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Pitches are still delivered from 60 feet, 6 inches, just the way Abner Doubleday drew it up.

But now the game is delivered across the planet simply with a click of your mouse or a glance at your phone or tablet.



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Web Site	Newsletter	Daily Growl Game Wrap
\$2,500	\$2,500	\$5,000

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DAILY GROWL
GAME WRAP & PREVIEWS OF COMING ATTRACTIONS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8
SECURITY BANK BALLPARK

RockHounds 5
Corpus Christi Hooks 4

THE AEROSMITH SCHOOL OF BASEBALL

We don't know if Steven Tyler can hit a slider, but "walk this way" sure worked out fine for the RockHounds in a 5-4 victory over the Corpus Christi Hooks Thursday night at Security Bank Ballpark.

Trailing 4-2, going into the ninth, the RockHounds used three consecutive singles to draw within 4-3... a bases-loaded walk to tie the game (Taylor Motter's second RBI of the night)... and another (this time with two outs) to win it, with Mickey McDonald driving the "walk-off walk" against reliever Tommy DeJoneas.

Stephen Wrenn's solo home run put the Hooks up, 1-0, in the second, and the 'Hounds tied the game on a Nate Mondou single and Motter's two-out RBI double in the fourth. Mondou's two-out RBI single in the fifth (preceded by two walks) then gave the RockHounds a 2-1 lead.

Two singles and a throwing error tied the game in the Hooks' eighth inning and Jake Adams' double broke the tie. Corpus then pushed the lead to 4-2 in the ninth, fueled by catcher Chuckie Robinson, who singled and stole two bases before scoring on a single by Bryan De La Cruz.

Mickey White led off the ninth with a single to right and Mondou and Edwin Diaz (RBI) followed with two more singles, setting the stage for "Aerosmith."

The 'Hounds broke a five-game slide with the much-needed win in the opener of a four-game weekend series.

TEXAS LEAGUE SOUTH DIVISION			
2nd Half	W-L	GB	Wild Card
Amarillo	28-18		RockHounds 57-58
RockHounds	23-23	5	Frisco 55-59
Frisco	22-23	5 1/2	Corpus Christi 55-60
Corpus Christi	22-24	6	(Wild card if AFA sweeps)

KIBBLES & BITS

"STATISTICS ARE TO BASEBALL WHAT A FLAKY CRUST IS TO MOM'S APPLE PIE" -- HARRY READER

NOTABLES

Despite a loss Thursday night at Frisco, Amarillo still has a five-game lead in the TLD South Division, making a wild card playoff entry a strong probability, and that race is remarkably tight. With 24 games remaining in the season, the RockHounds, Hooks and Frisco are separated by just a game-and-a-half (see standings, above).

While he didn't figure in the decision, Kyle Friedrichs recorded a quality start, going innings and allowing one run on four hits and two walks while striking out six. In his last five starts, Kyle has allowed a total of five earned runs in 30 1/3 innings (a 1.47 ERA).

Edwin Diaz is 7-for-14 in the homestand, with three runs, three doubles and two RBIs.

Stephen Wrenn is hitting .359 in season series, with seven doubles, two triples, three HR and nine RBIs.

ON THE HILL

It didn't come to full fruition last night, but this could be as good a match-up as you'll find shy of The Show Friday night, with Corpus Christi's Forrest Whitley facing the RockHounds' Grant Holmes.

Whitley is rated the Houston's #2 prospect and ranks 17th overall on MLB.com's Top 100. He opened the season with (AAA) Round Rock, but struggled, going 0-3, 12.21, in eight games. He spent some time at the Astros' Florida facility to "get acclimated" before making stops at the Gulf Coast (Rockies) and (A+) Carolina League and appears to have returned to form. In his first outing with the Hooks, he gave up one run on four hits and two walks, while striking out six, over four innings. The San Antonio native (Alamo Heights HS), pitched for Corpus Christi in parts of 2017 & 2018, posting a 3.07 ERA.

Despite missing virtually all of last season due to injury, Grant Holmes remains among Oakland's top prospects, ranked #14 on the A's farm by MLB.com. While he



A ROCKY TOWN WEEKEND!

MATAMOROS & SUGAR SKULL BOBBLEHEADS
FRIDAY, AUG. 9 7:00 P.M.
vs. CORPUS CHRISTI HOOKS
Free RockHounds Sugar Skull Bobbleheads for the first 1,000 fans, compliments of Reliant!

FIREWORKS SATURDAY
AUG. 10 7:00 P.M.
vs. CORPUS CHRISTI HOOKS
Only TWO Saturday Fireworks nights remaining in the RockHounds' 2019 season... come join us!

SUNDAY / FAMILY DAY
AUG. 11 2:00 P.M.
vs. CORPUS CHRISTI HOOKS
Five tickets for \$25... coupons in the Sunday MRT.

TICKETS & MORE 24/7
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Rocky Sez
After this weekend, there will be just SIX home games remaining in the season!
The RockHounds will return to Security Bank Ballpark Tuesday, August 20 through Sunday, August 23rd to wrap up the home schedule!

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 29
TICKETS & ON-FIELD VIP TABLES AVAILABLE NOW! 520-2255



DAILY GROWL
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
HAMMONS FIELD SPRINGFIELD, MO

RockHounds 11
Springfield Cardinals 6

SECOND HALF CHAMPS!

The RockHounds played 1,218 innings of baseball during the 2019 Texas League regular season. Inning #1,214 turned out to be the biggest of them all. The 'Hounds entered a 5-2 deficit, scoring eight times in the fifth and went on to defeat the Cardinals 10-5 Monday afternoon at Hammons Field in Springfield, Missouri.

The RockHounds Web Site

attracted more than 340,000 visitors and received roughly 700,000 views in the last year.

The site is also "open for business" 24/7 "all things RockHounds," including online ticket purchases.

Our ...

Newsletter & the "Daily Growl" (Postgame Wrap)

are delivered to nearly 20,000 e-mail boxes (the Newsletter is published year 'round and the Daily Growl is, well, daily through the baseball season).

The "Daily Growl" is NOT your typical "game wrap." Our goal is to both inform and entertain (baseball is, after all, a game).

We try to provide information for the both the serious and for the casual fan, along with media and baseball professionals from here to Oakland!

