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<u>IOWA BASEBALL</u> HAWKEYES FALL TO UMASS IN EXTRA INNINGS

BRADENTON, FL – The Iowa baseball team dropped a game to UMASS at the IMG Academy in ten innings. The Hawkeyes entered the ninth inning with a one run lead, but the Minutemen evened the game up and added two runs in the tenth to claim the victory, 4-2.

Reliever Chris Maliszewski entered the game in the ninth inning with Iowa on top 2-1. The senior got a groundout to start the inning, but the UMASS right fielder Jason Twomley tripled off the wall in right and scored on a sac fly to tie the game.

In the extra frame, UMASS led off the inning with a double by lead-off hitter Bill Rankin. After advancing to third on a sacrifice bunt, the Minutemen followed with back-to-back RBI doubles to give themselves a 4-2 advantage.

Iowa got a good outing from starter Andrew Hansen as he pitched six innings of five-hit ball, while allowing only one run. After getting the first batter in the third, the senior right hander got into his only real trouble of the day when he walked the bases loaded (two BB, one hit batsman). Hansen rebounded to get out of the inning with only one earned run after Mike Athas hit a sac fly and Frank Curreri flied out to left to end the threat.

Iowa built up a 2-1 lead after scoring a run in the fourth and sixth innings. Mike Best, who went 2-for-4 with an RBI and run scored, led off the fourth inning with a double to right field. After two groundouts, Best appeared to get picked off while trying to steal third, but a throwing error on UMASS second baseman Cullan Maumus allowed the first Hawkeye run to cross the plate.

In the sixth inning, Nate Yoho led off with a double into the gap in right center and scored on Best's single to left. After a groundout, third baseman Luis Andrulonis reached after being plunked by a pitch, but Minutemen pitcher Eric Chown got out of the inning with a 6-4-3 double play.

Freshman Michael Washburn pitched two innings for the Hawkeyes and gave up one hit and zero runs. Second baseman Andy Lytle went 2-for-4 in the game.

Chown pitched ten innings for the complete game victory. He allowed one earned run on eight hits and struck out three Iowa batters.

Iowa (3-7) will play two games on Thursday. The Hawkeyes will face Bucknell at 9 a.m. at the IMG Academy and Miami (OH) at 2:30 p.m. at the Cincinnati Reds complex. (*Times CST*)

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GAME SUMMARY

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W: Eric Chown (2-1) L: Chris Maliszewski (0-2)

E: Maumus, Chown. DP: UMASS 3. LOB: UMASS 8, Iowa 5. 2B: Rankin, Curreri, Reynolds, Durepo, Yoho, Best. 3B: Twomley. HBP: Maumus, Yoho, Andrulonis. SH: Maumus, Sunderman. SF: Athas, Stojanowski. SB: Gremley, Best. CS: Maumus, Athas.

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