



# 2024 Fort Wayne TinCaps Game Notes



Fort Wayne TinCaps (10-15) @ Lake County Captains (14-11)  
Saturday, May 4 | 6:35 p.m. | Classic Auto Group Park | Eastlake, Ohio  
RHP Dylan Lesko (No. 4 Padres Prospect) vs RHP Jake Miller

Video: [Bally Live app \(FREE\)](#) & [MiLB.TV](#) | Radio: 1380 The Fan & 100.9 FM / [TinCaps.com](#)

## News & Notes

### Padres Prospects (MLB.com)

No. 1	RHP	Ethan Salas
No. 4	RHP	Dylan Lesko
No. 9	OF	Homer Bush Jr.
No. 19	RHP	Braden Nett
No. 21	LHP	Jagger Haynes

### Guardians Prospects (MLB.com)

No. 18	OF	Jake Fox
No. 19	SS/3B	Jose Devers
No. 20	SS	Alex Mooney
No. 21	LHP	Parker Messick

### Apple Slices

Home:	3-8	Score 1st:	6-4
Road:	7-7	Score ≤ 3:	4-11
Day:	6-4	Score 5+:	5-2
Night:	4-11	1-run gms:	3-6
Sunday:	3-1	2-run gms:	4-2
Monday:	--	Lead after 6:	4-1
Tuesday:	0-3	Trail after 6:	2-12
Wednesday:	0-4	Lead after 7:	6-1
Thursday:	3-1	Trail after 7:	1-12
Friday:	1-4	Lead after 8:	5-1
Saturday:	3-2	Trail after 8:	0-12
April:	10-15	With HR:	4-5
May:	--	Without HR:	6-10
June:	--	Multiple HR:	2-1
July:	--	Comebacks:	5
August:	--	Shutouts:	3-1
September:	--	Extra inn:	2-2

### 2024 Series

April 9: L, 7-2	June 11:
April 10: PPD	June 12:
April 11: PPD	June 13:
April 12: L, 7-6	June 14:
April 13: W, 4-3 (7)	June 15:
April 13: W, 3-0 (7)	June 16:
April 14: W, 8-7	July 19:
April 30: L, 1-0 (10)	July 20:
May 1: L, 7-6	July 21:
May 2 GM1: W, 3-0	
May 2 GM2: W, 3-1	
May 3: L, 6-4	
May 4:	
May 5:	

*Italics = Road Games*

**LAST NIGHT:** It was a career day for Anthony Vilar (3-4 HR, 2B, 4 RBIs) but Fort Wayne fell just short of Lake County 6-4.

**MAKING MOVES:** The Padres made news last night, acquiring two-time batting champ Luis Arraez from the Marlins. San Diego sent back four prospects including former TinCaps Nathan Martorella and Jakob Marsee.

**DOUBLEHEADER DOMINANCE:** The TinCaps' pitching staff took over in Thursday's doubleheader sweep. Miguel Cienfuegos put up Fort Wayne's longest start of the season in Game 1, a 7-inning complete game shutout. Cienfuegos allowed 2 baserunners in the first inning, and then retired 19 straight batters. Fort Wayne only allowed 1 run and 6 hits across 14 innings of work. Tyler Morgan, Joan Gonzalez, and Manuel Castro led the Game 2 effort.

**BULLPEN ACES:** Fort Wayne's relief group is 1<sup>st</sup> in the MWL with 142 strikeouts.

**DEFENSE:** The TinCaps have only committed 18 errors, the 3<sup>rd</sup> fewest in the MWL... TinCaps catchers rank 2<sup>nd</sup> in caught stealing % at 30% (the league average is 21%). Ethan Salas and Anthony Vilar are tied for 4<sup>th</sup> in the circuit having thrown out 6 runners trying to steal.

**ANTHONY VILAR:** In his last 3 games, Vilar is 5-10 with 7 RBIs.

**DEVIN ORTIZ:** Since mid-April, Ortiz has been one of the hottest hitters in the league. In his last 18 games he has a .307 AVG, a .935 OPS, and has also slugged 4 HRs with 13 RBIs. On the season Ortiz leads the team in OPS (.859), R (13), HR (4), and TB (37).

**HOMER BUSH JR:** T-3<sup>rd</sup> in the MWL in stolen bases (11). The speedster swiped 4 bags last series against Great Lakes.

**KAI MURPHY:** In this series Murphy is 7-16 with 3 doubles, a triple and 3 RBIs. He's also T-2<sup>nd</sup> in the MWL in doubles (8).

**RALLY CAPS:** The TinCaps have overcome a deficit in 5 of their first 10 wins this season.

**CLOSE CALLS:** Of Fort Wayne's first 14 games, only 1 was decided by more than 3 runs.. In all now, the 'Caps have played 9 1-run games (most in the Midwest League), 5 2-run games, and 2 3-run games... The TinCaps have also played in a league-high 4 extra-inning games.

### San Diego Padres Affiliates

Triple-A: El Paso Chihuahuas (El Paso, TX)



Double-A: San Antonio Missions (San Antonio, TX)



High-A: Fort Wayne TinCaps (Fort Wayne, IN)



Single-A: Lake Elsinore Storm (Lake Elsinore, CA)



Rookie: ACL Padres (Peoria, AZ)



Rookie: DSL Padres

### Cleveland Guardians Affiliates

Triple-A: Columbus Clippers (Columbus, OH)

Double-A: Akron RubberDucks (Akron, OH)

High-A: Lake County Captains (Eastlake, OH)

Single-A: Lynchburg Hillcats (Lynchburg, VA)

Rookie: ACL Guardians (Goodyear, AZ)

Rookie: DSL Guardians

## Upcoming Schedule

Sunday, May 5 @ Lake County (1:00 pm)

RHP Braden Nett vs. RHP Austin Peterson

Monday, May 6 OFF

Tuesday, May 7 @ West Michigan (6:35pm)

Wednesday, May 8 @ West Michigan (6:35pm)

## More News, Notes & Season Storylines

**PROSPECTS:** Catcher Ethan Salas isn't just the top-rated Padres prospect, he's also the top catching prospect in baseball, according to MLB.com. They also rank Salas as the No. 8 overall prospect. Starting pitcher Dylan Lesko is the top righty in San Diego's system and MLB.com's 9<sup>th</sup> best RHP across the sport. Meanwhile, outfielder Homer Bush Jr. (No. 11), righty Braden Nett (No. 22) and lefty starter Jagger Haynes (No. 24) are also "top 30" guys for the Padres. *Baseball America* included outfielder Tyler Robertson and first baseman Griffin Doersching on their pre-season "top 40." *BA* also highlighted reliever David Morgan on a list of prospects who impressed during spring training... *Baseball America* has ranked Fort Wayne's roster as 1 of the 10 most talented in all of MiLB.

**WEATHER WOES:** 3 of the first 7 home dates at Parkview Field were rained out... Friday's game was also delayed by more than 70 minutes due to rain.

**AROUND THE SYSTEM:** 17-year-old Leo DeVries debuted with Single-A Lake Elsinore last Tuesday.

**15<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** This season marks a decade and a half of TinCaps baseball at Parkview Field. During the year, the team is celebrating with special edition jerseys for select home games, among other promotions.

