



AKRON RUBBERDUCKS GAME NOTES

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Akron RubberDucks (33-34)
Cleveland Guardians Double-A
LHP Will Dion (0-0, 5.68 ERA)

vs **Binghamton Rumble Ponies (35-32)**
New York Mets Double-A
RHP Jose Chacin (1-0, 5.61 ERA)

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Game 68, 1st Half Game 68, Home Game 32, Night Game 49, Interdivisional Game 35
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June 23: RubberDucks 3/4, Rumble Ponies 4/2: Akron tied the game with a late RBI single from **Joe Naranjo** and took the lead in extra innings on **Bryan Lavastida's** two-run single to propel the Ducks to the game two win and a split of the doubleheader. Binghamton rallied from 3-1 down with two in the fifth and one in seventh to take game one.

First Half Race: Entering the final week of the first half, the Akron RubberDucks sat a game and a half back of the Erie SeaWolves for first place in the Eastern League Southwest Division. However, after dropping the first three games to Binghamton, the RubberDucks have been eliminated from the first half race. To reach the playoffs, Akron needs to finish in first place in the Southwest Division second half standings or finish with the second-best winning percentage in the division should Erie or Altoona with both the first and second half.

2021 Draft: After 2021 draft picks **Gavin Williams** (2022-23) and **Tanner Bibee** (2022) pitched for Akron on their way to Cleveland, seven members of the '21 class made their way to Akron in 2023. **Doug Nikhazy** (2nd round pick), **Tommy Mace** (CB-B round pick), **Jack Leftwich** (7th round pick), **Will Dion** (9th round pick) and **Hunter Stanley** (11th round pick) have all taken turns in Akron's rotation. **Davis Sharpe** (13th round pick) has the fourth-lowest ERA (2.83) on Akron's pitching staff in 28.2 innings out of the bullpen. And **Connor Kokx** (12th round pick), who is one of just two position players selected by Cleveland in the 2021 draft, is tied for second on the team with eight stolen bases this season.

Brilliant Brito: **Juan Brito** has made an immediate impact on the Guardians organization in his first season after being acquired via trade in 2022 offseason. The switch-hitting infielder hit .265 with four home runs and 14 RBI with High-A Lake County before being promoted to Akron on May 26. At the time of his promotion, he was riding a three-game hitting streak. Brito wasted no time extending this streak into his longest of the season (11 games) after recording a hit in each of his first eight games with the RubberDucks going 12-for-31 with three doubles, a home run and six RBI in Double-A action.

Gold Glove at first: RubberDucks first baseman **Joe Naranjo** won the Rawlings Gold Glove® for a minor league first baseman in 2022 while with the High-A Lake County Captains. In 114 games, he had 750 total chances, 689 putouts, 54 assists, 7 errors, and a .991 fielding percentage. He received his Gold Glove at Canal Park between games of the RubberDucks' April 23 doubleheader.

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS (ALL TIMES EASTERN) – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Sunday, June 25 2:05 p.m. RHP Cal Quantrill (MLB rehab)
Wednesday, June 28 6:05 p.m. TBA
Thursday, June 29 6:05 p.m. TBA
Friday, June 30 6:35 p.m. TBA

Odor topples record book: On June 8, the RubberDucks swept a doubleheader from the New Hampshire Fisher Cats. The win in the second game of the doubleheader was the 245 win for the RubberDucks with **Rouglas Odor** as manager, which passed **Brad Komminsk** for most in franchise history. Returning for a fourth season to Akron, Odor becomes the longest-tenured manager in franchise history. Only Odor (245), Komminsk (244), **Dave Wallace** (223) and **Joel Skinner** (221) have reached 200 wins with the club. The RubberDucks also reached 2,500 as a franchise since moving to Ohio in 1989 (Canton 1989-1996, Akron 1997-present) with the sweep of the doubleheader.

RubberDucks host Rumble Ponies: Akron is playing the second of two scheduled series this season with Binghamton. The Rumble Ponies took the first series from Akron 4-1. According to MLB.com, top prospects in this series include:

Guardians (MLB.com): #7 IF **Angel Martínez**, #13 OF **Petey Halpin**, #14 IF **Juan Brito**, #18 RHP **Tanner Burns**, #19 IF **José Tena**, #27 LHP **Doug Nikhazy**, #29 RHP **Jack Leftwich**
Mets (MLB.com): #6 RHP **Dominic Hamel**, #16 RHP **Junior Santos**, #27 RHP **Christian Scott**

Former RubberDucks make MLB debuts: Eight recent RubberDucks have made MLB debuts in 2023. **Carlos Vargas** (2022) debuted with the Arizona Diamondbacks on Mar. 30 against the Los Angeles Dodgers striking out two and allowing a run. **Tim Herrin** (2021-2022) debuted for the Guardians on April 2 against the Seattle Mariners and struck out the first four batters he faced (first pitcher since 1893 to face at least four hitters and strike them all out in his MLB debut). On April 12, **Peyton Battenfield** (2021) debuted against the New York Yankees and struck out three over 4.2 innings, allowing just one run. **Logan Allen** (2021-2022) struck out eight over six innings in a win for the Guardians over the Miami Marlins on April 23 in his debut. **Tanner Bibee** (2022 Eastern League Pitcher of the Year) debuted for Guardians on April 26 against the Colorado Rockies (W, 5.2IP, 1R, 8K). **Brayan Rocchio** (2021-22) made his debut with Cleveland on May 16 recording a hit against the Chicago White Sox. **Andruw Monasterio** (2019-21) made his debut with the Milwaukee Brewers on May 28. Akron's 2023 Opening Day starter **Gavin Williams** (2022-23) made his debut with Cleveland tossing five and two third innings with four strikeouts against the Oakland A's on June 21.

vs Binghamton RHP Luis Moreno (5-2, 5.08 ERA)
at Erie TBA
at Erie TBA
at Erie TBA

2023 RUBBERDUCKS FIELD STAFF

#24 Rouglas Odor, *Manager (Fourth Season)* – Odor, 55, is in his 36th season with the Cleveland organization as a player, coach and manager. The 2023 season is Odor's fourth as RubberDucks manager, making him the longest-tenured Akron manager. Odor led Akron to a 79-59 record in 2022. He guided Akron to the Double-A Northeast championship and a 73-46 record in 2021 and was named Double-A Northeast Manager of the Year. Odor also led the RubberDucks to a 61-79 record in 2019. He enters the 2023 season 213-184 as RubberDucks manager. Odor enters 2023 ranked fourth all-time in franchise managerial wins.

Odor was the first member of the Guardians organization to be a member of the Canton-Akron Indians, Akron Aeros and RubberDucks. He was an infielder for Canton-Akron for parts of the 1991, 1993 and 1994 seasons. Odor served as the Aeros hitting coach in 2012 and served as the RubberDucks hitting coach in 2014.

A native of Maracaibo, Venezuela, Odor was a 32nd round selection by Cleveland in the 1988 draft out of the University of New Orleans. The former shortstop played in the minor leagues for Cleveland from 1988-94 and for the Milwaukee Brewers organization in 1995. The 2019 season was Odor's first as a manager since 2008. He managed San Felipe in the Venezuelan Summer League (1999-2000), the Burlington Indians (2001-2004), the Mahoning Valley Scrappers (2005-2006), and Gulf Coast League Indians (2007-2008). In 2009, Odor began serving as hitting coach for the Kinston Indians (2009-2010), Double-A Akron Aeros (2011-2012), High-A Carolina Mudcats (2013), Double-A Akron RubberDucks (2014), and Triple-A Columbus Clippers (2015-2017).

Odor resides in Winter Haven, Florida, with his wife, Milagros. He has three sons and is the uncle of major league infielder Rougneh Odor.

#30 Brad Goldberg, *Pitching Coach (First Season)* — Brad Golberg, 33, enters his second season with the Guardians and first with the RubberDucks. In 2022, Goldberg served as a pitching development coach on the Arizona Complex staff.

A native of Beachwood, Ohio, Goldberg pitched at the Ohio State University before being a 10th round selection of the Chicago White Sox in the 2013 draft. He spent six years between the White Sox and Diamondbacks systems, appearing in 200 games. Goldberg made his Major League debut with the White Sox in 2017 with 11 relief outings.

