



# GAME NOTES

TRIPLE - A AFFILIATE OF THE MINNESOTA TWINS

## ST. PAUL SAINTS (1-1) vs OMAHA STORM CHASERS (KC) (1-1)

RHP RANDY DOBNAK (NR) vs RHP SCOTT BLEWETT (NR)

Thursday, May 6th, 2021 - 6:35 pm (CT) - Omaha, NE - Werner Park

Game #3 - Road Game #3

TV: MiLB.TV RADIO: KFAN Plus

### 2021 At A Glance

Home.....	0-0
Road.....	1-1
vs. LHP.....	0-0
vs. RHP.....	1-1
Current Streak.....	W1
Most Games > .500.....	0
Most Games < .500.....	1
Overall Series.....	0-0
Home Series.....	0-0
Away Series.....	0-0
Sweeps.....	0-0
Rubber Matches.....	0-0
Extra Innings.....	0-0
Shutouts.....	0-0
Last 5.....	1-1
Last 10.....	1-1
Saints Score First.....	1-0
Oppo. Scores First.....	0-1
Day.....	1-0
Night.....	0-1
Day of the Week	
Mon.....	0-0
Tues.....	0-1
Wed.....	1-0
Thurs.....	0-0
Fri.....	0-0
Sat.....	0-0
Sun.....	0-0
Lead Entering 7th.....	1-0
Tied Entering 7th.....	0-0
Trail Entering 7th.....	0-1
Lead Entering 8th.....	1-0
Tied Entering 8th.....	0-0
Trail Entering 8th.....	0-1
Lead Entering 9th.....	1-0
Tied Entering 9th.....	0-0
Trail Entering 9th.....	0-1

### TODAY'S HEADLINES

**That Was Last Night** - The Saints picked up their first win as a Triple-A affiliate on Wednesday, winning 10-4 in the second game of the series against Omaha. St. Paul rode the power of three home runs, including back-to-back jacks from Trevor Larnach and Brent Rooker in the fourth inning.

**Today's a New Day** - After splitting the first two games of the series, the Saints look to gain in edge in the six-game set. Randy Dobnak gets the start for St. Paul. Dobnak, who had pitched in the majors in 2019 and 2020 (including the 2019 postseason) had started 15 of his 19 appearances in those seasons. In 2021, he made seven appearances all from the bullpen.

**Bullpen is Bringing it** - Through two games this season, the St. Paul bullpen has been a steady force for keeping the opposition in check. They have pitched a combined eight innings, giving up just two earned runs on four total hits. Hitters facing the Saints bullpen are batting just .118

**A Jack from Jeffers** - Ryan Jeffers set a few franchise firsts yesterday for the Saints. He had St. Paul's first hit, home run, and RBI in franchise history. His home run in Tuesday's game accounted for the Saints' only runs in the 8-2 loss. The catcher had three home runs all last season with Minnesota.

**A Clean Sheet, Sort Of** - Despite giving up eight runs on four home runs and seven total extra-base hits on Tuesday, the Saints pitching staff did not issue a walk in the game. That's the first time that the Twins' Triple-A affiliate has not given up a walk since August 3rd, 2019 when Rochester did not walk a batter against Pawtucket.

**Success for the Saints** - The Twins' Triple-A affiliate has had plenty of success in recent seasons. The primary affiliate was based in Rochester, NY as a member of the International League (now Triple-A East). They finished with records at or above .500 in seven of the last eight seasons.

**Roster Notes** - The Minnesota Twins recalled LHP Devin Smeltzer and optioned LHP Lewis Thoe to St. Paul on Thursday.

**Twins Update** - The Minnesota Twins dropped to the Texas Rangers 3-1 on Wednesday night at Target Field. Mitch Garver hit his sixth home run of the season to plate the Twins' lone run. Lewis Thorpe pitched five innings, giving up three earned runs in the spot start.

