



PEORIA CHIEFS (40-46, 8-12)
at
SOUTH BEND CUBS (49-34, 10-11)

July 17, 2026 / 7:05 PM ET
Four Winds Field / South Bend, Indiana

LHP Ethan Flanagan vs. RHP Yhoiker Fajardo
South Bend: First-Half West Division Champions
Radio: 96.1 FM / 960 AM WSBT

Series Schedule	Cubs Starting Pitchers	Opposing Starting Pitchers
7/18 Game 2 vs. Peoria 7:05 PM ET	RHP Alfredo Romero	RHP Jack Martinez
7/19 Game 3 vs. Peoria 2:05 PM ET	TBA	RHP Tanner Franklin
7/21 Game 1 vs. Wisconsin 7:05 PM ET	TBA	TBA
7/22 Game 2 vs. Wisconsin 12:05 PM ET	TBA	TBA
7/23 Game 3 vs. Wisconsin 7:05 PM ET	TBA	TBA
7/24 Game 4 vs. Wisconsin 7:05 PM ET	TBA	TBA

ABOUT LAST SERIES - The Cubs responded from a difficult week in Beloit on their 12-game road trip last series by taking four of six games away from the Cedar Rapids Kernels heading into the All-Star Break. South Bend lost five of six games at Beloit to start the long trip, including being shutout in both games of a doubleheader on July 5. South Bend has now followed each of their three series losses this season with a series victory.

BROTHERLY CUBS - Two South Bend Cubs were in Philadelphia this week for the MLB All-Star Futures Game. No. 29 Cubs prospect Mason McGwire and No. 2 Cubs prospect Josiah Hartshorn, now a top-30 Baseball America prospect, both played in the Futures Game this past Sunday. McGwire pitched a third of an inning, picking up a strikeout for his lone out recorded. Hartshorn went 0/2 off the bench.

POST ALL-STAR REDEMPTION? - Last season, South Bend also hosted a three-game series at Four Winds Field out of the All-Star Break, but were swept in three games by the Beloit Sky Carp. In the three games, South Bend scored just one run, in a 3-1 loss on July 19 last year.

CHRISTIAN O-LEADOFF - In four games since moving to the leadoff spot on Thursday in Cedar Rapids, do-it-all man Christian Olivo has brought in 4 RBI and 6 runs. Saturday night, he led the Cubs' offense by going 3-for-4 with a double, a walk, an RBI, 3 stolen bases, and a run scored.

ESCOBAT - Since making his High-A debut on May 28, 21-year-old Jose Escobar has put together a terrific run at the plate, ranking second in the Midwest League for hits (45) in 36 games during that timeframe. He has hits in 15 of his last 17 games. He sports an OPS of .969 in a South Bend uniform.

NO SOUP FOR YOU - Catcher Justin Stransky continues to help out the pitching staff in a big way, leading the Midwest League with 29 baserunners caught stealing this year. In comparison, MLB leader William Contreras has caught 18 runners.

THE KANE TRAIN - No. 5 Chicago Cubs prospect Kane Kepley leads Minor League Baseball in runs scored (88). Only James Wood of the Washington Nationals (89) has more in all of affiliated baseball (MLB and MiLB). Kepley, who broke South Bend Cubs records (since 2015) for walks, stolen bases, and runs scored before the end of June, became the first Midwest League player since at least 2005 to score 80 or more runs before the end of June. Kepley also ranks second in the MWL with 41 stolen bases and third in walks with 75 this year.

FIRST-HALF CHAMPS - For the first time since 2016, the South Bend Cubs secured a playoff spot by clinching the first-half in the Midwest League West Division. June 13 against the Peoria Chiefs was clinch night, with the Cubs toppling the Chiefs by a final score of 6-4. South Bend scored five runs in the 1st inning to start the game, and received home runs in the inning by Josiah Hartshorn, Jose Escobar, and Justin Stransky. The Escobar and Stransky round-trippers went back-to-back. In 2016, South Bend won the East Division title.



TONIGHT'S CUBS STARTING PITCHER – Ethan Flanagan

CUBS SEASON..... CAREER HIGHS

4.2 at Beloit 7/3.....**IP**.....6.0, vs Columbia 7/26/25
 7, vs Lansing 5/8.....**Hits**Same
 3, at Fort Wayne 6/21.....**Runs**Same
 3, at Dayton 4/26....**Walks**4, vs Fredericksburg 8/9/25
 7, at Cedar Rapids 7/10..**K's**....9, at Charleston 7/2/25

Last Time Flanagan...

Won A Game: 7/10/26 South Bend at Cedar Rapids

Lost A Game: 6/21/26 South Bend at Fort Wayne

Allowed A Home Run: 7/3/26 South Bend at Beloit



HT/WT: 6'3" / 205.... **AGE:** 23 ... **THROWS:** Left... **BORN:** Newport Beach, CA

LAST TIME OUT: Last start came on May 21 at West Michigan, where Flanagan allowed an unearned run over four innings with four hits allowed, no walks, and three strikeouts.

Last four outings have all come in long relief. Has won back-to-back outings. Posted 4.2 innings with two runs allowed on three hits (one home run) against Beloit on July 3. No walks, struck out five. Last time at Cedar Rapids on July 10, went four scoreless frames. Gave up two hits, a walk, hit a man. Matched a season-best with seven K's.

2026 SPLITS

As starter: 0-1, 3.75 ERA, 3 GS, 12.0 IP, 6 R, 12 H, 2 HR, 1 HB, 5 BB, 11 K's

As reliever: 2-2, 3.71 ERA, 9 G's, 34.0 IP, 14 R, 33 H, 4 HR, 1 HB, 6 BB, 43 K's

OFF THE DEV LIST: After a stint on the Development List from May 24 until June 21, Flanagan has allowed two runs or less in three straight bullpen appearances of four innings or more, with at least four strikeouts in all.

DOMINANT JULY 2025: Posted a 1.23 ERA in July of 2025 over four starts. Won three of them. Struck out 18 over 22 IP.

BACK IN BUSINESS: Flanagan missed all of the 2024 season due to injury, returned to Myrtle Beach in 2025, starting all 14 games. Walked just 24 batters in 63 innings, allowing one home run. Surrendered two homers in 2026 season debut at Peoria April 9.

