

Kernels fall at Fort Wayne, 3-1

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FORT WAYNE, Ind. - The Cedar Rapids Kernels collected 11 hits Saturday night but had trouble scoring in a 3-1 loss to Fort Wayne in a Midwest League game before 8,195 fans at Parkview Field.

The Tincaps scored all three of their runs against Kernels starter Sam Gibbons in the second inning, including a two-run homer by Trae Santos. Gibbons (6-3) pitched seven innings, allowing seven hits with six strikeouts.

Pat Kelly went 3-for-4 for Cedar Rapids in the ninth spot in the lineup. Rafael Valera and Nick Gordon both had two hits. Valera collected two doubles.

The Kernels left nine runners on base and were 2-for-9 with runners in scoring position. Valera drove in Austin Diemer with their only run in the fifth inning.

Cedar Rapids (68-50) and Fort Wayne (63-53) meet again Sunday at 12:05 p.m.

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

FORT WAYNE (3): Gettys, cf, 4 0 1 1, VanMeter, 2b, 4 0 2 0, Giron, ss, 4 0 1 0, Reyes, rf, 4 0 0 0, Cordero, lf, 4 0 0 0, Urias, 3b, 2 1 1 0, Santos, 1b, 2 1 1 2, Tejada, dh, 3 0 0 0, Ruiz, c, 3 1 1 0. Totals 30 3 7 3.

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Gibbons, Wilson (8) and Doe. Huffman, Cressley (7), Blueberg (8) and Ruiz. W - Huffman (7-6).

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L - Gibbons (6-3). S - Blueberg (16). 2B - Gordon (19),
Valera 2 (5). HR - Santos (10). T - 2:27. A - 8,195.