

Game Recap | July 28, 2019

## Long Boarders Clobber Hooks 12-2

Harrison Boudreaux's two-run blast sparks the Boarders' offense as they scored 10 unanswered runs to defeat the Hooks

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**SAN MARCOS** – The Long Boarders continue to do what they do best and dominate against their opponents. Saturday was no different, as the Boarders routed the Hooks 12-2.

Through the first six innings, both teams each scored two runs. All that changed when Harrison Boudreaux came up to bat. Throughout the summer, Boudreaux came close a few



Harrison Boudreaux (10) finally gets on the home run board after he crushes a two-run shot to left to break a 2-2 tie in the sixth. (Kevin Dahlgren/San Diego League)

times, but had to settle for ground-rule doubles and line drives off the wall. But this time he did not miss his chance.

On 1-0 count, Boudreaux crushed a two-run home run to left for his first home run of the season and gave his team a 4-2 lead. "My two at-bats, I jammed myself and then I come up this at-bat and made an adjustment and took the fastball, took my pitch and drove it," said Boudreaux. "My momentum went to the dugout and that creates more momentum and we just hit around."

Following Boudreaux's home run, the Long Boarders offense continue to roll, scoring six more runs that inning. In the sixth inning alone, the Long Boarders sent 14 batters to the plate. Two more runs in the seventh by the Boarders ended the game via mercy rule as they defeated the Hooks 12-2.

Takashi Umino, who got the start today for the Long Boarders allowed two runs on four hits and five walks in five innings. After loading the bases in the third, Umino induced a ground ball double play to escape the jam. However, Umino was not as lucky in the following inning, when he had the bases loaded again and gave up the lead after Jacob Freedman's two-run single tied the game.

According to Long Boarders head coach, Dillan Smith, Umino was not himself today, but found positives in his outing. "He wasn't getting some of those strikes in the tight counts," said Coach Smith. "These guys are going to pick him up because he came out here and he's been a bulldog for us on Sundays. He's going to come out here on the All-Star game and for the Championship and he's going to throw well."

Bailin Markridge relieved Umino in the sixth and pitched two scoreless and hitless innings to secure his first win of the season. "[Markridge] was getting a lot of swings and misses, and if you can get swings and misses, your stuff is looking good out of the hand," said Coach Smith. "It's great to see him on the mound, he's going to do well for us moving forward."

The first-place Long Boarders improve to 27-7 after the win, while the third-place Hooks drop to 15-18-1. Both teams will play their final regular season game against each other tomorrow on Monday, July 29 at 10:05 A.M. Boudreaux remains confident his team will finish off the season with the win over the Hooks.

"The Boarders are going to come out and do their thing like we always do, just like today," said Boudreaux.

