

TROY, NY– The Sussex County Miners (7-3) avoided the series sweep to win 5-3 against the Tri-City Valleycats (5-2) on Sunday afternoon at Joseph L. Bruno Stadium.

The win snapped a two game losing streak as the Miners put up 10 hits.

The Miners took an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first thanks to a Gabriel Maciel home run off Tri-City starter Easton Klein. This marked his first homer of the season and extended his hit streak to three games.

The Miners added another run off Klein on a Jordan Smith sacrifice fly to make it 2-0 in the top of the second.

Tri-City answered in the bottom of the second on an Ian Walters solo home run to cut the deficit to 2-1. The home run was Walter's third of the season.

The fireworks would continue for the Miners as Sean Roby Jr. knocked in an RBI single, scoring Will Zimmerman to restore their two run lead in the top of the third.

The consistent scoring would continue for the Miners with Jordan Smith tallying an RBI double in the fourth and Sean Roby Jr. would drive in Hunter D'Amato in the fifth to make it 5-1.

Miners starter Mike Reagan ran into a bit of a jam in the bottom of the fifth. With runners at the corners, he was able to get Oscar Campos to fly out for the final out of the inning.

Reagan had a strong game for the Miners, tossing six innings of one run ball, allowing four hits, striking out five and only walking two.

On the season, Reagan is 2-0 with a sparkling 1.20 ERA through three appearances.

On the other side for the Valleycats, Klein (1-1, 4.09 ERA) had a rough day, going six innings, allowing nine hits, five runs and striking out one.

Tri-City had a little rally to cut the deficit to 5-3 in the bottom of the seventh courtesy of Dylan Broderick, knocking in Miguel Useche and Josue Urdaneta.

The comeback attempt fell short, as the Valleycats were held scoreless for the final two frames as Parsons tossed a scoreless eighth and Tyler Luneke shut it down in the ninth for the save.

Jordan Smith had himself a game, going 2-3 with two RBIs. Gabriel Maciel had his third multi-hit game of the season, going 2-4.

On the flip side, Dylan Broderick went 1-4 with two RBIs and John McHenry went 2-4 as the Valleycats put up seven hits but left seven on the basepaths.

The Miners will start their next series against Trois-Rivieres on Tuesday in Quebec at the Stade Quillorama while Tri-City will take on Brockton at Campanelli Field on Tuesday.

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