

2021 AL WILD CARD SERIES

#4 Hotlanta Possums vs #5 California Dreamers

GAME 1

Dreamers..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 3 0

Possums..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 1 5 1

HOME RUNS- J.Winker(1st)

Ian Anderson whiffed 10 batters and left fielder Jesse Winker went yard as the Hotlanta Possums bested the California Dreamers 1 to 0 at Possums Park.

Anderson(1-0) pitched a fine game. He was reached for 3 hits and 3 walks in 6 innings. Hotlanta had only 5 hits for the game.

Chris Martin earned the save, his 1st. The loss was charged to Walker Buehler(0-1). Anderson was pleased with his performance. He noted, I had good zip on my pitches. Just as important, my location was right on. The fans really got into the game too - that always helps me. Now, if I can only do that again in my next outing.

GAME 2

Dreamers..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 1 4 0

Possums..... 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 - 3 6 0

HOME RUNS- J.Soto(1st), J.Winker(2nd)

In a two run game the Hotlanta Possums got by the California Dreamers by the score of 3 to 1.

Lucas Sims(1-0) was brilliant in relief and registered the victory. He didn't allow much, just 1 hit and no walks in 2 and 1/3 innings. California went down quietly in the 9th.

Chris Martin recorded his 2nd save. Diego Castillo(0-1) ended up with the loss in relief. He gave up 3 hits and no walks in 1 and 2/3 innings.

GAME 3

Possums..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 - 1 4 0

Dreamers..... 0 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 - 3 5 0

HOME RUNS- B.Dalbec(1st), A.Pollock(1st), M.Kemp(1st)

The California Dreamers got by the Hotlanta Possums at Morpheus Park. The final score was 3 to 1. California had 2 runs cross the plate in the bottom of the 7th inning. The crucial at-bat was provided by A.J. Pollock who made the California fans a happy lot when he popped a two-run clout over the fence. Diego Castillo(1-1) got help from Josh Hader who pitched great and earned his 1st save.

The loss was charged to Cam Bedrosian(0-1) in relief. He surrendered 2 runs and 2 hits in 1 inning.

GAME 4

Possoms..... 0 2 0 0 1 1 0 3 0 - 7 9 0
Dreamers..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 1 3 1
HOME RUNS- Y.Moncada(1st), K.Higashioka(1st)

The Hotlanta Possoms had an easy time of it at Morpheus Park defeating the California Dreamers by a score of 7 to 1.

Hotlanta jumped on top to stay in the 2nd inning with 2 runs on 3 base hits. Christian Walker led off and got things going when he stroked a single. Max Kepler struck out, unable to help the rally. Whit Merrifield was next to the plate, but was promptly struck out. Nick Ahmed stepped in and he doubled which scored a run. Tony Kemp stepped into the box and was hit by a pitch. Bobby Dalbec added to the rally and drew a walk to load the bases. Luis Arraez came to the plate and delivered a single scoring the final run of the inning. Hotlanta had 9 hits for the afternoon while California had 3.

The win was credited to Kenley Jansen(1-0) who went 2 innings allowing no runs. Trevor Cahill(0-1) took the loss. He struck out 12 batters in 5 and 2/3 innings despite losing the game.

GAME 5

Possoms..... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 1 0 - 3 5 1
Dreamers..... 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 - 5 8 1
HOME RUNS- R.Hoskins(1st), O.Albies(1st), M.Pina(1st)

Walker Buehler went 5 strong innings at Morpheus Park as the California Dreamers beat the Hotlanta Possoms in 11 innings 5 to 3.

The game was deadlocked at 2 after nine full innings. Finally, California prevailed in the 11th inning. Juan Soto kicked off the action when he drew a walk. Two outs later Ozzie Albies came up and he cracked a two-run shot resulting in an exciting win for California and a wild post-game celebration by the home town fans. California ended up with 8 hits for the game while Hotlanta had 5.

Hector Neris(1-0) got the win allowing no runs in 2/3 of an inning. Chris Martin(0-1) was the losing pitcher in relief. California knocked him around a bit, as he gave up 3 runs in 2 and 2/3 innings.

GAME 6

Dreamers..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 0 2 - 6 7 0
Possoms..... 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 - 2 6 0
HOME RUNS- A.Pollock(2nd), B.Crawford(1st), B.Dalbec(2nd)

At Possoms Park the California Dreamers outdistanced the Hotlanta Possoms by a final score of 6 to 2.

A.J. Pollock had a big day with his bat. He emptied the bases with a Grand Slam homerun in the 7th inning and ripped a one-base hit in the 9th inning.

California finished with 7 hits in the victory.

Blake Parker(1-0) allowed no runs in 1 and 1/3 innings, and picked up the victory. Diego Castillo gained credit for his 1st save. Jeremy Jeffress(0-1) took the loss in relief.

GAME 7

Dreamers..... 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 - 2 4 0

Possoms..... 0 2 0 1 7 0 0 4 - 14 17 1

HOME RUNS- J.Winker(3rd), W.Merrifield(1st), N.Ahmed(1st)

Shortstop Nick Ahmed had 4 hits and 3 RBI as the California Dreamers were badly beaten by the Hotlanta Possums, 14 to 2.

It was a good day for Hotlanta thanks to Ahmed. He delivered a one-base hit in the 2nd inning, delivered a solo blast in the 4th inning, banged out a single which plated a run in the 5th inning and doubled bringing in a run in the 8th inning. California was out-hit by Hotlanta, 17 hits to 4.

Chris Martin(1-1) got credit for the victory, pitching 1 inning and allowing no runs. Brett Anderson(0-1) absorbed the loss. He pitched 4 innings allowing 6 hits and no walks.