

Boulders Drop Back and Forth Rubber Match

10 Runs Not Enough vs. Ottawa

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Pomona, NY – In a wild, see-saw battle that featured a combined 22 runs and 34 hits, the New York Boulders dropped their rubber game against the Ottawa Titans, 12-10, on Sunday evening at Clover Stadium.

With the loss, New York (45-37) drops to 2.5 games ahead of Ottawa for the Atlantic Conference's final playoff spot – but remains two games back of first place Sussex County in the East Division race.

The Titans opened the scoring with a run in the second inning followed by a pair in the third to take a 3-0 lead, but the Boulders were quick to respond with two runs of their own in a fourth inning that saw SS **Fritz Genther** slug a solo HR – his team-high 13th of the year – while LF **Zane Zurbrugg** added a sacrifice fly.

The Boulders grabbed a short-lived lead thanks to a four-run fifth inning, as Genther picked up an RBI single and 3B **Santino Rosso** crushed a tie-breaking three-run HR to put the home team ahead, 6-3.

Ottawa answered that by rattling off seven runs in a nightmare top of the sixth inning that saw 11 batters come to the plate as the Titans went back in front, 10-6, and chased LHP **Mitchell Senger** (ND / 5 IP, 7 ER, 10 H, 1 BB, 5 K)

New York did not stay down, closing within 10-7 in the bottom of the sixth on 1B **Jason Agresti**'s RBI single, then drew even at 10-10 in the seventh on ribby singles from 2B **Kyle Hess**, RF **Enzo Apodaca**, and Zurbrugg.

But the Titans took the lead for good in the top of the eighth on an RBI double off the bat of 3B A.J. Wright vs. RHP **Parker Kruglewicz** (L, 0-4). And Wright capped the scoring moments later, racing home on a wild pitch by LHP **Grady Gorgen** before the Boulders were held hitless by winning pitcher Shane Gray (2-4) over the final two innings.

Also of note:

* Genther extended his hitting streak to 12 games

* Rosso reached base a career-high five times – two singles, a double, a home run, and a walk – as he extended his hitting streak to seven games

* For the second straight game, every Boulder in the starting lineup reached base at least once, with six players all driving in at least one run

* Hess, CF **Austin Dennis**, and DH **Alfredo Marte**, all got on base three times

After a day off, the Boulders return to action Tuesday evening, when they open a critical four-game series at Tri-City with a 5:00pm EDT doubleheader. New York trails the ValleyCats by 5.5 games for the #1 Atlantic Conference Wild Card.

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