**BACK AT PARKVIEW FIELD:** Last Wednesday, in partnership with the American Red Cross, a blood drive was held at the ballpark.

**FUN FACT:** The first game in Fort Wayne's franchise history was April 10, 1993 on the road against the Waterloo Diamonds (then a Padres affiliate). Waterloo's starting second baseman was Homer Bush Sr., who went on to be a MML All-Star... The current voice of the Dragons, Tom Nichols, was on the radio call for the Wizards then.

**PREMIER PLAY:** Lucas Dunn's 10<sup>th</sup>-inning diving catch and outfield assist from left field on Opening Day at Great Lakes was 1 of 5 finalists for MiLB's Premier Play of the Week.

**AROUND BASEBALL:** MLB.com's No. 1 ranked prospect, Jackson Holliday, made his debut with the Orioles earlier this month. His uncle, Josh, is the head coach at Oklahoma State, where TinCaps first baseman Griffin Doersching played as a grad student in 2022. At the time, former MLB All-Star Matt Holliday was a volunteer assistant coach, and Jackson, as a high schooler, was often around.

**ATTENDANCE CONTEXT:** Parkview Field's Opening Day crowd of 4,422 was the largest Opening Day gathering here since 2017 (when Opening Day fell on a Saturday). The TinCaps had the largest crowd of the night in the MML.

**260 TO THE SHOW:** Since Fort Wayne's franchise was founded in 1993, the club has had 222 alumni go on to reach the big leagues, including 40 in MLB so far this year. The list features All-Stars like Fernando Tatis Jr. (2017), Trea Turner (2014), Max Fried (2013-14), David Bednar (2016-17), Ty France, and Miles Mikolas (2010), plus rookies Jackson Merrill and Graham Pauley (2023).

**CONSECUTIVE POSTPONEMENTS:** Before April 10-11, Fort Wayne hadn't had consecutive home games postponed since May 30-31, 2006. That was at Memorial Stadium. Parkview Field opened in 2009. Ethan Salas was born June 1, 2006.

**WHAT'S NEW AT PARKVIEW FIELD:** During the off-season, as part of a \$1.2 million project to comply with MLB specifications, Parkview Field's playing surfaced was replaced. Additionally, the front steps of the ballpark were improved, as was the flooring of the PSM Treetops, while other areas of the yard were freshly painted... New concessions options include popcorn in a batting helmet, elote, and Bloody Marys.

# Coaching Staff

## 15 Mike Daly      Manager      Age: 46

- FROM: Atlanta, GA + Cincinnati, Ohio
- COLLEGE: LSU (1997, 2000 National Champion)
- CAREER: Daly began in the Cleveland Guardians organization where he worked in their baseball operations department from 2001-2002 and as an area scout from 2003-2006. After 6 seasons with Cleveland, Daly moved to the Texas Rangers organization and was promoted to their Director of International Scouting in 2009. He spent 4 years in that position and became the Senior Director of Player Development in 2014. Eventually Daly was the assistant general manager from 2016-2021. In the fall of 2021, Daly was named the Assistant Director of Player Development for the San Diego Padres. He remained in that position until being hired as Fort Wayne's manager in January 2024.

## 24 Jhonaldo Pozo      Bench Coach      Age: 35

- FROM: San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic
- CAREER: Pozo was a utility player that mostly played catcher. He played in the Padres organization from 2007-2011 and made a stop in Fort Wayne for 6 games in 2011.
- COACHING: 2024 marks Pozo's second stint as bench coach of the TinCaps. The former catcher was on staff in 2022 under manager Brian Esposito. Last year, Pozo served as the bench coach of the Lake Elsinore Storm. He spent the 2010 and 2011 seasons playing in Lake Elsinore before retiring and becoming a minor league coach.

## 45 Thomas Eshelman      Pitching Coach      Age: 29

- FROM: Carlsbad, CA
- COLLEGE: Cal State Fullerton (3 seasons with a sub-2.00 ERA)
- DRAFTED: 2015, 2<sup>nd</sup> RD (Houston)
- CAREER: Eshelman played in the minor leagues from 2015-2019 with the Astros, Phillies, and Orioles organizations. He made his major league debut with the Baltimore Orioles in 2019. Eshelman pitched in the majors from 2019-2021 in 31 games, all with the Orioles.
- COACHING: After retiring from playing in 2022, Eshelman began his coaching career last season as the pitching coach of the Lake Elsinore Storm.

## 13 Jed Morris      Hitting Coach      Age: 44

- FROM: Eugene, Oregon
- COLLEGE: University of Nebraska (2002 BIG12 Player of the Year, .382AVG, 23 HRs, 90 RBI, led Nebraska to the College World Series back-to-back seasons.)
- DRAFTED: 2002, 36<sup>th</sup> round (Oakland)
- CAREER: Morris played in the minors from 2002-08, all with the A's organization. He was diagnosed with Leukemia in 2006 and missed almost all the 2007 season. After undergoing treatment, Morris returned in 2008. He played 2 years of independent league ball in 2009 and 2010
- COACHING: Morris was the head coach of Eastern University from 2012-2018. He's been a hitting coach in the Padres organization since 2018.

**Athletic Trainer:** Lauren Gottschall      **Strength Coach:** Chandler Craig      **Clubhouse Manager:** Sam Lewis  
**Video Analyst:** Dylan Bryant      **Performance Analyst:** Greg Bender      **Clubhouse Manager:** Hunter Sosenheimer

### Notable Padres Player Development / Baseball Operations Staff

President of Baseball Ops & GM:	A.J. Preller	VP of Player Development:	Ryley Westman
Asst. Dir. of Player Development:	Mike Daly	Dir. of Pitching Development:	Rob Marcello
Infield Coordinator:	Felipe Blanco	Catching Coordinator:	Brian Whatley
Hitting Coordinator:	Jonny Mathews	Field Coord. & Player Performance:	Vinny Lopez

### About the TinCaps

- OWNERSHIP: Hardball Capital (also operates Single-A Columbia and Double-A Chattanooga)
- PRESIDENT: Mike Nutter
- FOUNDED: 1993 as the Fort Wayne Wizards
- AFFILIATION: Minnesota Twins (1993-98), San Diego Padres (1999-present)
- NAME: Became the TinCaps in 2009 while moving into Parkview Field from the old Memorial Stadium... TinCaps is a reference to Johnny Appleseed aka John Chapman, who's laid to rest in Fort Wayne and was known for wearing a tin cap on his head
- MML TITLE: 2009
- MLB ALUMNI: 212 TinCaps players have gone on to become major leaguers including including 2022 All-Stars Trea Turner (2014), Ty France (2016), Max Fried (2013), Miles Mikolas (2010), and David Bednar (2016-17), along with two-time Cy Young winner Corey Kluber (2008)... Other past greats include LaTroy Hawkins (1993), Torii Hunter (1994), and Jake Peavy (2000). Other past greats include LaTroy Hawkins (1993), Torii Hunter (1994), and Jake Peavy (2000).
- BALLPARK: Parkview Field (2009-present), Memorial Stadium (1993-2008)
- MASCOT: Johnny TinCap

### About Parkview Field

- BACKGROUND: In 2007, the Fort Wayne City Council approved the Harrison Square Project to build a new ballpark downtown as well as other amenities.
- DEBUT: Opening Day for Parkview Field took place on April 16, 2009. The TinCaps played in front of a sold-out crowd and beat the Dayton Dragons 7-0.
- CAPACITY: 8,100
- RECORD CROWD: 9,508 (July 4, 2019)
- DIMENSIONS: 336 feet to the left-field foul pole... 377 feet to left-center field... 400 feet to straight-away centerfield... 383 feet to right-center field... and 318 feet to the right-field foul pole.
- WALLS: Range from 10 feet tall, from center to right-center field, up to 15 feet tall in the outfield corners as well as a small section of left-center field.
- MORE THAN BASEBALL: Parkview Field hosts hundreds of special events yearly, including concerts such as Florida Georgia Line, Dierks Bentley, Zac Brown Band, and Nelly.