CAREER NOTES: Selected by the Cubs in the 17th round of the 2023 MLB Draft out of UCLA...Did not pitch in 2024... Made 14 starts last season between ACL and Low-A Myrtle Beach, with 12 coming for Pelicans..Posted 5-1 record with 1.93 ERA with 54 K's in 56.0 IP. Worked career best 6.0 shutout innings on 7/2/25 at Charleston with three hits allowed, two walks and nine K's... At UCLA went 5-1 with a 3.91 ERA and 107 strikeouts over 92 total innings ... Was a Freshman All-American and All-Pac-12 selection in 2022.

Second career appearance vs. Peoria

4/9/26 at PEO (MWL Debut): L, 2.1 IP, 3 R, 5 H, 2 HR (Rainiel Rodriguez / Jesus Baez), 2 BB, 3 K's

Pitch Arsenal

4-Seam Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup



SOUTH BEND CUBS BULLPEN

28 Ethan Bell (R) Last Win: 6/19/26 at Fort Wayne Last Loss: 6/28/26 vs Quad Cities Last HR: 4/24/26 at Dayton Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Curveball	BIO: 2025 free agent signing of the Chicago Cubs out of Saint Louis University. Made pro debut with Myrtle Beach Pelicans on 4/25/25, pitching a scoreless inning... Posted 1-4 record with 3.90 ERA in 26 games last season with MB. Walked 33 in 32.1 IP with 49 K. Struck out 49 batters in 36.2 IP in final season with Billikens.. Pitched 2.1 shutout innings in extras 6/19 at Fort Wayne, both winning and tying runs at third base in both 10th and 11th..	Last 3 Outings 6/28 vs QC (L): 0.1 IP, 5 R, 1 H, 4 BB, 1 K 7/2 at BEL (ND): 0.1 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 1 BB, 0 K 7/9 at CR (ND): 1.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 0 BB, 1 K *Scoreless Streak: 1.1
19 Kenten Egbert (R) Last Win: 9/7/25 vs Wisconsin Last Loss: 8/15/25 at Beloit Last HR: 8/15/25 vs Fort Wayne Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Curve, Change	BIO: Signed by the Cubs to a minor league contract in July 2023... Was working behind a cash register when he got his call from the Cubs... Pitched four seasons at Miami (Ohio), finishing First Team All-MAC as a senior in 2023... Spent all of 2025 with SB, 4.26 ERA in 26 G, 17 GS... Started game in hometown Dayton on July 26, earning victory with 6 IP, 1 R allowed, 1 K. Tossed 8.2 innings of 1-run ball vs Wisconsin in 2025 season finale, had chance at complete game shutout. Became the 6th SB Cubs pitcher to throw 8 IP or more in a single game.	Last 3 Outings 6/21 at FW (ND): 1.1 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 0 BB, 2 K • Appeared with Iowa 6/24 and 6/28 7/5 at BEL (ND): 1.0 IP, 1 R, 2 H, 0 BB, 0 K 7/10 at CR (ND): 1.0 IP, 2 R, 3 H, 0 BB, 1 K *Scoreless Streak: 0.1
45 Ben Johnson (R) Last Win: 6/23/26 vs Quad Cities Last Loss: 7/11/26 at Cedar Rapids Last HR: 7/11/26 at Cedar Rapids Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Change	BIO: Signed by the Cubs on July 26, 2024.. Did not make pro debut until 2026 after dealing with injuries last season.. Made pro debut with Low-A Myrtle Beach at Charleston on April 3.. Appeared in four games with Pelicans, then was promoted to Double-A Knoxville pitching in two games with Smokies and earning one victory.. Pitched four seasons of college baseball at Georgia Southern, best season came as a freshman in 2021 in 21 outings, worked 3.46 ERA.. Played 2022 summer in Cape Cod Baseball League with Cotuit, pitching nine games), striking out 18 batters in 21.1 IP.	Last 3 Outings 6/16 at FW (W): 3.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 0 BB, HBP, 1 K 6/23 vs QC (W): 1.2 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 1 K 7/11 at CR (L, BS): 0.1 IP, 5 R (4 ER), 2 H, 2 BB, 1 K *Scoreless Streak: 0.0
37 Cole Reynolds (L) Last Win: 5/28/26 vs Fort Wayne Last Loss: 6/11/26 vs Peoria Last HR: 7/1/26 at Beloit Arsenal: 4SFB, Sinkers, Cutter, Sweeper, Change	BIO: Signed by the Chicago Cubs as a free agent on January 24, 2025 out of UNC Charlotte.. Played one season at Charlotte, and three prior college seasons at Elon.. Was a full time starter at Charlotte, making 15 starts in 2024 with 4.85 ERA. Struck out 84 batters in 72.1 IP.. At Elon made 20 appearances and 12 starts over three seasons... pitched 2022 summer season with the Orleans Firebirds in Cape Cod League, had 6.56 ERA but 24 K's in 23.0 IP... Made eight outings out of South Bend bullpen in 2025, posting 8.31 ERA.. Started 11 games with the Cubs in the first-half of 2026, now coming out of bullpen in second-half.	Last 3 Outings (Bullpen) 7/1 at BEL (ND): 2.1 IP, 5 R, 4 H, 3 BB, 3 K 7/7 at CR (ND): 3.0 IP, 4 R, 3 H, 3 BB, 1 K 7/12 at CR (W): 3.0 IP, 1 R, 1 H, 1 BB, 1 K *Scoreless Streak: 2.0
46 Luis Rujano (R) Last Win: 7/9/26 at Cedar Rapids Last Loss: 6/20/26 at Fort Wayne Last HR: 6/14/26 vs Peoria Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Curve, Change	BIO: Selected by the Cubs in the 13th round of the 2022 MLB Draft....Born in Venezuela, moved to United States to play high school baseball in Florida, where he was drafted out of.. Spent nearly all of 2025 with SB, starting 3 games to start the season, then appearing in 28 games out of bullpen to wrap up campaign.. Struck out 57 batters in 48.2 IP.. Ended 2025 with AA Knoxville, started there this season, posting 8.61 ERA in 12 games, after pitching in six Arizona Complex League games, assigned to South Bend on June 23.	Last 3 Outings 6/25 vs QC (ND): 1.2 IP, 3 R, 2 H, 4 BB, 1 K 7/1 at BEL (ND): 1.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 0 BB, 1 K 7/9 at CR (W): 2.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 0 BB, 2 K *Scoreless Streak: 3.0
50 Grayson Moore (R) Last Win: 5/24/26 at West Michigan Last Loss: 7/1/26 at Beloit Last HR: 6/28/26 vs Quad Cities Arsenal: 4SFB, Split, Slider, Curveball	BIO: Drafted by the Cubs in Round 14 of 2023 out of Vanderbilt... National runner-up with the Commodores in 2021... Made 11 appearances in South Bend in 2024, and 26 with SB in 2025, posting 4.40 ERA.. Converted all 5 of his save chances last season.. 40 K in 30.2 IP. Game up a run in final outing of 2025, which ended an 18.0 consecutive scoreless streak.. Did not have a pro win in three full seasons (2023-25) coming into this year, had three by May 24... Gave up first home run since April of 2024 (second of career) on May 29 vs Fort Wayne..Gave up next on June 28 vs Quad Cities	Last 3 Outings 7/1 at BEL (L): 0.2 IP, 1 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 0 K 7/7 at CR (SV): 1.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 0 BB, 1 K 7/11 at CR (ND): 1.2 IP, 1 R (0 ER), 1 H, 1 BB, 1 K *Scoreless Streak: 1.1



