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### **Early Run Paves the Way, Renegades Top IronBirds 1-0** *Bill rings up career high six strikeouts*

By Zack Frink

**Aberdeen, MD** - The Hudson Valley Renegades took a 1-0 decision over the Aberdeen IronBirds in the first of a two game series set. Hudson Valley's Coty Blanchard scored the game's lone run in the top of the third off of an error from Federico Castagnini.

Hitting came at a premium as the Renegades came up with nine hits while the IronBirds managed just five hits on the night. Hudson Valley left twelve men on base while they struggled to bring runners home as the team went 1-13 with runners in scoring position. The IronBirds left only three men on base, but they did not have any runners in scoring position as no IronBird advanced to second base.

Hudson Valley's starter, Chris Pike, picked up his third win of the season as he went deep into the game. He pitched 6.2 innings, giving up four hits, one walk, and struck out five. Tanner Chleborad, the IronBirds' starter, took the tough luck loss, pitching 3.2 innings, allowing seven hits, one run, walking one and striking out three.

Augey Bill had a solid performance late in the game for the IronBirds in the final three innings. In his three innings of work, he gave up a pair of hits to go with a walk and six strikeouts in an efficient outing on the mound. The six strikeouts are a new career high for Bill

The IronBirds will finish up their quick two game set with the Renegades tomorrow before welcoming in the Lowell Spinners for a three game series to close out the home stand. The Renegades will send out Hunter Wood (3-3, 2.91 ERA) and while the IronBirds will counter with Lucas Long (0-3, 6.17 ERA). First pitch is scheduled for 7:05 pm.

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