#28 Mike Mergenthaler, *Hitting Coach (Third Season, First as Hitting Coach)* — Mergenthaler, 34, enters his seventh year with the Guardians organization and third season with Akron. Mergenthaler spent 2022 as Akron's assistant hitting coach after serving as the bench coach for the RubberDucks in 2021.

Prior to coming to Akron, Mergenthaler was the bench coach with Lynchburg in 2019. In 2017 and 2018, Mergenthaler worked as a hitting coach for the Cleveland and Milwaukee joint Dominican Summer League team. The Thiells, New York, native was a 32nd round pick of the San Francisco Giants in the 2011 draft out of the University of Richmond. In two professional seasons, he hit .252 in 102 games.

#1 Ian Forster, *Assistant Hitting Coach (First Season)* — Forster enters his fourth season in the Guardians organization and first season with the RubberDucks. Prior to coming to Akron, Forster spent 2022 as the hitting development coach on the Arizona Complex staff.

A graduate of North Olmsted High School, Forster played four years at Baldwin Wallace University in Berea, graduating in 2018.

#4 Daniel Robertson, *Bench Coach (First Season)* – Robertson, 37, enters his second season in the Guardians organization and first season in Akron. Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Robertson spent 2022 as the bench coach for Single-A Lynchburg.

A native of West Covina, California, Robertson was a 33rd round pick in the 2008 draft by the San Diego Padres out of Oregon State University. Robertson played 12 professional seasons including 148 Major League games. He appeared in 32 games as an outfielder for Cleveland in 2017.

Jacob Legan, *Athletic Trainer (Third Season)* — Legan is in his 10th season in the Cleveland organization and third season in Akron. Prior to coming to Akron, Legan served as the athletic trainer for Lynchburg in 2019. He earned his bachelor's degree in Athletic Training from East Carolina, his master's degree in Exercise Physiology from the University of Akron and his Doctor of Athletic Training from Temple University.

Mo Cuevas, *Strength and Conditioning Coach (First Season)* – Cuevas enters his eighth season with the Guardians organization and first season in Akron. Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Cuevas served as the rehab strength and conditioning coach in 2022.

Zach Block, *Baseball Technology Fellow (Second Season)* – Block returns to Akron after serving in the same role in 2022. Since graduating with a bachelor's degree from the University of Miami in 2015, Block has worked in the Cincinnati Reds, Toronto Blue Jays, Los Angeles Angels and Washington Nationals organizations. He earned his master's degree in sports analytics and management in 2022.

We Are the RubberDucks

On October 29, 2013, team owner **Ken Babby** stood before a capacity audience at the Akron Civic Theater and announced that the team would be known henceforth as the **Akron RubberDucks**. In addition to being symbolic of the fun, family-friendly brand of entertainment offered by minor league baseball, the name also honors Akron's long history as the "**Rubber Capital of the World.**" Brandiose Marketing of San Diego, California designed the team logo, colors, and various marks and insignias. Please note that for print coverage, *RubberDucks* is spelled as one word with a capital "D." In broadcast coverage, referring to the team as "*the 'Ducks*" is an acceptable variation of the team's nickname.

#2 MIKE AMDITIS C, R/R University of Miami
Twitter: @Mamditis IG: @m_amditis2 2019 (21st round)
Last (6/21vBNG) 0-3, 2k **Streak** -1 (0-3, 2k)
Series 0-3, 2k **'23 Long Hit** 3 (5/28-6/10)
R-Trip 4-14, r, hr, 2bi, 6k **'23 Long OBS** 4 (4/7-15)
'23/Career High: 2/4 H, 1/2 R, 0/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 3/3 RBI, 0/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 130 g, .208, 7 hr, 57 rbi, 1 sb, .650 ops
2022 Highlights:
 • Played 56 games for High-A Lake County, had career-high 26 RBI, hitting .184 with 8 doubles, 2 HR, 29 BB, .303 OBP, .573 OPS.
 • **2021:** Played 34 games for High-A Lake County (.192, 7 doubles, 4 HR, 14 RBI, .675 OPS)...Missed nearly two months with injury, played 4 rehab games with ACL affiliate...Played in the Arizona Fall League.
 • **2019:** Made pro debut with 36 games for AZL affiliate (.252, HR, 15 RBI, .748 OPS).
 • **College:** Drafted following his redshirt sophomore season at Miami...Was slated as team's starting catcher as a true freshman in 2017 before a broken bone in his leg ended his season...Served as a team captain in 2019...In three seasons, totaled 81 games, .263, 7 HR, 41 RBI, .738 OPS.
 • **High School:** Attended Boca Raton High School...Won gold medal with Team USA at 2015 World Baseball Softball Confederation 18U World Cup in Japan...One of the top high school catchers in the 2016 class (*Baseball America* No. 200 draft-eligible player) before he tore the labrum in his throwing shoulder and missed his senior season...Drafted by Cleveland in the 37th round but did not sign...In high school, he lost both his uncle and grandfather due to tragic accidents...His father, Michael, who had been sick with diabetes, died at age 57 in June 2016, shortly after Mike was first drafted.

#6 MICHAEL BERGLUND C, L/R Texas Tech, Cisco JC
Twitter: IG: @Mikebergg4 2022 Rule 5 (TB)
Last (6/23-2vBNG) 0-2, k **Streak** -1 (0-2, k)
Series 0-2, k **'23 Long Hit** 3 (multiple)
R-Trip 2-3, 2bi, k **'23 Long OBS** 12 (4/27-5/26)
'23/Career High: 2/3 H, 1/2 R, 1/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 2/3 RBI, 0/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 156 g, .226, 5 hr, 59 rbi, 7 sb, .679 ops
 • Originally drafted by Tampa Bay in the eighth round of the 2018 Draft.
2022 Highlights:
 • Began the season with 20 games for Single-A Charleston (.254, 4 RBI, .753 OPS)
 • Joined Double-A Montgomery for 2 games (1-for-4, 2K) before going to High-A.
 • For High-A Bowling Green, played 47 games (.224, 4 HR, 12 RBI, .724 OPS).
 • **2021:** After missing 2019 (injury) and 2020 (COVID), played 50 games for Single-A Charleston (.196, HR, 26 RBI, .581 OPS)...Hit first career home run July 10 at Columbia.
 • **2018:** Made pro debut with 34 games for GCL Rays (.257, 14 RBI, .722 OPS)...played 1 game for Princeton (rookie) (1-for-4, R, BB)...Played 2 games for short-season Hudson Valley (1-for-5, 2 R, 2 RBI, 4 BB).
 • **College:** Played freshman season at Texas Tech and was an All-Big 12 Freshman (50 G, .307, 2 HR, 27 RBI, .760 OPS)...Transferred to Cisco (TX) College for his sophomore year (58 G, .387, 11 HR, 61 RBI, 1.146 OPS)...Had planned transfer to Arizona for junior year before signing with Tampa Bay.
 • **High School:** Attended Mary Carroll High School in Corpus Christi, TX.

#45 AARON BRACHO IF, L/R El Tigre, VZ
Twitter: IG: @aaronbracho3 2017 FA
Last (6/23-2vBNG) 1-4, r, bi, cs **Streak** +3 (3-10, r, d, 3bi, 3k)
Series 3-10, r, d, 3bi, 3k, cs **'23 Long Hit** 5 (5/7-14)
R-Trip 5-23, 7r, 2bi, 4bb, 8k, sb **'23 Long OBS** 5 (multiple)
'23/Career High: 2/3 H, 2/2 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 2/2 HR, 5/5 RBI, 1/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 188 g, .201, 23 hr, 94 rbi, 6 sb, .670 ops
 • Career switch hitter until early this season...batting only left-handed since April 12.
2022 Highlights:
 • With High-A Lake County, posted career highs in games (80), hits (48), doubles (13), and RBI (45), while hitting .184 with 8 HR, .605 OPS.
 • **2021:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 15 prospect (MLB.com)...Played 70 games for High-A Lake County (.174, 9 doubles, 7 HR, 27 RBI, .568 OPS).
 • **2020:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 9 prospect (MLB.com)...Was Cleveland's youngest player (19) participating in the Alternate Training Site at Lake County.
 • **2019:** Played 30 games in pro debut with AZL affiliate (.296, 6 HR, 29 RBI, .593 SLG, 1.009 OPS)...Missed a month with an oblique injury...played 8 games with short-season Mahoning Valley (6-for-27, 2 HR, 4 RBI, .825 OPS).
 • **2018:** Fractured his right arm in May that postponed his professional debut.
 • **2017:** Ranked among top 30 international prospects (MLB.com)...Reportedly received the largest signing bonus in Cleveland's international class (\$1.5 million).

