



Lake County Captains (35-23, 70-54)

High-A Affiliate, Cleveland Guardians

LH Caden Favors (97 IP | 4.27 ERA)

at



Lansing Lugnuts (24-34, 60-64)

High-A Affiliate, Athletics

RH Jake Garland (71 1/3 IP | 4.54 ERA)

GAME 125 ♦ JACKSON® FIELD™ ♦ SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2025 ♦ 7:05 PM

History vs. Lake County

The Nuts are 129-138 all-time vs. the Caps, 71-65 in Lansing and 58-73 in Ohio. The Captains won the 2024 MWL championship, but the Nuts went 12-6 vs. the Captains last year, 4-2 at home, 12-6 on the road.

Meetings	Score	Meetings	Score
1. 4/29 at LAN	L, 13-9	13. 7/22 at LC	L, 7-2
2. 4/30 at LAN	W, 5-2	14. 7/23 at LC	L, 4-2
3. 5/1 at LAN	W, 5-0 (5)	15. 7/24 at LC	L, 8-2
4. 5/2 at LAN	L, 5-3	16. 7/25 at LC	W, 5-3
5. 5/3 at LAN	L, 3-1	17. 7/26 at LC	L, 5-2
6. 5/4 at LAN	W, 1-0 (10)	18. 7/27 at LC	L, 1-0
7. 5/20 at LC	L, 4-2	19. 8/26 at LAN	L, 6-2
8. 5/21 at LC	L, 5-4	20. 8/27 at LAN	L, 7-6
9. 5/23 at LC	L, 8-4	21. 8/28 at LAN	W, 6-1
10. 5/24 LC, G1	L, 2-0 (7)	22. 8/29 at LAN	W, 1-0
11. 5/24 LC, G2	W, 4-0 (7)	23. 8/30 at LAN	
12. 5/25 at LC	W, 6-3	24. 8/31 at LAN	

Tonight: The Lugnuts, winners of their last two games, play as the fifth game of a six-game series with Lake County, wrapping up the final homestand of the season. It's Fan Appreciation Night, with one last LAFCU Fireworks Spectacular, giveaways, benefits, and so much more. Thank you for Going 'Nuts with us all season long!

Yesterday: Oat Milk 1, Captains 0. A Casey Yamauchi RBI double in the 5th inning provided the game's only run, as Steven Echavarria (five innings), Ryan Magdic (3 2/3 innings) and Mark Adamiak (1/3) combined on a five-hit shutout of Lake County.

On Deck: Tomorrow is the final home game of the Nuts' 29th season in the Midwest League, a Capital City Market Kids Day with postgame Kids Run the Bases and an Extra Inning of ice cream and music with Big Lug across Michigan Ave. at Capital City Market.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

1:05 p.m., Sunday, August 31 LH Rafe Schlesinger, Captains at RH Tzu-Chen Sha, Lugnuts

LUG•NOTES

Prospecting: The Lugnuts' roster has five of MLB Pipeline's revamped Top 30 Athletics prospects: No. 15 Steven Echavarria, No. 19 Ryan Lasko, No. 22 Wei-En Lin, No. 23 Carlos Pacheco and No. 25 Kenya Huggins. Additionally, No. 1 Leo De Vries, No. 3 Gage Jump, No. 9 Tommy White, No. 12 Joshua Kuroda-Grauer and No. 21 Nate Nankil played for the Lugnuts earlier this season and are now with Double-A Midland.

Playoff Ramifications: The Nuts are missing the postseason for the sixth consecutive season, but are still influencing the East Division race. Last night's victory combined with a Great Lakes 8-1 win over West Michigan trimmed the Captains' lead over the Loons to a half-game for the final East playoff berth. This is all building to a climax: Great Lakes finishes the season with a six-game series at Lake County.

Kicking Off the Season: Notable Lugnuts interested in this weekend's college football schedule – pitching coach Dave Burba (No. 3 Ohio State vs. No. 1 Texas), closer Mark Adamiak (Arkansas vs. Alabama A&M), reliever Hunter Breault (No. 7 Oregon vs. Montana State), starter Jake Garland (No. 10 Miami vs. No. 6 Notre Dame tomorrow night), reliever Blaze Pontes (Hawaii at Arizona), pitcher Kyle Robinson (No. 23 Texas Tech vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff, though he also roots for No. 9 LSU), catcher Davis Diaz (Vanderbilt vs. Charleston Southern), shortstop Ali Camarillo (No. 19 Texas A&M vs. UTSA), outfielder Cameron Leary (Boston College vs. Fordham) and outfielder C.J. Pittaro (No. 2 Penn State vs. Nevada).

What a Gem: Yesterday not only marked the Nuts' 7th shutout of the year, it was the club's first 1-0 win since... May 4th against these very same Lake County Captains, a walkoff 1-0 win in 10 innings. And it was also Steven Echavarria's first five-inning outing since July 4th vs. Fort Wayne.

Streaking: Infielder Casey Yamauchi went 2-for-4 last night and enters today on a 14-game hitting streak and a 29-game on-base streak. In August alone, Yamauchi is hitting a team-leading .347 (33-for-95). He ranks 4th in the league with 114 base hits and 10th with a .284 avg.

Mark it Down: Closer Mark Adamiak (20 saves) retired Johnny Tincher on a flyout to center with the bases loaded last night, securing the victory at the same time he tied Chattanooga's Trevor Kuncel for the Minor League Baseball lead in saves. Adamiak also leads the Midwest League with 41 relief appearances. Interestingly, Adamiak only had two career saves entering this season, combining all of his high school, college, summer, and professional experience.

Bo Knows Hitting: 2017 Lugnut Bo Bichette is 1st in the Majors in base hits (171), 2nd in batting average (.308) and 2nd in doubles (40). Bichette has collected exactly two hits in each of his last three games and is batting .458/.509/.563 in his last 12 games (22-for-48).

Black and Blue: T.J. Schofield-Sam has been hit by 30 pitches this year, most in the Midwest League and third in Minor League Baseball to Michael Arroyo (33) of Arkansas. In contrast, the Major League leaders, Randy Arozarena, has been plunked 23 times.

3... 2... 1... Contact: The Lugnuts have struck over 1,000 times in every season since 2006, but have only whiffed 885 times in 124 games this season, averaging only 7.1 strikeouts per game – the hardest team to strike out in Minor League Baseball. The club record was set in 2002: only 855 strikeouts in 139 games, an average of 6.15 per game.

On Iowa! Iowa Hawkeye Grant Judkins leads the Midwest League in innings (123 2/3), is tied for the league lead in starts (24) and complete games (1), tied for 2nd in wins (8), tied for 4th in strikeouts (103), and ranks 8th in average (.254) and 9th in WHIP (1.33).

Before You Ask: Former Wingate Bulldog Corey Avant is 4th in the Midwest League in ERA (3.39), 4th in innings (103 2/3), 5th in batting average allowed (.239), 6th in WHIP (1.31) and 9th in strikeouts (98).