### AGAINST THE OPPOSITION

#### SAINTS VS OMAHA

.261-----	BA -----	.275
.182-----	BA W/2O -----	.100
.217-----	BA W/ RISP-----	.182
12-----	RUNS -----	12
4-----	HR -----	4
0-----	STEALS -----	1
6.35-----	ERA -----	5.00
22-----	K's -----	23

### TEAM LEADERS

Avg. -----	2 tied -	.375
Hits -----	2 tied -	3
RBI -----	2 tied -	3
Runs -----	4 tied -	2
Steals -----	14 tied -	0
HR -----	4 tied -	1

ERA -----	4 tied -	0.00
K's -----	Andrew Albers -	6
BB -----	Luke Farrell -	2

### AMONG LEAGUE LEADERS

HR ---	Ryan Jeffers (T-4th) -	1
OPS -----	Ryan Jeffers (T-9th) -	1.750
RBI ---	Jeffers/Larnach (T-8th) -	3
2B ---	Ryan Jeffers (T-1st) -	2
SO ----	Andrew Albers (T-5th) -	6
	Glenn Sparkman (T-7th) -	5
IP ---	Charlie Barnes (T-5th) -	5.0

### ACTIVE STREAKS

### UPCOMING PITCHING MATCHUPS

5/7	@ OMA	7:05PM	RHP Griffin Jax (NR)	v	RHP Ronald Bolaños (NR)
5/8	@ OMA	7:05PM	RHP Bailey Ober (NR)	v	TBA
5/9	@ OMA	1:05PM	TBA	v	TBA
			OFF 5/10		

## TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

### #21 RANDY DOBNAK (NR)

	W-L	ERA	G	GS	IP	ER	HR	BB	SO	AVG	WHIP
2021	0-0	0.00	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	.000	0.00

- Made the Twins' Opening Day roster in each of the last two seasons.
- He made ten starts in the 2020 season, going 6-4 and a 4.05 ERA. He was one of the best in Major League Baseball at inducing ground balls, getting them against 62.1% of his batters, which was the best in the league. That mark ranks third in Twins history since 1987. He also was third in the league in opponent GDP, getting nine, which was one short of the league high.
- Following the 2020 season, he has allowed just four home runs over 75 career innings, leading to a slim 0.48 HR/9IP ratio, which is the best since his big league debut in 2019.
- In 2019 he opened up the season with a career-high 21.2 scoreless innings. He made the Twins' postseason roster in each of the last two seasons, becoming the fourth rookie to appear in a postseason game ever, and the first since 2009.
- Being an undrafted free agent, to earn spare income while playing for the Utica Unicorns (United Shore Professional Baseball League) he had been driving for Uber and Lyft since October of 2017, even after signing with the Twins three months prior in July.
- Since his arrival in the Majors in 2019, he and his wife Aerial are very involved with St. Jude's Children's Hospital, raising thousands.

**ACQUIRED:** Signed with the Minnesota Twins as an undrafted free agent on 7/28/17

### GAME HIGHS

2021	CAREER
3.0 - 4/13 v BOSTON	<b>IP</b> 8.0 - 7/18/19 @ Mississippi
6 - 4/16 @ LAA	<b>H</b> 12 - 8/29/20 @ DETROIT
5 - 4/16 @ LAA	<b>R</b> 8 - 5/6/18 @ Quad Cities
5 - 4/16 @ LAA	<b>ER</b> 8 - 5/6/18 @ Quad Cities
1 - 5/1 v KANSAS CITY	<b>BB</b> 5 - 5/29/19 @ Scranton-W/B
4 - 4/16 @ LAA	<b>SO</b> 9 - 7/18/19 @ Mississippi
2 - 5/1 v KANSAS CITY	<b>HR</b> 2 - 5/1/21 v KANSAS CITY
52 - 4/5 @ DETROIT	<b>Pitches</b> 100 - 4/28/18 v Quad Cities