# STARTING PITCHER

RHP Dylan Lesko

6-2 | 200 | 20 years old | Drafted in 1<sup>st</sup> Round, 2022 (15<sup>th</sup> overall)

Year	Age	AgeDif	Tm	Lg	Lev	Aff	W	L	W-L%	ERA	RA9	G	GS	GF	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	IBB	SO	HBP	BK	WP	BF	WHIP	H9	HR9	BB9	SO9	SO/W	
2023	19		3 Teams	3 Lgs	A-A+-Rk	SDP	1	5	.167	5.45	5.45	12	12	0	0	0	0	33.0	29	20	20	3	22	0	52	2	1	10	145	1.545	7.9	0.8	6.0	14.2	2.36	
2023	19	-4.1	Fort Wayne	MIDW	A+	SDP	1	1	.500	4.50	4.50	3	3	0	0	0	0	12.0	8	6	6	1	11	0	20	0	0	2	53	1.583	6.0	0.8	8.3	15.0	1.82	
2023	19	-2.9	Lake Elsinore	CALL	A	SDP	0	3	.000	4.50	4.50	5	5	0	0	0	0	16.0	13	8	8	1	8	0	23	2	1	4	68	1.313	7.3	0.6	4.5	12.9	2.88	
2023	19	-2.3	Padres	ACL	Rk	SDP	0	1	.000	10.80	10.80	4	4	0	0	0	0	5.0	8	6	6	1	3	0	9	0	0	4	24	2.200	14.4	1.8	5.4	16.2	3.00	
2024	20	-3.3	Fort Wayne	MIDW	A+	SDP	0	1	.000	6.14	6.14	4	4	0	0	0	0	14.2	6	10	10	3	16	0	17	3	0	3	65	1.500	3.7	1.8	9.8	10.4	1.06	
<b>All Levels (2 Seasons)</b>							<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.143</b>	<b>5.66</b>	<b>5.66</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47.2</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>1.531</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>1.82</b>

## Last 10 Starts

Date	Opponent	IP	H	ER	BB	K	NP-S	Catcher
Aug. 11	Visalia	4.0	1	0	1	7	57-36	Jacob Campbell
Aug. 18	Inland Empire	4.0	2	1	3	5	70-39	Jacob Campbell
Aug. 25	@ Great Lakes	3.0	5	5	2	6	69-42	Anthony Vilar
Sept. 1	South Bend	5.0	1	0	3	9	85-50	Anthony Vilar
Sept. 8	@ Dayton	4.0	2	1	6	5	73-37	Anthony Vilar
Sept. 15	@ Great Lakes	3.0	4	2	2	3	69-39	Anthony Vilar
April 7	@ Great Lakes	4.0	0	0	3	1	53-25	Ethan Salas
April 13	Lake County	3.0	1	1	4	4	66-35	Ethan Salas
April 20	@ Dayton	5.0	2	3	3	6	75-43	Ethan Salas
April 27	Great Lakes	2.2	3	6	6	6	70-32	Ethan Salas

## Career Bests

Innings:	5.0	2x
Hits:	0	2x
Strikeouts:	9	Sept. 1 vs. SB
Walks:	0	2x, last Aug. 11
Earned R:	0	5x
Pitches:	85	Sept. 1 vs. SB

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball (60), Curveball (55), Changeup (70); Slider (new); Control: 55; Overall: 55... MLB.com says he has the Best Changeup in the minors ("it sits in the low 80s, veers sideways, and also has some sink when it arrives to the plate") and is in the running for Best Curveball... Began throwing CH as a high school freshman, with a circle changeup grip, at the suggestion of a travel coach
- PROSPECT: No. 4 for Padres on MLB.com and *Baseball America* lists... Overall, No. 41 on Baseball America Top 100 and ranked 51<sup>st</sup> by MLB.com
- FROM: Buford, GA (NE suburb of Atlanta)... Alma mater of Brandon Marsh (Phillies OF) and Joey Bart (Giants C)
- HIGH SCHOOL: Buford HS, the Wolves... Became first HS junior to win Gatorade National Player of the Year in 2021 after posting a 0.35 ERA with 112 K in just 60 IP that season... as a senior, needed Tommy John surgery in late April... surgery was performed by Dr. Neal ElAttrache (who's the team physician for the Dodgers and Rams, and is considered a leading surgeon around baseball)... Said it was devastating but mentality has been to "come back stronger"... Pitched in the 2021 Perfect Game All-American Classic at Petco Park (got Jackson Holliday to ground out)
- COLLEGE COMMITMENT: Vanderbilt
- DRAFTED: 2022, 1<sup>st</sup> round, 15<sup>th</sup> overall (\$3.9 million)... first prep pitcher taken selected (had been projected to go even higher before injury)... Coincidentally, pitched for the "Padres" team in summer 2021 East Coast Pro showcase in Hoover, AL... Also pitched at Petco Park in Aug. 2021 in the Perfect Game All-American Classic showcase, where he met Trevor Hoffman... The Padres amateur scout assigned to Georgia is Tyler Stubblefield, who was a TinCaps infielder from 2011-13
- 2022: Didn't see game action (rehabbing after Tommy John)
- 2023: Debut in ACL June 20... transferred to Single-A Lake Elsinore July 21... transferred to Fort Wayne Aug. 21
- MORE: Before the elbow procedure, was already throwing 92-95 and touching 97 (first threw 90 MPH as a HS FR)... "arguably the most polished and complete high school pitching prospect to come along in a decade" (FanGraphs)... Has added about 10 pounds of muscle since being drafted

## Hitters (Alphabetical)

**9 Colton Bender**

**5-9, 195C**

**Age: 25**

- FROM: Lebanon, CT... 1<sup>st</sup> player from there selected in MLB Draft
- HIGH SCHOOL: Lyman Memorial HS (Lebanon, CT)... Bulldogs... hit .609 as a senior... grand slam in state finals... 4-time all-conference catcher... 2-time All-State selection
- COLLEGE: Quinnipiac University (health science major), MAAC... appeared in 2019 NCAA Tournament... Bobcats in MLB: reliever Turk Wendell (1993-2004) and infielder Matthew Batten (who debuted with the Padres last year)
- DRAFTED: 2021, 10th round
- 2021: Assigned to the Arizona Complex League on July 26 (4 games)... Transferred to Single-A Lake Elsinore on Aug. 6 (20 games)
- 2022: 28 games in ACL... Transferred to Lake Elsinore on Aug. 3 (14 games)
- 2023: TinCaps Opening Day roster
- FAMILY: Parents are Jamie & John... has an older sister, Jordan... Father & grandfather also played catcher
- MISCELLANEOUS: Favorite player growing up was Jason Varitek... Plays the guitar... Enjoys hunting and fishing... Aspirations to become an entrepreneur... Unofficial team barber
- SOCIAL MEDIA: IG @colton.bender9... Twitter @benderrr9