IN A NUTSHELL

36-30 | 24-34 | Won 2

Home: 34-30 Night: 40-46
Road: 26-34 Day: 20-18

vs. LHP: 17-26 vs. RHP: 43-38

White unis: 17-12

Black unis: 24-25

Retro Gray unis: 7-9

Lansing Locos unis: 4-9

Green & Gold unis: 0-3

Special unis: 8-6

Tuesday: 7-12

Wednesday: 11-8

Thursday: 11-10

Friday: 10-13

Saturday: 9-13

Sunday: 12-8

Series wins: 6

Series losses: 8

Series splits: 7

Scored 1st: 37-21

Opponent scored 1st: 23-43

Doubleheaders (W-L-S): 2-0-2

Shutouts: 7-9

More hits than opp.: 47-10

Fewer hits than opp.: 12-47

Equal hits: 1-7

Games decided by 1 run: 15-14

Comeback wins: 25

Final at-bat wins: 12

Walk-offs: 4

Extra Innings: 5-5

9-IP Leading Trailing Tied

After 6: 30-6 14-48 6-7

After 7: 39-4 8-54 3-3

After 8: 42-3 5-53 3-5



Luggie's Nuggets

Kansas City Royals	1996-1998
Chicago Cubs	1999-2004
Toronto Blue Jays	2005-2020
Athletics	2021-present

Colors	red and black
Mascot Logo	Big Lug, a river dragon Luggie the Lugnut
Ballpark	Jackson® Field™
First Game at Ballpark	April 3, 1996: Michigan vs. Michigan St.
Total Capacity	11,000
Lugnuts Seasons	29; 1996-present
Lugnuts Championships	1997, 2003
All-Star Games Hosted	1997, 1999, 2002, 2018
Total Lugnuts Games	3,962
All-Time Lugnuts Won-Lost Record	1,981-1,981, .500
Franchise Seasons	70; 1955-present
Franchise Championships	1958, 1959, 1960, 1975, 1976, 1980, 1986
Total Franchise Games	9,295
Franchise Won-Lost Record	4,780-4,515, .514

980 total players have played for the Lugnuts all time, with 209 (21%) also playing in the Majors – nine rehabbers and exactly **200** Big League Nuts earning their ticket up the ladder. The most recent was **Luis Morales**, who debuted August 1 for the A's.

- 72 Lugnuts alumni debuted with the Toronto Blue Jays
- 32 with the Chicago Cubs
- 25 with the A's
- 22 with the Kansas City Royals
- 11 with the Florida/Miami Marlins
- 4 with the Seattle Mariners and San Diego Padres
- 3 with the Baltimore Orioles, Boston Red Sox and St. Louis Cardinals
- 2 with the Chicago White Sox, Colorado Rockies, Detroit Tigers, Pittsburgh Pirates, San Francisco Giants and Tampa Bay Rays
- 1 with the Atlanta Braves, L.A. Angels, L.A. Dodgers, Milwaukee Brewers, New York Mets, Texas Rangers, and Washington Nationals

All-Star nods: Carlos Beltrán (9x), Vladimir Guerrero, Jr. (5), Carlos Zambrano (3), Bo Bichette (2), rehabber Ryan Dempster (2), Alejandro Kirk (2), Jordan Romano (2), rehabber Marcus Stroman (2), Henderson Álvarez (1), rehabber Kevin Appier (1), Matt Boyd (1), Lance Carter (1), Yan Gomes (1), Carlos Mármol (1), Mason Miller (1), rehabber Mark Prior (1), Aaron Sanchez (1), Noah Syndergaard (1), Jacob Wilson (1).

World Series titles (as a player): Jeremy Affeldt (3), Ryan Theriot (2), rehabber Kevin Appier (1), Carlos Beltrán (1), rehabber Ryan Dempster (1), Chad Durbin (1), Yan Gomes (1), 2011 manager Mike Redmond (1), Marc Rzepczynski (1).

World Series titles (as a coach): rehabber Mark Prior (2), Seth Conner (1), 2010 manager Sal Fasano (1), 2008-09 manager Clayton McCullough (1).

MLB No-Hitters: pitchers - Carlos Zambrano (9/14/08); Henderson Álvarez III (9/29/13); Taylor Cole (combined, 7/12/19); Aaron Sanchez (combined, 8/3/19); Ryan Tepera (combined, 6/24/21); catcher - Robinson Chirinos (Justin Verlander, 9/1/19).

Hit for the Cycle: Félix Pié (8/14/09); Cavan Biggio (9/17/19).

Rookie of the Year: Carlos Beltrán (A.L., 1999).

Comeback Player of the Year: Casey McGehee (N.L., 2014).

Gold Gloves: Carlos Beltrán (3), Vladimir Guerrero Jr. (1), Marcus Stroman (1).

Silver Sluggers: Carlos Beltrán (3), Carlos Zambrano (3), Vladimir Guerrero Jr. (2), Yan Gomes (1).

Major League Nuts

A's: Brady Basso (2021, 2023), Lawrence Butler (2021-22), Hogan Harris (2022), Luis Morales (2023-24), Max Muncy (2022-23), Tyler Soderstrom (2022), Colby Thomas (2023), Jacob Wilson (2023)

Arizona Diamondbacks: Anthony DeSclafani (2012), Kendall Graveman (2013-14), Gabriel Moreno (2019)

Baltimore Orioles: bench coach Robinson Chirinos (2003-04)

Boston Red Sox: Josh Winckowski (2019)

Chicago Cubs: Jon Berti (2012), Matthew Boyd (2013), Nate Pearson (2018)

Chicago White Sox: Ryan Noda (2018), Joshua Palacios (2016-17), Vinny Capra (2018)

Kansas City Royals: Rich Hill (2003)

Los Angeles Angels: assistant pitching coach Sal Fasano (2010 manager), infield coach Ryan Goins (2009-10)

Los Angeles Dodgers: pitching coach Mark Prior (2004 rehab)

Miami Marlins: Otto López (2019), Clayton McCullough (2008-09 manager)

Milwaukee Brewers: Danny Jansen (2015)

New York Mets: Danny Young (2016)

New York Yankees: Marcus Stroman (2015 rehab)

Pittsburgh Pirates: Ryan Borucki (2016), Tim Lincecum (2015)

San Diego Padres: Mason Miller (2022)

Texas Rangers: assistant hitting coach Seth Conner (2013-14), Rowdy Tellez (2014-15)

Toronto Blue Jays: Bo Bichette (2017), Vladimir Guerrero, Jr. (2017), Leo Jiménez (2019), Alejandro Kirk (2019), manager John Schneider (2016 manager), third base coach Carlos Febles (1996), bullpen catcher Luis Hurtado (2011)

Washington Nationals: Drew Millas (2021)

