



# PATRIOTS GAME NOTES



## Hartford Yard Goats (7-2) @ Somerset Patriots (4-7)

Thursday, April 18, 2024 | 6:35 p.m.

Game #12 | Home Game #6

TD Bank Ballpark - Bridgewater, NJ

HFD: RHP Connor Van Scoyoc (0-0, 9.82 ERA)

SOM: RHP Bailey Dees (0-1, 10.57 ERA)



## NEW YORK YANKEES DOUBLE-A AFFILIATE



### 2024 SCHEDULE

	2024 SCHEDULE						
	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
APRIL	HOME	ROAD					
	1:05	7	8	6:35 9	6:35 10	6:35 11	6:35 12
	1:35	14	15	6:35 16	6:35 17	6:35 18	6:35 19
	1:05	21	22	6:45 23	1:00 24	6:45 25	6:45 26
	3:15	28	29	6:35 30			
MAY	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1:05	5	6	11:00 7	6:00 8	6:35 9	6:00 10
	1:00	12	13	6:05 14	11:05 15	6:35 16	6:35 17
	1:05	19	20	6:05 21	11:05 22	6:35 23	6:35 24
	1:35	26	27	6:05 28	11:05 29	6:35 30	6:35 31
JUNE	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1:05	2	3	6:35 4	6:35 5	6:35 6	7:05 7
	1:05	9	10	6:35 11	6:35 12	6:35 13	7:05 14
	1:05	16	17	6:35 18	6:35 19	6:35 20	7:05 21
	1:05	23	24	6:35 25	6:35 26	6:35 27	6:35 28
JULY	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		7:05 1	7:05 2	7:05 3	7:00 4	7:00 5	6:45 6
		7	8	6:05 9	1:05 10	6:05 11	6:35 12
	1:35	14	15	16	17	18	7:05 19
	5:05	21	22	6:05 23	11:05 24	7:05 25	7:05 26
AUGUST	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					6:35 1	7:05 2	6:35 3
	5:05	4	5	12:05 6	7:05 7	7:05 8	7:05 9
	5:05	11	12	7:10 13	7:10 14	7:10 15	7:10 16
	1:10	18	19	6:00 20	6:00 21	6:00 22	6:00 23
SEPTEMBER	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1:05	1	6:35 2	6:35 3	6:35 4	7:05 5	6:07 7
	6:35	8	9	6:35 10	6:35 11	6:35 12	6:35 13
	1:05	15	16	17	18	19	20
		22	23	24	25	26	27

**AGUST IN APRIL:** With another home run on Wednesday night, Agustin Ramirez has now gone deep in 7/10 games played this season, including two separate three-game home run streaks (4/5-7 and 4/11-13). With seven home runs to start the season, Ramirez leads all Double-A batters in home runs and is three shy of the MiLB lead, despite the Triple-A season starting two weeks earlier than the Double-A season. Ramirez also began the season by collecting RBIs in the first seven games he played. In addition to leading the league in homers, he also leads the Eastern League with a .795 SLG, 14 RBI, 10 R, 31 TB and 7 XBH (T-1st), while ranking second with a 1.178 OPS.

**TJ TO AAA:** Ahead of this week's series, first baseman T.J. Rumfield was promoted to Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, after beginning the season 9-for-28 (.321 AVG, .441 OBP) over eight games to start the season. In 90 total games at Double-A dating back to 2023, Rumfield slashed .228/.331/.431 (.762 OPS) with 17 HR, 57 RBI and 48 R. He was awarded the Rawlings Minor League Gold Glove for First Base in 2023.

**NEW BEN IN TOWN:** Shortstop Ben Cowles has reached base safely in all 11 games the Patriots have played this season, collecting hits in 10 of them. His .578 OBP ranked third the Eastern League, while his .385 AVG ranks fourth. Cowles also ranks among the Eastern League leaders with 15 H (T-2nd), 7 XBH (T-1st), a 1.068 OPS (5th) and 23 TB (T-4th).

**VRIELING AND DEALING:** While on the road in New Hampshire, Yankees 2022 third round pick RHP Trystan Vrieling (6.0 IP, 1 ER, 3 H, 2 BB, 6 K) started the second game of Saturday's double header and earned the win for the second straight appearance to start his professional career. One week into his pro career through two starts this season, Vrieling is now 2-0, holding a 0.82 ERA and 0.82 WHIP with 11.0 IP, 1 ER, 5 H, 4 BB and 12 K. His 11.0 IP rank second in the Eastern League behind his teammate Zach Messinger (12.0). He also ranks among the league leaders with his 12 K (T-6th), .132 BAA (3rd), 0.82 ERA (5th) and 0.82 WHIP (5th).

**HARTFORD HAPPENINGS:** Entering this week, the Somerset Patriots had an all-time record of 41-12 against the Hartford Yard Goats, having gone 7-0-2 in series all-time vs. the Rockies' Double-A affiliate. The Patriots and Yard Goats will face each other one more series in the first half of the season (June 4-9), when the Patriots host the Yard Goats again. Somerset will make its lone trip to Hartford in the second half from August 13-18.

### SCOUTING REPORT

HFD	BATTING	SOM
.253 (3rd)	AVG	.250 (4th)
47 (4th)	R	52 (3rd)
6 (T-10th)	HR	14 (1st)
25 SB (1st)	SB	17 (2nd)
91 (T-9th)	SO	93 (8th)
34 (T-10th)	BB	48 (2nd)
.333 (6th)	OBP	.351 (3rd)
.745 (4th)	OPS	.809 (2nd)
	PITCHING	
3.74 (5th)	ERA (LOW)	5.44 (10th)
5 (T-10th)	HR (MOST)	11 (4th)
35 (T-9th)	BB (MOST)	41 (T-4th)
83 (9th)	K (MOST)	104 (5th)
1.32 (5th)	WHIP (LOW)	1.45 (10th)
.236 (T-7th)	BAA (LOW)	.252 (10th)

### 31 MLB DEBUTS

#### MOST RECENT:

LHP Josh Maciejewski, 4/8/24  
RHP Matt Sauer, KC, 3/31/24  
INF Oliver Dunn, MIL, 3/30/24

*New York Yankees*  
ON THE FARM



(MLB) New York Yankees

13-5 | Last game: 6-4 W @TOR

DJ LeMahieu rehab begins this week



(AAA) Scranton/Wilkes-Barre

11-4 | Last series: 5-4 W vs. LHV

T.J. Rumfield 3-for-5, 2 RBI



(High-A) Hudson Valley

7-3 | Last game: 5-4 W vs. ABD (F/11)

Back-to-back walk-off wins



(Single-A) Tampa

3-8 | Last game: 5-1 W @PSL

Luis Serna: 4.1 IP, 1ER, 2H, BB, 9K



Florida Complex League

FCL season begins in May

### UPCOMING PROBABLES

Date	Time	Opponent Starters	Somerset Starters
Tue. 4/16 vs. HFD	6:35	RHP Andrew Quezada (0-0, 0.00 ERA)	LHP Brock Selvidge (0-0, 4.50 ERA)
Wed. 4/17 vs. HFD	6:35	LHP Mason Albright (0-1, 81.00 ERA)	RHP Zach Messinger (0-0, 5.25 ERA)
Thu. 4/18 vs. HFD	6:35	RHP Connor Van Scoyoc (0-0, 9.82 ERA)	RHP Bailey Dees (0-1, 10.57 ERA)
Fri. 4/19 vs. HFD	6:35	LHP Carson Palmquist (2-0, 0.00 ERA)	RHP Trystan Vrieling (2-0, 0.82 ERA)
Sat. 4/20 vs. HFD	6:05	RHP Jarrod Cande (1-0, 3.00 ERA)	RHP Blane Abeyta (0-2, 11.25 ERA)
Sun. 4/21 vs. HFD	1:05	RHP Andrew Quezada (1-0, 1.00 ERA)	LHP Brock Selvidge (0-1, 4.00 ERA)

### BROADCAST INFORMATION

LIVE AUDIO BROADCAST: FOX SPORTS RADIO NEW JERSEY (93.5 FM), FOXSPORTSRADIONEWJERSEY.COM  
LIVE VIDEO BROADCAST: MLB.tv via the MLB At Bat app, Bally Live app



# PATRIOTS GAME NOTES



## MLB PIPELINE NYY TOP 30 (10)

- No. 2: OF Spencer Jones (#81 on Top 100)
- No. 4: RHP Chase Hampton\*
- No. 10: LHP Brock Selvidge
- No. 12: C Ben Rice
- No. 21: C Agustin Ramirez
- No. 22: RHP Zach Messinger
- No. 23: RHP Trystan Vrieling
- No. 25: RHP Jack Neely
- No. 26: INF Tyler Hardman\*
- No. 28: RHP Danny Watson\*
- \*inactive

## 2024 Series Record: 1-0-1

6-GAME SERIES	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
WINS						1	

## TEAM PITCHING LEADERS

STAT	PLAYER	#	LEAGUE RK
ERA	Trystan Vrieling	0.82	4th
WHIP	Trystan Vrieling	0.82	6th
IP	Zach Messinger	12.0	2nd
K	Zach Messinger	13	T-5th
BB	Bailey Dees	7	T-2nd
K/BB	Zach Messinger	6.50	3rd
HR	Zach Messinger	3	T-3rd
SV	Gomez, Neely	1	-
G	Gomez, Neely	3	-

## TEAM HITTING LEADERS

STAT	PLAYER	#	LEAGUE RK
AVG	Ben Cowles	.385	4th
OBP	Aaron Palensky	.500	1st
SLG	Agustin Ramirez	.795	1st
OPS	Agustin Ramirez	1.178	2nd
RBI	Agustin Ramirez	14	T-1st
R	Agustin Ramirez	10	T-1st
HR	Agustin Ramirez	7	1st
XBH	Cowles, Ramirez	7	T-1st
TB	Agustin Ramirez	31	1st
BB	T.J. Rumfield	6	-
SB	5 players tied	2	-

## EASTERN LEAGUE STANDINGS

Northeast Division									
TEAM	W	L	PCT	GB	STREAK	RS	RA	DIFF.	
HARTFORD	7	2	.778	-	W4	53	32	+21	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	7	4	.636	1	L1	68	57	+11	
PORTLAND	5	4	.556	2	W1	50	38	+12	
BINGHAMTON	4	5	.444	3	W1	40	37	+3	
SOMERSET	4	7	.364	4	L3	57	68	-11	
READING	3	7	.300	4.5	L5	36	71	-35	

Southwest Division									
TEAM	W	L	PCT	GB	STREAK	RS	RA	DIFF.	
ERIE	6	4	.600	-	W1	34	35	-1	
AKRON	6	5	.545	0.5	L1	33	24	+5	
BOWIE	6	5	.545	0.5	W2	66	54	+12	
HARRISBURG	5	5	.500	1	W4	50	44	+6	
ALTOONA	4	6	.400	2	L4	37	59	-22	
RICHMOND	4	7	.364	2.5	L2	41	42	-1	

\* First Half Winner | (e) Eliminated

## SOMERSET VS. THE EASTERN LEAGUE

Northeast Division					
TEAM	HOME	AWAY	2024	ALL-TIME W-L (SERIES)	
BNG (NYM)	-	-	-	21-17 (3-1-3)	
HFD (COL)	0-2	-	0-2	41-14 (7-0-2)	
NH (TOR)	-	2-4	2-4	31-22 (5-1-3)	
POR (BOS)	-	-	-	30-24 (4-2-3)	
REA (PHI)	-	-	-	29-19 (6-2-1)	
<b>VS. NE</b>	<b>0-2</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>2-6</b>	<b>152-97 (25-6-12)</b>	

Southwest Division					
TEAM	HOME	AWAY	2024	ALL-TIME W-L (SERIES)	
AKR (CLE)	-	-	-	11-13 (0-1-3)	
ALT (PIT)	-	-	-	15-9 (2-0-2)	
BOW (BAL)	-	-	-	23-13 (4-0-2)	
ERI (DET)	-	-	-	14-16 (1-2-2)	
HBG (WSH)	-	-	-	15-5 (4-0-0)	
RIC (SFG)	2-1	-	2-1	13-7 (3-1-0)	
<b>VS. SW</b>	<b>2-1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2-1</b>	<b>91-63 (14-4-9)</b>	

## MILB HONORS

PLAYER	AWARD

## VS. HARTFORD THIS SEASON

GAME	FINAL	NOTES
Tue. 4/16 vs. HFD	5-1 L	Made 2 errors, allowed 6 SB
Wed. 4/17 vs. HFD	6-5 L	Five one-run innings, Ramirez HR-7
Thu. 4/18 vs. HFD		
Fri. 4/19 vs. HFD		
Sat. 4/20 vs. HFD		
Sun. 4/21 vs. HFD		
Tue. 6/4 vs. HFD		
Wed. 6/5 vs. HFD		
Thu. 6/6 vs. HFD		
Fri. 6/7 vs. HFD		
Sat. 6/8 vs. HFD		
Sun. 6/9 vs. HFD		
Tue. 8/13 @HFD		
Wed. 8/14 @HFD		
Thu. 8/15 @HFD		
Fri. 8/16 @HFD		
Sat. 8/17 @HFD		
Sun. 8/18 @HFD		

## HARTFORD HAPPENINGS

The Hartford Yard Goats' roster boasts 11 of the Colorado Rockies' top-30 prospects per MLB Pipeline, including six position players ranked in the top-13. The infield is led by Rockies top prospect Adael Amador, who signed with the organization for \$1.5 million in the 2019 international free agent signing period. The outfield features three of the Rockies' top-10 prospects in Yanquiel Fernandez (No. 3) and Zac Veen (No. 6), as well as the defending Eastern League Player of the Week Benny Montgomery (No. 10). Over five games at home last week against the Bowie Baysox, Montgomery went 8-for-20 with 2 HR, 8 RBI and 6 R, scoring runs in all five games that he played. The pitching staff features three top-30 Rockies prospects, highlighted by LHP Carson Palmquist (No. 15), who leads the Eastern League with 15 strikeouts through his first two starts of the season entering this week's series (2-0, 0.00 ERA, 10.0 IP, 4 H, 6 BB, 15 K).