**2 Nerwilian Cedeño**

**5-11, 175**

**INF**

**Age: 22**

- PADRES PROSPECT: No. 27 (MLB.com)
- FROM: Rio Tucani, Venezuela
- SIGNED: July 2, 2018, International free agent (\$300,000)... max allowed for Padres due to previous overage in international period... age 16
- 2019: DSL Padres (47 G)
- 2021: ACL Padres (only 18 G... didn't play until Aug. 23 due to a meniscus tear suffered before spring training)
- 2022: Single-A Lake Elsinore (71 G... season debut delayed until May 31 due to an elbow injury)
- ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE: Peoria Javelinas (12 G)
- 2023: TinCaps Opening Day second baseman and second in the order... suffered a right wrist injury on defense in 5<sup>th</sup> game of season (April 12) at Parkview Field vs. Lake County... placed on Injured List on April 15... Sent to ACL Padres on a rehab assignment on June 26 (5 G)... Activated from Injured List on July 2
- MISCELLANEOUS: Earned high school degree last year through Padres educational program
- VENEZUELAN LEAGUE: Member of the Águilas del Zulia
- FAMILY: Has a 20-year-old brother, Oscar, who's playing 1B for the Cleveland Guardians Arizona Complex League team
- INSTAGRAM: @nerwilian\_cedeno2

**7 Lucas Dunn**

**6-0, 205**

**INF**

**Age: 25**

- FROM: Panama City, FL (2 hours West of Tallahassee)
- HIGH SCHOOL: Arnold HS (Panama City, FL)
- COLLEGE: University of Louisville (sports administration major)... 4-year career, batted .290 with an .809 OPS and 71 RBI in 155 GP and 452 AB... 1 of 7 Cardinals drafted in 2021, including first overall pick Henry Davis (PIT)
- DRAFTED: 2021, 8<sup>th</sup> Round, (250<sup>th</sup> overall)... had a pre-draft workout at Parkview Field
- 2021: Assigned to Arizona Complex League on July 26 (8 games)... Transferred to Single-A Lake Elsinore on Aug. 6 (34 games)
- 2022: Lake Elsinore (42 games)... Transferred to Fort Wayne on May 31 (62 games)
- 2023: TinCaps Opening Day roster
- NATIONAL TEAM EXPERIENCE: In 2019, played for the USA Collegiate National Team that traveled to Japan and Taiwan (squad included current Tiger Spencer Torkelson)
- MORE INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: Dual citizen of US and Germany. Speaks German fluently and played for Germany in World Baseball Classic Qualifying in Sept. 2022, as well as previously for junior national teams, traveling to countries like the Dominican Republic, Spain, Sweden, and the Czech Republic... MLB players from Germany include Twins outfielder Max Kepler
- FAMILY: Parents are Panja & Gary
- MISCELLANEOUS: Favorite players: Derek Jeter, Mike Trout, Bryce Harper & Fernando Tatis Jr.
- INSTAGRAM: @lucasdunn8... TWITTER: @lucasdunn8

**21 Homer Bush Jr.**

**6-3, 200**

**OF**

**Age: 22**

- PADRES PROSPECT: No. 11 (MLB.com)
- FROM: Grapevine, TX
- HIGH SCHOOL: Carroll High School (Southlake, TX)... won state championships in 2018 and 2019... also played one year of football
- COLLEGE: Grand Canyon (sports management major)... first-team All-WAC selection as an outfielder in 2023... hit .363 with 23 XBHs and set the team's single-season record with 25 stolen bases in 31 attempts... led the Lopes in R (69), H (88), 2Bs (19), OBP (.478), and SBs (25)
- DRAFTED: 2023, 4th round
- 2023: 12 games in ACL, hit .409 with 16 R and 10 SBs... Promoted to Single-A Lake Elsinore (24 games)... Finished the season with Double-A San Antonio for 8 games, hit .429 (12-28).
- FAMILY: Homer and Monica Bush. Father, Homer played 7 MLB seasons (1997-2004) with the Yankees, Blue Jays and Marlins. In his career, Homer played 409 games and hit .285. Homer Bush Jr. was 2 1/2 years old when Bush Sr. played his final big league game.
- MISCELLANEOUS: Only held one D-1 offer (New Mexico) before GCU head coach Andy Stankiewicz (a former teammate of Homer Bush Sr.) came to watch him play.
- SOCIAL MEDIA: IG @Homiebush... X @homerbushjr

**36 Griffin Doersching**

**6-4, 251OF**

**Age: 25**

- FROM: Greendale, WI (town of 15,000; southwest of Milwaukee)
- HIGH SCHOOL: Greendale HS, the Panthers... 1<sup>st</sup> team All-State... hit .562 with 13 HRs and only 7 K during senior season... also played football for 2 years
- DRAFTED: 2022, 8<sup>th</sup> round
- COLLEGE: Played 4 seasons at Northern Kentucky (Horizon League)... set school records with 20 HR and 50 BB in 2021 (including one HR against Purdue Fort Wayne at Parkview Field that dented The Harrison building beyond LF)... ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> all-time at NKU in homers (47)... 2019 College Home Run Derby champion... named 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Horizon League twice... grad transferred to Oklahoma State, where he hit .296 during his final collegiate season with 15 HR and 58 RBI in just 42 G... was working toward a graduate certificate in entrepreneurship... Josh Holliday was head coach, with Matt Holliday and Robin Ventura also assisting the staff
- 2022: After being drafted, played 5 G for ACL Padres... transferred to Single-A Lake Elsinore on Aug. 13... part of a Storm squad that won the California League... blasted 8 HR in 25 G during final month of the season
- 2023: Began season with Lake Elsinore... transferred to Fort Wayne Aug. 22... had 34 XBH & 55 RBI in 93 G with Storm
- MISCELLANEOUS: Favorite player growing up was Prince Fielder
- NICKNAME: Hokage (Japanese for "Fire shadow" - an anime reference)
- INSTAGRAM: @hokagedoersch... TWITTER: @HokageDoersch

**40 Albert Fabian**

**6-0, 215OF**

**Age: 22**

- FROM: Santiago, Dominican Republic... home to dozens of former major leaguers including Joaquin Benoit, Jose Reyes, and Al Alburquerque
- SIGNED: July 2, 2018, International free agent... age 16
- 2019: DSL Padres (41 G)
- 2021: ACL Padres (7 G)... DNP after July 9 due to injury (broken thumb)
- 2022: Single-A Lake Elsinore Storm (62 G)... Season debut on May 6... July 2 began a 3-game rehab assignment with ACL Padres... Assigned to Fort Wayne on Aug. 3 (29 G)... Assigned back to Lake Elsinore on Sept. 14 and appeared in 3 Cal League postseason games
- 2023: Single-A Lake Elsinore Opening Day DH, hitting fifth... In 62 G, slashed .267 / .326 / .504 (.830 OPS)... was leading Cal League with 58 RBIs and 31 XBH... 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2B (18), 3<sup>rd</sup> in TB (119), 4<sup>th</sup> in HR (12) and 6<sup>th</sup> in SLG (.504)... transferred to Fort Wayne on June 27
- LIDOM: Águilas Cibaeñas
- MISCELLANEOUS: Favorite player growing up: David Ortiz... Enjoys playing PS5
- INSTAGRAM: @alberthfabian