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40 Jackson Brockett (L) Last Win: 6/26/26 vs Quad Cities Last Loss: 7/2/26 at Beloit Last HR: 4/29/26 vs Fort Wayne	BIO: Signed by the Cubs as a free agent on February 19, 2026 out of the University of Nebraska... Born in Omaha, before moving to play high school baseball at Buford High School in Georgia... Resides near Atlanta... Named to 2025 Big Ten All-Tournament Team... Pitched four seasons at Nebraska, working in 57 career games. Final season with Huskers in 2025 featured 16 APP's and 15 starts, a 3.66 ERA in 64.0 IP, 23 BB and 45 K... Posted seven starts with at least four strikeouts... Tossed Nebraska Baseball's most recent 9-inning no-hitter on 5/1/24... Secured South Bend's first-half playoff spot on the mound with strikeout on June 13 to end game	Last 3 Outings 6/26 vs QC (W): 5.1 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 5 K 7/2 at BEL (L): 3.2 IP, 4 R, 3 ER, 3 H, 3 BB, 4 K 7/8 at CR (ND): 3.0 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 4 K *Scoreless Streak: 3.0
34 Ethan Flanagan (L) Last Win: 7/10/26 at Cedar Rapids Last Loss: 6/21/26 at Fort Wayne Last HR: 7/4/26 at Beloit Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Curve, Change	BIO: Selected by the Cubs in the 17th round of the 2023 MLB Draft out of UCLA... Did not pitch in 2024... Made 14 starts last season between ACL and Low-A Myrtle Beach, with 12 coming for Pelicans... Posted 5-1 record with 1.93 ERA with 54 K in 56.0 IP. Worked career best 6.0 shutout innings on 7/2/25 at Charleston with three hits allowed, two walks and nine K... At UCLA went 5-1 with a 3.91 ERA and 107 strikeouts over 92 total innings ... Was a Freshman All-American and All-Pac-12 selection in 2022	Last 3 Outings (Bullpen) 6/27 vs QC (SV): 4.0 IP, 1 R, 4 H, 0 BB, 4 K 7/4 at BEL (W): 4.2 IP, 2 R, 3 H, 0 BB, 5 K 7/10 at CR (W): 4.0 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 1 BB, 7 K *Scoreless Streak: 7.0
32 Eli Jerzembeck (R) Last Win: 7/12/26 at Cedar Rapids Last Loss: 7/8/26 at Cedar Rapids Last HR: 7/8/26 at Cedar Rapids Arsenal: 4SFB, Sinker, Cutter, Curveball, Slider, Changeup	BIO: Selected by the Chicago Cubs in the 11th round of the 2025 MLB Draft out of the University of South Carolina... Born in Charlotte, North Carolina... Pitched just one season at South Carolina due to injury, missed all of 2024 and 2025 after appearing in 16 games with Gamecocks in 2023... Had a 2.84 ERA with 36 strikeouts in 31.2 innings pitched in 2023... At time of going to college, ranked the No. 63 overall and No. 16 right-handed pitcher nationally by Perfect Game in the class of 2022... Father Mike pitched for 1998 New York Yankees... Brother, Satchel, played college baseball at North Carolina...	Last 3 Outings (Bullpen) 7/2 at BEL (ND): 1.0 IP, 5 R, 5 H, 1 BB, 1 K 7/8 at CR (L, BS): 1.0 IP, 2 R, 1 H, 1 BB, 1 K 7/12 at CR (W): 2.0 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 1 K *Scoreless Streak: 2.2
38 Brayden Spears (R) Last Win: 6/24/26 vs Quad Cities Last Loss: 6/18/26 at Fort Wayne Last HR: 4/27/26 vs Fort Wayne Arsenal: 4SFB, Sinker, Cutter, Sweeper, Changeup	BIO: Signed by the Cubs in 2025 after pitching 3 seasons with the Pioneer League's Boise Hawks... Made Cubs org debut with Myrtle Beach, tossing 60.1 INN in 36 games. Posted 3.13 ERA... Saved 5 games out of 10 opportunities, struck out 55. Played at Boise State University and Cal State Fullerton. Best season in Indy Ball came in 2024 w/ Boise, making 10 starts with a 3.74 ERA. struck out 56 in 53.0 IP	Last 3 Outings 6/30 at BEL (ND): 2.0 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 1 BB, 2 K 7/4 at BEL (SV): 3.1 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 0 BB, 3 K 7/9 at CR (ND): 2.0 IP, - R, 1 H, 0 BB, 2 K *Scoreless Streak: 7.1
25 Adam Stone (R) Last Win: 7/7/26 at Cedar Rapids Last Loss: 6/18/26 at Fort Wayne Last HR: 8/19/23 at Daytona Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Sweeper, Changeup	BIO: Selected by the Chicago Cubs in the 2025 Rule 5 Draft, originally signed as a free agent with the New York Yankees in 2022... Has not pitched in an official game since 2023 due to injury... Only pro season came in 2023 with Tampa in Florida State League... worked 20 games with 7.20 ERA... Played 2022 season in college at Harvard... Also pitched 7 games in Arizona Fall League in 2025 with Mesa Solar Sox	Last 3 Outings 6/27 vs QC (W): 1.1 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 1 K 7/1 at BEL (ND): 2.2 IP, 2 R, 3 H, 1 BB, 3 K 7/7 at CR (W): 2.0 IP, 0 R, 2 H, 2 BB, 2 K *Scoreless Streak: 3.0
39 Nate Williams (R) Last Win: 4/23/26 at Dayton Last Loss: N/A Last HR: 4/23/26 at Dayton Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Splitter	BIO: Selected by the Cubs in the 13th round of the 2025 Draft out of Mississippi State... Did not pitch professionally in 2025 after being drafted... Lone season with Miss State came in 2025, working 19 games with 4.23 ERA. Struck out 51 batters in 27.2 IP... Pitched two seasons at Florence-Darlington Tech in 2021 and 2022... Made pro debut at Peoria 4/7	Last 3 Outings 6/30 at BEL (ND): 1.0 IP, 1 R, 1 H, 2 BB, 1 K 7/5 at BEL (ND): 1.0 IP, 0 R, 1 H, 0 BB, 2 K 7/11 at CR (ND): 1.1 IP, 1 R, 2 H, 2 BB, 2 K *Scoreless Streak: 1.1
33 JP Wheat (R) Last Win: 6/6/26 at Quad Cities Last Loss: 5/2/26 vs Fort Wayne Last HR: 4/19/25 at Augusta Arsenal: 4SFB, Slider, Changeup	BIO: Selected by the Cubs in the 16th-round of 2022 MLB Draft out of Next Level Academy HS... Did not pitch professionally in 2022 or 2023, made pro debut in 2024 in ACL, then made 10 starts with Myrtle Beach, posting 7.91 ERA... Limited to just 33 IP last season due to injury, last pitched on 5/18/25 with Pelicans. Had best career outing on 5/10/25 vs Delmarva, throwing 6 hitless and shutout innings.	Last 3 Outings 6/19 at FW (ND): 0.1 IP, 1 R, 1 H, 3 BB, 1 K 6/25 vs QC (ND): 1.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 1 BB, 3 K 7/10 at CR (ND): 1.0 IP, 0 R, 0 H, 2 BB, 2 K *Scoreless Streak: 2.0