## 2024 SOMERSET PATRIOTS COACHING STAFF

### RAUL DOMINGUEZ: Manager (2nd year)

Raul Dominguez enters his second consecutive season as manager for the Somerset Patriots, 10th overall as a manager and 18th coaching in the Yankees organization. He led the 2023 Patriots to a Double-A best record of 84-53 and a +211 run differential, which ranked first among all MiLB teams. Under his leadership, the Patriots finished with the Eastern League's top record in both halves of the season and clinched their second straight playoff berth. In 2023, Dominguez became the third manager in Somerset Patriots Double-A franchise history and in 2024 he will become the first to serve as manager for more than one season. Before joining Somerset, Dominguez spent the prior two seasons (2021-2022) as a defensive coach for Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. He previously served as defensive coach for Trenton (2018-2019) and Tampa (2017). The Panama City, Panama native gained prior managerial experience with the GCL Yankees East (2016), DSL Yankees 1 (2011-15) and DSL Yankees 2 (2009-10). From 2012-2015, his teams finished at least 10 games over .500, including reaching the DSL semifinals in 2012 and 2015.

### KEVIN MARTIR: Hitting Coach (1st year)

Hitting coach Kevin Martir begins his first season in Somerset and fourth in the Yankees organization, after serving in the same position for High-A Hudson Valley in 2023 and Single-A Tampa for two seasons in 2021-22. He joined the Yankees organization in 2020 and had been scheduled to serve as hitting coach for former Rookie-Advanced level Pulaski, prior to the cancellation of the minor league season. Martir began his coaching career in 2019 as a development coach for the GCL Phillies East. Martir starred at catcher during his playing career at the University of Maryland (2013-15), where he was a semi-finalist for the Johnny Bench Award in 2015. Martir was drafted by the Houston Astros in the 18th round of the 2015 MLB Draft. He played two professional seasons for the Astros with Rookie-Advanced Greeneville in 2015 and Short-Season Class-A Tri-City in 2016. A native of Brooklyn, New York, Martir graduated from the Grand Street Campus in 2012, after transferring from Xaverian High School in Brooklyn prior to his senior year.

### BRETT DeGAGNE: Pitching Coach (1st year)

Pitching coach Brett DeGagne begins his first season with Somerset and fourth year in the Yankees organization. After making his organizational coaching debut as the Single-A Tampa Tarpons' pitching coach in 2021, DeGagne most recently served as the FCL Yankees pitching coach in 2022 and 2023. In 2023, his staff led the Florida Complex League in strikeouts (587) and finished fourth in ERA (4.47). DeGagne was initially tabbed to be the DSL Yankees pitching coach in 2020, before the cancellation of the minor league season. DeGagne played college ball at the University of North Dakota from 2012-2016. He moved on to grad school at St. Cloud State University, where DeGagne also began his baseball coaching career. He served as the Huskies' pitching coach during the 2017-2018 seasons. He gained additional coaching experience in 2018 as the pitching coach for the Bismarck Larks of the Northwoods League. One year prior to joining the Yankees, in 2019 DeGagne took over as pitching coach for North Iowa Area Community College.

### AARON BOSSI: Defensive Coach (3rd year)

Aaron Bossi returns for his third consecutive season as the Patriots' defensive coach. Under Bossi's leadership in each of the past two seasons, infielders Jesus Bastidas (2B, 2022) and T.J. Rumfield (1B, 2023) were each awarded Rawlings Minor League Gold Gloves for their work in the field. Bossi has also overseen Somerset's baserunning program each of the last two seasons, leading the team to an Eastern League-best 205 stolen bases in 2022 and a Double-A-best 256 stolen bases in 2023. Bossi made his coaching debut as Hudson Valley's defensive coach in 2021. Prior to his coaching experience with the Yankees, he spent 2017-2019 assisting rehabbing players at the organization's minor league complex in Tampa. The St. Louis, Missouri native was signed as a non-drafted free agent by the Yankees on June 24, 2016 as a catcher/infielder. He played in 22 games for the GCL Yankees East in 2016.

# TONIGHT'S PATRIOTS STARTER



## #44 RHP BAILEY DEES | 6'8" / 252

Pitch Selection: Fastball (mid-90s), Cutter(mid-80s), Changeup (84-85), Slider (82-83)

Born: Charlotte, NC | Acquired: 2021 MLB Draft (18th round, pick 543)

**2023:** Began the season with High-A Hudson Valley, making 26 appearances and posting a 1.74 ERA with a 59/15 K/BB ratio. He was promoted to Double-A Somerset on 7/25 and finished the season over 16 games for the Patriots in which he posted a 4.29 ERA in 21.0 IP.

**2022:** Spent the bulk of his second pro season with Single-A Tampa, going 4-3 over 31 games, while posting a 3.31 ERA, 24 BB, 62 K and a 1.14 WHIP. In September, he was promoted to Hudson Valley for his final three appearances of the season, allowing 4 R (2 ER) over 5.2 IP with 2 BB and 8 K.

**2021:** Pitched three games in his pro debut season for the FCL Yankees, including his only career start prior to this season, combining to allow 5 R (2 ER) over 2.1 IP with 1 BB and 5 K.

**College:** Played four seasons at Penn State University, appearing in 43 career games (33 starts) and going 8-9 with a 4.52 ERA with 64 BB and 176 K. He earned Academic All-Big Ten honors his sophomore, junior and senior seasons (2019-21).

**Personal Notes:** Attended Hough High School (NC) as a junior and senior, after transferring from Independence High School (NC) as a freshman and sophomore. As a freshman in 2014, he helped lead Independence to a conference championship, while guiding Hough to back-to-back conference championships in 2017 and 2018. Trained at Tread Athletics in Charlotte, NC ahead of 2021 college season.

**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the 18th round of the 2021 MLB Draft, signed for \$50,000.

### CAREER VS. COL ORGANIZATION

DATE	GAME	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
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#### TOTAL

### HFD BATTERS VS. DEES

BATTER	AVG	H	AB	HR	BB	K
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#### TOTAL

### 2024 GAME LOG

GAME	FINAL	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	NP (S)	NOTES
4/6 vs. RIC	13-3 L	L	3.1	5	8	8	5	3	1	74 (39)	Second career start, career-highs in IP, H, R, BB & NP
4/13 @NH	10-2 W	ND	4.1	3	1	1	2	6	1	81 (51)	1st game of DH, HR allowed to final batter was only R

### CAREER LONGEST SCORELESS STREAK

12.2 IP (3g, 5/23-6/25/23): 1 H, 3 BB, 19 K

### SEASON SCORELESS STREAK

5.1 IP (2g, 4/6-13): 4 H, 3 BB, 6 K

### ACTIVE SCORELESS STREAK

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### CATCHER DEFENSE

CATCHER	(GS) RECORD	ER / INN.	CS / SB	CS%	E	ERA
Ramirez	3-2	9 / 42	2 / 10	20.0	1	1.93
Rice	0-5	45 / 42	0 / 9	.000	0	9.64
Escarra	1-0	2 / 7	0 / 0	.000	0	2.57

### SEASON HIGH

### CAREER HIGH

IP	4.1 (4/13/24, AA)
H	5 (4/6/24, AA)
R	8(4/6/24, AA)
ER	8 (4/6/24, AA)
BB	5 (4/6/24, AA)
K	6 (2x, last: 4/13/24, AA)
HR	2 (9/10/21, ROK)
NP	74 (4/6/24, AA)







# PATS FACTS

## TEAM OFFENSIVE HIGHS

MOST RUNS SCORED, GAME: 10 (4/13-G1 @NH, 10-2 W)  
 MOST RUNS SCORED, INNING: 7 (7th inning, 4/7 vs. RIC, 8-0 W)  
 FEWEST HITS, GAME: 4 (4/9 @NH, 8-2 L)  
 MOST HITS, GAME: 12 (4/12 @NH, 10-8 L)  
 MOST DOUBLES, GAME: 3, 3x (last: 4/14 @NH, 13-9 L)  
 MOST TRIPLES, GAME: 2 (4/14 @NH, 13-9 L)  
 MOST HOME RUNS, GAME: 4 (4/12 @NH, 10-8 L)  
 MOST XBH, GAME: 6 (4/12 @NH, 10-8 L)  
 MOST RUNNERS LOB, GAME: 9, 2x (4/9 @NH, 8-2 L & 4/5 vs. RIC, 5-4 W)  
 MOST WALKS, GAME: 8 (4/7 vs. RIC, 8-0 W)  
 MOST STRIKEOUTS, GAME: 18 (4/9 @NH, 8-2 L)  
 MOST STOLEN BASES, GAME: 6 (4/16 vs. HFD, 5-1 L)  
 MOST DOUBLE PLAYS HIT INTO, GAME: 2 (4/5 vs. RIC, 5-4 W)

## INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE HIGHS

MOST RUNS, GAME: 3, 2x: Agustin Ramirez (4/14 @NH), Spencer Jones (4/13-G1 @NH)  
 MOST RBI, GAME: 3 (5x, last: Ben Cowles, 4/14 @NH)  
 MOST HITS, GAME: 3 (3x, last: JC Escarra, 4/16 vs. HFD)  
 MOST DOUBLES, GAME: 2 (2x, last: Grant Richardson, 4/14 @NH)  
 MOST TRIPLES, GAME: 1  
 MOST HOME RUNS, GAME: 1  
 MOST WALKS, GAME: 3, 2x: Agustin Ramirez (4/14 @NH), T.J. Rumfield (4/7 vs. RIC)  
 MOST STRIKEOUTS, GAME: Grant Richardson, 4 (4/13-G1 @NH)  
 MOST STOLEN BASES, GAME: 2, Ben Cowles (4/11 @NH)  
 MOST TOTAL BASES, GAME: 6, Grant Richardson (4/12 @NH, 10-8 L)  
 LAST PATRIOT TO HIT FOR CYCLE: Jeisson Rosario, 7/17/22 @POR

## TEAM PITCHING HIGHS

MOST RUNS ALLOWED, GAME: 13, 2x (4/14 @NH, 13-9 L and 4/6 vs. RIC, 13-3 L)  
 MOST RUNS ALLOWED, INNING: 5 (4x, last: 4/12 @NH, 7th inning, 10-8 L)  
 MOST HITS ALLOWED, GAME: 15 (4/12 @NH, 10-8 L)  
 FEWEST HITS ALLOWED, GAME: 3, 2x (4/13-G2 @NH, 3-1 W & 4/7 vs. RIC, 8-0 W)  
 MOST STRIKEOUTS, GAME: 13 (4/16 vs. HFD, 5-1 L)  
 MOST WALKS ISSUED, GAME: 9 (4/6 vs. RIC, 13-3 L)  
 MOST HOME RUNS ALLOWED, GAME: 4 (4/14 @NH, 13-9 L)  
 MOST STOLEN BASES ALLOWED, GAME: 4 (4/6 vs. RIC, 13-3 L)  
 MOST CONSECUTIVE SCORELESS INNINGS: 13.0 (4/6 6th inning - 4/7 9th inning)  
 MOST PITCHERS USED, GAME: 4, 3x (4/6 vs. RIC, 4/7 vs. RIC & 4/11 @NH)

## INDIVIDUAL PITCHING HIGHS

MOST EARNED RUNS, GAME: 8, Bailey Dees (4/6 vs. RIC)  
 MOST HITS ALLOWED, GAME: 9, Blane Abeyta (4/9 @NH) & Zach Messinger (4/12 @NH)  
 MOST HOME RUNS ALLOWED, GAME: 2 (3x, last: Blane Abeyta, Clay Aguilar, 4/14 @NH)  
 MOST STRIKEOUTS, GAME: 8, Zach Messinger (4/12 @NH)  
 MOST WALKS ISSUED, GAME: 5, Bailey Dees (4/6 vs. RIC)  
 MOST INNINGS PITCHED, RELIEVER: 3.0, Matt Givins (4/17 vs. HFD)  
 MOST INNINGS PITCHED, STARTER: 6.1, Zach Messinger (4/12 @NH)  
 FEWEST INNINGS PITCHED, STARTER: 3.1, Bailey Dees (4/6 vs. RIC)  
 MOST CONSECUTIVE STRIKEOUTS: 3, Kevin Stevens (4/13-G1 @NH)