## Hitters (Alphabetical – continued)

**4 Nik McClaughry**

**5–9, 159INF**

**Age: 24**

- FROM: Roseville, CA
- HIGH SCHOOL: Rocklin HS
- COLLEGE: Arizona (Interdisciplinary Studies with an emphasis in sports and society)...3 seasons at Arizona, in 2023 he made All Pac-12 and was the conference defensive player of the year...in the batter's box he drew nearly as many walks (35) as strikeouts (36) and notched a .429 OBP...McClaughry was tied for the team lead and ranked third in the Pac-12 with 71 runs scored.
- BEFORE ARIZONA: McClaughry played two seasons at Sacramento City College (California Community College)...hit .260 in 58 games, earned Big 8 Conference Gold Glove Award
- DRAFTED: 10th Round, 2023
- 2023: Lake Elsinore (27 G)...played 1 game with AAA El Paso at the end of the season
- FAMILY: Son of Jeff and Cheri McClaughry...One brother, Riley
- INSTAGRAM: @nikmclaughry ... X: @NikMcclaughry

**23 Devin Ortiz**

**6–2, 215**

**INF**

**Age: 25**

- FROM: Nutley, NJ
- HIGH SCHOOL: St. Joseph Regional (NJ), where he was named as a Rawlings/Perfect Game 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-American in 2017... hit .541 his senior year
- COLLEGE: Virginia, where he was a 2-way player... Went 10-1 with a career 2.52 ERA in 71 IP on the mound in his career... also was a career .269 hitter, including .286 / .389 / .438 during his 5th year with the Hoos... hit two walk-off home runs in his career (only Cavalier since 2000), highlighted by a walk-off blast in the 2021 Columbia Regional, defeating Old Dominion (a game in which he was starting pitcher) to advance to the Supers... majored in philosophy
- SIGNED: August 2022, free agent
- 2023: Assigned to Fort Wayne on May 5... transferred to Single-A Lake Elsinore on May 19... hit .252 in 65 G... returned to Fort Wayne on Aug. 22
- FAMILY: Uncle Dan was drafted in the 35th round by the Rangers in 1991... spent 2 years as a minor league relief pitcher with the Brewers & Cubs organizations
- INSTAGRAM: @ortizdevin
- TWITTER: @ortiz\_devin

**12 Ethan Salas**

**6–2, 185**

**C**

**Age: 17**

- PROSPECT: No. 1 Padres prospect...No. 8 overall (MLB.com) No. 1 international free agent in class of 2023 (Hit: 60... Power: 55... Run: 45... Arm: 60... Field: 60... Overall: 65)
- FROM: Montgomery, AL
- SIGNED: Jan. 15, 2023 by the Padres for \$5.6 million
- WINTER LEAGUE: Played for the Águilas del Zulia
- SPRING TRAINING: On March 11, caught 4 innings in big league game vs. White Sox and had 1 at-bat; was behind the plate for MLB pitchers, including Ryan Weathers
- 2023: Made pro debut at age 16 on May 30 with Single-A Lake Elsinore... became just the 3rd player since 2018 to play in Single-A during their age-17 seasons... won California League Player of the Week twice in July and was also named the league's Player of the Month... transferred to Fort Wayne on Aug. 8... was slashing .267 / .350 / .487 (.837 OPS) with 9 HRs (22 XBH)
- YOUTHFUL: At just 17 years and 2 months old, youngest player in FW's 30-year franchise history... With data available since 2006, just the fifth 17-year-old at the High-A level, the first since 2017, and the only catcher
- FAMILY: Father (Jose Antonio) played in Braves' farm system... Uncle (Jose Gregorio) played in Jays' org... Grandfather (Jose Gregorio) appeared in Padres, Astros, and Royals' systems... Older brother (Jose Salas Jr.) is No. 6 Twins prospect... Younger brother (Andrew), 15, is on radar of MLB clubs
- MISCELLANEOUS: As a left-handed batting catcher, has been compared to Joe Mauer... Also grew up admiring Yadier Molina, Sal Perez, and Bryce Harper
- SCOUTING REPORT: pure left-handed swing and advanced eye at the plate. On defense, shows athleticism, advanced blocking and receiving skills with a plus arm

**1 Kai Murphy**

**5–8, 173OF**

**Age: 23**

- FROM: Phoenix, AZ
- HIGH SCHOOL: Red Mountain High School (Mesa)... was ranked as No. 12 prospect in Arizona by Prep Baseball Report (also No. 2 LHP)... First Team All-State as a senior
- COLLEGE: Began career at Oregon State (2020) as a pitcher appearing 4 times in relief... due to a coaching change at OSU, transferred to Arizona State for 2021-22... at ASU, was a 2-way player, though most of his starts were in the outfield (5 appearances as a pitcher)... in 1<sup>st</sup> career start on mound against Cal on short notice, tossed 7 one-hit innings, becoming the first Sun Devil to record 7.0 IP while allowing one hit or fewer in their 1<sup>st</sup> career start this century
- SUMMER BALL: Played 2 seasons in the Northwoods League... Kenosha Kingfish (2020) & Lakeshore Chinooks (2021)
- SIGNED: By the Padres as a non-drafted free agent on July 30, 2022
- 2022: Played 9 G for ACL Padres... transferred to Single-A Lake Elsinore on Aug. 22
- 2023: Lake Elsinore Opening Day (hitting .287 with 22 XBH, 31 RBI & 11 SB)... transferred to High-A Fort Wayne on July 25
- FAMILY: Dad (Pat) was Notre Dame's head coach from 1988-94 (4 NCAA Tournament appearances) and at Arizona State from 1995-2009 (4 CWS appearances); joined Padres as a baseball ops special assistant in 2010, then managed Short-Season Eugene from 2011-12 and Triple-A affiliate from 2013-15 until becoming SD's interim manager for final 96 games of '15... now Brewers manager
- 200 CLUB: Brand he founded, with father, inspired by the mission to be relentlessly competitive, striving for improvement (shirts and hoodies for sale online)
- INSTAGRAM: @kmmurph1\_

**11 Tyler Robertson**

**6–4, 200**

**OF**

**Age: 24**

- FROM: Montgomery, AL
- HIGH SCHOOL: St. James, the Trojans... All-State as a senior... also pitched and played football (WR / CB)
- DRAFTED: 2022, 14<sup>th</sup> round
- COLLEGE: Spent 2 years at Shelton State CC (only baseball offer out of HS; had more offers for football but dad told him he'd go further in baseball)... transferred to Louisiana for final 3 college seasons, where he played most of his games at 3B... career .291 hitter with 13 HR for the Ragin' Cajuns
- 2022: Briefly played for both Rookie ACL Padres and Single-A Lake Elsinore
- 2023: On Lake Elsinore's Opening Day roster... Had a 1-month stint on the IL between May and June... eventually rehabbed with ACL Padres... in 56 G with the Storm, was hitting .265 with 6 HR and 30 RBI... also swiped 23 bags... transferred to Fort Wayne on Aug. 22
- FAMILY: Parents are Brian Robertson and Michelle Hutto... Brian played baseball at Jacksonville State and Auburn University-Montgomery... has 3 sisters & a step-sister
- MISCELLANEOUS: Big fan of Alabama football... Players he's most admired all-time are Mickey Mantle and Josh Hamilton
- INSTAGRAM: @tcr Robertson32... TWITTER: @TCROBERTSON32

