



TEXAS RANGERS

ALTERNATE TRAINING SITE

2021 GAME NOTES

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Diamond

Game 2 | Home Game 2 | Thursday, April 8, 2021 | 4:05 p.m. | Dell Diamond | Round Rock, TX

Houston Astros ATS (1-0) at Texas Rangers ATS (0-1)

Astros ATS: RHP Jake Odorizzi (0-0, 0.00) | Rangers ATS: RHP Jason Bahr (0-0, 0.00)



AT



SERIES HISTORY

Overall: 0-1

In Round Rock: 0-1

In Corpus Christi: 0-0

Streak: L1

One-Run Games: 0-0

SERIES INFORMATION

Game 1 | Wednesday, April 7 | L 3-0

WP: Tyler Ivey (1-0, 0.00)

LP: Spencer Patton (0-1, 18.00)

S: Ronel Blanco (1)

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ALTERNATE TRAINING SITE EXHIBITION GAME SCHEDULE

4/7	vs Houston ATS Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	L 3-0
4/8	vs Houston ATS Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	4:05 p.m.
4/12	at Houston ATS Whataburger Field (Corpus Christi)	6:05 p.m.
4/13	at Houston ATS Whataburger Field (Corpus Christi)	4:05 p.m.
4/19	vs Houston ATS Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	6:05 p.m.
4/20	vs Houston ATS Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	4:05 p.m.
4/23	vs Kansas City ATS Globe Life Field (Arlington)	3:30 p.m.
4/24	vs Kansas City ATS Globe Life Field (Arlington)	1:00 p.m.
4/26	vs Kansas City ATS Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	6:05 p.m.
4/27	vs Kansas City ATS Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	6:05 p.m.
5/2	at Houston ATS Location TBA	TBA
5/3	at Houston ATS Location TBA	TBA



TODAY'S GAME

The Texas Rangers and Houston Astros Alternate Training Site squads close out their two-game exhibition series on Thursday afternoon at Dell Diamond. Rangers RHP Jason Bahr is scheduled to toe the rubber up against Astros RHP Jake Odorizzi. First pitch is set for 4:05 p.m. Today's contest is scheduled for 10 innings.

RANGERS ON THE BUMP

Rangers starter RHP Jason Bahr is scheduled to pitch approximately three innings this afternoon. Following Bahr out of the Texas bullpen, in no particular order, is expected to be RHP Joe Barlow, RHP Blake Bass, RHP Jharel Cotton, RHP Sam Gaviglio, RHP Jimmy Herget and RHP Jake Lemoine.

KICKING THINGS OFF

The Houston Astros collected a narrow 3-0 victory over the Texas Rangers to open Alternate Training Site exhibition play on Wednesday night at Dell Diamond. The pitching staffs for both clubs dazzled through five innings, combining to not allow a hit until Rangers DH John Hicks singled in the bottom of the frame. Houston opened the scoring in the sixth as CF Jose Siri hit a solo home run prior to an Abraham Toro single and an Alex de Goti RBI triple. Former Round Rock Express 1B Taylor Jones extended the Astros' lead to 3-0 with a ninth inning solo home run. Texas' offense threatened a late rally, loading the bases in the bottom of the ninth, however Houston RHP Jairo Solis worked out of the jam.

GET A WHIFF OF THIS

Texas Rangers pitchers combined to strike out 16 Houston Astros batters in Wednesday night's contest. Starter LHP Hyeon-jong Yang led the way with three punchouts in 2.0 hitless innings of work. Rehabbing Rangers LHP Brett Martin tossed a 1-2-3 second inning, striking out the side on just 10 pitches. RHP Nick Vincent, RHP Hunter Wood and RHP Spencer Patton each tallied a pair of strikeouts in one inning of work apiece.

STAY HOT, ANDY!

Texas Rangers INF Andy Ibañez, who also suited up for the Round Rock Express in 2018, continued his hot stretch with a 1-4 performance at the plate on Wednesday night. Dating back March 21 during Rangers Spring Training, Ibañez has hits in six of his last nine games and is batting .348 (8-23) with a double, a home run, an RBI and four runs scored in that span. The infielder finished Rangers Spring Training with a .295 batting average (13-44).

IT'S BASEBALL TIME IN ROUND ROCK

On February 9, the Round Rock Express officially accepted their invitation to become the new Triple-A affiliate of the Texas Rangers. The 10-year agreement will keep Rangers Triple-A baseball in Round Rock through the 2030 season. Kicking off with the Alternate Training Site, the Express are reuniting with the Rangers after spending eight seasons as the club's top affiliate from 2011-2018. Round Rock was previously a member of the Houston Astros organization from 2019-2020.

STAYING FRESH

Created during the cancelled 2020 Minor League Baseball season, the Alternate Training Site concept provides a secondary location within close geographic proximity to each Major League Baseball club for players to train and be ready to quickly and safely be called up if necessary. At MLB's request, the Alternate Training Site model will be implemented for the month of April after the start of the Triple-A baseball season was postponed until early May.

28 DAYS UNTIL OPENING DAY!

The Round Rock Express kick off their 21st season of professional baseball in Central Texas on Thursday, May 6 at Dell Diamond against the Oklahoma City Dodgers.

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