## MISCELLANEOUS TEAM HIGHS

LONGEST WIN STREAK: -  
 LONGEST LOSING STREAK: 3 (4/14 @NH - 4/17 vs. HFD and 4/9-12 @NH)  
 LONGEST HOME WIN STREAK: -  
 LONGEST HOME LOSING STREAK: 2 (4/16-17 vs. HFD)  
 LONGEST ROAD WINNING STREAK: -  
 LONGEST ROAD LOSING STREAK: 3 (4/9-12 @NH)  
 CONSECUTIVE SERIES WINS: -  
 CONSECUTIVE SERIES LOSSES: -  
 LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY: 8 (4/13-G1 @NH, 10-2 W & 4/7 vs. RIC, 8-0 W)  
 LARGEST MARGIN OF DEFEAT: 10 (4/6 vs. RIC, 13-3 L)  
**LARGEST LEAD GIVEN UP IN LOSS: 6 (4/12 @NH, 10-8 L)**  
 LARGEST DEFICIT OVERCOME IN WIN: 1  
 LONGEST GAME, INNINGS: -  
 LONGEST GAME, TIME: 2:55 (4/11 @NH)  
 LONGEST 9-INNING GAME, TIME: 2:55 (4/11 @NH)  
 SHORTEST 9-INNING GAME, TIME: 2:26 (4/5 vs. RIC)  
 LARGEST HOME CROWD: 4,897 (4/7 vs. RIC)  
 SMALLEST HOME CROWD: 3,131 (4/6 vs. RIC)

**BOLD DENOTES SOMERSET PATRIOTS DOUBLE-A RECORD, \* denotes tie**

## EJECTIONS

GAME	PLAYER / COACH	UMPIRE	DESCRIPTION
4/17 vs. HFD	Spencer Jones	Gerrit Griffin	Called out at 2B

## ERRORS

**MOST TEAM ERRORS, GAME: 2**, 4x (4/16 v. HFD, 4/14 @NH, 4/11 @NH, 4/5 v. RIC)  
**MOST PLAYER ERRORS, GAME: 1**

## SHUTOUTS

(#) GAME	SCORE	H	K	PITCHERS (# of shutouts pitched)
(1) 4/7 vs. RIC	8-0	3	10	Vrieling (1), Myatt (1), Anderson (1), Watson (1)

Notes: Vrieling started with 5 scoreless in NYY org. debut, scored 7 R in 7th inn.

## HOME RUNS

INNINGS SINCE LAST HOME RUN / SEASON LONG: **3 / 20**

### MULTI-HOME RUN GAMES (0)

GAME	BATTER	#	INN.	FINAL
-	-	-	-	-

### WALK-OFF HOME RUNS (0)

GAME	BATTER	INN.	FINAL
-	-	-	-

### GRAND SLAMS (0)

GAME	BATTER	INN.	FINAL
-	-	-	-

### BACK-TO-BACK HOME RUNS (1)

GAME	BATTERS	INN.	FINAL
4/5 vs. RIC	Ben Rice, Agustin Ramirez	1	5-4 W

### INSIDE-THE-PARK HOME RUNS (0)

GAME	BATTER	INN.	FINAL
-	-	-	-

### FIRST INNING LEADOFF HOME RUNS (1)

GAME	BATTER	FINAL
4/5 vs. RIC	Ben Rice	5-4 W

# CHARTS & TRENDS

Overall	4-7
Northeast Division	2-6
Southwest Division	2-1
Home	2-3
Road	2-4
Day	3-1
Night	1-6
1-run games	1-1
2-run games	1-1
3-runs or less games	2-3
4+ run games	2-4
Extra innings	0-0
Shutouts	1-0
Double Headers	2-0
Walk-Offs	0-0
Scored in the first	2-2
Opp. scored in first	0-6
Scores first	3-1
Opp. scores first	1-5
After 6 leading	3-1
..... trailing	1-6
..... tied	0-0
After 7 leading	3-0
..... trailing	1-6
..... tied	0-1
After 8 leading	3-0
..... trailing	0-7
..... tied	1-0
Hit 0 home runs	0-3
Hit 1 home run	2-2
Hit 2+ home runs	2-2
Hit 3+ home runs	0-1
Hit 4+ home runs	0-1
Hit 5+ home runs	0-0
Opp. 0 home runs	2-3
Opp. 1 home run	2-1
Opp. 2+ home runs	0-3
Made 0 errors	2-2
..... 1 error	1-2
..... 2+ errors	1-3
Opp. made 0 errors	0-5
..... 1 error	3-1
..... 2+ errors	1-1
Out-hit opponent	4-2
Out-hit by opponent	0-5
Hits are tied	0-0
Tuesday	0-2
Wednesday	0-1
Thursday	0-1
Friday	1-1
Saturday	2-1
Sunday	1-1
Monday	0-0
White Jerseys	2-3
Blue Jerseys	1-3
Grey Jerseys	1-1
Zorros Jerseys	0-0

Score By Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	EX	Total (+/-)
Patriots	8	2	8	7	9	6	14	2	1	0	57 (-11)
Opponents	10	7	6	14	13	7	7	4	0	0	68

PLAYER STARTS BY POSITION											PLAYER STARTS BY BATTING ORDER									
PLAYER	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH	Record	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Burt				5	4					4-5										9
Cowles			1	3	7					4-7			2	2	4	2	1			
Dunham						2	2	2		0-6				6						
Escarra	1			2		1		1		2-3				2	3					
Henson		3								1-2									1	2
Jones							2		1	1-2	3									
Palensky			3			4		1		3-5							3	1	4	
Ramirez	4								5	3-6		7	2							
Rice	5								4	3-6	8		1							
Richardson							7	2		4-5		1			3	3	1	1		
Seigler			7							4-3				1			1	2	3	
Wegner						4		5		4-5					1	2	4	2		
Vargas					1					0-1								1		

## CLUTCH PLAYS

Any offensive play in the 7th inning or later that ties or gives the Patriots a lead, **bold** denotes walk-off, *italic* denotes 7-inning game

GAME	INN.	BATTER	PLAY	FINAL
4/13/24-G1	7	Agustin Ramirez	<i>Go-ahead, 2-out, 2-strike solo HR in double header game 2</i>	3-1 W

## MULTI-HIT GAMES      MULTI-RBI GAMES      HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

PLAYER	2 H	3 H	4 H	5+ H	Total	2 RBI	3 RBI	4 RBI	5 RBI	6+ RBI	Total	Home	Road	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Tying	Go-ahead	Last	Total		
Burt							1				1		1			1			1	4/13 @NH		1	
Cowles	3	1			4		2				2												
Dunham	1				1							1	1					1			4/12 @NH		1
Escarra		1			1	1					1												
Henson																							
Jones	1				1																		
Palensky	2				2																		
Ramirez	2				2	4	1				5	4	3	4	2	1		1	2	4/17 vs. HFD		7	
Rice	1	1			2	1					1	2		2					1	4/17 vs. HFD		2	
Richardson	2	1			3	1					1		1		1						4/12 @NH		1
Rumfield	3				3																		
Seigler																							
Wegner	1				1	1	1				2		2		1	1					4/13 @NH		2

# PATRIOTS 2024 TRANSACTIONS

**28 TOTAL PLAYERS USED** (including 0 rehab)

## APRIL TRANSACTIONS (15)

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
April 17	RHP Alex Mauricio	Transferred from Triple-A SWB to SOM
April 17	INF Alexander Vargas	Transferred to SOM from High-A HV
April 16	RHP Yorlin Calderon, RHP Matt Givin	Transferred from SOM to Triple-A SWB
April 16	T.J. Rumfield	Transferred from SOM to Triple-A SWB
April 15	Clay Aguilar	Added to Voluntarily Retired List
April 15	Max Burt	Added to 7-day IL
April 13	Danny Watson	Added to 7-day IL
April 7	Alex Mauricio	Transferred from SOM to Triple-A SWB
April 5	Michael Giacone, Anderson Muñoz	Added to Full-Season IL
April 5	Ryler Gilliam	Added to 60-day IL
April 5	Chase Hampton, Tyler Hardman, Jesus Liranzo	Added to 7-day IL
April 1		Break Camp Roster assigned

## MLB REHAB ASSIGNMENTS (2023)

# PLAYER	INJURY	DATES	NOTES
1 (23) Josh Donaldson	Right Hamstring Strain	4/18	Batted 2nd, started at 3B, went 1-for-3, SOM won 17-9
2 (24) Harrison Bader	Left Oblique Strain	4/21	Game-winning RBI-double in 5th inn. of 3-2 win
		4/23	Batted 2nd, started at CF again, went 0-for-3 in 7-3 W
3 (25) Ben Rortvedt	Left Shoulder Aneurysm	4/28	1st game of DH, RBI double in 1st AB, 1-for-3 in 3-2 W
4 (26) Luis Severino	Right Lat Strain	5/16	Started with 3.1 IP, 2 ER, K; SOM won 14-10
<b>5 (27) Josh Donaldson</b>	<b>Right Hamstring Strain</b>	<b>5/30</b>	<b>Went 1-for-4, then homered 2x in 1st game back for NYY</b>
6 (28) Tommy Kahnle	Right Biceps Tendonitis	5/30	Pitched 7th inning, allowed 1 ER on 17 pitches, 1 K
7 (29) Giancarlo Stanton	Left Hamstring Strain	5/30	Went 0-for-3, homered in 1st game back for NYY
<b>8 (30) Harrison Bader</b>	<b>Right Hamstring Strain</b>	<b>6/14</b>	<b>Went 0-for-4 in 7 innings, commencing 3rd rehab stint with SOM</b>
		<b>6/16</b>	<b>Went 1-for-4 with 108.3 mph single off LF wall in first inning</b>
		<b>6/17</b>	<b>Went 1-for-4 in 11th career game for SOM</b>
9 (31) Ian Hamilton	Right Groin Strain	6/18	Pitched scoreless 7th inning, was WP in 4-3 W
		6/21	Threw 17 pitches to 3 batters, 2 BB, K, ER, LP in 2-1 L
		6/24	Pitched 1.1 scoreless innings, was WP in 3-1 W
10 (32) Carlos Rodon	Left Forearm Strain, Back	6/20	Started in NYY Organizational debut, 3 IP, 1 ER, 5 K
		6/25	Started in final game of 1st half: 4 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 4 K
11 (33) Willie Calhoun	Left Quad Strain	7/20-27	Started 6 games, including 2g @HFD, 4g at home, overall went 5-for-22 with HR on 7/22 @HFD, DFA'd by NYY on 7/28
12 (34) Nestor Cortes	Left Rotator Cuff Strain	7/23	Started @HFD: 2.1 IP, 12 batters, 42 pitches, 4 H, 1 ER, 4 K, HR allowed to Kyle Datres
		7/28	Started SOM's 7th shutout of season with 4.0 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 1 BB, 5 K on 49 pitches (36 strikes) in 10-0 win

**bold denotes second rehab assignment in Somerset of the season**



# PATRIOTS BULLPEN

Pitcher	Last Outing	Dec.	IP	H	R/ER	BB	K	SCORELESS STREAKS
Anderson	Fri. 4/12 @NH	L, BS	1.2	6	4/4	0	0	Active: -   Longest 1.0 IP, 1 BB, 1 K (one game)
Calderon								
Givin	Wed. 4/17 vs. HFD	ND	3.0	2	1/1	1	5	Active: 2.1 IP, 1 H, 1 BB, 4 K (one game)   Longest 2.1 IP, 1 H, 1 BB, 4 K (one game)
Gomez	Wed. 4/17 vs. HFD	ND	1.0	0	0/0	0	1	Active: 6.0 IP, 1 H, 2 BB, HB, 6 K (four games since 4/6 vs. RIC)   Longest 6.0 IP, 1 H, 2 BB, HB, 6 K (four games)
Mauricio								
Myatt	Tue. 4/16 vs. HFD	ND	1.2	1	0/0	1	3	Active: 5.0 IP, 2 H, 1BB, 8 K, W (three games)   Longest 5.0 IP, 2 H, 1BB, 8 K, W (three games)
Neely	Sun. 4/14 @NH	ND	2.0	0	0/0	1	3	Active: 4.2 IP, 1 H, 3 BB, 9 K (three games)   Longest 4.2 IP, 1 H, 3 BB, 9 K (three games)
Stevens	Sat. 4/13 @NH	W	2.2	3	1/1	0	4	Active: -   Longest 2.1 IP, 1 H, 1 BB, 3 K (one game)
Velasquez	Tue. 4/16 vs. HFD	ND	2.1	1	1/1	2	4	Active: -   Longest 2.0 IP, 1 H, 0 BB, 3 K (one game)
Watson	Thu. 4/11 @NH	L	1.1	4	3/2	1	1	Active: -   Longest 1.0 IP, 1 H (one game)

**24 RYAN ANDERSON** LHP 6'6" / 205  
 DOB: 9/09/98 (25) HOMETOWN: Reno, NV ACQ: MLB Draft 2019 (12 | 375)

**PITCH SELECTION:** -

Season-Highs: -

Career-Highs: 4.1 IP (4/12/22), 6 H (2x, last: 4/12/24 @NH, AA), 5 R (8/11/22), 5 BB (6/10/21), 5 K, 2x last: 6/23/23)

2023: Began the 2023 season with High-A Hudson Valley, appearing in 18 games and posting a 3.16 ERA over 31.1 IP with 37 K to only 4 BB. He was promoted to Double-A Somerset on 6/23 and in his debut vs. NH, Anderson pitched 2.2 scoreless innings with a season-high five strikeouts and recorded the final out in Somerset's 2023 First Half Championship-clinching 12-1 victory. Overall in Somerset, Anderson appeared in 19 games, going 3-1 with a team-best 1.01 ERA and 27 K over 26.2 IP.