**5 Anthony Vilar**

**5–10, 190**

**C**

**Age: 25**

- FROM: Miami, FL
- HIGH SCHOOL: Westminster Christian School (Miami)... Alumni include former Twins 2<sup>nd</sup> round pick Dan Perkins (1993), who played for the Fort Wayne Wizards in 1994 before making The Show in 1999
- COLLEGE: University of Miami... All-ACC 2<sup>nd</sup> Team in 2021 after junior season... Despite being a catcher now, played all of his collegiate games at 2B or SS... Started all 131 games he played in at Miami, 104 at 2B and 27 at SS... However, published catching workout videos on YouTube prior to the 2021 MLB Draft
- DRAFTED: 2021, 15<sup>th</sup> Round... Previously selected in the 37<sup>th</sup> round out of high school in 2018 by the Chicago Cubs but elected to go to Miami instead (scout Tim Adkins was scout who signed him, first with Cubs and then with Padres)
- 2021: Played in 8 games with Rookie-level ACL Padres after college season
- 2022: Spent entire season with Fort Wayne... hit .226 in 54 games
- 2023: Began year with Single-A Lake Elsinore... was hitting .211 in 44 games when he was transferred to Fort Wayne on June 27
- FAMILY: Parents are Rossana and Henry (who played at Miami from 1990-1991 and is a certified MLB agent with BHSC Global)... Sisters are Regina and Sophia... On wrist tape, "Battle Strong," a tribute to friend Patrick Battle who passed away, and "LLA," Live Like Ari, another friend who's passed
- INSTAGRAM: @anthonyvilar

26 Colton Vincent      5-11, 187      C      Age: 24

- FROM: Palmetto, FL
- SIGNED: 2023, Non-drafted free agent (Florida State)
- HIGH SCHOOL: Palmetto High School... underwent Tommy John surgery senior year of high school and was playing in college again 7 months later
- COLLEGE: Florida State...Hit .273 in 54 games his senior year...also had 11 2B's, 13B, 3 HR's, 25R, and 25 RBIs...drew 15 walks and was hit by a team-high 9 pitches...17-game hitting streak spanning from 2022 to 2023 was the third-longest for a Seminole over the last 10 seasons, hit 26-for-61 during the hitting streak...began his college career at College of Central Florida (JUCO)...hit .352 in his 2<sup>nd</sup> season
- 2023: Played 4 games in the Arizona Complex League
- 2024: Began the season with Lake Elsinore...played 3 games, hit 4-11... Assigned to ACL Padres on April 23... Assigned to Fort Wayne on April 30

## THE LAST TIME...

Series Sweep (Home):	May 20-23, 2019	vs. South Bend
Series Sweep (Road):	June 11-13, 2019	@ Bowling Green
Individual No-Hitter:	Aug. 19, 2009	vs. Dayton (Simon Castro – 7 inn. game)
Team No-Hitter:	May 16, 2023	@ Dayton, W6-0 (Jairo Iriarte, Alan Mundo, Adam Smith)
1-Hitter:	April 7, 2024	@ Great Lakes, W2-0 (Lesko, Geraldo, Cienfuegos, Peña, and Och)
Got No-Hit:	Aug. 12, 2021	vs. South Bend, L3-0 (Alexander Vizcaino, Joe Nahas, Burl Carraway)
Complete Game:	May 2, 2024	@ Lake County, W3-0 (Miguel Cienfuegos, 7.0 IP – DH)
Complete Game Shutout:	May 2, 2024	@ Lake County, W3-0 (Miguel Cienfuegos, 7.0 IP – DH)
9-Inning Complete Game:	Aug. 29, 2012	vs. West Michigan, L1-0 (James Needy)
Consecutive Shutouts:	May 26-27, 2023	vs. Lansing (W1-0 [10 inn.], W4-0)
Pitched Immaculate Inning:	May 4, 2021	vs. West Michigan (Ethan Elliott, Opening Day)
Grand Slam:	Aug. 9, 2023	@ Lansing, W9-5 (Graham Pauley, 6 <sup>th</sup> inning) – 6 <sup>th</sup> of season
Back-to-Back Home Runs:	Sept. 9, 2023	@ Dayton (Griffin Doersching and Albert Fabian)
2-HR Game:	May 1, 2024	@ Lake County (Devin Ortiz)
3-HR Game:	Sept. 1, 2021	@ Great Lakes (Robert Hassell III; 1st since Jonathan Galvez in 2010)
HR in Consecutive Games:	Sept. 5-6, 2023	@ Dayton (Nerwilian Cedeño)
Walk-Off Win:	April 13, 2024	vs. Lake County, W4-3 (Tyler Robertson single)
Walk-Off HR:	Aug. 16, 2023	vs. Dayton, W6-4 (Nerwilian Cedeño)
Consecutive Walk-Off Wins:	May 2-3, 2018	vs. Beloit
Hit for the Cycle:	Aug. 27, 2018	@ South Bend (Gabriel Arias: 5-6, 5 RBI)
6-Hit Game:	May 18, 2015	@ Lake County (Ruddy Giron: 6-6)
5-Hit Game:	May 1, 2019	vs. Kane County (Xavier Edwards: 5-5, 2B, RBI)
Pitcher Batted:	July 15, 2019	@ Clinton (Carlos Belen)
Position Player Pitched:	April 28, 2024	vs. Great Lakes (Anthony Vilar)
Inside-the-Park HR:	May 31, 2023	vs. South Bend (Jackson Merrill)
Turned a Triple Play:	April 10, 1993	@ Waterloo
Hit into a Triple Play:	June 3, 2022	@ Great Lakes
Pinch-Hit HR:	May 21, 2015	@ Lake County (Duanel Jones – 2-run HR in 9 <sup>th</sup> )
MLB Rehab:	April 28, 2022	vs. Dayton (LHP Blake Snell)
vs. MLB Rehab:	July 30, 2023	@ West Michigan (Spencer Turnbull)

## Relievers (Alphabetical)

**14 Manuel Castro**      5-8, 180      RHP      Age: 21

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Curveball, Changeup, Cutter
- FROM: Guasave, Mexico
- SIGNED: 2021, International free agent
- 2022: Began the season in the Arizona Complex League...Moved back and forth between Single-A Lake Elsinore twice...Pitched 8.2IP with 0ER with the Storm
- 2023: Spent all of 2023 with Lake Elsinore...12GP, 5GS...46IP, 3.91 ERA, 55K, 12BB...His ERA in 5 starts was 2.84...He struck out 19 batters and only walked 1...California League Pitcher of the Week for his April 29 start vs Visalia (6IP, 2H, 0ER, 0BB, 3K)

