

Sussex County, NJ – After a quick start with a 2-run first inning, the Miners seemed to be building off the momentum left by their 6-0 win yesterday, June 13th. Hits by Roby Jr. and Guadalupe drove in the first two points of the game before a dropped third strike on Dom Johnson to end the inning.

The Capitales came in to tie the game two apiece in the top of the third on an RBI single by Justin Gideon, but after a pitching change by Quebec in the bottom of the fifth, the Miners regained the lead.

In the fifth inning, Sean Roby Jr. hit a two-run homer for the second night in a row, in just his second game back from injury. This impressive display, driving in both himself and Mahki Backstrom, held the miners lead by two into the eighth inning.

The Miners brought in rightie Ronnie Voacolo to relieve starting pitcher Kellen Brothers after four strikeouts and 27 batters faced. Voacolo struggled, allowing two runs after facing five batters, bringing the score to a 4-4 tie with two outs in the top of the eighth inning.

Tyler Luneke was called in to close out the top half of the inning, but also gave up two more runs on two batters before the Miners got their third out.

Although the Miners held the Capitales scoreless in the top of the ninth, they went into the last half inning down 6-4, and were unable to produce, ending the game with a Capitales double play on a hit by pinch hitter Keenan O'Brien.

The Miners will look to take the series with a win tomorrow afternoon. First Pitch is at 1:35pm. This matchup has proven to be a good one, expectedly so, as the Miners lead the Eastern Division and the Capitales lead the Northern Division of the Frontier League.

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