#22 JUAN BRITO IF, S/R Santo Domingo, DR
Twitter: IG: @juan_m_brito 2022 Trade (COL)
Last (6/23-1vBNG) 2-2, r, bi, sf **Streak** +1 (2-2, r, bi)
Series 3-13, 2r, bi, bb, 2k, sf **'23 Long Hit** 11 (5/21-6/4)
R-Trip 12-36, 5r, d, 2hr, 6bi, 7bb, 1bb, 8k **'23 Long OBS** 17 (4/11-5/5)
'23/Career High: 4/4 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 4/6 RBI, 2/4 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 169 g, .295, 17 hr, 109 rbi, 34 sb, .875 ops
 • Promoted to Akron from Lake County (High-A) on May 26 after batting .265 with 4 HR, 14 RBI, 24 BB, 21 K, .803 OPS...Entered Akron on a three-game hitting streak and proceeded to hit safely in eight games with the Ducks to go 19-for-43, 4D, 2HR, 9RBI in those 11 games.
 • Played in 14 Guardians Spring Training games (2-for-14, 6R, D, 10BB, 1K).
2022 Highlights:
 • Played 107 games for Single-A Fresno batting .286 with 11 home runs, 72 RBI, 17 stolen bases, 78BB, 71K and .877 OPS...Named California League All-Star at second base...Ranked as #30 prospect for the Rockies during the season (MLB.com)...Acquired by Cleveland on Nov. 15, 2022 for Nolan Jones.
 • **2021:** Played 27 games with AZL Rockies batting .295 with 20 runs scored, 3 home runs, 11 RBI, 15BB, 21K and .838 OPS.
 • **2019:** Pro debut with DSL affiliate (35 G, .328, 3HR, 26 RBI, 17 SB, .403 OBP, 16 BB, 15K).
 • **2018:** Signed with the Colorado Rockies as an international free agent.

#11 PETEY HALPIN OF, L/R Mira Costa (CA) HS
Twitter: @peteyhalpin IG: @peteyhalpin 2020 (3rd round)
Last (6/23-1vBNG) 1-4, r **Streak** +1 (1-4, r)
Series 2-13, r, bi, bb, k, sf **'23 Long Hit** 6 (5/26-6/1)
R-Trip 11-37, 4r, 4d, t, 6bi, 4bb, 9k, hp, sac, 3sb, 2sf **'23 Long OBS** 12 (6/4-20)
'23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 2/3 RBI, 2/2 SB
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 159 g, .274, 7 hr, 54 rbi, 27 sb, .753 ops
 • Entered the season ranked as Cleveland's No. 17 prospect (MLB.com).
 • Played in six Guardians Spring Training games (2-for-10, double, 2 R, 3 RBI, 3 BB).
2022 Highlights:
 • Played 105 games with High-A Lake County...hit .262, 6 HR, 36 RBI, .346 OBP, .385 SLG, 68 runs (T-6th in MWL)...Led team with 4 triples, tied team leads with 100 hits and 21 doubles.
 • One of the youngest regulars in the Midwest League (turned 20 in May).
 • Reached base in 30 straight games June 24-Aug. 10, second-longest in the league.
 • Played 60 straight errorless games April 14-July 4
 • **2021:** Made pro debut with 54 games for Single-A Lynchburg...Hit .294 with 1 HR, 18 RBI, 34 runs, 14 doubles, six triples (T-4th in Low-A East), .363 OBP, .425 SLG.
 • **2020:** Signed with Cleveland...had been committed to Texas for college.
 • **High School:** Attended Mira Costa High School (Manhattan Beach, CA)...Played in the inaugural Prospect Development Pipeline League in 2019, leading the showcase with eight runs and six steals in nine games...Competed in the inaugural High School MLB All-Star Game in Cleveland in 2019...Native of San Mateo, CA.

#15 KOREY HOLLAND OF, R/R Langham Creek (TX) HS
Twitter: @holland_korey IG: 2018 (14th round)
Last (6/23-2vBNG) 1-3, bb **Streak** +1 (1-3, bb)
Series 1-9, 3bb, 5k, sb **'23 Long Hit** 9 (5/5-20)
R-Trip 5-30, 2r, bi, 4bb, 13k, sb, cs **'23 Long OBS** 9 (5/5-20)
'23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/3 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 3/4 RBI, 1/4 SB
4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 227 g, .230, 16 hr, 89 rbi, 28 sb, .678 ops
 • Joined Akron from the Arizona Complex on May 5 and begun his Double-A career with a nine-game hitting streak (13 hits, 2 HR, 8 RBI).
 • **2022:** Played 80 games for High-A Lake County (.217, 15 2B, 3 3B, 9 HR, 32 RBI, 6 SB).
 • **2021:** Played 68 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.252, 7 2B, 3 3B, 6 HR, 24 RBI, 10 SB).
 • **2019:** Hit .212 with 4 doubles, 3 triples, 1 homer, 11 RBI in 48 games for Mahoning Valley.
 • **2018:** Drafted by Cleveland in the 14th Round...had been committed to Texas for college. Made pro debut in AZL, batting .245 with 3 doubles, 1 triple and 12 RBI in 31 games.
 • **High School:** Attended Langham Creek High School...Named to USA Today's ALL-USA Texas Baseball Team...No. 2-ranked OF and 15th ranked overall player in Texas by Perfect Game...Native of Houston, TX.

#9 CONNOR KOKX OF, R/R Long Beach State
Twitter: @connorkokx IG: @connorkokx 2021 (12th round)
Last (6/23-2vBNG) 0-4, r **Streak** -1 (0-4, r)
Series 1-12, r, bi, bb, 2k **'23 Long Hit** 4 (multiple)
R-Trip 7-24, 5r, 2d, 4bi, 3bb, 7k, hp, sac, sf, 3sb **'23 Long OBS** 10 (4/14-5/5)
'23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/3 R, 1/1 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 1/3 RBI, 1/2 SB
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 103 g, .235, 8 hr, 32 rbi, 17 sb, .729 ops
 • Played in eight Guardians Spring Training games (3-for-10, double, 4 R, RBI, BB).
2022 Highlights:
 • Played 88 games with High-A Lake County...hit .234 with 7 HR, 28 RBI, 50 runs, 11 doubles, two triples, .350 OBP, .366 SLG...1 error all season, no errors in last 65 G.
 • Played for Peoria in the Arizona Fall League (18 G, .283, 3 doubles, 0 HR, 6 RBI).
 • **2021:** Pro debut with ACL affiliate (15 G, .238, HR, 4 RBI, .429 OBP)
 • **College:** Drafted after his third-year redshirt freshman season at Long Beach State (injury-shortened 2019, COVID-shortened 2020)...Collegiate Baseball All-American who led team in average (.366, program's highest since 2010), OBP (.481, program's highest since 2008), runs (37), hits (59), BB (24), HBP (16) and SB (14), T-1st in total bases (92)... Named a 2021 All-Big West First Team member.
 • **High School:** Attended Aliso Niguel High School...Started 120 games over four years, starting at seven positions in high school (all except P & 1B)...Set school records for HBP (20) and SB (23) as a senior.