**27 Will Geerdes** 6-2, 220      RHP      Age: 24

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Curveball, Changeup
- FROM: San Antonio, TX
- HIGH SCHOOL: International School of the Americas (San Antonio), a magnet school on the Robert E. Lee High School campus... Course schedule included Mandarin... Tossed 2 no-hitters
- COLLEGE: Columbia University (2019-21)... missed 2019 due to TJ, plus a foot injury... 2020 season was cut short... Ivy League didn't compete in 2021... transferred to Virginia in 2022, where he posted a 7.31 ERA in 32 IP... summer of 2020 pitched for the Wisconsin Woodchucks in the Northwoods League
- MLB DRAFT LEAGUE: Pitched for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers in 2022
- SIGNED: By Padres on Aug. 1, 2022
- 2022: On Aug. 9, assigned to Single-A Lake Elsinore, 14.1 IP (4.40 ERA)
- 2023: Began season with Lake Elsinore... 2.70 ERA in 33.1 IP... 41 K, just 14 BB... 4 saves, which was 7<sup>th</sup> most in the California League... transferred to Fort Wayne on June 27
- FAMILY: Parents are Barbara (school teacher) and Greg (lawyer)... Younger sister is Cate

**12 Joan Gonzalez**      6-3, 170      RHP      Age: 25

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Cutter, Sweeper
- FROM: Santiago, Dominican Republic... Moved with family to Daytona Beach, FL
- COLLEGE: 2 seasons at Highland CC (KS) from 2020-21, where he led the team in strikeouts as a sophomore (Jayhawk Conference Honorable Mention)... Summer 2021, pitched in the Appalachian League for the Pulaski (VA) River Turtles - appeared in the league's All-Star Game that was broadcast on MLB Network... transferred to Bethune-Cookman University (SWAC) for final 2 seasons ... 2023 First Team All-SWAC and SWAC Relief Pitcher of the Year... Pitched in MLB's HBCU Swingman Classic at T-Mobile Park in Seattle on July 7 (part of the MLB All-Star Game festivities and broadcast on MLB Network)
- MLB DRAFT LEAGUE: Appeared in 7 games with the Trenton Thunder
- SIGNED: July 20, 2023 as a non-drafted free agent... assigned to Fort Wayne on Aug. 1
- MISCELLANEOUS: Nicknamed "Poke"... Favorite pitcher growing up was Pedro Martinez... Says he's better at playing piano than he is pitching... Enjoys hanging out with his family
- TWITTER: @joanjesusgonzal... INSTAGRAM: @joan07gonzalez

**22 Tyler Morgan**      6-0, 200      RHP      Age: 23

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Changeup, Slider, Curveball
- FROM: Flower Mound, TX (suburb of Dallas/Fort Worth)
- HIGH SCHOOL: Marcus HS (TX), where he was 19 Class 5/6A Pitcher of the Year
- COLLEGE: Abilene Christian, where he pitched for 4 seasons... posted a career 5.64 ERA in 236 IP with 254 K... majored in business management
- DRAFTED: 2023, 14<sup>th</sup> round... 1 of 3 Wildcats drafted this year
- 2023: After being drafted on July 20, assigned to Fort Wayne on Aug. 1
- FAMILY: Parents are Shanna & John
- MISCELLANEOUS: Favorite pitcher growing up was Max Scherzer... Grew up bowling as well (has scored in the 230s)... Now enjoys playing golf and "MLB The Show"... Beyond baseball, has an interest in pursuing a career as an insurance broker
- INSTAGRAM: @tyler\_morgan\_12

**17 Ruben Galindo**      6-1, 170      RHP      Age: 23

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Changeup, Slider
- FROM: San Juan de Uraba, Columbia
- SIGNED: 2019, International free agent
- 2021: With Single-A Lake Elsinore, posted a 4.57 ERA in 65 IP... 62K, 27 BB
- 2022: Spent entire season with Single-A Lake Elsinore... Appeared in 10 games in Colombian Winter League... 2.52 ERA in 25 IP
- 2023: Promoted to Fort Wayne on May 9 after posting a .75 ERA in 12IP with Single-A Lake Elsinore
- WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC: Competed for his native country (Columbia) in 2023 WBC... appeared in a game against the United States on March 15... he struck out former TinCap Trea Turner (who hit 5 HR's with a .391 AVG in the tournament)

**37 José Geraldo**      6-3, 200      RHP      Age: 25

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Changeup, Slider
- FROM: Azua, Dominican Republic
- SIGNED: 2018, International free agent
- 2018: In Dominican Summer League, 16 app., 4.74 ERA in 19 IP, 18 K, 7 BB
- 2019: In Rookie Arizona League, 17 app., 3.09 ERA in 23.1 IP, 27 K, 8 BB
- 2021: Reached High-A Fort Wayne... 9 app., 2.79 ERA in 9.2 IP, 10 K, 3 BB
- 2022: DNP after Tommy John surgery
- 2023: TinCaps Opening Day roster
- MISCELLANEOUS: Favorite big leaguer is Edwin Diaz... Earned high school diploma last July through Padres Educational Program

**8 David Morgan** 6-0, 185 RHP      Age: 24

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Curveball
- FROM: Mission Viejo, CA (Orange County)
- HIGH SCHOOL: Mission Viejo HS, the Diablos... 2-time all-conference selection
- COLLEGE: Began career at Orange Coast College (Newport Beach, CA), where he was an infielder for 2 years... hit nearly .300 in his career there... transferred to NAIA Hope International University (Fullerton, CA), where he was a 2-way player... only pitched 15 total innings at Hope, while crushing a .348 AVG with 47 RBI, mainly playing center field... majored in Kinesiology... Pitched for the Portland Pickles (summer collegiate West Coast League)
- SIGNED: Aug. 1, 2022, as a non-drafted free agent
- 2022: After being signed, spent the rest of the season at the Arizona Complex
- 2023: Started season with Single-A Lake Elsinore... 4.24 ERA in 25 relief app. (40.1IP)... 13 BB and 42 K... transferred to Fort Wayne on Aug. 15
- MISCELLANEOUS: Grew up a Padres fan... favorite player growing up was Trevor Hoffman... Can surf... Plays the guitar and the piano... Nicknamed "Moe"
- FAMILY: Parents are Carolyn and Scott... has 2 brothers, Daniel and Dustin
- INSTAGRAM: @davidmorgn

**25 Mitchell Miller**      6-6, 185 LHP      Age: 26

- ARSENAL: 2-Seam Fastball, Cutter, Changeup, Sweeper
- FROM: Loganville, GA
- HIGH SCHOOL: Loganville HS
- COLLEGE: Began his college career at Clemson where he only pitched 5.2 innings over two seasons. Miller transferred to West Texas A&M where he was mostly used as a reliever... 25 APP, 3.98 ERA, 52Ks, 31.2 IP
- SIGNED: Free agent, 2024
- 2022 (PIT): Pitched in RK A, A+... 2.88 ERA, 34.1 IP, 39 Ks
- 2023 (PIT): Pitched for the Greensboro Grasshoppers (PIT A+)... 7.22 ERA in 28 APP (33.2 IP)
- FAMILY: Son of Cliff and Katie Miller, has two siblings
- MISCELLANEOUS: Drafted in the 31<sup>st</sup> RD of the 2018 draft by the LA Angels (did not sign)
- INSTAGRAM: @mitch\_miller30