MIDWEST LEAGUE MATCHUPS

Opponents	Home	Road	Total
Beloit	3-3		3-3
Cedar Rapids	3-3		3-3
Dayton	8-4	5-1, September 2-7	13-5, 6 left
Fort Wayne	6-3	2-4	8-7
Great Lakes	3-3	6-6	9-9
Lake County	5-5, August 30-31	3-9	8-14, 2 left
Quad Cities		3-3	3-3
South Bend	5-1		5-1
West Michigan	1-8	2-10	3-18
Wisconsin		5-1	5-1
Totals	34-30, 2 games left	26-34, 6 games left	60-64, 8 left

THE A's SYSTEM

Athletics - MLB



63-73

American League West

Yesterday: lost to Texas, 5-2
Jeffrey Springs: 5 2/3, 7 H, 3 R, 5 K

Midland RockHounds



60-64

Double-A Texas League

Yesterday: lost to Springfield, 5-4
Junior Tur: 6 1/3 IP, 5 H, 3 R, 8 K

Las Vegas Aviators



74-56

Triple-A Pacific Coast League

Yesterday: lost to Iowa, 10-2
Alejo Lopez: 3-4, R, BB, K, SB

Stockton Ports



52-72

Single-A California League

Yesterday: beat Modesto, 2-1
Cole Miller: 4 IP, 3 H, 1 R, 0 BB, 4 K

TODAY IN LUGNUTS HISTORY

2010: The Lugnuts built a 7-1 lead at home, Dayton scored one run in the 7th... and then exploded for seven runs in the 9th inning to stun the Nuts, 9-7. A two-run single by Josh Garton coupled with a run-scoring throwing error by CF Jake Marisnick capped the rally.

2018: Ryan Noda broke the franchise record with his 104th walk of the year in a 10-2 victory over the Great Lakes Loons. Noda finished the season with 109 walks.

Happy Birthday, Todd Wellemeyer (1978), Sean Marshall (1982), Anthony Hatch (1983), Phil Kish (1989), Sean Reid-Foley (1995), Shane Selman (1996), Mc Gregory Contreras (1998)

CATCHING STATS

	Diaz	Gomez	Newton
W-L (ShO)	16-23	4-5	0-1
ERA	4.78	4.17	4.50
Innings	339.0	77.2	8.0
R (ER)	209 (180)	37 (36)	4 (4)
E	4	-	1
PB	7	-	1
CS%	10-41, 24%	1-13, 8%	1-3, 33%
Pickoffs	-	-	-

#45 • RHP • **Jake Garland** • 6-5, 260 • age 24

Profile

Full Name..... Jake Thomas Garland
Birthday September 26, 2000
Born / Resides..... Jupiter, Florida

School University of Miami
Acquired..... 514th overall, 17th round, 2022
Bats / Throws..... Right / Right

In a Nutshell: Back from the Injured List (July 31-August 29)... replacing Grant Judkins in the rotation today, with Judkins placed on the Temporarily Inactive List... making his 62nd career Lansing appearance, 40th career Lugnuts start... ranks 2nd in team history in career losses (19), 2nd in career innings pitched (254), 2nd in runs allowed (150), 3rd in starts, 4th in strikeouts (175), 2nd in hits (288)... vs. LH: .346 / .404 / .606, 6 HR, 15 BB, 26 K, 3 GiDP | vs. RH: .264 / .297 / .365, 1 HR, 6 BB, 28 K, 9 GiDP - 2.23 ERA road (36 1/3 IP, 28 H, 9 R, 11 BB, 26 K, 1.07 WHIP, .220) | 6.94 home (35 IP, 55 H, 6 HR, 10 BB, 28 K, 1.86, .372). - as a starter: 3-3, 4.42, 55 IP, 1.38 WHIP, .289 avg. | as a reliever: 1-1, 4.96, 16 1/3 IP, 1.71 WHIP, .344 avg.

No-Hit History: On June 13, 2024, tossed five hitless innings, walking two and striking out six, before handing the baton to Grant Judkins (2 2/3) and then Colton Johnson (1 1/3) as part of the Lugnuts' 8-0 no-hitter of the Cedar Rapids Kernels, the 4th no-hitter in franchise history and the first home no-hitter since April 2003.

Jupiter? How did Jake's hometown receive its name? The Hobe tribe lived in the area; a Spanish mapmaker miswrote their name as Jobe, which was then miswritten again as Jove, which was then mistranslated to Jupiter. Jupiter is located on the eastern coast of Florida in Palm Beach County on the Atlantic Ocean. Burt Reynolds was born in Lansing and died in Jupiter.

Hometown Hero: Started four years for Jupiter High School ("Warriors," wearing green and gold)... totaled 229 strikeouts, 1.49 ERA and 1.13 WHIP... two-time FHSAA All-State... honored twice as the 9A Player of the Year... also from Jupiter H.S.: Miles Mikolas and Dante Bichette (but not son Bo, who was homeschooled and played for Lakewood High School in St. Petersburg)... the Garland family was originally from New England before moving to Florida shortly before Jake was born.

College Days: Attended the University of Miami (Coral Gables), a baseball program founded in 1940 with four NCAA championships and 25 CWS appearances... played for head coach Gino DiMare... true freshman year was the pandemic-shortened 2020 season, making six relief appearances before the year was shut down... returned in 2021 as a member of the rotation: 16 games, 13 starts, totaling a team-high 68 innings (5.69 ERA, 38 K, 14 BB, .286 avg.)... improved in 2022 to a 3.99 ERA in 65 1/3 innings (54 K, 11 BB, lowering home runs from 10 to four)... fifth of six Hurricanes drafted in 2022... the last Miami product drafted by the A's: Jemile Weeks (1st round, 12th overall, 2008)... two other Hurricanes previously played for the Lugnuts: 3B Mark Sobolewski and OF Adam Finnieston.

Pro Ball: The 514th player selected in 2022, a 17th-rounder, signed for \$100,000... debuted in Complex ball in 2022, then excelled for Stockton in 2023 to earn May 16 call-up to the Midwest League... spent the remainder of 2023 with the Nuts and returned to Lansing to open 2024... promoted to Midland Sept. 12, 2024... promoted to Las Vegas Sept. 21, 2024.

