

English lifts Kernels by Quad Cities

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DAVENPORT - Tanner English delivered a clutch two-run single in the top of the ninth inning Saturday night to help the Cedar Rapids Kernels trim Quad Cities, 3-2, in a Midwest League game before 5,634 fans at Modern Woodmen Park.

English drove in Tyler Kuresa and Brian Navarreto with his base hit with one out, erasing a 2-1 deficit.

Trevor Hildenberger collected his 14th save in the bottom of the ninth, getting the final out on a long fly ball to left field with a runner on first base.

Kernels shortstop Nick Gordon extended his hitting streak to 17 straight games with an RBI triple in the third inning. Navarreto and Edgar Corcino had two hits for Cedar Rapids.

Kernels starter Sam Gibbons pitched five shutout innings, allowing five hits with four strikeouts and one walk. Michael Theofanopoulos (3-2) got the victory by pitching a 1-2-3 inning in the eighth.

The victory lifted the Kernels to 54-39. The River Bandits fell to 58-33.

Cedar Rapids and Quad Cities meet again Sunday evening at 5:15 in Davenport.

KERNELS (3): English, cf, 4 0 1 2, Gordon, ss, 5 0 1 1, Corcino, rf, 3 0 2 0, Larson, lf, 3 0 0 0, Real, dh, 4 0 0 0, Valera, 2b, 3 0 0 0, Kuresa, 1b, 2 1 1 0, Navarreto, c, 3 2 2 0, Kelly, 3b, 3 0 0 0. Totals 30 3 7 3.

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QUAD CITIES (2): Boyd, cf, 5 0 1 0, Bregman, ss, 5 0 1 0, Tanielu, 3b, 4 02 0, Martin, lf, 3 0 0 0, Laureano, rf, 4 1 2 0, McMullen, dh, 3 0 0 0, Bottger, 1b, 3 1 0 0, Woodward, c, 4 0 2 1, Reynoso, 2b, 4 0 0 0. Totals 35 2 8 1.

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Gibbons, Landa (6), Theofanopoulos (8), Hildenberger (9) and Navarreto. Ferrell, Perez (7), Heredia (9) and Woodward. W - Theofanopoulos (3-2). L - Heredia (3-2). S - Hildenberger (14). 2B - Kuresa (8), Laureano (7). 3B - Gordon (3). E - Valera (6), Woodward (2). T - 2:49. A - 5,634.