SOUTH BEND CUBS CATCHERS/INFIELDERS

9 Michael Carico *First Base, Catcher *Bats: Left / Throws: Right *2023 5th round pick (Cubs) *Davidson Last Game: 1/4, 3 K's (SUN) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 1/11, 7 BB, 1 R	Career Notes: 2023 5th-round pick of the Chicago Cubs out of Davidson... Before call up to South Bend on June 30, limited to just 66 games in pro career to this point due to injury.. Played 49 games this season with the Myrtle Beach Pelicans, hitting seven homers with 25 RBI and a .247 average. Walked and struck out 60 times.. Started 2026 with .297 average in April.. Drafted as a catcher, primarily plays 1B now.. Was College Baseball's national leader in OBP in 2022 (.559).. 2022 Atlantic 10 Player of Year.. Played 3 total seasons at Davidson (104 games), hitting .354 with 29 homers and 82 RBI..Made SB Cubs debut 6/30	2026 Hit Streak: 1 / Long Hit Streak: 1 On-Base Streak: 6 / Long On-BaseStk: 6 Last HR: With Myrtle Beach: 6/21 at Delmarva (Two-Run) Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 1, at CR 7/12 – 3, vs Augusta 6/11/26 RBI: 1, at Beloit 7/4 – 4, vs Augusta 6/11/26
4 Angel Cepeda *Shortstop, Second Base, Third Base *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *NDFA 2023 *No College *25: MB (100g) .249, 8 HR, 49 RBI Last Game: 1/3, 1 RBI (SUN) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 5/20, 1 HR, 7 RBI, 3 R	Career Notes: Signed as free agent with Chicago Cubs on January 15, 2023.. Ranked as Cubs #25 prospect... Played career-high 100 games with Myrtle Beach last season, hitting .249 with 8 HR and 49 RBI... Scorched to end the season after hitting .203 in April, .245 in May, .159 in June, .218 in July, and then .336 in August, went 7/19 at the plate (.368) in September... 17 errors last season playing third base and shortstop for Pelicans.. Left game in Peoria due to injury on April 9, also left his first game returning from injury, again hurt, on April 18 vs Beloit...Returned 6/19 at Fort Wayne	2026 Hit Streak: 3 / Long Hit Streak: 4 On-Base Streak: 4 / Long On-BaseStk: 5 Last HR: 7/11 at Cedar Rapids (2-Run) * First HR in High-A Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 3, at Beloit 7/4 – Same RBI: 3, at Peoria 4/8 – 4, vs Columbia 9/2/25
17 Jose Escobar *All INF and OF spots but 1B *Bats: Left / Throws: Right *NDFA 2022 *No College *26: MB (40g) .299, 2 HR, 23 RBI Last Game: 1/3, 1 R, 1 RBI, 1 BB (SUN) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 7/25, 4 2B, 5 RBI, 5 R	Career Notes: Signed as free agent with Chicago Cubs on February 20, 2022... Spent all of 2022 in Dominican Summer League, made state side debut with ACL Cubs in 2023, first opportunity with Myrtle Beach came to end 2024.. Played all of 2025 with Low-A Myrtle Beach, hitting .264 in 105 games, struck out 96 times in 401 at-bats.. Started 2026 with Pelicans, batting .299 in 40 games, struck out just 21 times in 147 at-bats.. Has two three-hit games this season, knocked in career-high four RBI at Columbia on April 8.. Went 3/3 and missed cycle by a triple in first-half clinching game vs Peoria.. Picked up first 4-hit game with Cubs on June 23 vs QC, first since April 2025.. Had 4 more hits on July 4 at Beloit	2026 Hit Streak: 3 / Long Hit Streak: 8 On-Base Streak: 3 / Long On-BaseStk: 13 Last HR: 7/1 at Beloit (Solo) - 447 feet Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 4, at Beloit 7/3 – Same RBI: 3, vs QC 6/27– 4, at Columbia 4/8/25
6 Michael Hallquist *All INF spots *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *NDFA 2026 *Ball State Last Game: 1/3, 1 R, 1 BB (SUN) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 5/13, 2 2B, 1 3B, 1 RBI, 5 R	Career Notes: Signed as free agent with Chicago Cubs on July 1 2026.. Played three seasons of independent baseball, most recently in 2026 with Milwaukee Milkmen of American Association.. Hit .312 this season with 11 homers and 27 RBI in 39 games.. Played with hometown Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks in 2024 and 2025.. Spent one year in college with Ball State Cardinals, hitting .331 in 59 games with 21 home runs and 56 RBI in 2024.. 2024 First Team All MAC, also made All MAC defensive team.. Before Ball State played at Bismarck State College and Minnesota Crookston.. Homered in first SB Cubs at-bat 7/1 at Beloit	2026 Hit Streak: 3 / Long Hit Streak: 3 On-Base Streak: 7 / Long On-BaseStk: 7 Last HR: 7/1 at Beloit (Two-Run) *Homered in first Midwest League and Cubs org at-bat Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 2, at CR 7/11 - Same RBI: 2, at BEL 7/1 –Same
24 Matt Halbach *First Base, Third Base *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *2024 10th Round Pick (Cubs) *UC San Diego *25: MB (103g) .244, 9 HR, 67 RBI Last Game: 0/4 (SUN) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 10/27, 2 2B, 7 RBI, 3 SB, 6 R	Career Notes: Drafted by Cubs in 10th round of 2024 MLB Draft out of UC San Diego... Did not play after being drafted in 2024, made pro debut with Myrtle Beach Pelicans on 4/4/25, clubbing first pro HR on Opening Day last season... Had back to back 3 hit games to start last year.. Hit .317 in April of 2025 and .121 in May, ended season with a .307 August... Finished 2024 at UC San Diego with a .408 batting average, 29 hits, 18 RBI and 23 runs scored. Played 2023 in Cape Cod Baseball League with Orleans Firebirds, hitting .364 in 32 games.. Had one of two Cubs hits vs rehabbing Nick Lodolo on 4/26 at Dayton.. Had career-day 5/14 at Wisconsin, went 5/5 with a HR, 5 runs, 6 RBI, and 2 BB	2026 Hit Streak: 0 / Long Hit Streak: 7 On-Base Streak: 0 / Long On-BaseStk: 15 Last HR: 6/18 at Fort Wayne (Solo) *15-game on-base streak ended 5/9 Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 5, at WIS 5/14 – Same RBI: 6, at WIS, 5/14 – Same