### SPLITS

2021	HOME	CAREER
0-1, 4.50		14-4, 2.78
0-2, 10.80	<b>ROAD</b>	18-13, 2.97
.320 AVG/1.193 OPS/4HR	<b>vLHH</b>	.243 AVG/.649 OPS/14 HR
.286 AVG/.657 OPS/0HR	<b>vRHH</b>	.250 AVG/.617 OPS/9 HR

### RANDY DOBNAK GAME BY GAME LOG

DATE	OPP	RESULT	DEC	IP	H	R/ER	SO	BB	HR	P/S	NOTES
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## SAINTS HITTER NOTES

### 13 BLANKENHORN, TRAVIS INF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 1-4, 2B**

- Ranked the 18th best prospect in the Twins' system by MLB.com, a jump from when he was the 23rd ranked player in the organization going into 2020
- Played in one game with the Twins in 2020, going 1-3 with a double, and one game in 2021 as a pinch runner, scoring a run.
- Was ranked #75 on Baseball America's Top 500 prospect list and #184 on MLB.com's Top 200 coming out of Pottsville Area (PA) HS
- Committed to the University of Kentucky before being drafted by the Twins in the 3rd round in 2015 out of HS and signed for \$650,000
- First player from his HS drafted out of HS since Jeff Yoder went in the 3rd round in 1995 and first player selected from his HS since Pat Boran was selected in the 24th round out of Princeton in 2002

ACQUIRED: Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 3rd round of the 2015 MLB Draft

### 9 BROXTON, KEON OF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 0-2, BB**

- Spent most of the 2020 season at the Brewers alternate training site, reuniting with them after spending 2016-18 with Milwaukee.
- Saw Big League action with 3 different teams in 2019, suiting up for the New York Mets before being traded to the Baltimore Orioles and then being claimed off waivers by the Seattle Mariners hitting a combined .167 for the season.
- Was a 20-20 player in the Majors in 2017 hitting .220/20/49 and stealing 21 bases. Broxton was 5th in speed at 29.4 ft/sec. 30 ft/sec is elite & average is 27.0 ft/sec
- Played 2B and SS at Lakeland HS. On that team was Evan Chambers (3rd round pick by Pirates in 2009 & passed away in 2013), Drew Hutchison (15th round pick out of HS in 2009, 98 Major League pitching appearances) & Chris Sale (13th overall pick in 2010 out of FGCU)
- Chose baseball at Santa Fe (FL) CC instead of a football scholarship at FAU, went on to reach the JUCO World Series in 2009, finishing as the runner-up

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Twins as a free agent on 2/2/21

### 27 JEFFERS, RYAN C

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 3-8, HR, 3RBI, SF**

- Started the 2020 season at the Alternate Training Site in St. Paul, making his MLB debut on August 20th. He played 26 games with the Twins, batting .273 with three home runs and seven RBIs.
- He crushed left-handed pitching with Minnesota, hitting .300 with a .417 OBP.
- Going into 2020 he was fourth best Twins' prospect and the best defensive catcher in the system by *Baseball America*. He caught the third-most games amongst rookie catchers in the majors with 25.
- Jeffers started in professional baseball on a tear in 2018 with Elizabethton, he played 28 games hitting .422 with a .543 OBP and a staggering 1.121 OPS.
- Among all Twins catchers with a minimum 150 innings caught at the major league level, Jeffers is third in catcher ERA at a 3.89. He is only behind Butch Wynegar with a 3.73 in 1976 and Joe Mauer with a 3.36 in 2004.

ACQUIRED: Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 2nd round of the 2018 First Year Player Draft.