#27 BRYAN LAVASTIDA C, R/R Hillsborough (FL) CC

Twitter: @Lavastida IG: @lavastida 2018 (15th round)

Last (6/23-2vBNG) 1-4, 2bi **Streak +1** (1-4, 2bi)
Series 5-16, 2r, d, hr, 3bi, 3bb, k, sb **'23 Long Hit** 5 (5/6-11)
R-Trip 10-36, 12r, 2d, 2hr, 7bi, 8bb, 6k, 4sb **'23 Long OBS** 15 (5/6-25)
'23/Career High: 3/3 H, 3/4 R, 1/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 3/4 RBI, 2/2 SB
4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 260 g, .272, 21 hr, 139 rbi, 31 sb, .774 ops

- Designated for assignment by Cleveland on April 23 to clear 40-man spot for Logan Allen...Cleared waivers and outrighted back to Akron on April 29.
- **2022:** Made Cleveland's Opening Day roster and played six games (1-for-12, 3 BB). Optioned to Columbus (Triple-A) on April 25, played 33 games (.225, 3 HR, 11 RBI, .692 OPS) before going on the IL June 19 with a right hamstring strain. Activated from the IL July 7 and transferred to Akron. Hit .195, 5 HR, 14 RBI in 45 games.
- **2021:** Played 48 games with Lake County (High-A), hit .303/.399/.467, 5 HR, 31 RBI...Joined Akron July 30...In 29 Double-A regular season games, he hit .291, 3 HR, 17 RBI, .839 OPS...Played seven games with Columbus (Triple-A) Sept. 1-12 (3-for-19, HR, 3 RBI)...Returned to Akron Sept. 14...6-for-12, HR, 4 RBI in Championship Series.
- **2019:** Was second in the organization in batting average (.335)...Finished in fourth in the New York-Penn League in batting average (.335) and second in OPS (.892) and doubles (19) ...NYPL All-Star as a DH...Played one game for Lake County (1-3, R, BB).
- **2018:** Played 33 games in AZL (rookie), .292, 1 HR, .782 OPS, 4 doubles, 1 triple.
- **Amateur:** Was a SS and 3B in high school, transitioned to catcher at Hillsborough Community College...In 2018 for Hillsborough CC, he played 57 games (.384/.465/.539, 1.004 OPS, 21 doubles, 2 triples, 3 HR, 35 RBI, 26 BB, 20 K, 30-36 SB)...Teammate Aldrich De Jongh is in the Dodgers system...Among 13 players from Hillsborough CC to go pro since 2010...Planned to transfer to Alabama before being drafted.

#13 ANGEL MARTÍNEZ IF, S/R Santo Domingo, DR

Twitter: IG: @Martinez03 2018 FA

Last (6/23-2vBNG) 0-3, r, bb **Streak -1** (0-3, r, bb)
Series 3-18, 3r, hr, 2bi, bb, 6k, hp **'23 Long Hit** 12 (5/24-6/7)
R-Trip 9-48, 8r, 3d, 6bi, 3bb, 9k, 3sb **'23 Long OBS** 13 (5/24-6/8)
'23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 1/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/3 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 254 g, .270, 21 hr, 117 rbi, 36 sb, .787 ops

- Entered the season ranked as the No. 10 Guardians prospect by MLB Pipeline.
- Ranked as "Best Strike Zone Discipline" in Cleveland system by *Baseball America*.
- **2022:** Played 77 games for High-A Lake County (.288, 10 HR, 27 RBI, .861 OPS). Transferred to Akron on Aug. 20 and hit .244 with 3 HR, 17 RBI, .808 OPS in 24 games.
- **2021:** Played 97 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.241, 7 HR, 46 RBI, .701 OPS, 13 SB)...Finished tied for fourth in the Low-A East in triples (6)...One of just nine teenagers playing every day in the Low-A East in 2021.
- **2019:** Made his professional debut in the Dominican Summer League (56 games, .306, 1 HR, 27 RBI, .830 OPS)...Completed his high school diploma through Cleveland's Dominican Academy after the season and was part of the Academy's inaugural graduating class in January 2020.
- **2018:** Signed with Cleveland as an international amateur free agent at age 16.
- **Personal:** Son of former MLB catcher Sandy Martinez (1995-2004 with the Blue Jays, Cubs, Marlins, Expos, Indians and Red Sox).

#12 JOE NARANJO 1B, L/L Sen. Ruben S. Ayala (CA) HS

Twitter: @joenaranjo IG: @joe.naranjo 2019 (3rd round)

Last (6/23-2vBNG) 1-4, bi **Streak +1** (1-4, bi)
Series 1-13, bi, 6k **'23 Long Hit** 7 (5/25-6/3)
R-Trip 7-29, 2r, 2d, 4bi, 6bb, 8k, hp **'23 Long OBS** 8 (5/25-6/4)
'23/Career High: 3/5 H, 2/4 R, 1/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 2/6 RBI, 0/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 276 g, .241, 25 hr, 130 rbi, 14 sb, .711 ops

- Played in seven Guardians Spring Training games (2-for-11, double, RBI, BB, SB).
- **2022 Highlights:**
- Earned the MiLB Rawlings Gold Glove Award® for first base...114 games, 750 total chances, 689 putouts, 54 assists, 7 errors, .991 fielding pct.
- Led High-A Midwest League in walks (82, T-2nd in Guardians organization), 4th in runs (72), T-6th in total bases (176), T-8th in HR (18, T-6th in organization)
- Played his second full season with Lake County, also posting career highs in games (119), hits (100, T-1st on the club), doubles (16), triples (3), RBI (59), OBP (.364, 8th in organization), and OPS (.778, 9th in organization).
- **2021:** Played 109 games for Lake County (.235, 6 HR, 50 RBI, 13 doubles, .648 OPS)...Began the year as the youngest position player in the league (turned 20 in May).
- **2019:** Made pro debut with AZL affiliate (.266, 1 HR, 21 RBI, 5 doubles, .678 OPS).
- **High School:** Played at Senator Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills, CA.
- Played for USA National Team (12U and 15U)...was on the 12U National Team that won the 12U Baseball World Cup in 2013 (Naranjo homered and caught the final out of the Gold Medal Game against Chinese Taipei).

#37 ALEXFRI PLANEZ OF, R/R Caracas, VZ

Twitter: IG: 2017 FA

Last (6/18-1@NH) 1-3, bi **Streak +2** (2-6, bi, 2k)
Series **'23 Long Hit** 2 (multiple) - active
R-Trip 4-16, 2r, 2d, bi, 7k **'23 Long OBS** 4 (6/3-7)
'23/Career High: 2/4 H, 2/4 R, 1/2 2B, 0/2 3B, 0/2 HR, 0/5 RBI, 0/1 SB
4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 259 g, .265, 45 hr, 159 rbi, 23 sb, .774 ops

- Opened season on injured list with ankle injury...activated on June 2
- **2022 Highlights:**
- Played in 89 games with Lake County (High-A) batting .251 with 19 HR, 63 RBI and .766 OPS...5th in Midwest League in HR (19; 5th most in organization as well), slugging percentage (.477), T6th in extra base hits (40).
- **2021:** Played in a career-high 103 games with Low-A Lynchburg (.264, 16 HR, 53 RBI, .755 OPS)...Finished T5th in Low-A East in HR (16), 7th in slugging percentage (.462), T6th in hits (103), 2nd in total bases (180) and T5th in extra base hits (40)...16 homers and 180 total bases each ranked fifth in the system.
- **2019:** Played in six games with AZL Cleveland Blue (.333, 1 HR, 3 RBI).
- **2018:** Made pro debut with DSL Cleveland. Appeared in 61 games batting .279 with 9 HR and 40 RBI.

#35 GABRIEL RODRÍGUEZ IF, R/R El Tejero, Monagas, VZ

Twitter: @Eldetejero IG: @gabrielrodriguez_oficial 2018 FA

Last (6/23-2vBNG) 1-3, 2k **Streak +1** (1-3, 2k)
Series 1-6, 4k **'23 Long Hit** 8 (5/9-21)
R-Trip 3-10, 2r, 2d, 4bb, 4k **'23 Long OBS** 9 (5/6-21)
'23/Career High: 2/4 H, 3/4 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/2 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 247 g, .248, 15 hr, 111 rbi, 11 sb, .677 ops

- Entered season ranked as Cleveland's No. 21/30 prospect (*Baseball America*/MLB.com)
- In 94 games for High-A Lake County, had career highs in average (.272, fifth in Midwest League), HR (9), SLG (.416, second on team), runs (45), and OPS (.759)...had 15 doubles, 2 triples, 38 RBI, .343 OBP.
- Did not play after Aug. 27 (shoulder surgery for a torn right labrum).
- **2021:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 15 prospect (MLB.com)...Played 97 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.236, 3 HR, 34 RBI, 18 doubles, .602 OPS).
- **2019:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 10 prospect (MLB.com & *Baseball America*)...Played 56 games for rookie affiliates (38 G in DSL, 18 G in AZL), totaling .231 average, 3 HR, 39 RBI, .682 OPS.
- **2018:** Signed with Cleveland as a 16-year-old in July, reportedly for franchise-record bonus for an international position player (\$2.1 million).