21 Logan Poteet *Catcher, First Base *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *2025 17th round pick (Cubs) *UNC Charlotte Last Game: 0/4, 4 K (SAT) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 3/17, 2 2B, 3 RBI, 3 R *Made pro debut w/ South Bend 8/24/25 *First pro hit 8/29/25 at Peoria (single)	Career Notes: 2025 17th-round pick of the Chicago Cubs out of UNC Charlotte... Played one season with 49ers in 2025, batting .282 in 51 games with 10 HR's and 40 RBI... Before Charlotte spent two years total at Vanderbilt, appearing in 11 games in 2024.. Appeared in four games with Cape League's Chatham Anglers in summer of 2024... made pro debut with Cubs on 8/24, Originally from Powell, Tennessee, did not lose a single high school conference game (51-0) in four seasons at Powell H.S... Made pro debut with the South Bend Cubs last season, started 2026 with Low-A Myrtle Beach, batting .272 in 51 games with 14 homers and 39 RBI.. Hit first pro home run on September 7 last year with SB, also working behind the plate catching South Bend's win over Wisconsin to end last season.	2026 Hit Streak: 0 / Long Hit Streak: 2 On-Base Streak: 0 / Long On-BaseStk: 2 Last SB HR: 7/1 at Beloit (Solo) *Last Myrtle Beach home run this season came June 23 at Salem Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 2, at CR 7/10 – 3, at Salem 6/23/26 RBI: 3, at CR 7/10 – 3, vs Augusta 6/14/26
7 Ty Southisene *7-Day Injured List *Shortstop, Second Base *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *2024 4th Round Pick (Cubs) * Basic High School - Henderson, Nevada *26: MB (22g) .267, 0 HR, 8 RBI Last Game: 2/4, 2 R, 1 RBI, 1 BB (June 24) This Series: (Last) CR Series: Did not play	Career Notes: Drafted by Cubs in 4th round of 2024 MLB Draft out of High School in Henderson, Nevada.. Las Vegas native... Ranked as Cubs #25 prospect... Played 91 games in first pro season last year, with 90 of them coming with Low-A Myrtle Beach... Hit .244 last year with 36 RBI, had 62 BB to 58 K.. Swiped 41 bases out of 48 attempts.. Went back to Pelicans to begin 2026, playing 22 games before promotion to South Bend on May 3.. Matched career-best with three hits in South Bend debut on 5/3 vs Fort Wayne.. Had three multi-hit efforts in first five MWL games... Struck out three times 5/14 at Wisconsin, first time in career, did so again on 6/19 in Fort Wayne, but drove in 3 RBI after the 3 K's	2026 Hit Streak: 4 / Long Hit Streak: 7 On-Base Streak: 5 / Long On-BaseStk: 10 Last HR: No pro HR's Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 4, at Wisconsin 5/16 – Same RBI: 4, at Wisconsin 5/16 – Same
11 Justin Stransky *Catcher *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *2025 11th round pick (Cubs) *Fresno State *25: MB (13g) .163, 0 HR, 5 RBI Last Game: 1/4 (SAT) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 1/13, 1 R	Career Notes: 2025 11th-round pick of the Chicago Cubs out of Fresno State... Made pro debut with Myrtle Beach Pelicans on August 5 last season, hit .163 with Pelicans in 13 games with no home runs, 5 RBI, 6 BB, and 12 strikeouts... Had two multi-hit games.. Played two seasons at Fresno State, hitting .300 or better in both years.. Hit .304 in 2024, followed by a .316 performance in 2025 with 12 HR and 45 RBI.. Had career-game in season debut at Peoria, crushing first pro homer with career-high five RBI on April 8.. Has a pair of five RBI games this season, in season debut at Peoria 4/8, and 5/14 at Wisconsin. Homered in each.. *13-game on-base streak ended June 12	2026 Hit Streak: 1 / Long Hit Streak: 5 On-Base Streak: 2 / Long On-BaseStk: 13 Last HR: 6/26 vs Quad Cities (Solo) *Two of four homers vs Peoria Coming into season, previous last HR was 5/10/25 vs San Jose State - Stretch where he hit a combined 5 HR over 3 games for Fresno State Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 2, vs Peoria 6/9 – Same RBI: 5, at Wisconsin 5/14 - Same
22 Dilan Granadillo *Catcher *Bats: Left / Throws: Right *NDFA 2019 *No College *25: MB (47g) .190, 1 HR, 12 RBI Last Game: 0/4 (SUN) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 0/4	Career Notes: Signed as free agent with Chicago Cubs on November 26, 2019... Played with the South Bend Cubs in 2023, spending nearly all of the season on the Development List.. Also appeared in 9 games with SB in 2024, going 3/23 at the plate. Three hits included pinch hit home run at Quad Cities on 6/1/24... Played in career high 47 G with Myrtle Beach last season, with career-best 12 RBI.. Picked up first caught-stealing of season on 4/22 at Dayton (Yerlin Confidon).. Activated from Development List July 12	2026 Hit Streak: 0 / Long Hit Streak: 1 On-Base Streak: 0 / Long On-BaseStk: 5 Last HR: 8/20/25 vs Charleston (2-run) Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 1, vs QC 6/28 - 3, at Charleston 8/2/25 RBI: 1, vs FW 5/27 –3, vs Charleston 8/20/25



