

The Miners hosted the Washington Wild Things for the second game of a three-game series, as both teams are the leaders of their respective divisions. The Miners looked to bounce back after a 9-2 loss in the opening game on Friday night.

Kellen Brothers gave up a run after a walk and a double in the top of the first.

After Dom Johnson singled and stole second, the Miners responded in the bottom of the first with a Gabriel Maciel RBI single to tie the game at 1-1.

In the bottom of the second, the Miners bats stayed hot. Alec Sayre reached third after an Abdel Guadalupe double, and Keenan O'Brien drove him in while reaching first on a fielder's choice. After Zimmerman singled, Makhi Backstrom drove them both in with a deep two-RBI double. The inning wasn't over there, when Dom Johnson piled on with an RBI single and the Miners held a 5-1 lead.

Both teams were equipped to respond after trailing behind. The Wild Things went back-to-back in the top of the third, Tommy Caufield hit a two-run homer followed by Wagner Lagrange going deep and the lead was cut to one.

Will Zimmerman hit his third home run of the year in the bottom of the fourth to put the Miners up 6-4.

Chad Gartland replaced starter Kellen Brothers in the top of the 7th, Brothers finished with a line of 6.0 IP, 4 ER, 7 H, 1 BB, and 3 SO.

After 2 1/2 scoreless innings, Dom Johnson added insurance by hitting a double that scored Will Zimmerman all the way from first. Johnson was thrown out attempting to extend the hit to a three-bagger, but not before giving the Miners a 7-4 lead in the bottom of the 7th.

Tyler Luneke shut down the 8th, and Matt Stil struck out two of three to close out the game in the 9th.

Fireworks lit up Skylands Stadium as the Miners evened up the series with a 7-4 W including 12 hits and 8 different Miners getting on base. The rubber match of the series is tomorrow, Sunday June 20th, with first pitch at 2:05 PM EST