YR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	ShO	SV	IP	AB	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	WP	BK	AVG
2022	AzCL A's	0-1	12.00	3	1	0	0	0	3.0	16	4	6	4	0	0	1	0	4	1	0	.250
2023	Stockton	1-2	2.78	6	4	0	0	0	32.1	128	34	15	10	0	1	8	0	31	3	0	.266
	Lansing	4-9	6.40	18	15	0	0	0	84.1	346	111	64	60	6	3	28	1	59	5	1	.321
2024	Lansing	6-6	3.75	25	14	0	0	1	98.1	379	94	47	41	8	9	33	0	62	6	0	.248
	Midland	1-0	3.00	1	1	0	0	0	6.0	20	4	2	2	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	.200
	Las Vegas	0-0	6.75	1	1	0	0	0	4.0	14	5	3	3	2	0	2	0	7	0	0	.357
2025	Lansing	4-4	4.54	18	10	0	0	0	71.1	275	83	39	36	7	2	21	0	54	4	0	.302
	TOTALS	16-22	4.69	72	46	0	0	1	299.1	1178	335	176	156	24	15	96	1	218	19	1	.284



fastball, sinker, cutter, knuckle curve, splitter

IN THE BULLPEN

21 MARK ADAMIAK • RH • Age 24 • "uh-DAHME-ee-ack" • MWL: 2
FB, CUT, SL, CH | 2024: Stockton, 5-5, 4.90, 45 G, 2 SV, 60 2/3 IP, 62 H, 7 HR, 28 BB, 75 K, 12 WP
0 days rest
 • Born in Des Plaines, IL... lives in Shawnee, Kansas... 454th overall, 15th rd., 2022, Arkansas.
 • \$125,000.... at Shawnee Mission Northwest H.S., ranked the No. 1 RHP in Kansas in 2019.
 • Drafted after r-soph. year: Acad. Honor Roll; 9 G, 3 GS, 3.95, 13 2/3 IP, 14 H, 6 R, 8 BB, 18 K.
 • Four relief appearances with Lansing to end 2023: 5 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 1 HR, 2 BB, 7 K.

15 HUNTER BREault • RH • Age 26 • "BRO" • MWL seasons: 3
FB, CU, SL, SPL | 2024: Lansing, 4-3, 6.08, 36 G, 6 SV, 40 IP, 5 HR, 30 BB, 42 K, 5 WP
3 days rest
 • Kapolei, HI... \$35,000... drafted 608th, 20th round, 2021, from the University of Oregon.
 • 2019 California Collegiate League top prospect by Perfect Game (12 G, 16 IP, 1 ER).
 • Perfect Game's No. 1 HS recruit in Hawai'i... high school teammates with Blaze Pontes.
 • Four yrs. at Oregon: 50 G, 4.68, 57.2, 44 K... 19 G w/ LAN in 2023, spent 2024 with Nuts.

13 JAKE CHRISTIANSON • RH • 25 • MWL season: 1
FB, CU, SL, SPL | 2024: Bowling Green, 4-1, 3.74, 31 G, 2 SV, 53 IP, 41 H, 6 HR, 4 HBP, 19 BB, 56 K
2 days rest
 • St. Paul, MN... drafted by TB 464th, 15th round, 2022, Feather River College... \$50,000.
 • Converted from catcher to closer at FRC... signed by Rays away from So. Illinois commit.
 • Released by Tampa on March 21, 2025... signed as free agent by the A's on March 22.
 • Drafted 10 picks after Mark Adamiak, 20 picks ahead of Blaze Pontes... enjoys cornhole.
 • Attended Northern Iowa Area CC for one year... business & biomechanics major.

17 HENRY GÓMEZ • RH • Age 23 • MWL season: 1
FB, SINK, CU, SL, CH | 2024: Palm Beach, 6-3, 3.03, 39 G, 12 SV, 62 1/3, 1 HR, 26 BB, 44 K
5 days rest
 • Born in Maracaibo, lives in Zulia, Venezuela... signed by STL as an int'l free agent, 7/28/18.
 • Acquired by the Athletics in the Triple-A portion of the Rule 5 draft, 12/11/24.
 • Spent 2019, 2021, 2022 in Dominican Summer League, converting from starter to reliever.
 • Pitched in 2023 and 2024 in the Florida State League, lowering ERA from 4.91 to 3.03.

31 WANDER GUANTE • RH • Age 26 • MWL seasons: 2
FB, SL, CH | 2024: Lansing, 1-3, 5.22, 14 G, 7 GS, 50 IP, 8 HR, 22 BB, 35 K, .268 avg.
1 day rest
 • Santo Domingo, DR... signed by the Athletics as an international free agent on 3/22/19.
 • "Guante" in English means glove... uncle Cecilio Guante pitched in MLB, 1982-1990.
 • Promoted to Midland 5/14, returned 7/19, promoted to Las Vegas 8/31/24 (6 G, 18 2/3, 5.79).
 • 2024 Arizona Fall League: 9 G, 7.84, 10 1/3 IP, 10 R, 5 BB, 8 K... rejoined LAN May 13, 2025.

20 JACK MAHONEY • LH • Age 26 • MWL season: 1
FB, SINK, SL, CH | 2024: Windy City, 5-4, 3.45, 52 G, 60 IP, 57 H, 4 HR, 24 BB, 61 K, 1.35 WHIP
5 days rest
 • Appleton, WI... undrafted out of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, earned way to MiLB through indy ball.
 • Attended Appleton West, same high school as Lugnuts / MLB catcher Danny Jansen.
 • Independent experience: 2022-23 Milwaukee, '24 Windy City, '25 Staten Island FerryHawks.
 • 2025: 6 GS with Staten Island, 5.45 ERA, 33 IP, 12 BB, 41 K... purchased by A's on June 9.

16 BLAZE PONTES • RH • Age 25 • "PAHN-tez" • MWL seasons: 2
FB, SINK, CU, SL, CH | 2024: Lansing, 3-9, 7.36, 26 G, 10 GS, 88 IP, 113 H, 76 R, 11 HR, 40 BB, 44 K
1 day rest
 • Mililani, HI... drafted 484th overall, 16th rd., 2022, University of Hawai'i... signed for \$75,000.
 • 1st Team All-State as a high school junior (0.95)... Jr. year at Hawai'i: 1st Team All Big West
 • One year younger than teammate Hunter Breault at Kamehameha-Kapālama High School.
 • 2021: played for Waterloo (Northwoods League), where Lugs franchise used to be located.

33 TOM REISINGER • RH • 24 • "RICE-ing-er" • MWL season: 1
FB, SINK, CU, SWEEP, CH | 2024: Stockton, 9.05, 21 G, 5 GS, 62 2/3, 93 H, 8 HR, 7 HBP, 41 BB, 53 K
2 days rest
 • Kulpmont, PA... 286th overall, 10th rd., 2023, East Stroudsburg University (ESU) Warriors.
 • Signed for \$125,000... Mount Carmel Area H.S. quarterback... also played basketball.
 • Drafted following Jr. year: led PSAC in K (97 in 71 2/3 IP)... 2022-23 total: 185 K in 140 2/3.
 • Made pro debut in 2023 in ACL: 4 G/2 GS, 6 IP, 10 K... spent 2024 in Stockton, IL: May 1-30.

30 YEHIZON SANCHEZ • RH • 24 • "YAY-ih-son" • MWL seasons: 3
SINK, SL, CH | 2024: Lansing, 2-6, 6.18, 37 G, 1 SV, 51 IP, 63 H, 3 HR, 5 HBP, 31 BB, 44 K
5 days rest
 • La Romana, DR... signed at age 18 as an international free agent on July 2, 2019.
 • In same signing class as James González and Wander Guante, who are in Midland.
 • Others from La Romana: Edwin Encarnación, Félix Pié and Miguel Castro.
 • 2023 Stockton Ports Opening Day starter... pitched in four games with Lansing in 2023.

