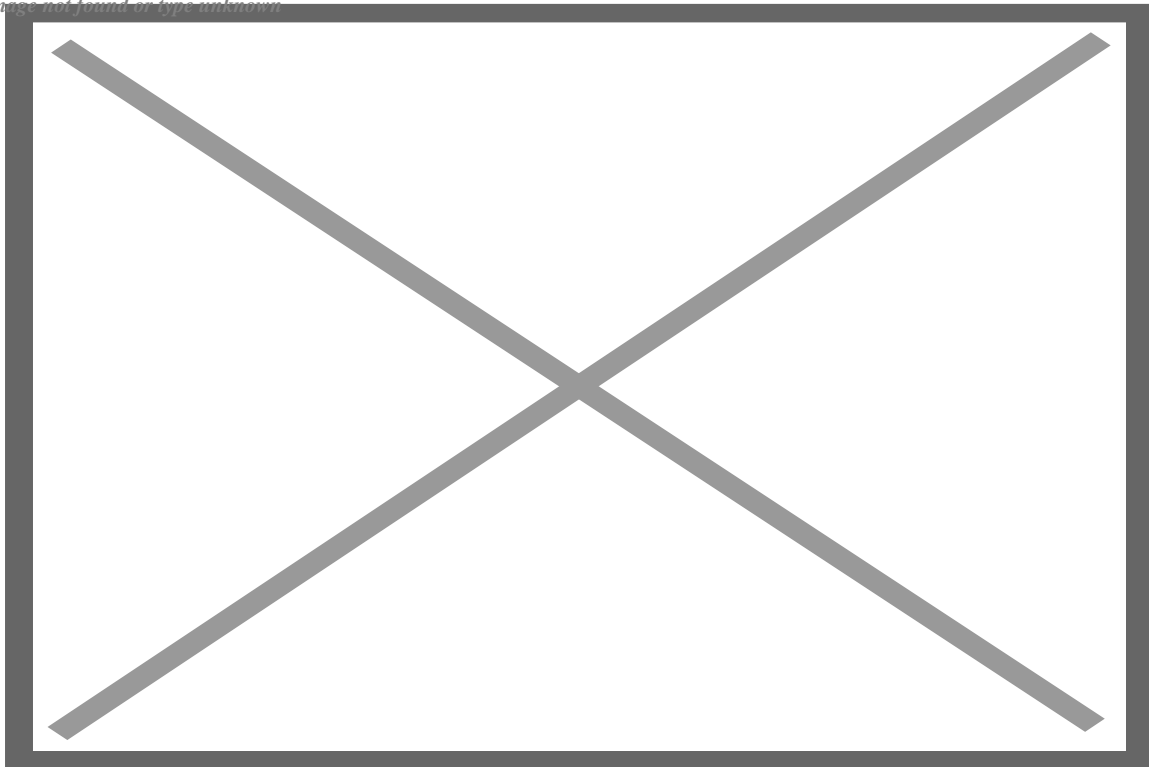


# *Crocodiles Bite Cazadores in Cuban Baseball*

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Matanzas, January 16 (RHC)--The Matanzas Crocodiles gave first in the start of the grand finale of the II Elite League of Cuban baseball, and defeated the Artemisa Hunters (6-5) at their headquarters in Victoria de Girón.

The success went to the record of reliever Armando Dueñas, while José Ignacio Bermúdez, also a firefighter, was defeated.

With the lumber José Noroña (4-3) and the key home run of the game stood out.

At the end of the challenge, the Yumurino outfielder told RHC: "I was focused on the home plate to hit the ball hard and thank God the hit came out".

For his part, Yurisbel Gracial also took the fences.

The defensive impressions of the Artemiseños were key in the clash and finally cost them the game. In addition to the long distance batting of the Matanzas.

Tomorrow these teams will face each other again in the second game for the title. Raymond Figueredo will be the starter for the goddess' team and Joel Mojena for the home team. The final play-off will be a best of seven games and will crown the champion of the Cuban winter tournament.

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