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Alberto Hechevarria Gonzalez entered the history of the national classic through the wide door, when his performance in the box helped the Pirates of Isla de la Juventud to whiten the Cubs of Holguín in the 61st edition.

Armando Jonhson Zaldivar -manager of the local team- commented that in this second particular match between both teams at the Cristobal Labra stadium, the 17-year-old pitcher was confident, with the control of a veteran and a varied repertoire, he also knew how to dominate the rival battery, characterized by a high offensive level.

I am happy with my first triumph, I am grateful for the opportunity and the confidence that the director gave me. I studied each batter, I paid attention to the count to better select the pitch and avoid high balls... there was a lot of wind, said Hechevarria Gonzalez, who only allowed two hits in five innings.

The rookie marked with number 19 came out in the third inning to the aid of starter Miguel Angel Lastras Gonzalez (injured in the shoulder) to work until the seventh inning, when he was relieved by closer Franky Quintana Gamboa, who scored his first point per saved game.

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~~This is a fighting team, the boys knew how to play better, they had~~ an excellent performance, especially the pitchers, who did not give freedom to our hitters, and now with the return of Armando Johnson Zaldívar no one can be careless, because this squad is at the level of the others, said Hector Hernandez Martin, technical director of the Holguin team.

He added that his perspective is always to win the sub-series, defeats surprise him because they are not planned, he also felt the absence in the lineup of key players such as Yordan Manduley and Edilse Silva, while he said that Maikel Caceres is playing with limitations, reasons why which the offense has been a bit decimated.

With the first sweep in the 61st SNB of the Piratas against the Holguín Cubs at the Cristóbal Labra, Jonhson Zaldivar's pupils accumulate two wins and three losses and wait in their headquarters for the Alazanes from Granma.