#14 • LH • Wei-En Lin • 6-2, 195 • age 19

Profile

Name Lin Wei-En
Birthday Nov. 4, 2005, in Taoyuen, Taiwan
Born Kueishan, Taiwan
School Ping-Zhen High School
Acquired International Free Agent, June 4, 2024
Bats / Throws Left / Left

Pronounce Lin's name as "Leen Way-Un"

Longest Outing: 6 IP vs. San Jose, May 16, 2025 | **Most K:** 9 at Visalia, April 17, 2025

In a Nutshell: MLB Pipeline's **No. 30 A's prospect / No. 15 pitching prospect:** Fastball 50, Curve 50, Slider 45, Changeup 50, Splitter 45, Control 55, Overall 40... has "A+" printed inside his green and gold glove because he set High-A as his goal for his first professional season... favorite American restaurants are Raising Cane's and Shake Shack... has a talent for imitating batting stances of any hitter, a la Batting Stance Guy... avid videogamer.

Life in Lansing: Struck out first five batters faced, June 26 vs. Dayton... allowed only two hits to first 45 batters faced... spent July 29-August 9 on the Injured List... returned from IL August 9 at Great Lakes, allowing two-run homer to Carlos Rojas in 6-1 loss.

Personal: The 18-year-old Lin signed for \$1.13 million as the A's third highest paid international free agent after OF Jose Ramos and SS Edgar Montero... international scouting director: Steven Sharpe; signing scout: Adam Hislop... cousin Ching-Hsien Ko is currently dominating the Arizona Complex League for the Dodgers (.362/.479/.533 in 45 games)... uncle Chen-Yu Hung pitched in CPBL from 2015-2019... famously won both the sem-final and championship games on the same day for his Little League team at age 11, throwing more than 200 pitches in total.

International Competition: Pitched for Taiwan in 2023 U-18 Baseball World Cup: 2-0, 13 IP, 0 ER, 1 BB, 14 K, defeating South Korea (5 1/3 IP, 1 UER, 6 K) and the Netherlands (7 2/3 IP, 8 K)... pitched for Taiwan (Chinese Taipei) in 2026 WBC qualifying: 2 G, 1 1/3 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 BB, 4 K, as Taiwan qualified for the World Baseball Classic; former Lugnut Chen Zhong-Ao Zhuang earned the win in the qualifying victory vs. Spain, February 25, 2025.

Professional Career: Debuted for the Stockton Ports, appearing in relief in the second game of the California League season, April 5, and firing three perfect innings with seven strikeouts... made first start on April 11, striking out eight in five innings of one-run ball... tossed four perfect innings with nine K's on April 17 to earn first win... stats following those first three appearances: 12 IP, 1 R, 0 BB, 24 K... became regular member of Stockton rotation starting May 4... stats in California League: 2.77 ERA at home, 5.25 ERA on the road | .205 vs. left, .267 vs. right | base-stealers went 4-for-9... promoted to Lansing June 24.

Players from Taiwan in MLB: The only Taiwanese player to see time in the Majors this season is Tsung-Che Cheng of the Pittsburgh Pirates/Triple-A Indianapolis Indians... there have been 18 Major Leaguers all-time from Taiwan, the first being Chin-Feng Chen of the Dodgers, who played from 2002-2005... the Yankees' Chien-Ming Wang (2005-09, 2011-13, 2016) has the most career wins (68), the Orioles/Marlins' Wei-Yin Chen (2012-19) has the most career innings pitched (1,064 2/3), and Cleveland's Yu Chang (2019-23) has the most offensive records, from games played (235) to runs (72) to hits (121) to homers (20).

Players from Taiwan in Lansing: The first Taiwanese Lugnuts are franchise record-holders – Po-Hsuan Keng, who pitched primarily out of the bullpen for the Nuts from 2005-2007, and Chi-Hung Chen, who served as a starting pitcher in 2005-06 and 2008... in 2024, Brock Whittlesey broke Keng's franchise record of most career appearances; Whittlesey pitched in 103 games from 2021-23, while Keng appeared in 94... Cheng, meanwhile, owns the Lugnuts' franchise record for most career innings pitched (374), with Keng ranking second (202); Cheng also ranks first in games started (67), career wins (23), losses (20), starts (67), strikeouts (367), runs (188), hits (360), and walks (189). Last season, the Lugnuts had Chen Zhong-Ao Zhuang, who sparkled with a 2.56 ERA in nine appearances, six starts, spanning 31 2/3 innings, posting a 3:29 BB:K ratio.



fastball, knuckle curve, slider, vulcan change-up

YR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	ShO	SV	IP	AB	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	WP	BK	AVG
2025	Stockton	1-4	3.96	13	10	0	0	0	50.0	194	49	27	22	5	2	6	0	69	6	1	.253
	Lansing	2-1	3.62	10	1	0	0	0	27.1	94	16	11	11	3	0	11	0	36	3	0	.170
	TOTALS	3-5	3.84	23	11	0	0	0	77.1	288	65	38	33	8	2	17	0	105	9	1	.226

