



Game Recap | June 23, 2019

Jets Take Series Finale Over Hooks Behind Ledesma's Ninth Inning Two-Run Single

After the weekend series, Jets and Hooks are tied for second in the SDL.

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SAN MARCOS – Down 5-4 in the bottom of the ninth, the Jets rallied back to win the series finale, 7-5 against the Hooks at the CSUSM Baseball Field on Sunday June 23.

The Jets' Sebastian Selway and Hooks' Daniel Velasquez got the Sunday start for their teams.



Jets' Elias Ledesma picked up his second hit in the top of the ninth to give his team a 7-5 lead and picked up two RBIs on the day. (Kevin Dahlgren/San Diego League)

Velasquez allowed three runs on five hits and two walks with nine strikeouts in six innings while Selway allowed four earned runs on eight hits and two walks with seven strikeouts in five and one-thirds innings pitched.

Elias Ledesma scored on Ryan Cho's sacrifice fly in the top of the second to give the Jets a 1-0 lead.

The Hook's Garrett Bevacqua hit a triple in the fourth and scored on Nathan Gelbrich's infield RBI single to tie the game, 1-1.

In the top of the sixth inning, the Jets took a 3-1 lead behind Cho's RBI triple that scored Ross Smith and Kyler Crone.

The Hooks answered backed with a two RBI triples of their own to tie the game in the bottom of the sixth.

The first RBI triple came from Sam Lopez that scored Zeanhi Pena and Gelbrich to tie the game 3-3. Lopez scored on Nathan Campos' RBI triple and Campos scored on the same play due to a throwing error as the Hooks took a 5-3 lead.

Crone cut the deficit to 5-4 after picking up an RBI single in the seventh and the Jets loaded the bases with two outs, but Hooks' Bobby Barrett managed to pitch out of the jam and maintain his team's lead.

The Jets loaded the bases in the top of the ninth off Hooks' Brandyn Lee-LeHano and tied the game after Zach Smits was hit by a pitch to force in a run. Ledesma extended the Jets' lead on an RBI single that scored Sam Dinerman and Ross Smith. "I was up there, just trying to battle" said Ledesma. "My team was really behind me and we had good energy."

Scott Anderson, who relieved Selway in the bottom of the sixth, allowed no runs, one hit and struck out three in three and two-thirds inning pitched to earn the win in his San Diego League/Jets debut. "I'm fresh off high school baseball, and first game in the San Diego League, I knew I had to play hard, I had to show myself," said Anderson. "It felt really good to get on the mound and just throw strikes."

For Jets' head coach Wayne Franklin, what separates Anderson from other pitchers he's seen in the SDL was his tempo. "He's got a good rhythm, got the ball back and jumped on the rubber," said Coach Franklin. "When you do that, you don't give the hitters time to think about it and he just kept them off balance during their at-bat."



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With the Jets' win and Hooks' loss, the two teams are now tied for second place in the San Diego League with a 7-7 record.

"Winning a series is what's important to me, I won't mind losing game as long as we win the series and play well," said Coach Franklin. "As soon as all of our pitching's here, back together, I think we'll get rolling."

The Jets will be back in action on Tues, June 25 against the Warriors at 10:05 A.M, while the Hooks face off against the Long Borders at 1:35 P.M. Both games will take place at the CSUSM Baseball Field.