

Anderson saves Kernels in Ohio

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EASTLAKE, Ohio - Nick Anderson wiggled out of a jam in the bottom of the ninth inning Tuesday night to save the Cedar Rapids Kernels in a 5-4 victory over Lake County before 2,720 fans in Ohio.

The Captains had runners on first and third with nobody out in the ninth inning, needing one run to tie the game and two runs to claim a victory, but Anderson retired three straight batters and stranded both runners on base.

Anderson, who recently joined the Kernels, also pitched a scoreless eighth inning to collect his first save. Keaton Steele (4-3) allowed three earned runs in six innings and got the victory.

The Kernels raised their record to 67-47, climbing 20 games over the .500 mark for the first time this season.

Nick Gordon went 3-for-5 with a double, two RBIs and two runs scored for Cedar Rapids. Edgar Corcino was 3-for-4 with a double and two RBIs. Tanner English, the Midwest League Hitter of the Week, scored two runs.

The Kernels and Lake County (56-55) meet again at noon Wednesday.

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KERNELS (5): English, cf, 4 2 1 0, Gordon, ss, 5 2 3 2, Corcino, rf, 4 0 3 2, Larson, lf, 4 0 1 1, White, 3b, 4 0 1 0, Paul, dh, 4 0 0 0, Valera, 2b, 3 0 1 0, Navarreto, c, 4 0 0 0, Kelly, 1b, 4 1 1 0. Totals 36 5 11 5.

LAKE COUNTY (4): Allen, cf, 4 1 1 0, Murphy, 3b, 4 1 1 0, Santander, lf, 3 1 0 1, Bradley, 1b, 4 0 1 1, Mendoza, ss, 3 0 2 1, Mejia, c, 3 0 0 0, Ison, rf, 4 0 1 0, Valdez, dh, 3 0 0 0, Patterson, 2b, 4 1 1 1. Totals 32 4 7 4.

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Steele, Theofanopoulos (7), Anderson (8) and Navarreto. Brady, Eubank (7), Speer (9) and Mejia. W - Steele (4-3). L - Eubank (2-2). S - Anderson (1). 2B - Corcino (12), Gordon (17), Murphy (17), Bradley (11). HR - Patterson (2). SB - Allen (39), Valdez (21). E - Anderson (1), Murphy (28). T - 2:35 (:35 delay). A - 2,720.