1	ALI CAMARILLO • R/R • SS • Age 22 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2024 - did not make pro debut... 2025 in Stockton: 80 G, .254 / .329 / .318, 36 R, 79 H, 15 2B, 1 3B, 1 HR, 34 RBI, 15-for-18 SB, 32 BB, 62 K, 99 TB, 10 GiDP, 5 HBP, 1 S, 5 SF, 1 IBB, 13 E (all at shortstop)				
Last Game: 1-2, BB		at WM: 3-17, R, BB, 2 K	LC: 3-11, R, 2B, RBI, 3 BB, 2 K, SB	Current Hit Streak: +1 (1-2) On-Base Streak: +3 (3-8, 3 BB)
- Jorge Ali Camarillo... Chula Vista, CA... 346th overall, 12th round, Texas A&M... \$250,000. - Played in 2016 Little League World Series (dad Jorge was manager) with Park View Little League. - Little League team lost first game to Iowa 5-1, eliminated Texas 5-0, then lost to Tennessee 4-2 (7). - Played at Cal State Northridge in 2022 and 2023, transferring to Texas A&M for the 2024 season. - In high school: two years at Montgomery High School, then two years at Otay Ranch High School. - Missed 23 games as a freshman at CSUN due to injuries, starting 29 games as a true freshman. - As a sophomore, All-Big West First Team, ranking 2nd in Big West in avg. (.371), 4th in OPS (1.032). - As a junior at A&M, had 34-game on-base streak... on Stockton IL, April 28-June 3... to Lansing, Aug 18.				
4	DAVIS DIAZ • R/R • C/INF • Age 22 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2024: Stockton, 14 G, .226 / .397 / .283, 12-for-53, 12 R, 3 2B, 0 3B, 0 HR, 6 RBI, 8 BB, 9 K, 7 HBP, 0 SB, 0 E				
Last Game: 0-3, BB, K		at WM: 1-13, 3 BB, 2 K, PB, E	vs. LC: 1-10, 2B, 2 BB, 2 K	Current Hit Streak: -2 (0-6) On-Base Streak: +6 (2-20, 5 BB)
- Pittsburg, CA... signed for \$250,000 as the 226th pick, 8th round, 2024, Vanderbilt University. - Joined Lugnuts on June 3 from Stockton, replacing the promoted Cole Conn (Double-A Midland). 3x gold medalist, Team USA (2015, 2017, 2018), Perfect Game's No. 12 prospect in California. 2025 in Stockton: 42 G, .250 / .384 / .355, 10 2B, 3 3B, 0 HR, 21 RBI, 6-for-9 SB, 29 BB, 28 K, 6 HBP.				
9	MARIO GÓMEZ • L/R • C • Age 22 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2025 totals: 24 G, .174 / .275 / .261, 1 2B, 1 3B, 1 HR, 0-for-2 SB... in Arizona Complex League: 12 G, .225 / .304 / .300, 1 HR... Stockton: 3 G, 0-for-11, 1 BB... Midland: 8 G, 3-for-15, 2B, 3B... Vegas: 1 G, 0-3				
Last Game: 0-3		at WM: 0-7	vs. LC: 2-11, R, RBI, BB, 2 K	Current Hit Streak: -2 (0-7) On-Base Streak: -1 (0-3)
- Aguascalientes, Mexico... signed as an international free agent on February 19, 2020 (age 17). - Joined Lugnuts on July 29, replacing Nick Schwartz (promoted to Las Vegas); RBI 1B in 1st AB. - Played for one team in 2021, two teams in 2023, three teams in 2024, and now five teams in 2025. - Has played one game for Caneros de Los Mochis in each of last two winter ball seasons (0-for-2, 2 K).				
12	GUNNER GOULDSMITH • S/R • INF • Age 23 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2025 totals: 59 G, .171 / .314 / .221, 7 2B, 1 3B, 35 BB, 45 K, 7-for-11 SB... ACL A's: 17 G, 8-for-44, 2B, 3B, .182 / .397 / .250... Stockton: 40 G, .159 / .268 / .205, 5-for-5 SB... Midland: 2 G, 2-for-5, 2 BB, 2 K				
Last Game: 1-3, R		at WM: 2-7, R, 3 BB, K, SB	vs. LC: 5-8, 2 R, 2 2B, SB	Current Hit Streak: +2 (5-8) On-Base Streak: +5 (7-15, 3 BB)
- Reno, Nevada... 556th overall selection, 19th round, 2025, Sacramento State (\$20,000). - Brought four gloves to Lansing; plays all infield positions... only Hornet to start all 57 gms. in 2024. - Father Buddy - UNLV head coach, 2003-2010; Nevada-Reno associate head coach 2011-2013; area supervisor for Kansas City Royals... spent one year at Washington State, three years at Sac State.				
26	RYAN LASKO • R/R • OF • Age 22 • 2nd season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 19 A's prospect			
2024 with Stockton: 82 G, .225 / .359 / .322, 72 H, 48 R, 19 2B, 0 3B, 4 HR, 29 RBI, 9 HBP, 59 BB, 103 K, 20-26 SB, 2 E... with Lansing: 41 G, .245 / .341 / .342, 7 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 18 RBI, 20 BB, 35 K, 13-14 SB				
Last Game: -		at WM: 2-13, BB, 2 K	vs. LC: 2-4, 2 R, 2B, 2 RBI, K, SB	Current Hit Streak: +1 (2-4) On-Base Streak: +2 (2-7, BB)
- Jackson, New Jersey... 2nd round, 41st overall, 2023, from Rutgers... signed for \$1.7 million. - First Scarlet Knight in Big Ten era to be All-American, 2021... tied RU 2B record (24) in 2022. - Led Big Ten in base hits (90) and runs scored (81) in 2022... criminal justice major. - Rated California League's Best Outfield Arm by Baseball America in 2024... Injured List, 4/4-5/12/25.				
3	CAMERON LEARY • L/L • OF • Age 23 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2024 with Stockton: 20 G, .222 / .309 / .395, 5 2B, 3 HR, 4 SB, 10 BB, 19 K... 2025 with Stockton: 93 G, .266 / .386 / .433, 66 R, 27 2B, 2 3B, 9 HR, 52 RBI, 44-for-49 SB, 66 BB, 98 K				
Last Game: 0-4, K		WM: 7-15, R, 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 2 BB, 2 K, HBP	LC: 4-15, 3 R, 2 RBI, 2 BB, 4 K, 3-4 SB	Current Hit Streak: -1 (0-4) On-Base Streak: -1 (0-4)
- Bethpage, NY... selected 286th overall, 10th round, 2024 draft from Boston College (\$50,000). - High school: 3 years, St. Anthony's (NY), finished at P27 Academy (Lexington, SC)... finance major. - Promoted from Stockton riding a 10-game hitting streak and a 30-game on-base streak. - Slugged 2nd most HR in Boston College history (43)... only Eagle to have 40+ HR and 40+ steals.				
25	DARLYN MONTERO • L/R • INF • Age 23 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2024 with Stockton: 95 G, .256 / .318 / .353, 93 H, 43 R, 15 2B, 1 3B, 6 HR, 29 RBI, 1 Sac., 1 SF, 10 HBP, 24 BB, 104 K, 9-for-9 SB, 8 E				
7-day Injured List		at WM: 0-2, HBP	vs. LC: -	Current Hit Streak: -2 (0-5) On-Base Streak: +1 (0-2, HBP)
- Azua, Dominican Republic... signed as an international free agent on November 7, 2018. - From Azua: Wenceel Perez, Yennsy Diaz, Franchy Cordero, Sandy Alcantara, Gregory Soto. - Played in DSL in 2019 (.213 avg.) and 2021 (40 G, .217 avg.), ACL in 2022 and 2023. - Played full 2024 in Stockton... spent from May 2-July 1, 2025: on Injured List (hamate).				
19	BEN NEWTON • S/R • C/INF • Age 23 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2025 with Las Vegas: 4 G, 1-for-8, 1 R, 1 2B, 0 BB, 3 K... 2025 with Arizona Complex A's: 16 G, 17-for-52, .327/.438/.462, 5 2B, 1 3B, 10 BB, 13 K... 2025 with Midland: 5 G, 2-for-9, 5 R, 1 HR, 4 RBI, 1 BB, 4 K				
Last Game: -		at WM: 2-21, R, 3B, 3 BB, 7 K, E	vs. LC: 3-11, R, BB, 4 K, HBP, CS	Current Hit Streak: -1 (0-2) On-Base Streak: +4 (3-14, 2 BB, HBP)
- Albany, CA... signed as undrafted free agent, January 22, 2025, Fresno State. - Business major... 3x Mountain West Scholar Athlete, 3x Academic All-Mountain West. - Business major... according to college bio: "enjoys basketball, drawing and poker in his free time." - Also from Albany High School: Ron Hansen, the last rookie to start the ASG at SS before Jacob Wilson.				
8	CARLOS PACHECO • R/R • OF • Age 20 • 1st season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 23 A's prospect			
2025 with ACL A's: 12 G, .235 / .460 / .265, 8-for-34, 11 R, 1 2B, 2 RBI, 9 BB, 11 K, 5-for-6 SB... 2025 with Stockton: 39 G, .174 / .326 / .235, 20-for-115, 2 2B, 1 3B, 1 HR, 13 RBI, 21 BB, 41 K, 11-for-12 SB, 1 E				
Last Game: -		at WM: 0-5, 3 K	vs. LC: 1-3, R, RBI, BB, K, SF	Current Hit Streak: +1 (1-3) On-Base Streak: +1 (1-3, BB)
- Miranda, Venezuela... signed as an international free agent, January 15, 2022. - Signed for \$1.2 million as the A's top position-player target in 2022 international free agency - Pipeline grades: hit 45, power 40, run 60, arm 50, field 50... played in DSL in 2022 (.183) & 2023 (.244). - Playing at third different level in 2025, replacing the injured Pedro Pineda in Lansing on August 6.				
7	PEDRO PINEDA • R/R • OF • Age 21 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2025 with Stockton: 53 G, .253 / .356 / .458, 35 R, 5 2B, 2 3B, 10 HR, 37 RBI, 2-for-3 SB, 27 BB, 65 K, 4 HBP				
Last Game: 2-4		at WM: 3-23, 2B, 10 K	vs. LC: 5-16, R, RBI, BB, 5 K, SB	Current Hit Streak: +3 (5-13) On-Base Streak: +5 (6-20, BB)
- Santo Domingo Norte, DR... signed as an international free agent, January 15, 2021. - Rose as high as MLB Pipeline's No. 11 A's prospect in 2022... signed for \$2.5 million.				
10	C.J. PITTARO • L/R • INF/OF • Age 23 • 1st season with Lugnuts			
2024 in Penn State: 2 G, 0-2, 1 K... 2025 in Stockton: 92 G, .246 / .358 / .323, 46 R, 16 2B, 4 3B, 1 HR, 36 RBI, 6-for-9 SB, 52 BB, 85 K, 6 GiDP, 10 HBP				
Last Game: 1-3, K		at WM: 2-14, 4 K	vs. LC: 3-11, R, 3 K	Current Hit Streak: +2 (3-7) On-Base Streak: +2 (3-7)
- Hamilton, NJ... 2021 Vanderbilt, 2022-24 Penn State... 2025 undrafted free agent, Penn State. - Christopher John Pittaro... grandfather played in the minors from 1960-62, then coached at Rider. 1B, 2B, 3B, LF, RF at Penn State... 1B, 3B, LF, CF, RF at Stockton (42 games in LF, 48 games at 1B). - Father, Chris, played 53 G in MLB (1985 DET, 1986-87 MIN), currently A's Special Assistant to the GM.				
18	T.J. SCHOFIELD-SAM • L/R • INF • Age 24 • 3rd season with Lugnuts			
2024 with ACL A's: 7 G, 12-for-28, .429 / .484 / .607... with Stockton: 59 G, .280 / .325 / .386, 71 H, 30 R, 11 2B, 2 3B, 4 HR, 38 RBI, 5-6 SB... with Lansing: 32 G, .231 / .331 / .343, 6 2B, 2 HR, 10 RBI, 7 HBP				
Last Game: 0-4, K		WM: 4-22, R, 2B, 2 RBI, 3 BB, 4 K, CS	vs. LC: 2-14, R, 2 BB, 5 K, HBP	Current Hit Streak: -1 (0-4) On-Base Streak: -1 (0-4)
- Tyrell James... Brampton, ON... 374th pick, 12th rd., 2019, North Park S.S. ... signed for \$320,000. - Bronze Medalist w/ Canada Junior National Team in Panama... father is from Saint Vincent (SVG). 2018 - won the Tournament 12 title, the Marucci World Series title and U-21 Canadian Baseball title. - Promoted to Midland July 1, returned July 17... Double-A-stats: 9 G, 5-36, .139/.162/.139, 1 BB, 6 K, 2 SB. - Has enjoyed marvelous 2025 with Lugnuts... 5-for-5 vs. Fort Wayne on April 24... batted .371 in April. - May 31 vs. Beloit, blasted go-ahead grand slam in the 7th ("The Schofield-Slam"), leading to 8-2 win.				
5	CASEY YAMAUCHI • R/R • INF • Age 25 • 3rd season with Lugnuts			
2024 in Stockton: 35 G, .316 / .389 / .404, 36 H, 18 R, 6 2B, 2 3B, 0 HR, 12 RBI, 5 HBP, 10 BB, 13 K, 7-10 SB, 10 E... Lansing: 52 G, .236 / .306 / .258, 24 R, 4 2B, 13 RBI, 7 HBP, 11 BB, 14 K, 13-15 SB, 5 E				
Last Game: 2-4, 2B, RBI		at WM: 7-24, 2B, RBI, BB, K, CS, E	LC: 6-15, R, 2B, 4 RBI, 2 K, SB, SF, HBP	Current Hit Streak: +14 (18-54) On-Base: +29 (35-109, 8 BB, 2 HBP)
- Hilo, HI... signed as an undrafted free agent with the Athletics from Hawai'i at Hilo, July 12, 2023. 5 years... graduated w/ bachelor degrees in Communications and Kinesiology & Exercise Sciences. - Owns Hawai'i Hilo records in runs (147), hits (240), doubles (49), steals (74-for-85); only 27 K in 167 G. - Joined Nuts for the final three games of 2023 at LC (6-9, 2 BB, 1 HBP), replacing Jacob Wilson at SS.				

