

# Lake County Captains (35-24, 70-55)

**High-A Affiliate, Cleveland Guardians** LH Rafe Schlesinger (10 IP | 4.50 ERA)





# **Lansing Lugnuts** (25-34, 61-64)

**High-A Affiliate, Athletics** 

RH Tzu-Chen Sha (40 1/3 IP | 4.91 ERA)

Game 126 → Jackson® Field™ → Sunday, August 31, 2025 → 1:05 pm

Today: It's the 2025 home finale, as the Lugnuts go for a fourth straight victory in the last of a six-game series with Lake County, 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.

Yesterday: Lugnuts 3, Captains 0. Six pitchers - Jake Garland, Wei-En Lin, Jack Mahoney, Yehizon Sanchez, Henry Gómez and Hunter Breault - combined on a three-hit whitewashing, Lansing's second consecutive shutout, to lead the Nuts to a third straight win over Lake County in front of a Fan Appreciation Night crowd of 5,888.

On Deck: The Lugnuts enjoy a league-wide off day tomorrow before traveling to Dayton, Ohio, for the final series of the season, playing the Dragons from Tuesday, September 2 through Sunday, September 7. And then... that's it. No more Lugnuts baseball until next April.

#### Lug•Notes

Prospecting: The Lugnuts' roster has five of MLB Pipeline's revamped Top 30 Athletics prospects: No. 14 Steven Echavarria, No. 18 Ryan Lasko, No. 21 Wei-En Lin, No. 22 Carlos Pacheco and No. 24 Kenya Huggins. Additionally, No. 1 Leo De Vries, No. 3 Gage Jump, No. 8 Tommy White, No. 11 Joshua Kuroda-Grauer and No. 20 Nate Nankil played for the Lugnuts earlier this season and are now with Double-A Midland.

Congratulations! Before today's game, the Lugnuts Booster Club will honor its August Player of the Month, second baseman Casey Yamauchi (33-for-99, .333 avg. in August, 29-game on-base streak), as well as its Player of the Year, closer Mark Adamiak (league-leading 20 saves, 41 appearances). The full year of Booster Club Players of the Month: April - Kyle Robinson, May - T.J. Schofield-Sam, June - Nate Nankil, July - Corey Avant.

Home Magic: The Nuts are 35-30 at home this year... and if you take out the Luggies' nine games (and 1-8 record) against West Michigan, they're a marvelous 34-22 in Michigan's state capital.

There's No Place Like Home: Lansing has by far and away the best home offense in the Midwest League, leading the league with a .273 batting average, 585 base hits, 848 total bases and a .756 OPS in 65 games. (On the other hand, the Nuts are 11th in the league on the road, batting .215 with only 416 hits, 590 total bases and a .613 OPS in 60 games.) Notably, Casey Yamauchi is hitting .327 at home, compared to .234 on the road; Pedro Pineda bats .340 at home, .120 on the road; and Mario Gómez is hitting .346 at home, .067 on the road.

But Who's Counting? Entering play today, the Lugnuts have drawn 271,117 fans at home, averaging 4,236 per game... average attendance by month: 2,112/game in April; 3,917/game in May; 4,807/game in June; 5,805/game in July; and 5,235/game in August.

Playoff Ramifications: The Nuts are missing the postseason for the sixth consecutive season, but are still influencing the East Division race. Their two straight shutout victories over Lake County combined with two straight Great Lakes wins over West Michigan have catapulted the Loons a half-game over the defending champion Captains 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.

Zeroes: Not only has Lansing shut out Lake County in back to back games, the Lugnuts have limited the Captains to just one run over the past 31 innings stretching back to Wednesday. Captains broadcaster Logan Potosky did the math: the Caps are hitting a mere .149 (15-for-101) during the past 31 innings.

Vladdy and Bo: Teenage teammates on the 2017 Lugs, Vladimir Guerrero Jr. is currently 3rd in the American League in OBP (.384) while Bo Bichette is 1st in the Majors in base hits (172), 3rd in batting average (.308, behind 2023 Lugnut Jacob Wilson's .310 average) and 2nd in doubles (40).