### 11 LARNACH, TREVOR OF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 2-8, HR, 3RBI, 2R, 4K, BB**

- Ranked as the #3 prospect in the Twins' system by both Baseball America and MLB.com entering the 2020 season, which he spent at the Alternate Training Site in St. Paul.
- In 2019 he was named a member of the Twins' organizational all-star team as well as a Class-A All-Star after the season by Baseball America.
- Played his collegiate ball at Oregon State where he won a Collegiate World Series in 2018 with the Beavers.
- Originally selected in the 40th round by the San Diego Padres in the 2015 First Year Player Draft, but had committed to Oregon State between his sophomore and junior season and elected to go to college.
- Played on same team as White Sox 1st round pick Nick Madrigal (4th overall in 2018), Cady Grenier (1st round, 37th overall to Orioles in 2018) & Adley Rutschman (1st overall pick to Orioles in 2019) in 2018. Madrigal hit .340 in 2020 in 29 games

ACQUIRED: Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 1st round (20th overall) of the 2018 MLB Draft

### 8 LIN, TZU-WEI INF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 0-7, RBI**

- Spent the first eight years of his career with the Boston Red Sox organization, making his first Opening Day roster in the 2020 season and spent the entire year with Boston.
- His first MLB start came against the Twins in 2017, where he singled off of José Berríos in his first plate appearance.
- A super-utility player, Lin appeared at every position on the diamond besides first and third base in 2020. He became the first player in Red Sox history to play both shortstop and catcher in the same game on 8/13/20.
- Over the course of his MLB career, he has played every position but first base.
- He played in 26 games with the Red Sox last season, batted .154 with 3 RBIs.
- After the 2019 season, he helped Taiwan (Chinese Taipei) win the Asian Baseball Championship, which was its first since 2001.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 11/19/20

### 4 MAGGI, DREW INF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 1-3, 2RBI, R, SF**

- Did not see any action in the 2020 season. In 2019, he spent time between Double-A Pensacola and Triple-A Rochester. He played 108 games with the Red Wings in 2019, smacking ten homers and collecting 46 RBIs.
- In those 108 games, he finished with a career-high .788 OPS. His ten home runs were also a career-high, doubling his previous best of five long balls with 2017 Oklahoma City Dodgers.
- His younger brother, Beau, also played with Drew at Arizona State and was a 24th round pick by the Royals and made it as far as Triple-A. His brother Joe played at the University of Arizona and won a College World Series.
- Was an All-Star in three straight seasons from 2014-16, he was also named a Twins' organizational All-Star in 2019.
- Spent the first five years of his career in the Pirates organization, who selected him in the 15th round in 2010.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 1/15/19

## SAINTS HITTER NOTES

### 56 PENA, ROBERTO C

**Last Series:** **Current Series:**

- Peña is on his fifth Triple-A team, having previously played on Fresno, Charlotte, Durham, Salt Lake and now St. Paul.
- Did not see any action in 2020, but did play in the Puerto Rican Winter League, which he has played in every off-season since 2011.
- Got an invite to Major League Spring Training in 2019 with the Los Angeles Angels.
- In 2015 he set a Corpus Christi Hooks record and led the Texas League by throwing out 49% of would-be base stealers.
- Was named an MiLB and Rawlings Gold Glove winner in 2014 with Adv.-A Lancaster who won the California League title. He threw out 56.5% of baserunners (52 of 92) which led the league.
- Was originally a shortstop in high school, but as he grew he needed to move to either third base or catcher. Upon testing his pop times, his first was 1.87 and had one as low as 1.76 and stuck with it since.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 3/13/21

### 2 REFSNYDER, ROB OF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 2-6, HR, 2 RBI, 2R, HBP**

- Twins are the seventh organization for Refsnyder, having been in the Yankees, Blue Jays, Rays, Reds, Diamondbacks and Rangers organizations before arriving in the Twin Cities.
- Was drafted as an outfielder by the Yankees in 2012, but was converted to a second baseman before returning to the outfield in 2017.
- Has made two Opening Day rosters in his career: Texas (2020) and Tampa Bay (2018).
- He spent all of the 2020 season with the Rangers, hitting .200 across 15 games.
- Over the course of 427 Triple-A games leading into the 2021 season, Refsnyder has a career average of .296 at Triple-A.
- When being promoted to the Yankees in 2015, he became the fourth South-Korean player to make the majors.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 11/23/20.