2022: Spent all of 2022 with Single-A Tampa, ranking second on the team with 35 appearances, all of which were out of the bullpen. In total, he went 3-7 with a 4.26 ERA, 25 BB and 32 K.

2021: Split his second pro season between the FCL Yankees (four appearances, one start) and Single-A Tampa (12 appearances, six starts), combining to post a 10.01 ERA with 33 BB and 32 K.

2019: Made his professional debut with Rookie-Advanced Pulaski across 11 appearances (eight starts), posting a 4.78 ERA with 16 BB and 43 K.

College: Played three seasons at the University of Nevada (2017-19), posting a career 5.65 ERA with 58 BB and 122 K over 50 appearances (21 starts). He took over as the school's Friday night starter as a junior in 2019, making 14 starts and leading the team with 70.2 IP.

Personal Notes: Attended Spanish Springs High School (NV), where as a senior he was recognized as the Reno-Gazette Journal Northern Nevada Pitcher of the Year and named First-Team All-State. He was also named the Spanish Springs High School Athlete of the Year his senior season. In total at Spanish Springs, he pitched 134.2 innings with a 2.10 ERA, while lettering three years.

Career Notes: Selected by the Yankees in the 12th round of the 2019 MLB Draft.

**17 YORLIN CALDERON** RHP 6'3" / 155  
 DOB: 8/17/01 (22) HOMETOWN: San Francisco de Macoris, DOM. ACQ: Int. FA (2018)

**PITCH SELECTION:** -

Season-Highs: -

Career-Highs: 7.0 IP (5/25/22, A), 8 H (2x, last: 7/7/22, FCL), 9 R (8/9/21, FCL), 4 BB (8/24/22, A), 9 K (6/7/22, FCL)

2023: Spent the majority of 2023 with Single-A Tampa, posting a 6-2 record and 3.07 ERA over 37 games (three starts). Calderon was named Florida State League Pitcher of the Week for 8/21-27 with Tampa after tossing 5.0 shutout innings on 8/25/23 vs. PMB. He was assigned to High-A Hudson Valley on 8/29 and started two regular season games for the Renegades, allowing 3 ER over 8.0 IP. Calderon also pitched in two post-season games for HV, allowing just 1 ER over 8.2 total IP.

2022: Calderon threw a seven-inning no-hitter (2 BB, 7 K) in his 2022 season debut with Single-A Tampa on 5/25, starting the second game of a double header vs. Lakeland. After being named FSL Pitcher of the Week (5/29), he went on to spend most of the 2022 season with the FCL Yankees, going 4-1 with a 4.38 ERA. Following 10 appearances (three starts) in the FCL, Calderon was assigned back to Tampa on 8/23. He made his final three appearances (two starts) with the Tarpons, overall going 2-0 with a 2.84 ERA in Single-A. He was awarded his second FSL Pitcher of the Week honors on 8/27. Following the season, Calderon represented the Yankees in the Arizona Fall League, pitching for the Mesa Solar Sox.

2021: Split the season between the DSL Yankees, FCL Yankees and Single-A Tampa, making a total of 10 appearances (three starts) and posting a 9.49 ERA.

2019: Began his professional career with eight appearances (two starts) in the DSL, going 2-1 with a 6.61 ERA.

Personal Notes: Signed by the Yankees as an international free agent on August 16, 2018.

**26 CARLOS GOMEZ** RHP 6'1" / 175  
 DOB: 6/14/98 (25) HOMETOWN: Esperanza, DOM. ACQ: Int. FA (2018)

**PITCH SELECTION:** Fastball, Cutter, Curveball, Slider, Sinker

Season-Highs: -

Career-Highs: 5.2 IP (8/15/18, DSL), 8 H (8/9/18, DSL), 5 R (3x, last: 8/25/19, A), 5 BB (8/5/21, A), 7 K (2x, last: 8/15/21, A)

2023: Gomez began the 2023 season in High-A Hudson Valley, appearing in 35 games and pitching to a 5.33 ERA. On 8/18, he was promoted to Double-A Somerset and finished the season with 14 relief appearances, posting a 3.86 ERA. In his penultimate appearance of the season on 9/12 @NH, Gomez pitched an immaculate inning, which was one of three for the Patriots during the 2023 season. Overall during the season, Gomez set career-highs in G (42), K (81) and K/9 IP (11.57).

2022: In his fourth pro season, Gomez appeared in 38 games, all as a reliever, posting a 2.84 ERA over 66.2 IP, while posting 78 K and 6 SV, all then-career-best marks. Began the season with nine appearances for Single-A Tampa, posting a 1.42 ERA and 1.00 WHIP with 7 BB, compared to 30 K. Upon earning a promotion to High-A Hudson Valley, Gomez spent the remainder of his season with the Renegades, appearing in 29 games and posting a 3.40 ERA with 4 SV, 48 K and a .198 AVG.

2021: Gomez began his 2021 season in June with the FCL Yankees, allowing only one hit and no runs over 9.0 innings in four appearances, posting a WHIP of 0.56. After a promotion to Single-A Tampa, Gomez made eight appearances out of the bullpen for the Tarpons, posting a 5.12 ERA and 1.71 WHIP.

2019: Spent the majority of his second season with the GCL Yankees East, appearing in nine games (three starts), going 1-0 with a 3.86 ERA. He earned a promotion to High-A Tampa for his final appearance of the season, starting for the Tarpons and allowing five runs (two earned) over 4.0 innings.

2018: Made his professional debut with the DSL NYU. Working exclusively as a starter, Gomez started 12 games that he appeared in, going 1-3 with a 4.19 ERA and 1.40 WHIP.

Personal Notes: Signed by the Yankees as international free agent on April 12, 2018 out of Esperanza, Dominican Republic.

**31 MATT GIVIN** RHP 6'3" / 180  
 DOB: 6/17/99 (24) HOMETOWN: Boston, MA ACQ: MiLB FA (2023)

**PITCH SELECTION:** -

Season-Highs: -

Career-Highs: 9.0 IP (7/25/21, A), 12 H (7/25/21, A), 7 R (2x, last: 5/12/22, A+), 5 BB (6/13/21, A), 9 K (6/29/19, FCL)

2024: Broke camp with Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre and pitched in one game on 4/13 @NOR, going 3.0 IP, allowing 0 R on 2 H, 2 BB and 3 K.

2022-23: Spent his final two seasons in the Marlins organization at High-A Beloit, where he transitioned to work as a reliever. In 54 appearances (one start) over the two seasons, he went 6-3 with a 4.43 ERA over 91.1 IP with 85 K compared to 20 BB.

2017-21: Givin worked as a starter for his first three seasons with the Marlins organization, spending the first two seasons (2017-19) with the GCL Marlins, before pitching for Single-A Jupiter for all of 2021. Overall from 2017-21, Givin appeared in 36 games (26 starts), going 9-7 with a 2.99 ERA with 159.1 IP where he posted 128 K compared to 58 BB.

Career Notes: Initially drafted by the Miami Marlins in the 2017 MLB Draft (Round 20, Pick 599) and spent his first five minor league seasons with Miami. Givin was released on August 9, 2023, before the Yankees signed him as a minor league free agent on August 26, 2023.

**20 ALEX MAURICIO** RHP 6'0" / 180  
 DOB: 9/24/96 (27) HOMETOWN: Midlothian, VA ACQ: MLB Draft (2017 | 812)

**PITCH SELECTION:** Fastball (95-98), Cutter (88-91), Slider (83-86)

Season-Highs: -

Career-Highs: 6.1 IP (8/24/18, A), 9 H (7/15/18, A), 8 R (7/22/18, A), 4 BB (9/9/23, AA), 8 K (6/30/18, SS-A)

2024: Broke camp with the Patriots, but was transferred to Triple-A SWB before pitching in a game. In his Triple-A debut on 4/7, Mauricio earned the win with 2.1 scoreless innings of relief. After three outings for the Railriders with a 4.05 ERA over 6.2 IP, Mauricio was transferred back to Somerset on 4/17.

2023: Appeared in four games during Yankees MLB Spring Training, totaling 2.2 scoreless IP with 5 K. Mauricio spent the entire 2023 season with Somerset, going 2-2 over a career-high 36 appearances with a career-best 3.14 ERA (48.2 IP, 45 K, 19 BB, 5 SV, 4 HLD).

2022: After being reinstated for return by the Yankees following his voluntary retirement, 1,047 days after his last appearance, Mauricio earned the win in his first game back with High-A Hudson Valley. After having not played from 2020-21, Mauricio spent the full year with High-A Hudson Valley, going 4-0 over 26 games in which he posted a 4.78 ERA and led the Renegades with six saves.

2019-2021: Pitched one game on 4/7/19 for Single-A Charleston, allowing 7 ER in 1.1 IP. Following the game, he learned that had torn his UCL and had to get elbow surgery. As Mauricio was rehabbing at home in Virginia, he decided to voluntarily retire. He began working for a landscaping company in the Richmond, VA area, working 10+ hour days. He then started working in retail for a cycling store, selling motorcycle gear. Mauricio's third job after deciding to retire was as a baseball coach for Vertex Performance in Richmond, VA. Mauricio was constantly questioned by his students as to why he quit baseball, which motivated him to return to his professional career with the Yankees. After making the decision to return to professional baseball, in 2021 Mauricio prepped himself for a return by playing in an adult baseball league in Virginia, leading his team to the national championship as a two-way player at pitcher and shortstop.

2017-2018: Mauricio made his pro debut across nine relief appearances for the GCL Yankees West in 2017, going 2-1 with a 3.24 ERA and 1.38 WHIP. He split the 2018 season between Short-Season Staten Island and Single-A Charleston, before a suspension ended his season. Over 11 total starts, he went 1-3 with a 3.86 ERA.

College: Spent three seasons (2015-17) as a two-way player at Norfolk State University. As a junior, he became the first player in Norfolk State history to be named MEAC Player of the Year, when he was also one of nine semifinalists for the John Olerud Two-Way Player of the Year Award. In addition to his 11 games on the mound, Mauricio played 17 games at 2B, 12 games at 1B, eight at DH, two at SS and one in RF. His pitching career at Norfolk State consisted of 29 appearances (11 starts) in which he went 7-5 with a 3.79 ERA. Offensively, over 122 career college games, he slashed .299/.391/.429 with 75 R, 72 RBI & 6 HR.

Personal Notes: Attended Manchester High School (VA), playing baseball for three years and volleyball for two years. As a senior, Mauricio posted a 2.13 ERA on the mound, while hitting .333 at the plate.

Career Notes: Selected by the Yankees in the 27th round of the 2017 MLB Draft.

**25 TANNER MYATT** RHP 6'7" / 245  
 DOB: 5/21/98 (25) HOMETOWN: Spring Lake, NC ACQ: MLB Draft 2018 (11 | 337)

**PITCH SELECTION:** Fastball (mid-90s), Changeup (90), Cutter (88), Slider (82-84)

Season-Highs: -

Career-Highs: 4.2 IP (4/12/19, A), 4 H (7/2/19, A), 6 R (2x, last: 5/27/23, AA), 5 BB (5/13/21, A+), 7 K (4/12/19, A)

2023: Myatt spent all but one game in 2023 pitching for Somerset. Overall, he posted a career-best 2.78 ERA over a career-high 44 games, while also setting career-highs with 58.1 IP and 72 K. On 6/11, he was called up to Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre for a spot appearance and earned the win with 1.1 scoreless IP and 3 K.

2022: Began the 2022 season with 17 games in High-A Hudson Valley, going 1-0 with a 1.54 ERA and four saves. His 40 K (over 27.1 IP) led all South Atlantic League relievers at the time of his promotion to Somerset on 6/16. Spending the remainder of the season in Somerset, Myatt appeared in 22 games, going 4-2 with a 4.30 ERA en route to winning the Eastern League Championship with the Patriots.

2021: Split the 2021 season between Single-A Tampa and High-A Hudson Valley, combining to go 1-0 with a 5.40 ERA (18.1 IP, 10 H, 16 BB, 25 K) in 15 appearances. Myatt sustained an injury in July that kept him out for the remainder of the regular season, but following the season he pitched in the Arizona Fall League for the Surprise Saguaros (8g: 13.50 ERA, 6.0 IP, 8 H, 13 BB, 9 K, 4 HR, 1 SV).

