



Boulders Rally, Still Lose Led 7-6 After Trailing 6-2

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Pomona, NY – The Boulders lost critical ground in both the East Division race and battle for the top Atlantic Conference Wild Card spot, dropping Tuesday night's series opener against the Tri-City ValleyCats 9-7 at Clover Stadium.

New York (51-45) fell behind in the top of the first inning on Tri-City C Ranko Stevanovic's three-run double off LHP **Riley Cooper** (ND / 4 IP, 3 ER, 5 H, 4 BB, 3 K) before CF **Matt Polk** popped a two-run homer in the bottom of the frame.

The 'Cats opened a 6-2 lead in the fourth when DH RJ Stinson belted a three-run triple, only to see the Boulders answer back with RBI's from 1B **Jacob Tobias** and SS **Austin Dennis**. The home team nosed in front 7-6 in the bottom of the fifth, with ribby singles by 3B **Josh Leslie** and C **John Schroeder** sandwiching LF **Aaron Simmons'** game-tying RBI groundout.

The Boulders' rally put RHP **Anthony Leak** in line for the win, but Tri-City evened the score on RHP **Kristian Scott's** two-out wild pitch in the eighth and went ahead to stay with two runs in the top of the ninth vs. RHP **Jalon Long** (L, 5-5).

The middle game of the series is set for Wednesday night, with first pitch scheduled to be thrown at 7:00pm EDT.

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Also of note:

RHP **Scott Harper** (1 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 0 K) turned in his 10th straight scoreless relief outing, extending his shutout streak to 10 consecutive innings since August 8th

Ottawa was a 2-0 winner at home vs. Trois-Rivières, giving the Titans a 1.5 game lead over the Boulders for the top Wild Card spot in the Atlantic Conference

The NJ Jackals now have a three-game East Division lead (and “magic number” of 3 to clinch) after winning 5-1 in Québec