### 12 RIDDLE, JT INF/OF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 3-8, 2 2B, 2R**

- Played 4 games with Minnesota already this season, getting two hits in six plate appearances, while scoring a run
- Has played with two other big league clubs: Miami and Pittsburgh. He had spent the whole 2020 season with the Pirates, batting .149 with two doubles and a home run.
- A true utility man, spent time with Pittsburgh at: third base, shortstop, left, center and right field, as well as second base and an appearance at first base.
- Has played 85 games with Triple-A New Orleans (Miami), where he's batted .284 with ten home runs and 46 RBIs. In 2019 he had a career-high 10 doubles at Triple-A.

ACQUIRED: Signed as a minor league free agent on 12/21/20

### 19 ROOKER, BRENT OF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 2-9, HR, RBI, R**

- Spent most of the 2020 season at the Alternate Training Site, then had his contract selected on September 4th.
- Got hit by a pitch in the right forearm that placed him on the IL and ended his season on September 12th.
- While with the Twins, he reached base safely in all seven games he played, and collected a hit in his final six games.
- Got his first invite to Spring Training before the 2019 season. He spent the year with Triple-A Rochester, and was named a mid-season All-Star in the International League.
- Ranked the 12th best prospect in the Twins' system by MLB.com
- Played his college baseball at Mississippi State, where he won the Triple Crown in the SEC his junior season. He was also a finalist for the Dick Howser trophy for National Player of the Year after being named First Team All-SEC and SEC player of the year.
- He's a two-time Twins' draft pick, having been picked in the 38th round in 2016, but then picked again by Minnesota in 2017

ACQUIRED: Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in Compensation Round A (35th overall) of the 2015 First Year Player Draft

### 18 TELIS, TOMAS C

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 2-4, 2R**

- Spent the 2020 season at the Twins' Alternate Training Site. He was on the Taxi Squad several times during the season, and also remained with the club during several homestands to serve as a bullpen catcher.
- Had one of his best seasons at the plate in 2019, playing 82 games hitting .330 with 21 doubles, eight home runs and 46 RBIs leading to an .846 OPS.
- Has been on Triple-A rosters since 2014, spanning 441 games, and has a .308 average at Triple-A.
- Made the 2018 Opening Day roster with Miami, the first and only of his career.
- Signed back in 2007 with the Rangers as a shortstop before being converted to catcher full-time in 2009.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 11/29/19

### 23 WIEL, ZANDER INF/OF

**Last Series:** **Current Series: 2-8**

- Did not see any action in 2020 with the cancellation of the season.
- Spent the 2019 season with Triple-A Rochester, smacking a career-high 24 home runs and a career-best 40 doubles. His 24 long balls tied him for 14th in the International League.
- Had a break-out season in 2018. He started with Double-A Chattanooga, where he batted .311 over 101 games with the Lookouts. He was promoted to Rochester late in the season and has been at Triple-A since.
- Made two appearances in the College World Series with Vanderbilt, losing one and winning one over the University of Virginia.

ACQUIRED: Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 12th round of the 2015 First Year Player Draft.



# SAINTS BULLPEN

PITCHER	LAST TIME OUT IP	H	R/ER	BB	SO	1ST BATTER RETIRED/FACED	RI/S	SV/OPP
Anderson, Shaun	5/5 @ OMA	1	0/0	1	-	0/1	0/0	-/-
Coulombe, Danny	-/- vs -	-	-/-	-	-	-	-/-	-/-
Farrell, Luke	5/5 @ OMA	1	1/-	2	1	0/1	0/0	-/-
Gibaut, Ian	5/5 @ OMA	1	0/0	1	3	1/1	3/0	-/-
Hamilton, Ian	-/- vs -	-	-/-	-	-	-	-/-	-/-
Law, Derek	-/- vs -	-	-/-	-	-	-	-/-	-/-
Leyer, Robinson	-/- vs -	-	-/-	-	-	-	-/-	-/-
Minaya, Juan	5/5 @ OMA	0	0/0	1	2	1/1	0/0	-/-
Sparkman, Glenn	5/4 @ OMA	1	1/1	0	5	1/1	0/0	-/-
Vasquez, Andrew	5/4 @ OMA	0	0/0	0	3	1/1	0/0	-/-
Waddell, Brandon	-/- vs -	-	-/-	-	-	-/-	-/-	-/-

