



BROCKTON ROX PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL

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GREAT EIGHT: LUNDGREN LEADS ROX TO ANOTHER WIN

Pittsfield, Mass. – RHP **Wayne Lungren** threw seven innings and allowed two runs on six hits as the Brockton Rox won their eighth straight game, 4-2, over the Pittsfield Colonials in a rain-shortened contest at Wahconah Park on Tuesday evening.

The Rox (15-9) began the scoring in the second inning on a sacrifice fly from C **Chris Grossman** which scored 1B **Clyde Williams**, who reached on an error earlier in the frame. Brockton would double up the lead in the fourth on 2B **Scott Wearne's** run-scoring double.

Brockton added a third run on Wearne's RBI single in the fifth inning before Pittsfield (7-17) got onto the board for the first time. With two men on, LF Rafael Cabreja hit a fly ball down the left-field line that LF **Mike Conroy** lost and it fell behind him for a two-run double, making the score 3-2 in favor of the Rox.

The Rox added an insurance run in the seventh on CF **Chris Valencia's** RBI fielder's choice groundout. The contest would enter a rain delay in the top of the eighth, and the game would again enter a delay after the eighth inning was completed. Due to the playing conditions, the game was called official after eight full innings.

Lungren (3-1) picked up his third consecutive win, while LHP **Brad Hertzler**, who pitched the eighth, earned his first save of the season. Pittsfield starting RHP Travis Marcotte (0-1) was issued the loss in his first outing of the season, giving up three runs (two earned) on four hits in six innings of work.

Wearne finished 3-for-3 with a double, two RBI and a walk while Grossman was 1-for-2 with the RBI, a double and a run scored. RF **Melvin Falu**, DH **Keith Brachold** and SS **Dominic Ramos** each added a hit to the Brockton attack.

The Rox will go for the three-game sweep and their ninth consecutive victory in the series finale on Wednesday at 7:05. RHP **Mike Smith** (3-1) will toe the rubber for Brockton against Pittsfield LHP David Qualben (1-2). The Rox will then open an eight-game homestand on Thursday night with the first of four against the New Jersey Jackals.