2018-19: Spent the majority of his pro debut (2018) in the GCL, making nine appearances (five starts) and posting a 6.06 ERA. Spent all of 2019 in Single-A Charleston (19g: 4.24 ERA, 40.1 IP, 40 K). A shoulder inflammation injury cut his 2019 season short.

College: Selected by the Yankees in the 11th round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Florence-Darlington Technical College (SC), where he became the highest drafted player in FDTC school history. He pitched to a 3.76 ERA over two seasons (2017-18). During his sophomore year, he pitched to a 1.80 ERA with 39 K in 30 IP. Following his two seasons at FDTC, Myatt had committed to play at College of Charleston. Instead, he was drafted by the Yankees in 2018 and opted to sign, going on to play for the Yankees' affiliate in Charleston the next year.

Personal Notes: Graduated from Overhills High School (NC) in 2016.

Career Notes: Selected by the Yankees in the 11th round of the 2018 MLB Draft.

# PATRIOTS BULLPEN

<p><b>35 JACK NEELY RHP 6'8" / 245</b>            DOB: 6/05/00 (23) HOMETOWN: San Antonio, TX ACQ: MLB Draft 2021 (11   333)  <b>PITCH SELECTION:</b> Fastball (94-97), Slider (85-88)            Season-Highs: -  <b>Career-Highs:</b> 3 IP (8/22/23, AA), 4 H (9/5/23, AA), 5 R (9/5/23, AA), 3 BB (4x, last: 5/21/23, A+), 7 K (7/2/23, A+)            2023 South Atlantic League Post-Season All-Star 2024 Baseball America Yankees No. 32 Prospect            2023 MiLB.com Yankees Organization All-Star 2024 MLB Pipeline Yankees No. 26 Prospect</p> <p><b>2024:</b> Neely was one of three pitchers to see time in the Yankees' inaugural Spring Breakout game vs. TOR on 3/16. He pitched one inning to close out the game, allowing an unearned run and struck out Blue Jays prospects Gabriel Martinez and Emmanuel Bonilla. After entering the 2023 season as an unranked prospect, Neely enters 2024 ranked by both MLB Pipeline and Baseball America as one of the Yankees' top prospects.</p> <p><b>2023:</b> Began the season with High-A Hudson Valley, pitching to a 2.03 ERA over 31 relief appearances with six saves and 74 K, compared to 17 BB. On 8/8, Neely was promoted to Somerset, where he finished the season with 11 relief appearances and pitched to a 2.55 ERA, ceding just three walks compared to 17 strikeouts. Following the season, Neely was named a South Atlantic League Post-Season All-Star, as well as an MiLB.com Yankees Organization All-Star. His seven total saves were tied for second among Yankees farmhands.</p> <p><b>2022:</b> Spent the majority of 2022 with Single-A Tampa, pitching to a 3.94 ERA with 25 BB and 79 K over 34 games. His seven saves for the Tarpons were the third-most of any Yankees farmhand in 2022. He was called up to High-A Hudson Valley in September, where he finished the season with four scoreless and hitless outings, allowing only one baserunner (one walk) in 4.2 IP.</p> <p><b>2021:</b> Assigned to Single-A Tampa on 9/7 for his pro debut, Neely appeared in two games and logged one perfect inning of relief in both of his appearances. He struck out the side on 13 pitches in his debut and followed that performance up with an 11-pitch, two-strikeout effort.</p> <p><b>College:</b> Pitched at four different schools in his four college seasons, beginning his collegiate career with the University of Texas at Austin in 2019, before transferring to San Jacinto Junior College (TX) and Iowa Western Community College in 2020. He then transferred to Ohio State University for his junior season in 2021, appearing in 12 games (nine starts) and going 2-3 with a 6.10 ERA, while notching 62 K compared to 24 BB in 41.1 IP.</p> <p><b>Personal Notes:</b> Lettered in baseball three seasons at Churchill High School (TX) and was named first team All-District and first team academic All-District as a senior. He also played basketball for three seasons, lettering in his sophomore and junior years.</p> <p><b>Career Notes:</b> Selected by the Yankees in the 11th round of the 2021 MLB Draft.</p>	<p><b>16 LUIS VELASQUEZ RHP 5'10" / 155</b>            DOB: 7/7/01 (22) HOMETOWN: Fantino, DOM. ACQ: International FA (2019)  <b>PITCH SELECTION:</b> Fastball (93-95), Sinker (90-92), Changeup (85-87), Slider (81-83)            Season-Highs: -  <b>Career-Highs:</b> 3.2 IP (7/26/23, A+), 3 H (2x, last: 6/2/23, A), 4 R (6/22/23, A+), 4 BB (8/31/21, ROK), 6 (6/2/23, A)</p> <p><b>2023:</b> Began the season with Single-A Tampa, where he posted a 1.05 ERA over 25.2 IP with 33 K and a .085 BAA prior to being promoted to High-A Hudson Valley on 6/6/23. Went 3-2 with a 2.23 ERA in 21 relief outings for the Renegades, registering a 1.07 WHIP. He was named SAL Pitcher of the Week 7/24-30, after he pitched 5.2 perfect innings out of the bullpen for Hudson Valley over two appearances, picking up the win in both outings vs. HIC. Velasquez had a 20.2 IP scoreless streak spanning from 7/21 to 8/27, a feat which included retiring 19 consecutive batters across three outings from 7/26-8/4.</p> <p><b>2021-22:</b> Spent back-to-back seasons in 2021-22 with the FCL Yankees, including in 2022 when he was part of a team that won the FCL Championship. In 2021, he threw 9 IP over seven relief outings (5 R, 5 K). Returning in 2022, Velasquez went 2-0 with a 1.76 ERA over eight appearances (one start). He did not allow a run in six of his eight outings. He had one post-season appearance in which he pitched three shutout innings in the FCL semifinal win vs. the FCL Red Sox.</p> <p><b>2021:</b> Threw 9 IP over seven relief appearances for the FCL Yankees, striking out five and allowing five earned runs.</p> <p><b>2019:</b> Made his professional debut with the DSL Yankees and was named a DSL Post-Season All-Star after he posted a 3.38 ERA over 34.2 IP of relief with 39 K.</p> <p><b>Career Notes:</b> Signed as an international free agent by the Yankees on April 26, 2019 at 18 years old, over two years he was after initially eligible.</p>
<p><b>19 KEVIN STEVENS RHP 6'2" / 225</b>            DOB: 1/26/98 (26) HOMETOWN: Tuscon, AZ ACQ: Non-drafted FA (2022)  <b>PITCH SELECTION:</b> 4-seam fastball (95-99), slider (84-89)            Season-Highs: -  <b>Career-Highs:</b> 2.2 IP (4/13/24, AA), 3 H (4/13/24, AA), 3 R (8/22/22, A), 2 BB (8/31/22, A), 4 K (4/13/24, AA)</p> <p><b>2023:</b> Did not pitch in 2023 regular season due to injury. Joined the Mesa Solar Sox for the 2023 Arizona Fall League season, where he posted a 2.45 ERA in 7.1 IP with 10 K / 3 BB over nine appearances.</p> <p><b>2022:</b> Assigned to FCL Yankees to begin his pro career, where he pitched in 1 G, throwing .1 IP on 8/22/22 vs. FCL BLU, allowing 3 R on 2 H and 2 HB. Stevens was then promoted to Class-A Tampa, where he pitched 4.1 IP over four appearances for the Tarpons, allowing 1 ER with 2 K.</p> <p><b>College:</b> Pitched three seasons at University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley (2020-2022), where he was a two-time All-WAC First -Team selection and earned 2022 WAC Pitcher of the Year honors. In his senior year in 2022 as the Vaqueros Friday night starter, Stevens went 9-2 with a 2.66 ERA. In 81.1 innings, he racked up 100 strikeouts, tied for the 10th-highest single-season total in program history, while walking 29. Stevens finished his career with 228 strikeouts, the sixth-highest total in program history. He played his first two collegiate seasons (2017-2018) at Yavapai Junior College in Arizona, where he did not play as a freshman due to injury and posted a 5.40 ERA over only 13.1 IP as a sophomore with 11 K and a 1-1 record. Stevens did not play collegiate baseball in 2019 after undergoing Tommy John Surgery before walking-on at UTRGV in 2020.</p> <p><b>Career Notes:</b> Signed as a non-drafted free agent by the Yankees on 7/25/22.</p>	<p><b>39 DANNY WATSON RHP 6'7" / 235</b>            DOB: 10/6/00 (23) HOMETOWN: Nassau, NY ACQ: MLB Draft 2021 (15   453)  <b>PITCH SELECTION:</b> Fastball (89-92), Cutter (84-87), Slider (79-83)            Season-Highs: -  <b>Career-Highs:</b> 3 IP (5/13/23, A+), 5 H (7/31/22, A), 5 R (4/26/22, A), 3 BB (3x, last: 9/6/23, A), 7 K (4/30/23, A+)            2023 MiLB Awards All-MiLB Prospect Second Team 2024 MLB Pipeline Yankees No. 30 Prospect</p> <p><b>2023:</b> During Spring Training of 2023, Watson worked with former Yankees RHP Greg Weissert to re-tool his mechanics, completely reinventing his delivery to the plate. He broke camp with High-A Hudson Valley and pitched to a 1.48 ERA over 15 appearances, striking out 39 over 24.1 IP. From 4/23-5/7, he recorded 20 straight outs via strikeouts. After being unranked to start the year, Watson broke on to MLB Pipeline's list of Top-30 Yankees prospects at No. 29 in the mid-season update. Watson was promoted to Somerset on 5/30 and ended his season with 30 appearances out of the bullpen for the Patriots, posting a 4-0 record, 1.64 ERA, 0.89 ERA, 5 SV and 43 K to 16 BB in 38.1 IP. He went on a streak of 18 appearances without allowing a run between 5/4-7/1, including eight appearances for Hudson Valley and 10 for Somerset (26 IP, 8 H, 28 K). Following the season, he earned All-MiLB Prospect Second Team honors.</p> <p><b>2021-22:</b> Spent his first two pro seasons with Single-A Tampa. In 2021, he made his debut over three games during September (2.2 IP, 5 R, 4 BB, 2 K). In 2022, he spent the entire season with Tampa, leading the team with 38 appearances, while going 5-5 with a 4.01 ERA (58.1 IP, 45 H, 36 BB, 3 HR, 1 SV, 5 HLD).</p> <p><b>College:</b> Watson had always aimed to graduate from college early in three years and get drafted. He accomplished his goal when he earned his bachelors degree in finance in three years at Virginia Commonwealth University. In three college seasons at VCU, he went 8-5 with three saves and a 3.38 ERA (88.0 IP, 73 H, 29 BB, 92 K) in 40 games (seven starts).</p> <p><b>Personal Notes:</b> Lifelong Yankee fan who always wanted to be drafted by the organization, grew up idolizing Derek Jeter and Mariano Rivera. Per his hometown Albany Times Union Watson's "entire room was decked out in Yankee gear" during his childhood. Attended Columbia High School in East Greenbush, NY where a two-time Times Union all-star and won a Section II title as a senior.</p> <p><b>Career Notes:</b> Selected in the 15th round of the 2021 MLB Draft by the Yankees.</p>