#10 JOHNATHAN RODRÍGUEZ OF, R/R C. Beltran Baseball Acad

Twitter: @jjrodz55 IG: @johnny_245 2017 (3rd round)

Last (6/23-2vBNG) 1-3, r, bb, k **Streak +3** (3-9, r, bi, 2bb, 5k)
Series 3-16, r, bi, 2bb, 10k **'23 Long Hit** 8 (5/6-16)
R-Trip 15-43, 12r, 4d, t, 5hr, 11bi, 7bb, 13k, hp, sb **'23 Long OBS** 16 (5/5-25)
'23/Career High: 4/4 H, 2/5 R, 1/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 2/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/1 SB
5-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 334 g, .272, 40 hr, 178 rbi, 19 sb, .791 ops

- Named "Best Outfield Arm" in Cleveland system by *Baseball America* for sixth straight year (2018-23).
- **2022 Highlights:**
- Played 79 games with Lake County (High-A) before joining Akron Aug. 16. At the time of his promotion, he led the Midwest League with a career-high 21 home runs and was third in slugging (.573), fourth in OPS (.919), tied for fourth in RBI (59), tied for fifth in extra-base hits (39), and sixth in batting average (.292) and total bases (169).
- Appeared in 28 games for Akron after promotion, batting .206 with 5 HR and 15 RBI.
- **2021:** Played 59 games with Single-A Lynchburg (.314, 5 HR, 33 RBI, .813 OPS) and 24 games with High-A Lake County (.215, 2 HR, 11 RBI)...After the season, played 21 games for Gigantes de Carolina in the Puerto Rican Winter League (.242, 1 HR, 7 RBI).
- **2020:** After the canceled minor league season, played 15 games with Atenienses de Manatí in the Puerto Rican Winter League (.220, 0 HR, 2 RBI, .582 OPS).
- **2019:** Played 66 games with short season Mahoning Valley (.247, 6 HR, 27 RBI, .742 OPS)...Finished fifth in the New York-Penn League in extra-base hits (25), 9th in total bases (98) and tied for 9th in runs (36).
- **2018:** Led AZL Blue club in runs scored (36) and stolen bases (8).

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Hitters	Pinch Hitting	Multi-Hit Games					Multi-RBI Games						Home Runs												
		T	2	3	4	5	Last	T	2	3	4	5	6	Last	T	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Leadoff	Tying	Go-ahead	Walk-off	Last	
Amditis		2	2				6/18-2@NH (2)	2	1	1				5/28vBOW (2)	2	1	1				1				6/10@POR
Berglund		3	3				6/18-1@NH (2)	1	1					6/18-1@NH (2)	1	1									4/14@BOW
Bracho		6	6				6/9@POR (2)	4	3			1		6/21vBNG (2)	7	4	2	1			1		4		5/17@RIC
Brito		7	5	1	1		6/23-1vBNG (2)	3	1	1	1			6/15-2@NH (3)	3		2	1							6/15-2@NH
Delgado								1	1					4/16@BOW (2)	1		1						1		4/16@BOW
Escobedo		3	1	2			4/13@BOW (3)	1	1					5/18@RIC (2)	3	3									5/25vBOW
Gonzalez		3	3				4/23-2vHBG (2)																		
Halpin		10	7	3			6/10@POR (2)	6	6					6/13@NH (2)	2		2								4/27-1@BNG
Holland		6	5	1			6/9@POR (2)	2	1	1				5/9@ALT (2)	2		1	1			1				5/9@ALT
Kokx		7	5	2			6/15-2@NH (2)	1			1			6/9@PORE (4)	1	1									5/30vHFD
Lavastida		13	9	4			6/22vBNG (3)	8	5	3				6/23-2vBNG (2)	4	2	1	1							6/22vBNG
Martinez		17	16	1			6/23-1vBNG (2)	9	5	3	1			6/13@NH (3)	5	2	3				1		2		6/20vBNG
Naranjo		7	4	3			6/15-1@NH (2)	3	3					6/8@POR (2)	1	1									4/18vHBG
Planez		1	1				6/3vHFD (2)																		
Rodriguez, G.		4	4				5/18@RIC (2)	4	2	1	1			6/3vHFD (2)	4	2	1	1					2		5/20@RIC
Rodriguez, J.		15	10	4	1		6/18-2@NH (3)	10	7	1	2			6/18-2@NH (3)	11	4	6	1			2		4		6/18-2@NH (2)
Tena		10	7	2	1		6/18-2@NH (3)	7	5	2				6/15-2@NH (3)	2		1	1						1	6/8@POR
Total		114	88	23	3		6/23-1vBNG (2)	62	42	13	6	1		6/23-2vBNG	49	21	21	7			6		14		6/22vBNG

#7 JOSÉ TENA IF, L/R San Cristobal, DR

Twitter: IG: @joseluistena20 2017 FA

Last (6/23-1vBNG) 0-4, 2k Streak -1 (0-4, 2k)

Series 2-13, 2r, d, 3bb, 7k '23 Long Hit 6 (5/30-6/4)

R-Trip 13-48, 7r, 3d, hr, 8bi, 6bb, 22k, 2sf, sac, 3sb, cs '23 Long OBS 12 (5/9-21)

'23/Career High: 2/3 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 3/4 RBI, 2/2 SB

4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 334 g, .286, 32 hr, 167 rbi, 34 sb, .765 ops

- Entered the season as Cleveland's No. 24 prospect (MLB.com).
- Earned Eastern League Player of the Week honors for Week 9 (May 30-June 4) after going 11-for-25 with 2 doubles, a triple, home run and 6 RBI against Hartford.

2022 Highlights:

- Played in 127 games, batting .264, 13 HR, 66 RBI, eight stolen bases, .710 OPS, with an Eastern League-leading 136 hits – the most by a RubberDuck since 2015 (Yandy Diaz, 150) and first Akron player to lead the league since Jordan Brown in 2007 (161).
- Promoted to Triple-A Columbus and appeared in five games batting .368 with one homer and two RBI.
- 2021: Won the Rawlings Gold Glove Award for Minor League Baseball shortstops. Played the regular season with High-A Lake County, 107 games, .281 (6th in High-A Central), 16 HR (T-9th), 58 RBI, .798 OPS, 116 hits (T-2nd), 25 doubles (T-3rd), 43 extra-base hits (5th), 193 total bases (4th)...Joined Akron for the playoffs Sept. 21.
- Played 17 games in the Arizona Fall League and led the circuit with a .387 average. He also had a .467 OBP and .516 SLG to be ranked the No. 12 prospect in the league.
- Graduated from Cleveland's high school diploma program in December...Completed four months' equivalent of coursework in 10 days, according to Cleveland Education & Language Coordinator Anna Bolton.
- 2019: Finished 5th in the Arizona Rookie League in hits (62), tied for 7th in triples (6) and 10th in batting average (.325).
- 2018: Named Dominican Summer League Mid-Season All-Star.
- Nephew of 16-year major leaguer Juan Uribe.

#38 TREY BENTON Twitter: @TreyBenton12 IG: @treybenton
 RHP: FB,SL,SW,CB vs. 1st Batter (EL): 3-18 (.167), hr,2bb,8k,hp Inherited Runners-Scored: 10-3 (30%)
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 57/0 g/gs, 3-5, 3.58 ERA, 13/18 sv, 60.1 ip, 76 k, .192, 1.59 whip
2022: Split the season between Single-A Lynchburg (13 G, 1-2, 4/6 saves, 1.13 ERA, 16 IP, 6 BB, 27 K, 0.69 WHIP, .094 avg) and High-A Lake County (26 G, 2-1, 8/11 saves, 2.63 ERA, 27.1 IP, 20 BB, 25 K, 1.61 WHIP, .231 avg).
2021: Appeared in 18 games for Lynchburg going 0-2 with a 7.41 ERA, 1/1 saves, 29BB, 24 K over 17 innings pitched.
2019: Had reconstructive surgery on right elbow (Tommy John surgery) during junior collegiate season, before being drafted by Cleveland in the 15th round out of East Carolina...Rehabbed with the Guardians organization.
Amateur: Pitched 49 games (26 starts) at East Carolina (2017-19)...Was 11-9 with a 3.72 ERA and 170 strikeouts over 164.2 innings pitched...Teammate with Gavin Williams at East Carolina (2018-19) and in summer of 2018 for the Bourne Braves in the Cape Cod League...Also a college teammate with Seth Caddell...Attended West Columbus (NC) High School.