ADDITIONAL LUG•NOTES

200 to The Show: Seven former Lugnuts players have made it to the Majors this season, most recently 2023-24 Lugnuts right-hander **Luis Morales** on August 1st for the A's, bringing the total to **200 Lugnuts all-time** who've reach the Majors. Morales joined **Max Muncy, Gunnar Hoglund, Jack Winkler, Denzel Clarke, Jack Perkins, Colby Thomas** and broadcaster **Adam Jaksa** to debut in MLB this season.

Roll Call: The 2025 Lugnuts have featured 50 different players, 26 position players and 24 pitchers (plus one position player pitching). 18 players have stolen a base, 15 players have hit a home run, 12 pitchers have started a game and five pitchers have recorded a save.

DK at the Helm: The 19th manager in Lugnuts history is **Darryl Kennedy**, entering his second year in the A's organization. Kennedy distinguished himself as a catcher at Manatee Community College before starring at the University of North Florida and was named an NCAA All-American in 1991 en route to North Florida's Hall of Fame, inducted in 2017. Kennedy played in the Minor Leagues for seven seasons, including parts of four seasons in Triple-A. Following his 1997 retirement, he immediately began managing, leading the Gulf Coast League Rangers to the 1998 GCL Championship. Kennedy won a second title with the GCL Rangers in 2000, moving on to stops in the Florida State League, Northwest League and Texas League through 2006. Upon joining the Royals' organization, Kennedy managed in the Appalachian League, Carolina League, Pioneer League, Arizona League and Texas League through 2020. He served as bench coach for the KBO's Hanwha Eagles from 2021 through 2023 before joining the A's as Double-A Midland's assistant hitting coach in 2024.

