wraps up tomorrow (Thursday) night, with the rubber match at "The Joe" scheduled to start at 6:30pm EDT.

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