Daly Blasts HR To Lift Spiders Past Va. Tech

BLACKSBURG (AP) — Bill Daly’s solo homer in the 13th inning broke up a marathon pitching duel and gave Richmond’s Southern Conference baseball champions a 3-2 victory over Virginia Tech Tuesday.

The homer by Daly was the second of the game for the Spiders, who notched their 18th victory in 23 starts. Earlier, Les Kenan’s clout with one aboard had staked Richmond to a 2-0 lead in the seventh.

The lead was short-lived, for the Techmen—now 13-10 overall—tied the score in the bottom of the seventh with the benefit of one hit.

The Tech safety was a lead-off single by Jay Fleischer, who promptly stole second base. Two Richmond errors, a ground out and a wild pitch later, Tech had evened the score. Roger Hatcher, Richmond’s unbeaten right-hander, posted his sixth victory of the season, going all the way for the Spiders and allowing only five hits while striking out seven batters and walking two.