Filling Out the Staff: **Dave Burba**, the Lugnuts' pitching coach, walked on at Ohio State, pitched in the Big Ten Championship game as a freshman, was drafted by the Mariners one round after Ken Griffey, Jr. in 1987, and won 115 games in 15 MLB seasons before spending 13 seasons as a pitching coach in the Colorado Rockies' organization. **Rubén Escalera** is in his second year as hitting coach and his 30th season in the A's organization; he simultaneously serves as a scout for the A's in Puerto Rico. And the pride of Yuba City, Calif., **Cooper Goldby** comes to the Lugnuts after two seasons serving as the Dominican Summer League A's manager. The catcher/utilityman was drafted out of Lewis-Clark State in the 35th round in 2017.

Get to Know These Names: If the past is any indication, the Athletics' 2025 draft picks will be making a Midwest League impact sooner rather than later. This year, the A's selected Florida State southpaw **Jamie Arnold** with the 11th overall pick, following up with a pair of impact slugging outfielders: Indiana Hoosier **Devin Taylor** (the No. 30 prospect) at pick 48 and Oregon State Beaver **Gavin Turley** (the No. 78 prospect) at pick 110. Both outfielders are playing for Single-A Stockton.

The Mutant Cycle: The best individual performance of the season was achieved against the Lugnuts by now former Nut **Leo De Vries**, who went 5-for-5 on April 22nd for Fort Wayne, with a single, a double, two home runs, a sacrifice fly, and - in the top of the ninth inning - a go-ahead two-run triple to both give the TinCaps the win and culminate the third cycle in Fort Wayne franchise history. De Vries finished the game with eight RBIs, tying the Fort Wayne single game franchise record. De Vries also is the only player in Fort Wayne history to have two four-walk games.

Walk-Off Wonders: The Nuts have walked off with a win on four different occasions this year:

- Jared Dickey's two-run single in the 12th inning to beat Great Lakes, 12-11, April 13th
- Sahid Valenzuela's RBI single in the 10th inning to beat Lake County, 1-0, May 4th
- Rodney Green, Jr.'s RBI single in the 10th inning to beat South Bend, 7-6, May 13th
- Jared Dickey's RBI fielder's choice in the bottom of the 9th to beat West Michigan, 4-3, June 11th

All-Star Representation, Futures Edition: A pair of Lugnuts now in Double-A, **Tommy White** and 2025 Opening Day starter **Gage Jump**, represented the Athletics' organization at the **2025 All-Star Futures Game** on July 12th at Truist Park. White went 0-for-1 with a strikeout while Jump needed only four pitches to strike out Padres No. 1 prospect Leo De Vries and induce a groundout from Cubs No. 1 prospect Owen Caissie - coincidentally to White at third. White, the A's No. 6 prospect, joined Luis Morales (2024), Denzel Clarke (2022), Vladimir Guerrero Jr. and Bo Bichette (2017) and Angel Perdomo (2016) as active Lugnuts to play in the Futures Game.

All-Star Representation, Present Tense: Four Lugnuts were named Major League All-Stars - American League starting shortstop **Jacob Wilson** (2023), A.L. starting first baseman **Vladimir Guerrero, Jr.** (2017), A.L. reserve catcher **Alejandro Kirk** (2019), and N.L. starting pitcher **Matthew Boyd** (2013). It was Vladdy's fifth All-Star appearance, Kirk's second, and the first apiece for Wilson and Boyd. Wilson was the first A's starting shortstop in an All-Star Game since Bert Campaneris (1974) and the first rookie starting shortstop in an All-Star Game since Ron Hansen in 1960.

Still Shoving: 45-year-old **Rich Hill** pitched for the Lugnuts in 2003 (0-1, 2.76, 15 G, 4 GS, 29 1/3 innings, 14 H, 36 walks, 50 strikeouts, 9 wild pitches). On July 13, Hill struck out 10 Toledo Mud Hens in five innings, becoming the first 45-year-old to strike out at least 10 batters in a game since the Texas Rangers' Nolan Ryan whiffed double-digit Athletics on August 6, 1992. Hill is in his 20th professional season and with his 14th different MLB organization.

The Butler Did What: 2021-2022 Lugnut **Lawrence Butler** led off July 8th's game for the A's vs. Atlanta with an inside-the-park home run, the Athletics' first inside-the-park homer since Mark Kotsay achieved the feat on October 4, 2006; the first leadoff inside-the-park home run for the A's since Elmer Valo in 1943; and the first A's player to have both an inside-the-park home run and an over-the-fence home run in the same game since Billy Williams on August 23, 1975. When the Giants' Patrick Bailey delivered a walk-off inside-the-park home run to end the night in baseball, it was the first time in Major League Baseball history that a leadoff inside-the-parker and a walk-off inside-the-parker were hit on the same day.

Dubious History: 2018 Lugnut **Vinny Capra** was former Great Lakes Loon Clayton Kershaw's 3,000th strikeout victim on July 2. Capra, a 20th-rounder from Richmond in 2018, had been claimed off waivers by the White Sox from the Milwaukee Brewers on May 15.

Simply Electric: 2022 Lugnut **Denzel Clarke** won the MLB Chevrolet Electric Play of the Week each of his first four weeks in the Majors.

Happy Trails: 2012 Nut **Kevin Pillar** announced his retirement on July 2 following a 13-year playing career with 10 different teams. A 32nd-round selection in 2011, Pillar went 6-for-6 with a grand slam in a 6-RBI night at the Dayton Dragons on May 13, 2012, and found a fire extinguisher in his locker after the game. He went on to be the 2012 Midwest League Most Valuable Player.

What a Crowd! The Lugnuts' July 4 crowd of 10,527 was...

- Larger than any crowd drawn by the Tampa Bay Rays this season.
- 18th largest crowd in Minor League Baseball this season.
- Larger than 15 Triple-A teams (Round Rock, Lehigh Valley, Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, Gwinnett, Jacksonville, Reno, Omaha, El Paso, Worcester, Louisville, St. Paul, Memphis, Salt Lake, Tacoma, Sugar Land).
- Larger than 29 Double-A teams (everyone except Frisco).
- Largest crowd in High-A. (No one else drew over 9,000.)
- Larger than 29 Single-A teams (everyone except Fresno, which used to be in Triple-A and edged Lansing by four: 10,531).
- The 2nd largest crowd in Lansing since 2020, beaten only by 2023's July 4.

What a Crowd, Part II: The Nuts drew 8,863 for Grand Slam School Day III on May 28 vs. Beloit, an attendance that ranks the 31st largest crowd in Minor League Baseball this year. If Lansing's July 4 crowd is excluded, the May 28 attendance would rank larger than any crowd in High-A this season except for a West Michigan Whitecaps gate of 9,049 on June 7.