SOUTH BEND CUBS OUTFIELDERS

35 Josiah Hartshorn *All OF spots, First Base *Bats: Switch / Throws: Left *2025 6th round pick (Cubs) *No College *26: MB (39g) .273, 5 HR, 25 RBI, 34 BB, 27 K Last Game: 2/5, 1 3B, 1 BB, 2 RBI, 1 R (Friday) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 4/16, 1 3B, 1 HR, 6 RBI, 4 R	Career Notes: 6th round pick by the Chicago Cubs out of Orange Lutheran High School in Orange, California in 2025.. Notable fellow alumni include Yankees RHP Gerrit Cole, Brewers outfielder Garrett Mitchell, former MLB pitcher Brandon Maurer, and NASCAR driver Dean Thompson... Ranked as the Chicago Cubs #8 overall prospect by MLB Pipeline.. Signed for 6th-round record \$2 million after originally signing to play college baseball with Texas A&M.. Co-Champion of 2024 All-Star High School Home Run Derby at Globe Life Field.. Mashed first pro home run in second pro game at Charleston on April 3 with Myrtle Beach.. Reached base safely in 21 straight games to start this season (first 21 career pro games).. Reached base in 19 straight games to start High-A tenure	2026 Hit Streak: 1 / Long Hit Streak: 12 On-Base Streak: 2 / Long On-BaseStk: 19 Last HR: 7/7 at Cedar Rapids (Solo in 10th) *Had eight home runs in first 18 MWL games *12-game hit streak snapped 6/16 Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 3, vs Quad Cities 6/24 – Same RBI: 5, vs Fort Wayne 5/27 – Same
2 Kane Kepley *Can play all OF spots *Bats: Left / Throws: Left *2025 2nd Round Pick (Cubs) *North Carolina *25: MB (28g) .299, 2 HR, 15 RBI Last Game: 1/3, 1 R, 1 RBI, 1 BB This Series: (Last) CR Series: 3/20, 3 RBI, 6 R	Career Notes: 2nd round pick by Chicago Cubs out of North Carolina in 2025... Ranked as Cubs #6 prospect... Selected as second team all ACC member in lone season with Tar Heels... Swiped 45 bases last season as a junior, by himself, Kepley had more steals than 59 D1 programs. Played two seasons at Liberty, was named to ASUN all freshman team...After being drafted, assigned to Low-A Myrtle Beach, made pro debut on August 5. Played 28 games, walked 25 times to just 15 K. Had 3 triples, 2 HR, 16 steals.. Struck out three times in a game for first time in career on 4/9 at Peoria...Walked 12 times in six games during Beloit series in April.. Went 14/26 at plate with 11 RBI, 14 runs and 7 BB in May road series at Wisconsin .. Scored career-high five runs at Wisconsin 5/14	2026 Hit Streak: 3 / Long Hit Streak: 8 On-Base Streak: 3 / Long On-BaseStk: 25 Last HR: 7/4 at Beloit (Three-run) *25-game on-base streak snapped 5/30 Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 4, at Wisconsin 5/16 - Same RBI: 5, at Wisconsin 5/16 - Same
5 Christian Olivo *All OF spots, 3B, SS, 2B *Bats: Right / Throws: Right *2021 17th Round Pick (Cubs) *No College *25: MB (92g) .240, 3 HR, 38 RBI Last Game: 0/4, 1 R, 1 BB (Sun) This Series: (Last) CR Series: 6/23, 1 2B, 6 RBI, 5 SB, 8 R	Career Notes: Drafted as a shortstop in 17th round of 2021 MLB Draft out of Leadership Christian Academy in Puerto Rico, same academy as former South Bend Cubs catcher Miguel Pabon... Played in 92 games last season with Myrtle Beach, stealing 28 bases with a .240 AVG, three home runs, 38 RBI... Played with South Bend briefly in 2024, appearing in 13 games, going 4/47 at the plate...Scored career-best five runs in 16-10 victory over Dayton on April 21.. Hit two home runs in Dayton road series (3 HR in 92 games last season)..Played 21 straight games from April 9-May 2.. Had career best four hit, 2 HR, and 6 RBI game on May 8 vs Lansing - First player in South Bend Cubs history with 2 HR, 6 RBI and 3 runs scored in single game	2026 Hit Streak: 0 / Long Hit Streak: 5 On-Base Streak: 6 / Long On-BaseStk: 7 Last HR: 6/6 at Quad Cities (2-Run) *Hit 3 HR in 92 games with Myrtle Beach (*25) Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 4, 5/8 vs Lansing — Same RBI: 6, 5/8 vs Lansing – Same
15 Kade Snell *7-Day Injured List *Can play all OF spots *Bats: Left / Throws: Left *2025 5th Round Pick (Cubs) *Alabama *25: SB (27g) .167, 0 HR, 7 RBI Last Game: 1/2 (May 26) This Series: (Last) CR Series: Did not play *Made pro debut w/ SB 8/5/25 *First career hit 8/5, double vs FW *First career RBI 8/15 at Beloit *First career HR 4/23/26 at Dayton	Career Notes: 5th round pick by Chicago Cubs out of Alabama in 2025... Ranked as Cubs #27 prospect.. Helped to 41-18 record in 2025 and appearance in Louisville Super Regional, losing to Miami (FL) 5-3 on May 30, and Southern Mississippi 6-5 on May 31, Snell had a hit in both games.... 101 career games with Crimson Tide,, hit .347, 16 HR, 82 RBI.. Originally committed and played for Auburn Tigers in 2021, did not see game action... Transferred to Wallace Community College in hometown of Dothan, Alabama for 2022 and 2023... First was a two-way player at Alabama, pitching in 10 games in 2024... Was hitter-only in 2025... Named first-team all SEC outfielder, and Second-Team Rawlings All-American Scored career-high four runs 5/14 at Wisconsin *Spent 2023 summer in Cape Cod League with Falmouth Commodores, hit .342 in 21 games, one home run, 15 RBI, 11 BB, 20 K *Crushed first pro home run at Dayton on April 23	2026 Hit Streak: 1 / Long Hit Streak: 8 On-Base Streak: 1 / Long On-BaseStk: 13 Last HR: 5/3 vs FW (Two-Run) *first Four Winds Field HR *Stole 11 bases with South Bend in 27 games last season,, did not steal one base in two years played at Alabama Cubs Season – Career Game Highs Hits: 2, 5/6 vs Lansing – Same RBI: 4, 4/15 vs Beloit – Same