## 41 ANDERSON, SHAUN RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 4.0 H: 3 SO: 4 BB: 2**

- Was on the Giants' Opening Day roster last season, the first of his career. His first 16 career appearances came as a starter, but since 8/24/19 has been used exclusively as a reliever.
- In 2020, he inherited ten runners, allowing only three to score and help opponents to a .182 average.
- Threw his slider 53.4% of the time last season, which was eighth among right-handers (min. 250 pitches) and resulted in a 39% whiff percentage on that pitch. His opposition only hit .108 against the slider.
- Ended the 2020 season on a 5.1 inning scoreless streak that started on August 25th.
- Drafted with the last pick of the 40th round of the 2013 draft, making him the 15th winner of the MLB.com "Don't Count Him Out Award"
- Pitched in college at the University of Florida, was in the same class as Pete Alonso.

ACQUIRED: Traded to the Minnesota Twins from the San Francisco Giants on 2/4/21

## 26 COULOMBE, DANNY LHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 3.0 H: 5 SO: 5 BB: 4**

- Spent most of the 2020 season at the Alternate Training Site, had his contract selected on August 22nd and made two appearances with the Twins throwing 2.2 scoreless innings.
- Has spent parts of six of the last seven seasons on Major League rosters. He spent most of his time in the Bigs with Oakland, making 134 appearances with the A's over three seasons.
- The 2017 season called Coulombe's name 72 times with the A's. He was didn't allow a run in 57-of-72 games but pitched less than 1.0 IP in 42-of-72 outings.
- He was a two-time selection of the Los Angeles Dodgers draft pick. Once in the 17th round 2008, then opted for college and was picked again in the 25th round of the 2012 draft. Three years later, he was dealt to the A's.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 11/9/20

## 16 FARRELL, LUKE RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 5.0 H: 2 SO: 8 BB: 4**

- Son of former Red Sox and Blue Jays manager John Farrell. Older brothers both work for Major League teams: Jeremy is a minor league field coordinator for the Chicago Cubs and Shane is an amateur scouting director for the Toronto Blue Jays.
- Made his MLB debut in 2017 against the Twins. His dad, John, took the day off managing the Red Sox to watch his son Pitch. Luke ended up with a no decision, meanwhile his father's team won 7-1.
- While in the minor leagues, he has appeared almost exclusively as a starter, but in his time in the majors, he has come out of the bullpen 39 of his 43 career appearances.
- Twins are his sixth organization (Royals, Reds, Dodgers, Cubs and Rangers).

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 12/14/20

## 57 GIBAUT, IAN RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 3.0 H: 5 SO: 7 BB: 4**

- Spent the 2020 season with the Texas Rangers. Had his contract selected on July 23rd. Was optioned to the Alternate Training Site in August while he led the team in appearances with 14.
- Allowed runs in just five of his 14 games, he held lefties to a .192 average, while righties fared a bit better, hitting .273 against him.
- Prior to his time with Texas, he was a member of the Tampa Bay Rays organization, where Baseball America ranked him the 18th best Rays' prospect after the 2018 season.
- During the 2018 campaign, he was named an International League All-Star with the Durham Bulls.
- Has had his run-ins with injuries, missing his junior season of HS and most of his sophomore year of college due to injury.

ACQUIRED: Claimed off of waivers from the Texas Rangers on 10/30/20

## 44 HAMILTON, IAN RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 2.2 H: 6 SO: 5 BB: 3**

- Has spent his whole playing career with the White Sox prior to suiting up in the Twins organization in the 2021 season. He was claimed off of waivers twice in the 2020 offseason, by Seattle in September and then Philadelphia in December.
- Made four appearances in 2020 with the White Sox. He pitched four innings, giving up two earned runs.
- Prior to the 2020 season, was ranked as the White Sox #18 prospect.
- In 2018, he was named the second best relief prospect in the White Sox' system behind Zach Burdi. He was also named a Southern League All-Star with Birmingham that season as well.