**Recent EL Outings (14 scoreless of 21 overall)
5 straight scoreless outings (5.2 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/23-2	BNG	1.1	4	0	0	0	2	0	1-1
6/16	@NH	0.1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1-0
6/13	@NH	1.0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0-0
6/9	@POR	1.0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
6/6	@POR	2.0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0-0

#32 TANNER BURNS Twitter: @Tannerburns_7 IG: @tannerburns_07
 RHP: FB, CH, CB, SL vs. 1st Batter (relief) 1-2 (.500), k Inherited Runners-Scored: 0-0 (0%)
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 39/39 g/gs, 5-12, 3.56 ERA, 0/0 sv, 164.1 ip, 183 k, .228
 Entered the season as Cleveland's No. 22 prospect according to MLB Pipeline. Pitched his first career complete game as a rain shortened, 2-1, five-inning win in Richmond on May 16.
2022: Entered the season as Cleveland's No. 11 prospect (No. 4 pitching prospect) in Cleveland system according to MLB.com. Led RubberDucks in innings pitched (88.2). On the injured list May8-June 3 with a right shoulder strain.
2021: Entered the season as Cleveland's No. 16 overall prospect according to MLB.com. Made pro debut with Lake County making 18 starts. Was on the injured list July 20-Aug. 5 with elbow soreness.
Amateur: Named to 2020 Preseason All-American lists by Baseball America and Perfect Game, and named to the Golden Spikes Award preseason watch list. Posted a 2.86 ERA over three seasons at Auburn. Became the third Auburn player to be named a two-time All-American, joining Gregg Olson (1987-88) and Casey Mize (2017-18). As a sophomore in 2019, he helped Auburn reach the College World Series. He had 101 strikeouts (79.2 IP), joining Casey Mize (2017-18) as the only Auburn pitchers since 2000 to strike out 100 batters. He matched Auburn's single-game record of 15 strikeouts, joining five others, including Casey Mize (2018) and Tim Hudson (1997), Auburn's volunteer pitching coach since 2020. As a freshman in 2018, he was named a Freshman All-American by *Baseball America*, *Collegiate Baseball*, *D1 Baseball* and *Perfect Game/Rawlings*. He was second to Casey Mize on the Auburn staff in innings (86.2), strikeouts (77) and wins (7) while posting a 3.01 ERA. Played for the USA Baseball 2018 Collegiate National Team that featured 2019 No. 1 overall pick Adley Rutschman and 2020 No. 1 overall pick Spencer Torkelson.
Personal: Began "The 32 Foundation," a charity to raise money for families who need help paying for medical bills at the Children's Hospital of Alabama ([MLB.com, March 2022](#)). His father, Mike, played in the Houston Astros organization from 1991-1993 as a catcher, first baseman and third baseman. Mike later coached at [Decatur High School and at Calhoun Community College](#).

**Recent EL Outings (2 scoreless of 12 overall)
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/21	BNG	L 4.0	4	3	3	0	7	1	0-0
6/15-2	@NH	H 2.2	1	1	0	3	4	0	0-0
6/9*	@POR	3.2	1	0	0	2	3	0	0-0
6/2*	HFD	5.0	5	3	3	2	6	1	0-0
5/27*	BOW	L 5.1	5	3	3	2	5	1	0-0

#34 BRADLEY HANNER Twitter: @Bradleyhanner3 IG: @bhanner99
 RHP: FB, SL, CH vs. 1st Batter (EL): 4-17 (.235),bi, bb, 3k, 3hb Inherited Runners-Scored: 14-5 (35.7%)
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 76/2 g/gs, 11-8, 5.39 ERA, 5/8 sv, 127.0 ip, 144 k, .231, 1.42 whip
 Acquired by Cleveland during the Triple-A Phase of the Rule 5 Draft on 12/7/22...Appeared in 3 games during MLB Spring Training, tossing 3.1 IP with a 5.40 ERA and 4 K.
2022: Pitched for Cedar Rapids (High-A)...Went 7-4 with a 4.60 ERA, 2/2 saves, 27 BB, 65 K, .216 avg, 1.24 WHIP in 39 games (1 start)...Won the Harmon Killebrew Award for outstanding minor league community service (Cedar Rapids club award) after being nominated by Cedar Rapids' general manager. Hanner participated in the Twins' organization wide Week of Service, going to a local Meals on Wheels location to assemble boxes for meals. Alongside his host family, he also brought breakfast to the elderly. The kernels' front office also recognized he spent extra time talking to fans and signing autographs.
2021: Pitched 26 games (1 start), 41.2 IP, 2-1, 7.13 ERA, 2/4 saves, 34 BB, 49 K, .278 avg, 1.90 WHIP for Single-A Fort Myers.
2019: Drafted by Minnesota in the 21st round...11 games (26.2 IP) in GCL (rookie), 2-3, 1 save, 4.39 ERA, 27 BB, 30 K.
Amateur: Pitched two seasons for Patrick & Henry Community College...Went 9-6 with a 3.53 ERA, 73 BB, 176 K in 27 games (24 starts) over 140.1 IP...Attended Orange County (VA) High School.

**Recent EL Outings (13 scoreless of 21 overall)
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/23-1	BNG	L 3.0	0	1	0	2	5	0	3-2
6/18-2	@NH	S 2.0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0-0
6/15-2	@NH	1.1	2	1	1	0	1	1	1-0
6/10	@POR	S 1.2	1	0	0	1	2	0	1-0
6/7	@POR	S 1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0

#47 ZACH HART Twitter: @Zachart17 IG: @zart 17
 RHP: FB, SL, CB vs. 1st Batter (EL): 4-12 (.353), hr, bb Inherited Runners-Scored: 5-0 (0%)
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 75/2 g/gs, 17-7, 4.28 ERA, 4/12 sv, 147.1 ip, 203 k, .231, 1.42 whip
 Began season rehabbing in Arizona from February appendectomy...joined Akron on May 1.
2022: Pitched 31 games in relief (44.1 IP, 6-4, 4/7 saves, 5.06 ERA, 27 BB, 59 K, .222 avg, 1.44 WHIP) for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron July 4. Appeared in one game for Akron tossing 2.1 scoreless innings with 3SO. Transferred to Lake County on July 14 to finish the season.
2021: Pitched 30 games (1 start) for Single-A Lynchburg (75.1 IP, 8-2, 3.35 ERA, 45 BB, 105 K, .205 avg, 1.33 WHIP)...Finished T-3rd in the Low-A East in wins (8) and fourth in strikeouts (105).
2019: Drafted by Cleveland in the 10th round out of Division II Franklin Pierce (NH) University...Pitched 13 games (1 start) in the Arizona League (rookie), 25.1 IP, 2-1, 0/3 saves, 6.04 ERA, 9 BB, 36 K, .320 avg, 1.66 WHIP.
Amateur: Finished his career ninth all-time in FPU history in innings pitched (206.0), 12th in wins (17) and 13th in strikeouts (196)...As a senior in 2019, pitched 14 games (10 starts), 5-1, 3 saves, 2.65 ERA, 68 IP, 18 BB, 68 K...As a junior in 2018, made 12 starts for the Ravens finishing 9th in Division II in WHIP (0.91) and 15th in ERA (1.97), earning All-Northeast 10 Conference First Team honors...In 11 games (1 start) for Wareham Gatemen in the 2018 Cape Cod League, went 1-1, 1.54 ERA, 4 BB, 16 K in 23.1 IP...Majorred in criminal justice...Four-year letterwinner at Mark T. Sheehan (CT) High School, where he also played basketball.

