

Game Recap | June 9, 2019

Long Boarders Shut Out Hooks to Salvage Series Finale

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SAN MARCOS – After dropping the first two games of the series, the Long Boarders silenced the Hooks' bats and shut their opponents out on three hits in a 10-0 victory at CSUSM Baseball Field in San Marcos on Sun June 9. The game ended after the Long Boarders tacked on three more runs in the seventh to secured the victory via the mercy rule.

The starting pitching match was between the Long Boarders' Takashi Umino and the Hooks' Daniel Velasquez.



Bailin Markridge (6) picks up one of his three hits on the day for the Long Boarders against the Hooks. (Kevin Dahlgren/San Diego League)

Umino allowed no runs, two hits in five innings of work and struck out five to earn his win of the season. Velasquez took the loss and lasted three and two-third innings and gave up four runs on three hits with three walks.

It was a different situation for Umino, who was used to pitching out of the bullpen. As a closer from Sierra College in Rocklin, CA, Umino had a 3.12 ERA in 18 games and compiled a 5-3 record with five saves, 41 strikeouts in 34.2 innings pitched for the Wolverines.

"I was a closer from [junior college so pitching] five innings was tough for me," said Umino. "I appreciate my [coach's help] and next time I hope to pitch more innings."

The Hooks were unable to amount any offense today, after scoring 14 runs in the first two games of the series.

The Long Boarders entered the seventh with a 7-0 lead and they would score three more times that inning to end the game via the mercy rule.

For the Long Boarders head coach Dillan Smith, Sunday was all about seeing his team's character. "You either win a series, sweep a series or salvage a series and today we did just that," said Coach Smith. "We wanted to improve on situational hitting and getting some big hits and we did that today."

Bailin Markridge who went hitless in the previous game, picked up three singles and went 3-for-3 with two RBIs for his team. "I'm happy I got out there and did what I," said Markridge. "I needed [a performance like this] after coming off a rough day [yesterday]."

Next game for the Long Boarders will against the Jets on Tues, June 11 at 10:05 A.M. "The Jets are a really good ballclub," said Coach Smith. "They've been pitching pretty well so we got to make sure we're taking advantage of our at-bats, not giving away any free outs and make sure we stay in the game and attack the zone."

The Hooks will be in action as well that day, as they take on the Warriors at 1:35 P.M. Both games will be at the CSUSM Baseball Field.