Walford sweeps twinbill from Watkins

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WATKINS - The Walford Hogs swept the Watkins Mudhens, 3-2 and 11-5, in an Iowa Valley League doubleheader at Watkins Sunday.

Norway's doubleheader at Fairfax was canceled due to wet grounds.

Juan Gonzales pitched five shutout innings for Walford in the first game of its twinbill against Watkins and was the winning pitcher. Diogenes Ceballos relieved in the seventh inning and got the save.

Walford took a 1-0 lead in the second inning on an RBI base hit by Tyler Butz. The Hogs made it 3-0 in the third, with the big hit an RBI double by Brennan Hammer.

Watkins pulled within 3-1 in the bottom of the sixth on an RBI single by Nick Brown and they made it 3-2 in the seventh on an RBI hit by Jack Strellner. Ceballos relieved with the tying run on base and finished the victory.

Ty Mougin and Jake Stenberg had two hits for Walford. Brown and Strellner had two hits for Watkins. Luke Franzenburg pitched a complete game for Watkins.

Watkins led the nightcap, 5-3, heading into the fifth inning, but Walford scored five times in the fifth for an 8-5 lead. Butz socked a two-run homer for Walford to tie the game, 5-5, and Corbin Woods added a three-run homer to give the Hogs their 8-5 advantage.

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Ceballos pitched three scoreless innings in relief for his second save of the day, preserving the victory for Austin Stroschein. Ceballos also went 4-for-4 in the ballgame.

Butz and Hammer had three hits for Walford in the nightcap. Woods, Mougin, Logan Holtz and Levi Montague had two hits for the Hogs as part of their 19-hit attack.

Phil Velez, Justin Schnieders and Jonny Frese had two hits for Watkins.

Walford squared its record at 5-5. Watkins fell to 1-9.

STANDINGS

Red Top 9-1
Fairfax 5-3
Walford 5-5
Norway 4-4
Williamsburg 4-6
Watkins 1-9

SCHEDULE FOR JULY 3

Watkins at Williamsburg, 1 Walford at Fairfax, 1 Red Top at Norway, 5

PLAYER OF THE WEEK - Billy Kass, Red Top **PITCHER OF THE WEEK -** Diogenes Ceballos, Walford

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TRANSACTIONS FOR JUNE 26

FAIRFAX: Add Sammy Lizarraga. Drop Blake Hargens. **WATKINS:** Add Justin Schnieders. Drop Tyler Peyton. **WILLIAMSBURG:** Add Colton Knox. Drop Chris Handke.