ACQUIRED: Traded to the Minnesota Twins from the San Francisco Giants on 2/4/21

## 54 LAW, DEREK RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 3.2 H: 8 SO: 7 BB: 4**

- Signed a minor league deal with Texas in January of 2020, was assigned to the Alternate Training Site where he spent the duration of the season.
- Was traded from San Francisco to Toronto in April of 2019, while with the Blue Jays, Law set major league career highs in saves (5), IP (60.2) and strikeouts (67).
- In the last three seasons he has stints at Triple-A with Sacramento and Buffalo, where he combined for 20 saves across the 2017-19 campaigns.
- Had spent the first eight years of his career in the Giants organization before bouncing to Toronto and then Texas.
- His father Joe was a pitcher in the Oakland A's organization from 1983-90, was called up for four days in 1988, but did not appear in a game.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 11/12/20

## SAINTS BULLPEN

### 36 LEYER, ROBINSON RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 3.2 H: 6 SO: 6 BB: 4**

- Made his major league debut in 2020 with the Boston Red Sox. It was a short-lived stint, only appearing in six games (one start), pitching a total of 4.2 innings and gave up eleven earned runs.
- Spent the 2015-16 seasons with the Winston-Salem Dash and played with his brother Euclides, who is two years older than him.
- Had started nearly every game in the first five years of his career, but has made just two starts in the last four years, including one with the Boston Red Sox.
- Was named an All-Star in 2018 with Double-A Pensacola, while they were an affiliate of the Cincinnati Reds.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Twins as a minor league free agent on 2/12/21

### 32 MINAYA, JUAN RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 4.1 H: 7 SO: 9 BB: 4**

- Spent the majority on the minor league side of Spring Training. Had his contract purchased in August, but did not appear in a game and was outrighted to the Alternate Training Site.
- Has made 125 career appearances in the majors over the last four seasons, all with the White Sox. In his time with Chicago he amassed a 6-4 record and a 3.93 ERA.
- In 2017 he had nine saves for the White Sox after collecting 12 saves over the course of the previous seven years.
- Has also had stints with Triple-A Charlotte in the last four seasons as well. He finished his Knights career with a 10-9 record out of the bullpen. In his total Triple-A career, he hasn't had a WHIP higher than 1.38.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 11/9/20

### 38 SPARKMAN, GLENN RHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 4.1 H: 7 SO: 5 BB: 3**

- Was a NRI to 2021 Twins Spring Training after spending the 2020 season with the Kansas City Royals. He made four appearances with the Royals before suffering a right forearm strain. He was placed on the 10-day IL, and then was moved to the 60-day IL later, which ended his season.
- In 2019 he recorded a career-high 136.0 IP for Kansas City. He got his first win on his fourth start over Blake Snell, making him the first Royal to get his first career win against a reigning Cy Young winner per *Elias*.
- He also recorded a complete-game shutout over the Chicago White Sox in July of 2019 in a stretch where he made his final 22 appearances as a starter, totaling up to 23 total starts, which is the most of his career in one season.

ACQUIRED: Signed with the Minnesota Twins as a minor league free agent on 12/14/20

### 55 VASQUEZ, ANDREW LHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 3.1 H: 4 SO: 5 BB: 4**

- Did not play in 2020 due to the cancellation of the season.
- Split the 2019 season across four levels: GCL, Double-A Pensacola, Triple-A Rochester and the Twins, making one appearance with the parent club.
- In his lone major league appearance in 2019, he did not record an out, facing three batters. He walked two of them and hit the other, giving up three earned runs in doing so.
- In 2018, he had nine outings with Minnesota. He pitched a total of five innings, giving up three earned runs, walking two and striking out seven.

ACQUIRED: Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 32nd round of the 2015 First Year Player Draft.