# PATRIOTS BATTERS

BATTER	THIS SERIES	HIT STREAKS	ON-BASE STREAKS
Burt		<b>Active:</b> -2: 0-for-4, BB, K   <b>Longest</b> +2: 2-for-6, 4 RBI, 2 R, HR, 2B, 2 BB, K	<b>Active:</b> -1: 0-for-2 <b>Longest</b> +3: 2-for-10, 3 RBI, 2 R, HR, BB, K, SB
Cowles	(2g) 2-for-8, R, 2 2B, BB, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +4: 6-for-15, 3 RBI, 4 R, 3B, 3 2B, 2 BB, 2 K <b>Longest</b> +6: 9-for-22, 3 RBI, 2 R, 3 2B, 2 BB, 5 K, 2 SB	<b>Active:</b> +11: 15-for-39, 6 RBI, 7 R, 3B, 6 2B, 6 BB, 7 K, 2 SB <b>Longest</b> +11: 15-for-39, 6 RBI, 7 R, 3B, 6 2B, 6 BB, 7 K, 2 SB
Dunham	(1g) 1-for-4, R, 3B, K	<b>Active:</b> +3: 4-for-13, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2 2B, 2 K   <b>Longest</b> +3: 4-for-13, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2 2B, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +4: 4-for-16, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2 2B, BB, 4 K <b>Longest</b> +4: 4-for-16, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2 2B, BB, 4 K
Escarra	(2g) 3-for-7, RBI, 2B, BB, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> -1: 0-for-3, BB, K   <b>Longest</b> +2: 2-for-5, RBI, R, 2B, HBP	<b>Active:</b> +5: 3-for-16, 3 RBI, R, 2 2B, 3 BB, HBP, 3 K <b>Longest</b> +5: 3-for-16, 3 RBI, R, 2 2B, 3 BB, HBP, 3 K
Henson	(2g) 1-for-7, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +1: 1-for-4, K   <b>Longest</b> -	<b>Active:</b> +1: 1-for-4, K   <b>Longest</b> -
Jones	(2g) 1-for-6, RBI, BB, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +1: 1-for-3, RBI   <b>Longest</b> +1: 2-for-3, RBI, 3 R, 2B, BB	<b>Active:</b> +3: 3-for-9, 2 RBI, 4 R, 2B, 2 BB   <b>Longest</b> +3: 3-for-9, 2 RBI, 4 R, 2B, 2 BB
Palensky	(1g) 0-for-2, RBI, 2 BB, K	<b>Active:</b> -1: 0-for-2, RBI, 2 BB, K <b>Longest</b> +4: 6-for-14, 2 RBI, 2 R, 3 2B, 2 BB, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +8: 7-for-23, 3 RBI, 4 R, 3 2B, 7 BB, 6 K <b>Longest</b> +8: 7-for-23, 3 RBI, 4 R, 3 2B, 7 BB, 6 K
Ramirez	(2g) 1-for-7, RBI, R, HR, 2 BB, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +1: 1-for-4, RBI, R, HR, BB <b>Longest</b> +7: 9-for-31, 13 RBI, 6 R, 6 HR, 2 BB, 6 K	<b>Active:</b> +10: 10-for-39, 14 RBI, 10 R, 7 HR, 7 BB, HBP, 8 K <b>Longest</b> +10: 10-for-39, 14 RBI, 10 R, 7 HR, 7 BB, HBP, 8 K
Rice	(2g) 3-for-9, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2B, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> +1: 3-for-5, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2B, K   <b>Longest</b> +3: 4-for-14, RBI, 3 R, HR, BB, 5 K	<b>Active:</b> +1: 3-for-5, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2B, K <b>Longest</b> +7: 7-for-30, RBI, 5 R, HR, 4 BB, 9 K
Seigler	(1g) 0-for-3	<b>Active:</b> +2: 2-for-7, RBI, R, 3 K   <b>Longest</b> +2: 2-for-7, RBI, R, 3 K	<b>Active:</b> +2: 2-for-7, RBI, R, 3 K   <b>Longest</b> +3: 1-for-8, 2 R, 4 BB
Richardson	(1g) 1-for-3, R, 2B, BB	<b>Active:</b> +2: 3-for-7, RBI, 2 R, 3 2B, BB, K <b>Longest</b> +2: 3-for-7, RBI, 2 R, 3 2B, BB, K	<b>Active:</b> +2: 3-for-7, RBI, 2 R, 3 2B, BB, K <b>Longest</b> +2: 3-for-7, RBI, 2 R, 3 2B, BB, K
Wegner	(2g) 2-for-7, RBI, 2B, K	<b>Active:</b> +5: 6-for-19, 7 RBI, 4 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, BB, SB <b>Longest</b> +5: 6-for-19, 7 RBI, 4 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, BB, SB	<b>Active:</b> +5: 6-for-19, 7 RBI, 4 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, BB, SB <b>Longest</b> +5: 6-for-19, 7 RBI, 4 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, BB, SB
Vargas	(1g) 0-for-4, 2 K	<b>Active:</b> -1: 0-for-4, 2 K   <b>Longest</b> -	<b>Active:</b> -1: 0-for-4, 2 K   <b>Longest</b> -



# PATRIOTS BATTERS

**9 MAX BURT INF 6'2" / 205 B/T: R / R**  
 DOB: 8/28/96 (27) HOMETOWN: North Andover, MA ACQ: MLB Draft 2018 (28 | 847)  
 Season-Highs: -  
**Career-Highs:** 4 H (8/18/23, AA), 4 R (4/18/23, AA), 5 RBI (2x, last: 4/12/23, AA), 2 HR (7/16/22, AA), 3 SB (9/15/23, AA)  
**2023:** Of 98 games played in his fifth career season, Burt spent all but seven in Somerset. Including a seven-game stint from 6/22-7/14 in Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, Burt set season-long career-highs in R (56), TB (127), HR (12), RBI (44), BB (34) SB (21) and SLG (.393). It was the second straight season that Burt set career-highs in home runs and stolen bases. He also set single-game career-highs in H (4), R (4) and SB (3), while matching single-game career-highs in RBI (5) and BB (2). During the month of April for Somerset, Burt slashed .386/.462/.773 with 4 HR, 14 RBI and 12 R.  
**2022:** Spending the entire season with Somerset, Burt played in 85 games and set new career-highs in HR (11) and SB (19). On 7/16/22 at Portland, he accomplished the first two-home run game of his career which came in his 313th career minor league game. Burt's 19 stolen bases in 85 games came after he had 16 career stolen bases in 253 career games (his first three seasons). During MLB Spring Training in 2022, he went 2-for-7 with his two hits each being home runs.  
**2018-2021:** Spent all of 2018 with Rookie-level Pulaski, batting a career-high .274. Played the majority of 2019 in Low-A Charleston (71 games), while also splitting 35 games between High-A Tampa and Double-A Trenton. In 2021, Burt again played at three different levels of the Yankees' system, none more than Double-A Somerset (49 games). He earned a late-season promotion to Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, where he played in 36 games and hit .187 with 10 RBI.  
**College:** Played four seasons at Northeastern University in Boston, MA and helped lead the Huskies to their first NCAA berth in 14 years (2018). In 57 games his senior year, he hit .272 with 33 R and 32 RBI.  
**Personal Notes:** Attended high school at St. John's Prep and was captain of the baseball team, which won its league championships in 2013 and 2014, both years where Burt earned the Best Athlete Award. Three-sport athlete played basketball all four years of high school and golf for two years. Grew up a New England sports fan, with David Ortiz as his favorite player growing up. Max's father, Bill has been a longtime sportswriter in the New England area since 1983, covering the Red Sox, (New England) Patriots and other New England sports. Spends his offseasons hitting with close friend Anthony Volpe. He spent the 2022 season living at the Volpe household, alongside teammates Blake Perkins and Austin Wells.  
**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the 28th round of the 2018 MLB Draft.

**2 BEN COWLES INF 6'1" / 180 B/T: R / R**  
 DOB: 2/15/00 (24) HOMETOWN: Rochester, NY ACQ: MLB Draft 2021 (10 | 303)  
 Season-Highs: -  
**Career-Highs:** 3 H (7x, last: 4/7/23 vs. RIC), 3 R (2x, last: 7/23/22, A), 3 RBI (7x, last: 4/14/24 @NHH), 2 HR (2x, last: 7/23/23, A+), 3 SB (8/20/23, A+)  
**2023:** Cowles spent the entire High-A South Atlantic League season, including the postseason, with the Hudson Valley Renegades, slashing .254/.356/.393 and setting career-highs with 10 HR, 41 RBI and 62 R. After the season, he was promoted directly to Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, where he played in three games for the Railriders to end the season. Cowles represented the Yankees at the Arizona Fall League following the season, when he competed for the Mesa Solar Sox. In 20 AFL games, Cowles slashed .290/.405/.551 with 4 HR, 15 RBI and 9 R.  
**2022:** Spent the majority of 2022 with Single-A Tampa (70 games), before an August promotion to High-A Hudson Valley (23 games). Across 93 total games, Cowles slashed .272/.375/.427 with 47 R, 41 RBI and 7 HR in his second pro season.  
**2021:** Split his first season with between the FCL Yankees (3 games) and Single-A Tampa (32 games), combining to hit .250 with 14 R, 4 HR and 25 RBI.  
**College:** Played three seasons at the University of Maryland and as a junior, earned First Team All-Big Ten and ABCA/Rawlings All-East Region First Team honors. As a junior in 2021, he hit .287 with 42 R, 6 2B, 18 HR, 51 RBI, 20 BB and 9 SB in 48 games.  
**Personal Notes:** Graduated from Newark High School (NY), where he also played basketball. His sports hero growing up was Derek Jeter.  
**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the 10th round of the 2021 MLB Draft.

**8 ELIJAH DUNHAM OF 5'11" / 220 B/T: L / L**  
 DOB: 05/29/98 (25) HOMETOWN: Evansville, IN ACQ: Non-drafted FA (2020)  
 Season-Highs: -  
**Career-Highs:** 4 H (2x, last: 5/29/22, AA), 3 R (6x, last: 8/30/23, AA), 5 RBI (6/3/21, A), 2 HR (6/3/21, A), 3 SB (4x, last: 7/19/23)  
 2022 Eastern League All-Star Eastern League Player of the Week: 8/14/22  
 2021-22 MiLB.com NYY Organization All-Star 2021 AFL Rising Star, Breakout Player of the Year  
**2023:** Began the 2023 season with Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, hitting .216 in 69 games with 6 HR and 16 RBI. Transferred to Somerset on 7/4, where Dunham finished the season with the Patriots and in 56 games slashed .240/.331/.447 with 10 HR to end the season.  
**2022:** Spent all of 2022 season with Somerset, helping lead the Patriots to win their first Eastern League Championship. He earned Eastern League All-Star and Yankees Organization All-Star honors after finishing the season hitting .248 with a team-leading 63 RBI and setting career highs in RBI, HR (17), and SB (37). He hit .368 (7-for-19) with 3R, 1 HR, 4 RBI, 4 BB and 1 SB in five postseason games for the Patriots, including a crucial two-run homer in Game 2 of the Championship Series vs. Erie. During the week of August 8-14, Dunham was awarded Eastern League Player of the Week honors for the first time in his career: vs. HFD went 9-for-20 (.450) with 2 HR, 9 H, and 7 RBI. In the final week of the first half, Dunham dominated during the Patriots' first half clinching series vs. Hartford from 6/21-26. In the six games, he went 11-for-22, slashing .500/.560/.727 (1.287 OPS) with 1 HR, 5 RBI, 5 R and 4 SB, in addition to three game-saving, diving catches over the final two games.  
**2021:** Dunham began his pro debut season with Single-A Tampa (29 games), before earning a promotion to High-A Hudson Valley (64 games). Across both levels, he slashed .263/.362/.463 with 13 HR, 72 R, 57 RBI and 28 SB. Having spent most of his season in Hudson Valley, he led the Renegades in stolen bases (17). Dunham was named a 2021 MiLB.com Yankees Organizational All-Star. Following the season, he played for the Surprise Saguaros of the Arizona Fall League. He was voted the AFL Breakout Player of the Year and an AFL Rising Star, after he hit .357 (ranked 6th in AFL) with a .465 OBP (5th), 2 HR, 14 RBI, 11 SB (1st), 6 2B and 30 H (3rd) in 23 games.  
**Career Notes:** Dunham went undrafted in 2020, when the MLB Draft was shortened to five rounds due to the Covid pandemic, despite being Baseball America's No. 186 Draft Prospect. One week later, he signed with the Yankees. With a significant amount of interest from nearly every big league team, Dunham chose to sign with the Yankees due to the influence of current Yankees Assistant Hitting Coach, Casey Dykes, who was Dunham's hitting coach for one year (2019) at Indiana, and he calls his favorite coach of all time. Dunham was originally drafted in the 40th round of the 2019 MLB Draft by the Pirates and he elected to honor his commitment to Indiana.  
**College:** Played two full seasons at Indiana, plus 2020. In his last full season as a sophomore in 2019, he led the team in batting (.310) and OBP (.434) en route to being named Third-Team All-Big Ten after 43 games. He began his junior season in 2020 hitting .390/.493/.559 in 15 games with 11 walks. His seven doubles and .493 OBP led the Hoosiers. He earned Big Ten Player of the Week honors for the week of 2/24/20, before the remainder of the season was cancelled.  
**Personal Notes:** Attended Reitz High School in Evansville, where he hit .386 his senior year with a .541 OBP and 26 stolen bases. Three-sport athlete lettered in baseball, basketball and football. Grew up a Cardinals fan, with Albert Pujols his favorite player. Dunham's family owns a donut shop in Fort Worth, Texas, called "Parlor Donuts." His brother, Isaiah, who is a graduate of Yale, runs the business.