**Recent EL Outings (6 scoreless of 13 overall)
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/23-2*	BNG	2.2	2	1	1	2	3	0	0-0
6/20	BNG	2.0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0-0
6/15-1	@NH	2.0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1-0
6/11	@POR	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
6/8	@POR	2.0	4	4	4	4	1	0	0-0

#44 MASON HICKMAN Twitter: @HickmanMason IG: @masonhickman
 RHP: FB,CB,SL,CH vs. 1st Batter 1-16 (.063), bi, 3bb, 9k Inherited Runners-Scored: 14-6 (42.9%)
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 49/30 g/gs, 11-14, 4.55 ERA, 6/6 sv, 170.0 ip, 213 k, .233, 1.32 whip
2022: Pitched 19 games (10 starts) for 59.1 IP, 2-5, 2/2 saves, 4.40 ERA, 28 BB, 87 K, .235 avg, 1.37 WHIP) for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron Aug. 16. Pitched 10 games (13.0 IP, 1-1, 4/4 saves, 2.77 ERA, 9 BB, 16 K, .196 avg, 1.38 WHIP)...Pitched 8 games (1-0, 9.2 IP, 5 ER, 6 BB, 15 K) for Peoria Javelinas (AZ Fall League) and named to Fall Stars Game.
2021: Made 20 starts for High-A Lake County...Finished T-2nd in the High-A Central in wins (8), fifth in opponents' avg (.237), eighth in IP (97.2), WHIP (1.29) and strikeouts (110)...Ranked fifth among qualifying Cleveland minor leaguers in ERA (4.88).
2020: Drafted by Cleveland in the fifth and final round of the 2020 MLB Draft.
College: Career record of 19-2 with a 3.13 ERA at Vanderbilt over 29 starts and 189.2 innings (221 SO, 10.5 SO/9.0IP, 2.9 BB/9.0IP)...Went 9-0 with a 2.05 ERA in 20 games (13 starts) as a sophomore in 2019 earned the College World Series-clinching victory over Michigan (6 IP, 1 R, 10 K)...In pandemic-shortened 2020 season, he was 2-0 with a 0.48 ERA in 3 starts (1ER/18.2IP), posting a 26-to-3 strikeout-to-walk ratio...First Team Preseason All-America by *Collegiate Baseball*.
High School: Attended Pope John Paul II High School (Hendersonville, TN)...2017 Tennessee Mr. Baseball finalist...Also lettered two years in basketball.
Personal: Born in Salt Lake City, UT...Hometown is Hendersonville, TN.

**Recent EL Outings (10 scoreless of 19 overall)
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/22	BNG	2.1	4	1	1	1	3	0	2-1
6/18-2	@NH	W 0.2	1	0	0	0	2	0	2-1
6/13	@NH	W 2.0	1	0	0	2	4	0	0-0
6/6	@POR	2.0	3	1	1	0	3	0	0-0
6/2	HFD	2.0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0-0

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#36 JORDAN JONES Twitter: @JJ1s_9 IG: @jj1s_9

RHP: FB, CT, CH, CB, SL vs. 1st Batter 1-11 (.091), 5bb, 2k Inherited Runners-Scored: 11-7 (63.6%)

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 65/24 g/gs, 11-12, 4.35 ERA, 4/8 sv, 180.0 ip, 179 k, .254, 1.40 whip

2022: Pitched 28 games (one start) for 47 IP, 3-2, 4/6 saves, 5.55 ERA, 25 BB, 46 K, .250 avg, 1.47 WHIP for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron Aug. 13 and appeared in 3 games going 2-0 with a 4.26 ERA, 4 BB, 6 K, .182 avg, 1.26 WHIP before transferred back to Lake County to finish the season...Saved Lake County's Game 3 win at Great Lakes to clinch MWL East Division Series and Game 1 win at South Bend in MWL Championship Series...5 scoreless IP in 3 postseason games, although Lake County lost to South Bend 2-1 in championship round.

2021: Made 20 starts for Single-A Lynchburg (89.1 IP, 3-10, 4.63 ERA, 43 BB, 82 K, .272 avg, 1.52 WHIP)...Finished eighth in the Low-A East in innings pitched (89.1).

2019: Drafted by Cleveland in the 16th round from the University of Washington...Made professional debut with AZL (rookie) affiliate, working 14 games (three starts) for 37.1 IP, 3-0, 2.17 ERA, 0/2 saves, 9 BB, 45 K, .227 avg, 1.04 WHIP.

College: Pitched three seasons at Washington (2017-19)...52 games (43 starts) for 268.1 IP, 15-18, 4.39 ERA, 75 BB, 209 K...Finished his junior year (2019) ranked among UW's all-time career leaders in: strikeouts (6th - 209, innings (7th - 268.1) and starts (T6th - 43)...is the seventh player in UW history with 200 IP/200 K...As a sophomore in 2018, tied Tim Lincecum (2004) for the UW single-season record of 18 starts on the mound.

High School: Graduated Kentwood (WA) High School in 2016...Was All-USA Today Washington Player of the Year as a senior in 2016...Lettered all four years and was 28-2 as a pitcher, including 19-0 over his final two seasons and 11-0, 1.12 ERA, 101 strikeouts in 68.2 IP as a senior...Helped Kentwood reach the state championship game...Played in 2015 Area Code Games with the Kansas City Royals.

Personal: Older brother (by four years) Taylor was drafted by the Houston Astros in 2016 (19th round) out of Gonzaga and is playing first base and third base for Triple-A Salt Lake Bees (Angels) in 2023...Taylor appeared in 43 major league games for Houston from 2020-2022.

Recent EL Outings (9 scoreless of 15 overall) 1 straight scoreless outings (3.1 innings)

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/20	BNG	3.1	0	0	0	2	2	0	2-1
6/15-1	@NH	1.0	3	3	2	2	1	1	0-0
6/8	@POR	2.2	3	2	2	1	3	2	2-2
6/3	HFD	2.0	0	0	0	2	4	0	0-0
5/30	HFD	2.0	2	0	0	2	1	0	0-0

#40 ERIK SABROWSKI Twitter: @ErikSabrowski IG: @eriksabrowski

LHP: FB, CB, SL, CH vs. First Batter: 0-4 (.000), 2bb Inherited Runners-Scored: 2-1 (50%)

1-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 8/3 g/gs, 2-0, 1.86, 0/0 sv, 29.0 ip, 41 k, .182, 1.03 whip

Missed the entire 2022 season while recovering from Tommy John surgery.

2021: Pitched in eight games (three starts) for Fort Wayne Tin Caps going 2-0 with a 1.86 ERA, 41 SO, 12 BB, .182 avg, 1.03 WHIP over 29.0 IP...Underwent season-ending reconstructive elbow surgery...Acquired by Cleveland in the Triple-A phase of the Rule 5 draft.

2019: Missed the entire 2019 season while recovering from Tommy John surgery.

2018: Drafted in the 14th Round by the San Diego Padres...Underwent Tommy John surgery after being drafted.

Amateur: Attended Cloud County CC in Kansas...Pitched one season at Cloud County going 7-2 with a 3.14 ERA, 117 strikeouts, 6 complete games over 66.0 innings pitched in 12 starts.

Personal: Born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada...Story of his return from two Tommy John surgeries was detailed in the [Alberta Dugout Stories](#).

Recent EL Outings (6 scoreless of 6 overall) 6 straight scoreless outings (9.0 innings)

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/23-2	BNG	2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
6/21	BNG	1.0	0	0	0	3	1	0	1-1
6/15-2	@NH W	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
6/10	@POR H	1.1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0-0
6/7	@POR H	1.2	0	0	0	0	4	0	1-0

#48 DAVIS SHARPE Twitter: @Dsharpe3 IG: @DavisSharpe

RHP: FB, CT, SL vs. First Batter: 5-17 (.294), bi, bb, k, hp Inherited Runners-Scored: 9-6 (66.7%)

1-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 38/0 g/gs, 8-3, 2.02, 4/6 sv, 71.1 ip, 87 k, .208, 0.91 whip

Pitched in four 2023 Major League Spring Training games in relief (1-0, 3 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 3 BB, 2 K).

2022: Pitched 15 games for Single-A Lynchburg (25.1 IP, 3-2, 1/1 save, 1.42 ERA, 5 BB, 39 K, 0.95 WHIP, .207 avg)...Promoted to High-A June 7...Pitched 23 games for Lake County (46 IP, 5-1, 3/5 saves, 2.35 ERA, 7 BB, 48 K, 0.89 WHIP, .209 avg).

2021: Drafted in the 13th round by Cleveland out of Clemson.