SOUTH BEND PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL HISTORY

2026 Attendance Highs 1. 7,114 6/27 vs Quad Cities 2. 7,050 5/27 vs Fort Wayne 3. 6,736 6/12 vs Peoria All-Time Attendance Highs 1. 8,169 7/25/24 vs PEO 2. 8,143 7/3/15 vs BG 3. 8,051 6/16/17 vs LC Season Attendance 1. 354,070 '17 Cubs 2. 350,083 '16 Cubs 3. 347,678 '15 Cubs 4. 343,783 '18 Cubs 5. 314,591 '23 Cubs	1988-1993 – South Bend White Sox / White Sox Affiliate *1989 and 1993 Midwest League Champions 1994-1996 – South Bend Silver Hawks / White Sox Affiliate 1997-2014 – South Bend Silver Hawks / Diamondbacks Affiliate *2005 Midwest League Champions *2001, 2008, 2013 Midwest League Runner-Up *2005 Midwest League Prospect of the Year/MVP: OF Carlos Gonzalez *2014 Midwest League Prospect of the Year: SS Andrew Velazquez 2015-Present – South Bend Cubs / Cubs Affiliate *2019 and 2022 Midwest League Champions *2026 Midwest League First-Half West Division Champions *Voted best ballpark in 2017, 2022, and 2023.
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South Bend Cubs in the Majors (Debut Team)

OF Ian Happ (Cubs '17) / SB 2015 P Pedro Aruajo (Orioles '17) / SB 2015-16 P Dillon Maples (Cubs '17) / SB 2015-16 P James Norwood (Cubs '18) / SB 2015-16 P Duane Underwood (Cubs '18) / SB 2016 INF David Bote (Cubs '18) / SB 2015 SS Gleyber Torres (Yankees '18) / SB 2015 P Adbert Alzolay (Cubs '19) / SB 2016 OF Eloy Jimenez (White Sox '19) / SB 2016 P Dylan Cease (White Sox '19) SB 2017 INF Nico Hoerner (Cubs '19) / SB 2018 IF Isaac Paredes (Tigers '20) / SB 2016-17 IF Vimal Machin (A's '20) / SB 2015-17 P Tyson Miller (Cubs '20) / SB 2017 P Brailyn Marquez (Cubs '20) / SB 2018-19 IF Jason Vosler (Giants '21) / SB 2015 C Erick Castillo (Cubs '21) / SB 2016 P Justin Steele (Cubs '21) SB 2016 IF Zack Short (Tigers '21) / SB 2017 P Michael Rucker (Cubs '21) / SB 2017 P Scott Effross (Cubs '21) / SB 2016 P Tommy Nance (Cubs '21) / SB 2016 P Jhon Romero (Nationals '21) / SB 2017 P Manuel Rodriguez (Cubs '21) / SB 2017-18 P Cory Abbott (Cubs '21) / SB 2018 C Teddy Payne (Cubs '21) / SB 2017-18 P Matt Swarmer (Cubs '22) / SB 2017 P Brendon Little (Cubs '22) / SB 2018-19 P Brandon Hughes (Cubs '22) / SB 2018-19 P Javier Assad (Cubs '22) / SB 2018 P Erich Uelmen (Cubs '22) / SB 2018 OF Nelson Velazquez (Cubs '22) / SB 2018-21 INF Jared Young (Cubs '22) / SB 2018 INF Christopher Morel (Cubs '22) / SB 2019 P Ethan Roberts (Cubs '22) / SB 2019 C Miguel Amaya (Cubs '23) / SB 2018 OF Alexander Canario (Cubs '23) / SB 2021-22 IF Andruw Monasterio (Brewers '23) / SB 2016-17 C Jhonny Pereda (Marlins '24) / SB 2017 P Bryan King (Astros '24) / SB 2021 P Bailey Horn (Red Sox '24) / SB 2021-22	P Nicholas Padilla (Cubs '22) / SB 2021-22 P Anderson Espinoza (Cubs '22) SB 2021 P Nicholas Padilla (Cubs '22) / SB 2021-22 P Jordan Wicks (Cubs '23) / SB 2021-22 P Jeremiah Estrada (Cubs '23) / SB 2022 OF Pete Crow-Armstrong (Cubs '23) / SB 2022 INF Matt Mervis (Cubs '23) / SB 2022 P Daniel Palencia (Cubs '23) / SB 2022 P Luke Little (Cubs '23) / SB 2022-23 P Porter Hodge (Cubs '24) / SB 2022 INF Levi Jordan (Reds '24) / SB 2019 OF Kevin Alcantara (Cubs '24) / SB 2023 P Hunter Bigge (Rays '24) / SB 2021-24 P DJ Herz (Nationals '24) / SB 2021-22 INF Matt Shaw (Cubs '25) / SB 2023 INF Cam Smith (Astros '25) / SB 2024 P Cade Horton (Cubs '25) / SB 2023 C Moises Ballesteros (Cubs '25) / SB 2023 P Eduarniel Nunez (Padres '25) / SB 2021-23 P Cam Sanders (Pirates '25) / SB 2019 OF Owen Caissie (Cubs '25) / SB 2022 P Riley Martin (Cubs '26) / SB 2022 OF Yohendrick Pinango (Blue Jays '26) / SB 2021-23 INF Pedro Ramirez (Cubs '26) / SB 2024
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Miscellaneous