**6 J.C. ESCARRA C 6'3" / 205 B/T: L / R**  
 DOB: 4/24/95 (28) HOMETOWN: Hialeah, FL ACQ: MiLB FA (2024)  
 Season-Highs: -  
**Career-Highs:** 4 H (2x, last: 8/14/19, A+), 3 R (4x, last: 6/8/21, AA), 2 RBI (2x, last: 5/16/21, AA), 1 HR, 1 SB  
**2024:** Escarra hit a go-ahead two-run homer in the 8th inning of the Yankees' MLB Spring Training game vs. TOR on 3/16. He traveled with the Yankees to Mexico during their two-game exhibition series vs. the Diablos Rojos on 3/24-25. He started at first base in the second game on 3/25 and went 2-for-3 with a walk and an RBI-single.  
**2022-23:** The last two seasons, Escarra played 257 total games for five different teams in four leagues. Beginning in 2021, he played for the Kansas City Monarchs of the independent American Association, where he posted a .926 OPS in 70 games. He then started 2022 in the independent Atlantic League with the Gastonia Honey Hunters, where he hit .348 in 41 games with 15 HR, 22 BB, and 17 K. Escarra was named the Atlantic League Player of the Month for both April and May, before having his contract purchased by the Tijuana Toros of the Mexican League. He hit .329 with 6 HR in 21 games with Tijuana, before a trade to Union Laguna for the final 21 games of the regular season. Escarra also played for two teams during his 2023-2024 winter league season, beginning with Ponce in the Puerto Rican Winter League, where he hit .243 with 15 RBI. He also spent 13 games with Guasave in the Mexican Winter League, where he batted .238 with a .778 OPS. Following the 2023-24 winter ball season, Escarra was selected to play for Team Puerto Rico in the Caribbean Series, where he was managed by Yadier Molina and played at his hometown Loan Depot Park in Miami, FL.  
**2017-21:** Escarra was initially drafted in the 15th round by the Baltimore Orioles in the 2017 MLB Draft. Over four seasons with the Orioles organization, he made it as high as Triple-A Norfolk in 2021. He was named a New York-Penn League All-Star in 2018 with the Aberdeen Ironbirds.  
**College:** Played four seasons at Florida International University from 2014-2017. Over 175 career games with the Panthers, Escarra slashed .276/.432/.358 with 20 HR. As a senior in 2017, Escarra was tabbed Second Team All-C-USA Conference, hitting .305 with 15 HR, 49 RBI, and a .999 OPS.  
**Personal Notes:** Attended Mater Academy in Hialeah, where he hit .450 as a senior in 2013. He was initially selected by the New York Mets out of high school in the 32nd round of the 2013 MLB Draft, but opted to honor his commitment to FIU. Nicknamed the "Hialeah Cannon", Escarra is a native of Hialeah, FL, the same hometown of Yankees LHP Nestor Cortes Jr. and Padres 3B Manny Machado. Escarra and Cortes Jr. grew up playing baseball together in their youth. When the Yankees took Escarra into consideration, they approached Cortes Jr., asking if he knew Escarra and whether he recommended him. Cortes Jr. gave the Yankees front office a glowing recommendation, highlighting his bright personality, before the Yankees signed him. Escarra grew up a die-hard Yankees fan, idolizing Tino Martinez. His dad devoted himself to the Yankees after immigrating from Cuba and moving to Yonkers, NY in the late 1980s.

**33 SPENCER HENSON INF 6'0" / 235 B/T: R / R**  
 DOB: 11/3/97 (26) HOMETOWN: Locust Grove, OK ACQ: MLB Draft 2019 (9 | 285)  
 Season-Highs: -  
**Career-Highs:** 4 H (2x, last: 7/30/23, A+), 3 R (5x, last: 7/3/23, A+), 5 RBI (4/11/23, A+), 2 HR (2x, last: 7/30/23, A+), 1 SB  
**2023:** Spent his second consecutive full season with High-A Hudson Valley, playing a new career-high 82 games for the Renegades, while also setting career-highs in HR (14), RBI (48) and R (50), while hitting .252/.327/.453. On 9/10, the final day of Hudson Valley's regular season, Henson hit his 14th home run of the season and his 24th total in two years for the Renegades, becoming the franchise's all-time career leader in home runs.  
**2022:** Spent all of his first full season with High-A Hudson Valley, playing in 71 games and slashing .211/.312/.384 with 10 HR, 37 R and 37 RBI.  
**2021:** Played in four games for Single-A Tampa before a season-ending injury. In his final two games (5/6-5/7) of series vs. Dunedin, he went 4-for-7 with 2 HR and 7 RBI, homering in each game.  
**2019:** Split his professional debut season between Rookie-Advanced Pulaski (10 games) and Short-Season Class-A Staten Island (14 games), combining to hit .256/.378/.573 with 13 R, 17 RBI and 6 HR.

**College:** Played three seasons (2017-19) at Oral Roberts University (OK), winning the Summit League Trophy Crown in each of his final two seasons. He was also named the 2019 Summit League "Player of the Year" after slashing .362/.509/.768 (64-for-177) with 46 R, 11 2B, 2 3B, 19 HR, 51 RBI, 51 BB and 2 SB in 50 games.  
**Personal Notes:** Graduated from Pryor High School (OK) in 2016, after earning three Louisville Slugger High School All-America honors. Three-sport athlete also played football and basketball at Pryor.  
**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the ninth round of the 2019 MLB Draft.

**19 SPENCER JONES INF 6'6" / 235 B/T: L / L**  
 DOB: 5/14/01 (22) HOMETOWN: Encinitas, CA ACQ: MLB Draft 2022 (1 | 25)  
 Season-Highs: -  
**Career-Highs:** 4 H (4/25/23, A+), 3 R (3x, last: 4/13/24, AA), 5 RBI (4/11/23, A+), 2 HR (2x, last: 4/29/23, A+), 3 SB (9/6/23, AA)  
 2023 MLB All-Star Futures Game Selection 2024 MLB Pipeline No. 81 Overall Prospect  
 2023 MiLB.com Yankees Organization All-Star 2024 MLB Pipeline No. 2 Yankees Prospect  
 2024 Yankees James P. Dawson Award 2024 Baseball America No. 2 Yankees Prospect  
 2024 MiLB Pipeline All-Spring Breakout First Team 2024 FanGraphs No. 1 Yankees Prospect

**2024:** Jones earned a non-roster invite to MLB Spring Training and saw time in 12 games, slashing .444/.565/.722 with 1 HR, 4 RBI, 7 R and a 1.287 OPS. He began the spring by collecting hits in each of his first five at-bats and reaching base in each of his first six plate appearances. He started in the Yankees' first Spring Training game of the season on 2/24 and went 3-for-3 with a 470-foot home run. On 3/16, Jones started in center field for the Yankees in their inaugural Spring Breakout game vs. TOR and went 3-for-4 with 2 HR and 4 RBI en route to being named to MLB Pipeline's All-Spring Breakout First Team. His Spring Training performance earned him the Yankees' 2024 James P. Dawson Award, giving the organization's most outstanding rookie in spring training.  
**2023:** Began his first full season with High-A Hudson Valley, going on to play 100 games for the Renegades and slashing .268/.337/.450 with 13 HR, 56 RBI, 62 R and 35 SB. He was promoted to Double-A Somerset on 8/27 and ended the season playing 17 games for the Patriots, plus the post-season. With Somerset, Jones hit .261 with a .739 OPS, 3 HR, 10 RBI, 9 R and 8 SB. On 8/30 @POR, he hit his first Double-A home run, which was a go-ahead grand slam. In 117 total games, Jones led all Yankees minor leaguers with 43 stolen bases.  
**2022:** Jones made his professional debut in three games for the FCL Yankees and then spent the remainder of his season with Single-A Tampa (22 games). Collectively, in 25 games during his rookie season, Jones slashed .344/.425/.538 with 4 HR, 12 RBI, 21 R and 12 SB.  
**College:** Jones played three seasons at Vanderbilt University, most notably putting together a breakout junior year in 2022 when he batted .370/.460/.643 with 21 2B, 3 3B, 12 HR, 60 RBI and 14 SB in 61 games. He missed part of his sophomore season in 2021 while recovering from arm injuries that included Tommy John surgery. It was during this time that Jones fully converted from being a two-way player to being a full-time hitter. At the 2022 MLB Draft combine in San Diego, Jones had the day's hardest-hit ball at 112.2 mph. During the summer of 2021, he played for the Brewster Whitecaps of the Cape Cod League, the same college summer club that Aaron Judge played for about 10 years earlier.  
**Personal Notes:** Prior to Vanderbilt, Jones served as a two-way player at La Costa Canyon, a prep school where he earned a variety of honors including the 2018 MiLB Network/Sirius XM Two-Way Player Award. Jones was the 2018 CIF San Diego Section Home Run Derby Champion, was named a 2018 Under Armour All-American and a 2018 Perfect Game All-American. Overall in high school, he posted a career .367 AVG, .443 OBP and .484 SLG at La Costa Canyon.  
**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the 1st round (No. 25 overall) of the 2022 MLB Draft. Jones is the first outfielder to be selected by the Yankees with their top pick since Blake Rutherford was picked No. 18 overall in 2016. Jones was previously drafted out of high school by the Angels in the 31st round of the 2019 MLB Draft, but did not sign.

# PATRIOTS BATTERS

**1 AARON PALENSKY OF 5'11" / 190 B/T: R / R**

DOB: 9/22/98 (25) HOMETOWN: Omaha, NE ACQ: Non-drafted FA (2020)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 4 H (3x last: 6/11/23, AA), 4 R (5/24/23, A+), 7 RBI (4/26/23, A+), 2 HR (4/26/23, A+), 2 SB (4x, last: 4/26/23, A+)

**2023:** Broke camp by playing in 32 games for High-A Hudson Valley. At the time of his promotion to Somerset on 5/30, Palensky's 12 HR and 34 RBI were both tied for the Yankees MiLB lead, while his .744 SLG and 1.178 OPS led all MiLB players. During his final week with Hudson Valley, Palensky earned South Atlantic League Player of the Week honors, the first POW honors of his career, when @WVIL slashed .619/.680/1.238 with 9 R, 5 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 7 RBI and 3 SB. Palensky spent 62 games with Somerset and slashed .183/.327/.383 with 8 HR, 28 RBI and 37 R. On 9/13, he was promoted to Triple-A SWB and the remainder of his season playing for the Railriders. In nine games, he posted a .775 OPS with 2 HR.

**2021-22:** After signing as a non-drafted free agent, Palensky was assigned to make his professional debut with Double-A Somerset in 2021, where he hit safely in nine of his first 12 games (.342/.432/.605) with 10 RBI. In total, Palensky played in 37 games for the Patriots, slashing .216/.360/.378. He spent the entire 2022 season with Hudson Valley, batting .251/.369/.475 with 46 R, 10 HR, 34 RBI and 34 BB in 77 games. **College:** Played one season at Southeast Community College (NE) in 2018, before transferring to his dream school, the University of Nebraska, where he played two seasons (2019-20). During 2019 in his only full season, he led the team in BA (.320), H (71), R (43), HR (7) and TB (107).

**Personal Notes:** Graduated from Papillion La Vista South High School (NE) in 2017. As a senior, he batted .342 with 23 R, 15 RBI, 8 XBH and a .485 OBP. In addition to playing baseball, Palensky lettered four times in tennis, earning a spot on the honorable-mention all-state tennis list.

**Career Notes:** After Palensky's 2020 NCAA season at Nebraska was shut down due to the Covid pandemic, the June 10, 2020 MLB Draft was shortened to five rounds and Palensky did not have his name called. In the days following the draft, Palensky was working as an Amazon delivery driver. He was in the middle of his delivery route in Fremont, Nebraska when he received a call from an unknown number. Palensky answered the incoming call to discover it was the New York Yankees on the other end. He pulled over to finish the conversation and was presented with a contract offer, signing on June 18, 2020 as a non-drafted free agent.

**23 AGUSTIN RAMIREZ C 6'0" / 210 B/T: R / R**

DOB: 09/10/01 (21) HOMETOWN: Santo Domingo, DOM. ACQ: Int. FA (2018)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 4 H (7/12/22, ROK), 4 R (8/18/23, AA), 6 RBI (6/14/22, ROK), 1 HR, 2 SB (3x, last: 6/23/23, A)

2023 SAL Player of the Month: July  
2022 FCL Post-Season All-Star  
2019 DSL Mid-Season All-Star  
2024 MLB Pipeline No. 22 Yankees Prospect  
2024 Baseball America No. 20 Yankees Prospect

**2023:** Began season with Single-A Tampa, making his full-season debut in the Yankees organization. Hit .245 with 7 HR, 35 RBI, 43 BB, 41 K in 56 games prior to a promotion to High-A Hudson Valley on 6/29. During his first month at High-A, Ramirez was named South Atlantic League Player of the Month, after he hit .415/.467/.756 for Hudson Valley in July, leading the South Atlantic League in batting average, hits (34), doubles (10), total bases (62), SLG, and OPS (1.223). He homered six times in 20 July games, including in four straight games from July 23-27 and reached base in 26 of 27 High-A games before he was promoted to Somerset on 8/8.

**2021-22:** Spent 2021 with the FCL Yankees and hit .220 with 4 HR, 15 RBI in 32 games for a roster which included as many as five catchers at once. In 2022, he won a championship with the FCL Yankees and played 44 games for the team, hitting .304/.386/.506 with 34 R, 6 HR, 51 RBI, ranking 3rd among Yankees qualified farmhands in AVG en route to being named an FCL Post-Season All Star.

**2019:** Slashed .239/.300/.374 with 4 HR and 26 RBI in 41 games for the DSL Yankees and was named a Mid-Season All-Star in the Dominican Summer League.