## Relievers (Alphabetical – continued)

**26 Ryan Och**

**6-0, 195 LHP Age: 25**

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, Changeup, Slider
- FROM: Carver, MN (town of ~3,000 on the banks of the Minnesota River. 30 minutes southwest of Minneapolis)
- HIGH SCHOOL: In 2015, Och helped Chanhassen High School to the Class 4A State Championship, the first in school history
- COLLEGE: Southern Mississippi (Conference-USA. Two conference titles and three NCAA tournament appearances, all but 2020, in his time there)...Och's senior season in college featured a remarkable 8-0 record out of the bullpen. When Och picked up a loss versus ACL Royals Gold on August 12 last year, it was his first loss at any level of baseball in over two years, dating back to a March 30, 2019 loss to UTSA.
- DRAFTED: 7<sup>th</sup> RD, 2021 (Southern Mississippi)
- 2022: TinCaps opening day roster... After 9 appearances, placed on IL on May 26... sent to ACL on rehab assignment July 15 (2 games)... sent to Single-A Lake Elsinore on July 27 (8 G)... Aug. 25 back on IL
- 2023: Missed due to injury

**18 Francis Peña 6-1, 170**

**RHP Age: 23**

- ARSENAL: 4-Seam Fastball, 2-Seam FB, Slider
- FROM: Piedra Blanca, Dominican Republic
- SIGNED: 2022, Free agent
- 2022: Dominican Summer League
- 2023: Started in ACL...4.50 ERA in 11 GP, Moved up to Lake Elsinore....0.51 ERA in 11 APP, 17Ks, 2BB's, 17.2 IP...Pitched one game in Fort Wayne (1 scoreless inning)

**33 Bradgley Rodriguez 6-1, 160**

**RHP Age: 20**

- FROM: Petare, Venezuela (Nobody from Petare, Venezuela has ever appeared in a major league game)
- SIGNED: 2021, Free agent
- 2021: Played with the Padres Dominican Summer League team after signing in 2021...10G, 6.20 ERA, 24.2 IP, 27K, 16 BB
- 2022/23: DNP
- 2024: Lake Elsinore...4G, 2 SV, 1.69 ERA, 5.1 IP, 9K, 1BB....Served as the Storm's closer – notched a 4-out save against Rancho Cucamonga ...pitched the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> vs Modesto 3 days later...other two appearances are just in the 9<sup>th</sup> inning...Multiple Ks in every appearance

## Season Highs & Lows (2024)

### MISCELLANEOUS

Longest Winning Streak: April 18-21 4  
 Longest Losing Streak: April 24-May 1 8  
 Largest Margin of Victory: April 13 vs. LC 3  
 Largest Margin of Defeat: April 27 vs. GL 11  
 Longest Game, Time: April 21 @ DAY 3:16  
 Longest Game, Innings: April 5 vs. GL 11  
 Shortest 9 inning Game: April 16 @ DAY 2:07  
 Shortest Game, Innings: Multiple 7  
 Largest Crowd (Home): April 28 vs. GL 5,504  
 Largest Crowd (Road): April 20 @ DAY 8,616  
 Largest Comeback Win: Apr 14 vs. LC 5  
 Largest Lead Blown in Loss: Multiple 1  
 Most Errors, Team: Multiple 2  
 Most Errors by Opponent: Multiple 2  
 Most Left on Base: April 12 vs. LC 14  
 Warmest 1<sup>st</sup> Pitch Temp: April 16 @ DAY 84°  
 Coolest 1<sup>st</sup> Pitch Temp: Apr 21 @ GL 45°  
 Walk-Off Wins: 1  
 Apr. 13 vs. LC: Robertson single, 4-3

### BATTING

#### TEAM

Most Runs, Game: April 14 vs LC 8  
 Most Runs, Inning: Multiple 4  
 Most Hits, Game: April 20 @ DAY 12  
 Fewest Hits, Game (9 innings): April 26 vs GL 2  
 Most Doubles, Game: Multiple 4  
 Most Triples, Game: Multiple 1  
 Most XBH, Game: April 20 @ DAY 6  
 Most Home Runs, Game: Multiple 2  
 Most Walks, Game: April 12 vs LC 10  
 Most Strikeouts, Game: April 26 vs GL 17  
 Most SB, Game: Multiple 4

#### INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-GAME

Most Hits: Murphy, April 19 @ DAY 4  
 Most XBH: Doersching, April 18 @ DAY 3  
 Most HR: Doersching, Ortiz 2  
 Most Total Bases: Doersching, April 18 @ DAY 10  
 Most Runs: Fabian, April 20 @ DAY 4  
 Most RBIs: Doersching, Vilar 4  
 Most BB: Murphy, Salas 3  
 Most K: Multiple 3  
 Most SB: Bush Jr, April 9 vs LC 2  
 Longest Hitting Streak: Bush Jr, Dale 6  
 Longest On-Base Streak: Ortiz, April 14-May 1 15

### PITCHING

#### TEAM

Most Runs Allowed, Game: April 27 vs GL 14  
 Most Runs Allowed, Inning: April 24 vs GL 7  
 Fewest Hits Allowed, Game: April 7 vs GL 1  
 Most Hits Allowed, Game: Multiple 15  
 Most XBH Allowed, Game: Multiple 6  
 Most HR Allowed, Game: April 9 vs LC 4  
 Most SB Allowed: April 14 vs LC 3  
 Most Ks, Game: April 18 @ DAY 17  
 Fewest Ks, Game: April 12, May 1 vs LC 4  
 Most BB, Game: April 27 vs GL 9  
 Fewest BB, Game: April 13 vs LC 1

#### INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-GAME

Longest Start: Cienfuegos, May 2 7.0  
 Most Pitches: Baez, May 3 @ LC 83  
 Shortest Start: Haynes 0.1  
 Longest Relief Outing: Cienfuegos, T. Morgan 4.0  
 Few H Allowed (Starter): Lesko, April 7 @ GL 0  
 Most H Allowed (Starter): Cienfuegos, April 18 @ DAY 6  
 Most Ks, Starter: Baez, April 26 vs GL 8  
 Most Ks, Reliever: Galindo, April 17 vs DAY 6  
 Most BB, Starter: Lesko, April 27 vs DAY 6  
 Most BB, Reliever: Multiple 2  
 Most ER, Starter: Lesko, April 27 vs DAY 6  
 Most ER, Reliever: Multiple 3

# 2024 TRANSACTIONS

## APRIL

- April 14: RHP Braden Nett reinstated from Development List
- April 14: RHP Joan Gonzalez placed on Development List
- April 17: RHP Will Geerdes placed on 7-Day Injured List
- April 18: RHP Ethan Routzahn transferred to Double-A San Antonio
- April 18: RHP Joan Gonzalez reinstated from Development List
- April 23: RHP Bradgley Rodriguez transferred from Single-A Lake Elsinore
- April 27: INF Jarryd Dale transferred to Double-A San Antonio
- April 30: C Colton Vincent transferred from Single-A Lake Elsinore