NO-HITTERS – In total franchise history, South Bend has thrown 10 no-hitters. In South Bend Cubs history, there have been four.

*June 6, 2018: South Bend beat Fort Wayne 7-0 as Rollie Lacy and Ben Hecht combined for no-hitter.

*May 6, 2019: South Bend defeated Cedar Rapids 2-0 as Derek Casey and Peyton Remy combined for their no-hitter. Former Cubs catcher Victor Caratini caught half the game while on a rehab assignment.

*August 12, 2021: At Fort Wayne, Alexander Vizcaino, Joe Nahas, and Burl Carraway combined to no-hit the TinCaps in a 3-0 shutout.

*July 6, 2023: The most recent South Bend no-no, against the Peoria Chiefs, a 4-0 final, Michael Arias, Jarod Wright, Eduarniel Nunez, and Frankie Scalzo Jr. combined for the gem.

*Last South Bend Silver Hawks no-hitter: July 10, 2014 Blayne Weller (9 inning solo no-hitter) at Dayton, 12 strikeouts.

*South Bend has never thrown a perfect game in franchise history.

***Last time South Bend was no-hit** – April 19, 2026 vs Beloit (Beloit won game 10-0).

*Previous prior opponent no-hitter: September 4, 2022 vs Lansing (Lansing won game 2-1).

CUBS REHAB ASSIGNMENTS – Dexter Fowler 2016, Jason Heyward 2017, Yu Darvish 2018 (2x), Drew Smyly 2018-2022-2024, Mike Montgomery 2019, Victor Caratini 2019, Ben Zobrist 2019, Derek Holland 2019, Nico Hoerner 2021, Rowan Wick 2021, Wade Miley 2022 (2x), Caleb Kilian 2024-2025, Yency Almonte 2025, Eli Morgan 2025, Jack Neely 2025, Caleb Thilebar 2026, Matthew Boyd 2026, Jameson Taillon 2026.

BUDDY BAILEY – 2019 South Bend Cubs manager Buddy Bailey passed away this past fall on September 22, 2025. Bailey, whose 2419 career victories places him in third place on the all-time Minor League Manager wins list, spent his lone season with South Bend by winning the 2019 Midwest League Championship. The Cubs went an undefeated 7-0 in the 2019 playoffs, and Bailey also collected his 2100th professional victory while managing at Four Winds Field on June 6, 2019.

TERRY FRANCONA – The Cincinnati Reds manager was the skipper of the 1992 South Bend White Sox (73-64).

CUBS DEN TEAM STORE – In the summer of 2012, the Sons of Israel Synagogue was transformed into the South Bend Cubs Team Store (beyond the left field wall). The synagogue had not housed a congregation since 1991.

THREE-PEAT – South Bend became the first Midwest League franchise with three consecutive Midwest League Prospects of the Year (2014 Andrew Velazquez, 2015 Gleyber Torres, 2016 Eloy Jimenez).

SEASON #38 – 2026 marks the 38th season of South Bend being part of the Midwest League. It's also been 11 years since the Chicago Cubs made South Bend their MWL affiliate.

*South Bend All Time Record: 2499-2547 (Entering This Season)

*South Bend Cubs Record (2015-Present): 656-677 (Entering This Season)

***South Bend won its 2500th game as a franchise on April 8 at Peoria, by a final of 13-1.**

***7 of 9 Cubs in the lineup had multi-hit games, every Cub reached base.**

***South Bend pitching did not walk a batter in the game, struck out 12.**

THE NEW FOUR WINDS FIELD – With stadium construction being the story of the last two off-seasons at Four Winds Field, a 48-million-dollar has been completed leading into the 2026 season. A new natural playing field was installed for the 2025 seasons. In addition, last season's renovations featured brand new stadium seats across the ballpark,, the Kids Fun Zone being moved to the right field corner, and the brand new splash pad complete past the left-center field wall. 'Phase Two' of the construction project has finished up with the installation of the new second deck, featuring new suites and party deck areas. As well as the South Bend Cubs Event Building in the left field corner, which will be headlined by the newly constructed 11/11 Club presented by Bacardi. It will feature an indoor climate controlled environment and outdoor second level balcony seating to accommodate 100 to 250 guests.

EXTRA INNINGS – South Bend was 2-8 in games going to extra innings last season. After playing zero extra inning games until June 19, the Cubs played two on back-to-back nights in Fort Wayne. They are 2-2 this season in extras.

2026 COACHING STAFF - Daniel Wasinger begins his first season as South Bend Cubs manager after serving as the team's bench coach in 2025. The former Arizona Diamondbacks farmhand catcher was originally drafted by the Chicago Cubs out of high school, before getting selected by the DBacks out of college. He is joined by first year pitching coaches Henry Haack and JC Bonilla. As well as third year hitting coach, and former Boston Red Sox infielder Nate Spears, and hitting coach Chris Pieters, a 2017 South Bend Cub. Development Coach Max Anastasio also jumps into his first season in South Bend.