### 31 WADDELL, BRANDON LHP

**Relief Highs - IP: 3.2 H: 6 SO: 5 BB: 4**

- Spent the 2020 season in the Pirates organization, starting at the Alternate Training Site, then had his contract selected by Pittsburgh on August 9th.
- He made just two appearances with the Bucs, pitching 3.1 innings giving up just one earned run, holding his opponents to a .167 average.
- Had been a starter since he entered professional baseball in 2015, but has made a transition to the bullpen in 2019 with Triple-A Indianapolis, starting in seven of the 29 games he appeared in.
- Pitched in college at the University of Virginia, where he was the first freshman to start the season opener since 1986. He finished his career with the Cavaliers with a program-record 53 starts.

ACQUIRED: Claimed off of waivers from the Pittsburgh Pirates on 10/30/20.

## SAINTS MISCELLANEOUS STATS

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### **Saints Offense:**

Most Runs Game: 10, 5/5 vs OMA

Most Runs Inning: 4, 5/5 vs OMA (4th)

Most Hits Game: 12, 5/5 vs OMA

Fewest Hits Game: 6, 5/4 vs OMA

Most HRs, Game, Team: 3, 5/5 vs OMA

Most HRs, Game, Individual: 1, Jeffers, 5/4 vs OMA; Larnach, Refsnyder, Rooker, 5/5 vs OMA

Most RBI, Game, Individual: 3, Larnach, 5/5 vs OMA

Most Hits, Game, Individual: 2, Jeffers, Wiel, 5/4 vs OMA; Larnach, Refsnyder, Riddle, Rooker, Telis, 5/5 vs OMA

Most SBs, Game, Team:

Most SBs, Game, Individual:

Grand Slams:

Longest Hitting Streak: 2 games, Jeffers, Riddle, 5/4-active

### **Opponents Offense:**

Most Runs Game: 8, 5/4 vs OMA

Most Runs Inning: 4, 5/4 vs OMA (2nd)

Most Hits Game: 10, 5/5 vs OMA

Fewest Hits Game: 9, 5/4 vs OMA

Most HRs, Game: 4, 5/4 vs OMA

Most SBs, Game Team: 1, 5/5 vs OMA

### **Saints Pitching**

Most SOs, Team: 14, 5/4 vs OMA

Most Walks, Team: 5, 5/5 vs OMA

Most Errors, Team: 1, 5/4 vs OMA

Most SOs, Individual: 6, Andrew Albers, 5/4 vs OMA

Most Walks, Individual: 2, Luke Farrell, 5/5 vs OMA

Complete Games:

### **Opponents Pitching**

Most SOs, Team: 15, 5/4 vs OMA

Most Walks, Team: 2, 5/4 vs OMA

Most Errors, Team: 2, 5/5 vs OMA

### **Miscellaneous**

Longest Game Time (9 inn.): 3:06, 5/5 vs OMA

Shortest Game Time (9 inn.): 2:41, 5/4 vs OMA

Longest Game Time (7 inn.):

Shortest Game Time (7 inn.):

Longest Extra-Inning Game:



## SAINTS PLAYER TRANSACTIONS

5/4 - DELETE INF Nick Gordon - recalled by Minnesota  
5/5 - DELETE C Caleb Hamilton - assigned to Wichita  
5/5 - ADD LHP Brandon Waddell - optioned to St. Paul  
5/6 - DELETE LHP Devin Smeltzer - recalled by Minnesota  
5/6 - ADD LHP Lewis Thorpe - optioned to St. Paul

### Total Transactions:

May: 5  
June:  
July:  
August:  
September:

### Saints Promoted to MLB:

2 - Nick Gordon, Devin Smeltzer

## SAINTS GAME BY GAME

Date	Opponent	Result	Record	Place	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Game time
5/4	OMA	L, 8-2	0-1	T-5th (1.0 GB)	Kowar (1-0)	Albers (0-1)	-	2:41
5/5	OMA	W, 10-4	1-1	T-3RD (1.0 GB)	Barnes (1-0)	Hernández (0-1)	-	3:06