Amateur: Attended Clemson as a two-way player...Two-time ACC Academic Honor Roll member...In three seasons appeared in 29 games (24 starts) on the mound going 12-6 with a 3.89 ERA, .232 avg, 54 BB, 152 K...At the plate he appeared in 74 games (66 starts) with .256/.424/.369, 12 doubles, 10 HR, 40 RBI, 44 runs, 35 BB...Eighth in Clemson history in career strikeouts per nine innings pitched (9.87)...John Olerud Two-Way Player-of-the-Year award finalist as a freshman...Drafted in the 34th round by Pittsburgh out of high school...attended Mill Creek (GA) High School.

Recent EL Outings (10 scoreless of 20 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/23-2	BNG W	2.0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0-0
6/21	BNG	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0-0
6/18-1	@NH S	1.0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
6/13	@NH	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0-0
6/9	@POR W,BS	2.1	3	2	1	2	5	0	0-0

#26 MATT TURNER Twitter: IG:

LHP: vs. 1st Batter (EL): 0-2 (.000), k, hp Inherited Runners-Scored: 1-0 (8%)

5-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 72/28 g/gs, 9-12, 4.37 ERA, 2/3 sv, 193.2 ip, 161 k, .266, 1.44 whip

Pitched in a rehab game with ACL Guardians tossing one inning allowing two runs while striking out one and walking one...Promoted to Akron on June 10.

2022: Went 1-2 with a 6.69 ERA in 28 games for Lake County (39 IP, 28BB, 30SO).

2021: Made seven starts between AZL and Lake County 0-2, 3.15 ERA, 8BB, 20SO over 20 IP.

2019: Made 15 starts between Mahoning Valley and Lake County going 4-3 with a 2.81 ERA, 73.2 innings, one CG, 19BB, 52SO

2018: Pitched 11 games (3 starts) for AZL Cleveland 2 (36.0 IP, 3-3, 3.75 ERA, 8 BB, 36 K, .250 avg, 1.19 WHIP).

2017: Drafted by Cleveland in the 11th round from Miami Palmetto HS...Began professional career making 10 appearances (3 starts) for AZL Cleveland going 1-2 with a 6.75 ERA, 2 saves, 22 strikeouts in 24 innings.

High School: Graduated Miami Palmetto High School in Miami, FL

Recent EL Outings (2 scoreless of 3 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
6/22	BNG	3.0	5	2	2	1	3	0	1-0
6/16	@NH	1.2	1	0	0	1	3	0	0-0
6/11	@POR	2.0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0-0

RUBBERDUCKS 2023 TRANSACTIONS 40 PLAYERS USED (2 REHAB) 23 PITCHERS USED (2 REHAB, 1 POS.)

2023 Opening Day Roster (* returning RubberDuck, *Injured List*, Cleveland Guardians 40-man roster)

P (15): RH Trey Benton, RH Tanner Burns*, LH Joey Cantillo*, RH Ross Carver, RH Brett Daniels*, RH Bradley Hanner, RH Mason Hickman*, RH Jordan Jones*, LH Randy Labaut*, RH Jack Leftwich, LH Doug Nikhazy*, RH Davis Sharpe, RH Cade Smith*, RH Hunter Stanley, RH Gavin Williams*

C (3): Mike Amditis, Michael Berglund, Bryan Lavastida*

IF (6): Aaron Bracho, Raynel Delgado*, Angel Martínez*, Joe Naranjo, Gabriel Rodríguez, José Tena*

OF (4): Julian Escobedo*, Petey Halpin, Connor Kokx, Johnathan Rodríguez*

#	DATE	PLAYER	POS.	FROM	TO	#	DATE	PLAYER	POS.	FROM	TO
1	4/11	José Tena	INF	Akron	Temporarily Inactive	32	6/5	Cody Morris	RHP	Akron (Rehab)	Columbus (Rehab)
2	4/11	Shane McCarthy	RHP	Columbus (AAA)	Akron	33	6/6	Cade Smith	RHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)
3	4/14	Brett Daniels	RHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)	34	6/6	Will Dion	LHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron
4	4/18	Sam Hentges	LHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)	35	6/9	Jamie Arias	LHP	Akron	Suspended List
5	4/18	Raynel Delgado	INF	Akron	Columbus (AAA)	36	6/10	Randy Labaut	LHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)
6	4/18	Marcos González	INF	Arizona Complex	Akron	37	6/10	Matt Turner	LHP	ACL Guardians (rehab)	Akron
7	4/20	José Tena	INF	Temporarily Inactive	Akron	38	6/12	Tommy Mace	RHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron
8	4/23	Bryan Lavastida	C	Akron	Designated For Assignment	39	6/21	Jack Leftwich	RHP	Akron	Injured List
9	4/23	Seth Caddell	C	Arizona Complex	Akron	40	6/21	Ross Carver	RHP	Injured List	Akron
10	4/25	Sam Hentges	LHP	Akron (Rehab)	Columbus (Rehab)						
11	4/26	Gavin Williams	RHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
12	4/27	Marcos González	INF	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
13	4/29	Bryan Lavastida	C	Cleveland (Outright)	Akron						
14	4/30	Ross Carver	RHP	Akron	Injured List						
15	5/1	Jaime Arias	LHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
16	5/1	Zach Hart	RHP	Injured List	Akron						
17	5/1	Seth Caddell	C	Akron	Development List						
18	5/4	Petey Halpin	OF	Akron	Injured List						
19	5/5	Korey Holland	OF	Arizona Complex	Akron						
20	5/7	Marcos González	INF	Columbus (AAA)	Akron						
21	5/14	Mike Amditis	C	Akron	Development List						
22	5/14	Petey Halpin	OF	Injured List	Akron						
23	5/17	Joey Cantillo	LHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
24	5/17	Marcos González	INF	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
25	5/23	Mike Amditis	C	Development List	Akron						
26	5/24	Cody Morris	RHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)						
27	5/26	Juan Brito	INF	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
28	5/30	Erik Sabrowski	LHP	Injured List	Akron						
29	5/30	Shane McCarthy	RHP	Akron	Development List						
30	6/2	Julian Escobedo	OF	Akron	Released						
31	6/2	Alexfri Planez	OF	Injured List	Akron						

RUBBERDUCKS 2023 SECOND HALF DAY-BY-DAY

#	Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Record	Place	GB/A	Winner	Loser	Save	Time	Att.	Opening / Total (Avg)
	6/28	@ERI											
	6/29	@ERI											
	6/30	@ERI											
	7/1	@ERI											
	7/2	@ERI											
	7/3	@ERI											
	7/4	HBG											
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	7/6	HBG											
	7/7	HBG											
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	7/9	HBG											
								ALL-STAR BREAK					
	7/14	@BOW											
	7/15	@BOW											
	7/16	@BOW											
	7/18	RIC											
	7/19	RIC											
	7/20	RIC											
	7/21	RIC											
	7/22	RIC											
	7/23	RIC											
	7/25	@ERI											
	7/26	@ERI											
	7/27	@ERI											
	7/28	@ERI											
	7/29	@ERI											
	7/30	@ERI											
	8/1	SOM											
	8/2	SOM											
	8/3	SOM											
	8/4	SOM											
	8/5	SOM											
	8/6	SOM											
	8/8	@HBG											
	8/9	@HBG											
	8/10	@HBG											
	8/11	@HBG											
	8/12	@HBG											
	8/13	@HBG											
	8/15	ERI											
	8/16	ERI											
	8/17	ERI											
	8/18	ERI											
	8/19	ERI											
	8/20	ERI											
	8/22	@ALT											
	8/23	@ALT											
	8/24	@ALT											
	8/25	@ALT											
	8/26	@ALT											
	8/27	@ALT											
	8/29	BOW											
	8/30	BOW											
	8/31	BOW											
	9/1	BOW											
	9/2	BOW											
	9/3	BOW											
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Akron Baseball: A Winning Tradition

This is the 33rd season of Double-A baseball in Northeast Ohio, and the 25th in downtown Akron. The franchise began as the **Canton-Akron Indians** in 1989, and then moved to **Canal Park** in Akron as the **Aeros** in 1997, later becoming the **RubberDucks** before the 2014 season. The club has made the Eastern League playoffs 18 times overall, and 12 of the last 19 seasons. The team has captured **six league titles**—2003, 2005, 2009, 2012, 2016 and 2021. Notable alumni of the franchise include Víctor Martínez, CC Sabathia, Grady Sizemore, Charles Nagy, Cliff Lee, Jhonny Peralta, Jaret Wright, Francisco Lindor, José Ramírez, and Shane Bieber.