**Career Notes:** Initially signed by Yankees as an International Free Agent on 7/12/18 for \$400K.

**4 BEN RICE C 6'1" / 215 B/T: L / R**

DOB: 02/22/99 (25) HOMETOWN: Cohasset, MA ACQ: MLB Draft '21 (12 | 363)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 4 H (3x, last: 8/30/23, AA), 4 R (2x, last: 8/30/23, AA), 5 RBI (2x, last: 8/30/23, AA), 2 HR (2x, last: 8/30/23, AA)

2023 Eastern League Player of the Month: August  
2023 Eastern League Player of the Week: 8/13/23  
2023 MiLB.com Yankees Organization All-Star  
2023 MLB Pipeline NYY Hitting Prospect of the Year  
2023 Yankees Kevin Lawn Award Winner  
2024 MLB Pipeline Yankees No. 13 Prospect  
2024 Baseball America Yankees No. 12 Prospect

**2023:** Began the season with 15 games playing for High-A Hudson Valley. Placed on the 7-day IL on 5/6 with a lower back injury. Commenced a 10-game rehab assignment in Single-A Tampa from 7/1-7/16, before being assigned to Somerset on 7/18. In 25 combined games prior to his promotion, Rice was slashing .341/.559/.523 with 2 HR, 10 RBI, 15 R, 18 BB, 10 BB and a 1.082 OPS. During his first week at Double-A, Rice played in four games, collecting multiple hits in all four, going 10-for-20 with 10 RBI, 6 R and 3 HR. Making his Double-A debut in Hartford, during his third game for Somerset on 7/22, he collected a career-high 4 H in his first career 2 HR game, while adding 4 RBI. During 8/8-13 vs. BNG, Rice was awarded his first career Player of the Week honors for going 12-for-23 with 9 RBI, 7 R, 2 HR, 4 2B, 2 BB, HBP and 2 SB.

**2021-22:** Spent the entire 2022 season with the Single-A Tampa, batting .267/.368/.442 with 32 R, 9 2B, 9 HR, 36 RBI, 28 BB and 4-for-5 SB in 68 games. Made his professional debut in 2021 across 22 games in Tampa (2 FCL, 20 Single-A), batting .197 with 3 HR, 13 BB, 13 RBI, 8 R and a .709 OPS.

**College:** Attending Dartmouth, Rice played in only 30 college games. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, most of his 2020 season and all of his 2021 college baseball seasons were canceled by the Ivy League. In anticipation of the 2021 being canceled, Rice teamed up with his Ivy League peers to organize show-case scrimmages and workouts at local sandlot fields, inviting scouts to watch them. Rice was playing for the Cape Cod League's Cotuit Kettleers before being drafted by the Yankees.

**Personal Notes:** Brother, Sam, is a distance swimmer at the University of Tennessee. Father, Benjamin, played baseball at Brown. Growing up, Rice's primary sport was hockey, before he decided to exclusively pursue baseball late during high school.

**Career Notes:** Selected in the 12th round of the 2021 MLB Draft by the Yankees.

**16 GRANT RICHARDSON OF 6'0" / 210 B/T: L / L**

DOB: 07/13/99 (24) HOMETOWN: Fishers, IN ACQ: MLB Draft '21 (17 | 513)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 4 H (6/6/23, A+), 3 R (4x, last: 6/6/23, A+), 5 RBI (8/3/22, A), 2 HR (8/14/22, A+), 3 SB (8/21/21, ROK)

**2023:** Began this season on the 7-day IL in High-A Hudson Valley, before being reinstated on 4/18 and playing in 77 games for the Renegades, slashing .204/.306/.389 with 13 HR, 37 RBI, 34 R and 14 SB. During his final week in High-A on 8/17, Richardson hit his 23rd career High-A home run, which tied him with Everson Pereira and Spencer Jones for the Hudson Valley Renegades franchise career record, prior to his promotion to Somerset on 8/22.

**2022:** Began his second pro season with Single-A Tampa, playing in 55 games for the Tarpons and hitting .253/.350/.421 with 6 HR, 32 RBI and 28 R. He was promoted to High-A Hudson Valley alongside teammate Jasson Dominguez on 7/15/22, when he broke the news to Dominguez in a viral social media video on the Yankees' Player Development X account. Finishing the season with the Renegades, Richardson hit .208/.288/.477 over 35 games in which he collected 10 HR, 28 RBI and 19 R.

**2021:** Made his professional debut across 27 games with the FCL Yankees, slashing .269/.376/.516 with 3 HR, 18 RBI and 24 R.

**College:** Played three years (2019-21) at the University of Indiana, alongside fellow Yankees farmhand Elijah Dunham for the 2019 and 2020 seasons. One of the unpaid volunteer hitting coaches at Indiana in 2019 was the Yankees' now assistant hitting coach, Casey Dykes. During his final college season in 2021, Richardson hit .320 with 33 RBI, 32 R and 7 HR en route to being named First-Team All-Big Ten and Second-Team ABCA Midwest All-Region.

**Personal Notes:** Attended Bishop Dwenger High School (IN) as a three-year letterwinner, then transferred to Fishers High School (IN) where he played his senior season. In 2018, he went 5-0 on the mound with a 2.75 ERA, striking out 78 batters in 43.1 innings, winning a state championship.

**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the 17th round of the 2021 MLB Draft.

**9 ANTHONY SEIGLER C 5'9" / 198 B/T: S / S**

DOB: 6/20/99 (24) HOMETOWN: Cartersville, GA ACQ: MLB Draft 2018 (1 | 23)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 3 H (4x, last: 9/6/22, A+), 4 R (6/17/22, A+), 4 RBI (4x, last: 5/5/22, A), 2 HR (7/27/21, A+), 4 SB (7/6/22, A+)

**2023:** Spent the full 2023 season in Somerset, playing in 67 games and posting a .166/.333/.263 slash line with 5 HR, 27 RBI and 33 R. After catching for his entire professional career, Seigler transitioned to play second base by mid-season and went on to play 15 games at the position. He also appeared at left field in one game.

**2022:** Put together a career season in every offensive category, spending the majority of the year in High-A Hudson Valley (72 games), after starting out with Single-A Tampa (25). Across 97 total games, Seigler hit .236/.405/.369 with 7 HR, 45 RBI and 61 R.

**2018-2021:** Spent all of his 2021 season with High-A Hudson Valley, slashing .219/.324/.391 across 41 games. On 7/27/21 vs. Wilmington, he accomplished his first career two-home run game. Seigler was limited to 30 games in his second season (2019), all with Single-A Charleston, when he hit .175 with 10 HR and 6 RBI, before his season was cut short in July due to a broken left patella. Split his first pro season (2018) evenly between the GCL Yankees West and Pulaski Yankees. In 24 total games, he slashed .266/.379/.342.

**Personal Notes:** Attended Cartersville High School (GA), where as a senior he was ranked by Baseball America as the No. 41 prospect in the 2018 MLB draft class. In addition to catching, Seigler was also an ambidextrous pitcher and posted a 1.09 ERA in 25.2 IP as a senior, with 29 K. Seigler graduated from Cartersville with Jacksonville Jaguars quarterback and 2021 No. 1 overall draft pick Trevor Lawrence, whom he played football with during elementary school. During high school, Seigler also played for USA Baseball's U18 National Team, winning the 2017 U18 World Cup. He was committed to play at the University of Auburn prior to signing with the Yankees. Seigler is of Navajo descent and would join Jacoby Ellsbury as the second Navajo to play in the Majors. Named after the late Tony Phillips, an 18-year Major League veteran infielder and friend of his father's. Growing up in Cartersville, GA, Seigler's favorite plater was Chipper Jones.

**Career Notes:** Selected by the Yankees in the 1st round of the 2018 MLB Draft, making him the third catcher to be chosen by the Yankees in the first round of the MLB Draft (David Parrish, 28th overall and Thurman Munson, fourth overall).

**16 JARED WEGNER OF 6'0" / 220 B/T: R / R**

DOB: 07/25/99 (24) HOMETOWN: Kearney, NE ACQ: MLB Draft '23 (9 | 282)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 2 H (2x, last: 4/12/24, AA), 2 R (4x, last: 4/12/24, AA), 3 RBI (4/13/24, AA), 1 HR, 1 SB

**2023:** Began his professional career as a member of FCL Yankees. In his first career game vs. the FCL Tigers on 7/29, Wegner hit a solo home run in the 8th inning for his first career hit. The following day, Wegner went 3-for-4 with another homer in addition to 5 RBI. After going 4-for-9 with 2 HR and 6 RBI over two games with the FCL Yankees, Wegner was promoted to Single-A Tampa on 8/2. He played three games with Tampa, going 3-for-12 with 2 RBI before being promoted to High-A Hudson Valley after just six days with Tampa. Wegner rounded out his debut campaign with 19 games for the Renegades, over which he hit .254 with 2 HR and 6 RBI.

**College:** Wegner was a four-year starter at Creighton from 2019-22, before transferring to Arkansas for his fifth year of eligibility. As a freshman, he earned All-Big East 2nd Team honors, batting .264 with 20 RBI and 1 HR, which came in the form of a grand slam in his first collegiate game. As a senior, he slashed .343/.459/.635 with a team-leading 11 HR and 53 RBI, earning All-Big East 1st Team honors. Overall in his four seasons for Creighton, he posted a .306 average and 14 HR. Within 30 minutes of entering the NCAA transfer portal, he was contacted by Arkansas assistant coach Nate Thompson. During his fifth college season at Arkansas in 2023, Wegner played in 43 games, missing 18 games due to a fractured thumb, and hit .313 with an 1.130 OPS, 15 HR, and 51 RBI. In his lone season as a Razor-back, Wegner's team won the 2023 SEC Championship in 2023, the school's fourth in program history, leading Arkansas to the No. 3 overall seed in the NCAA Tournament. He hit home runs in his final two college games in the Fayetteville Regional of the NCAA Tournament and was named a midseason All-American by D1Baseball.

**Personal Notes:** Three-sport athlete at Kearney High School (Kearney, NE), Wegner was ranked the No. 13 overall prospect in the state of Nebraska by Prep Baseball Report. Prior to high school, he represented Nebraska (Kearney Little League) in the 2012 Little League World Series with his father, Brad, serving as the team's head coach. He went 3-for-4 with a homer and 5 RBI in the state's first ever LLVWS win, coming over Germany. During his graduate year at Arkansas, Wegner earned the nickname "Pops" from his teammates.

**Career Notes:** Selected in the ninth round of the 2023 MLB Draft by the Yankees, signing for \$72,500 as a senior-sign.

**3 ALEXANDER VARGAS INF 5'11" / 148 B/T: S / R**

DOB: 10/29/01 (22) HOMETOWN: Matanzas, CUB. ACQ: Int. FA (2018)

Season-Highs: - Career-Highs: 4 H (3x, last: 8/11/23, A+), 3 R (9x, last: 7/25/23, A+), 4 RBI (5x, last: 8/11/23, A+), 2 HR (4/30/23, A+), 3 SB (9/4/21, ROK)

**2024:** Returned to High-A Hudson Valley to start the 2024 season, where he played in five games and went 3-for-15 with 5 RBI. On 4/17, he was assigned to Double-A Somerset.

**2023:** Played a career-high 103 games for High-A Hudson Valley, batting .206 with 9 HR, 53 RBI, and a .590 OPS. He hit a walk-off home run in 12th inning vs. JS on 8/12 to finish the night with four hits and four RBI. Over a series vs. HIC, Vargas hit 2 HR with 9 RBI over 5 games from 7/25-7/30. He hit 2 HR in a 15-2 win over the Greenville Drive on 4/30. By the end of the season, Vargas led all Yankees farmhands with six triples. During the season, he saw action at second base for the first time in his career, playing in nine games at the position.

**2022:** Entering the 2022 season ranked as MLB Pipeline's No. 17 Yankees prospect, Vargas spent his first full season with Single-A Tampa, hitting .203 in 100 games with a .583 OPS, 33 RBI, and 8 HR. He led the Tarpons in stolen bases (27) and runs (59).

**2021:** Ranked as the Yankees' No. 13 prospect by MLB Pipeline, Vargas spent all of 2021 season with FCL Yankees, playing in 42 games, hitting .273 with a .755 OPS, 3 HR, and 26 RBI. Vargas led the FCL in runs (37) and ranked fourth in stolen bases (17).

**2019:** Made professional debut for the Dominican Summer League Yankees on 6/1, where he played eight games and hit .289, ahead of a promotion to the Gulf Coast League on 6/24. Played in 40 games for the GCL Yankees-East, hitting .219 with 1 HR, 16 RBI and 14 BB to only 22 K. Vargas went a perfect 13-for-13 on the base paths in the GCL and he led the league with five triples. Vargas was promoted to Rookie-Advanced Pulaski for the 2019 Appalachian League Playoffs, appearing in one game: Game Three of the league's semifinals vs. the Burlington Royals, which was a 17-inning, five-hour, 19-minute game that the Royals won to send them to the league championship.

**Career Notes:** Vargas was expected to sign with the Reds as an international free agent, but Cincinnati was penalized for exceeding their bonus pool money the prior signing period leaving them unable to sign a prospect to a contract above \$300,000. The Yankees swooped in to ink Vargas for \$2.5M on 8/1/18, dishing out the third-highest bonus in the class. The Yankees acquired the extra international pool money they needed for Vargas, the 8th-ranked prospect in the class, by sending Caleb Frare to the White Sox, and both Giovanni Gallegos and Chasen Shreve to the Cardinals. Vargas played for Matanzas in Cuba's 15U national league in 2016, batting .296/.395/.449 with 14 walks and eight strikeouts in 116 plate appearances. In 2017, he jumped to the 18U league as a 15-year-old. Vargas was part of the first signing class which allowed Cuban players to be signed by MLB teams without having to defect.