



BOULDERS AVALANCHE BURIES MINERS

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The Boulders needed to win the game Sunday August 9. They were on a 4-game losing streak. The game started off with the Miners Center fielder, Edwin Mateo drawing a walk. Pitcher Alex Barker was able to get Left fielder Gabriel Maciel to ground into a fielder's choice getting Mateo at 2nd. The next two batters went down with a fly out to left and a strikeout.

It seems the team understood the importance of this game, The Boulders came out bats blazing. Shortstop Austin Dennis led off with a homerun and Right fielder Norris McClure followed him with another one, giving NY a 2 – 0 lead.

In the 3rd inning Center fielder Julian Boyd doubled, stole 3rd and scored on a wild pitch. The scoring continued n the 4th with 2nd baseman Santino Rosso drawing a walk, getting to third on a 1st baseman Lee Amedee single and scored on a fielders' choice and an error on Miner's 2nd baseman Hunter D'Amato. Leslie later stole 3rd but the Boulders left him stranded there. Boulders led 4 – 0.

New York's offense stalled in the 5th and 6th innings.

Barker held the Miners to no hits and no runs until the 7th inning when 3rd baseman Dean Ferrara tripled. Anthony Leak came in, in relief of Barker and was able to get the next two batters to end the inning and maintain the shutout. Leslie led off the Boulders half with a triple but was left stranded with Dennis stranded on 1st after drawing a walk.

The Boulders added one more run in the 8th on a Rosso solo homerun giving NY a 5 – 0 lead.

Leak was able to get the Miners 1 – 2 – 3 in the 8th. The ninth inning though saw the Miners get to Leak with back to back to back singles by Mateo, Maciel and D'Amato. The third one scored Mateo breaking up the shutout. Kristian Scott was called in to stem the tide. He got Ferrera to strike out, but he walked Right Fielder Mahki Bakstrom to load the bases. Boulders fans were on the edge of their seats having a collective anxiety attack hoping that this would end soon in their favor. DH Keenan Taylor flew out to short and 1st baseman Kiko Romero flew out to right to end the game, 5 – 1.

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