

Delzell, Kraus toss gems in IVL

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Kevin Delzell of Walford and Brady Kraus of Watkins turned in outstanding performances on the mound in the Iowa Valley League on Sunday.

Delzell pitched all 10 innings and allowed only three hits as Walford nipped Norway, 1-0, in the second game of their doubleheader at Walford.

Kraus tossed a one-hit shutout as Watkins blanked Red Top, 5-0, in the first game of their twinbill at Watkins.

WALFORD SWEEPS NORWAY

WALFORD - The Walford Hogs swept their doubleheader against Norway to reach the .500 mark for the season at 8-8.

Walford won the first game, 4-2, despite getting only hit in the contest thanks to a pair of untimely errors by the Bandits. Jake Gilbert was the winning pitcher for the Hogs.

Norway threatened in the seventh inning, but a long blast by Mitch Walser was caught in the deepest part of the ballpark to thwart the comeback.

Delzell and Jordan Hanlon of Norway matched goose-eggs for nine innings in the second game before the Hogs finally dented the scoreboard on a game-winning single by Jake Stenberg with one out in the 10th.

Hanlon pitched into the 10th inning for the Bandits and allowed only five hits.

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WATKINS, RED TOP SPLIT

WATKINS - Kraus sparkled in the first game for Watkins with his one-hit shutout. Brady Stramer had a two-run single for Watkins in the sixth inning.

Red Top held on for a 12-11 victory in the wild second game of their doubleheader at Watkins.

Ross Kramer collected three RBIs for Red Top. Taylor Jackson, Nick Day, Kirby Kerr and Tanner Lohaus had two RBIs for the Toppers.

Jeremy Schneiders blasted a grand slam for Watkins. The Mudhens rallied for three runs in the bottom of the seventh, but fell a run short.

STANDINGS

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| Stars | 11-5 |
| Walford | 8-8 |
| Red Top | 8-8 |
| Williamsburg | 7-7 |
| Watkins | 6-8 |
| Norway | 6-10 |

PITCHERS OF THE WEEK: Kevin Delzell (Walford) & Brady Kraus (Watkins)

PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Cody Bell (Stars)

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GAMES FOR JULY 22

Watkins vs Stars, at Kennedy, 1 p.m.

Walford vs Red Top, at Iowa City West, 1 p.m.

Williamsburg at Norway, 5 p.m.