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 leader Michael Arroyo (33) of Arkansas. In contrast, the MLB leader Randy Arozarena has been plunked 23 times.

3... 2... 1... Contact: The Nuts are the hardest team to strike out in Minor League Baseball, averaging a scant 7.14 strikeouts per game (892 in 125 games). The offense is on track for its first sub-1,000 strikeout season since 2006.

In the Field: The Nuts are 2nd for most double plays (114) in the MWL, trailing only Wisconsin (117). Additionally, the Lugnuts have allowed only 117 stolen bases this year, ranking 3rd in the league.

#### **History vs. Lake County** The Nuts are 130-138 all-time vs. the Caps, 72-65 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, G	1 L, 2-0 (7)	22. 8/29 at LAN	W, 1-0			
11. 5/24 LC, G2	2 W, 4-0 (7)	23. 8/30 at LAN	W, 3-0			
12. 5/25 at LC	W, 6-3	24. 8/31 at LAN				

#### IN A NUTSHELL

36-30 | 25-34 | Won 3

Home: 35-30 Night: Road: 26-34 Day: 20-18 vs. LHP: 18-26 vs. RHP: 43-38 White unis: 17-12 Black unis: 25-25 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: 10 - 13Sunday: 12-8 Series wins: 6 Series losses: 8 Series splits: 7 Scored 1st: 38-21 Opponent scored 1st: 23-43 Doubleheaders (W-L-S): 2-0-2 Shutouts: 8-9 More hits than opp.: 48-10 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

4

5-5

Tied

6-7

3-3

3-5

Walk-offs:

After 6:

After 7:

After 8:

9-IP

Extra Innings:

Leading Trailing

14-48

8-54

5-53

31-6

40-4

43-3



## Luggie's Nuggets

Kansas City Royals Chicago Cubs Toronto Blue Jays Athletics 1996-1998 1999-2004 2005-2020 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	3,963
All-Time Lugnuts Won-Lost Red	cord1,982-1,981, .500
Franchise Seasons	70; 1955-present
Franchise Championships	1958, 1959, 1960, 1975, 1976, 1980, 1986
Total Francise Games	9,296
Franchise Won-Lost Record	4,781-4,515, .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 Mayza (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	6-5, August 31	3-9	9-14, 1 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	35-30, 1 game left	26-34, 6 games left	61-64, 7 left							

#### THE A'S SYSTEM

#### Athletics - MLB



#### 63-74 American League West

Yesterday: lost to Texas, 9-3 Mason Barnett: MLB debut, 4 IP, 5 R

## Las Vegas Aviators



# 74-57 Triple-A Pacific Coast League

Yesterday: lost to lowa, 10-8 Max Schuemann: 2-4, 2B, RBI, BB, .400

#### Midland RockHounds



#### 60-65 Double-A Texas League

Yesterday: lost to Springfield, 8-7 Joshua Kuroda-Grauer: 3-5, RBI

#### Stockton Ports



# Single-A California League

Yesterday: beat Modesto, 10-7 Devin Taylor: 3-5, 3 R, 2 2B, RBI, BB

### TODAY IN LUGNUTS HISTORY

**2012:** Noah Syndergaard struck out nine South Bend Silver Hawks in five innings of one-hit shutout ball, and the Lugnuts scored five runs in the 7th for a 5-4 win at The Cove in South Bend.

**2016:** The Lugnuts welcomed Bill Johnston, their 8,000,000th fan and Michigan Lottery Lugnut, to Cooley Law School Stadium, part of a crowd of 4,704 that watched the Nuts defeat Bowling Green, 3-1.

**2022:** The pitching matchup featured 2022 fourth-rounder Jacob Watters in his Nuts debut (1 IP, 1 UER, 3 BB) against MLB rehabber Wade Miley for South Bend, but the game was decided by a two-run Pablo Aliendo homer in the fifth in a 4-2 loss at Four Winds Field.

#### **CATCHING STATS** Diaz Gomez Newton 17-23 W-L (ShO) 4-5 0-1 ERA 4.66 4.17 4.50 Innings 348.0 77.2 8.0 R (ER) 209 (180) 37 (36) 4 (4) Е 4 1 ΡВ CS% 10-42, 24% 1-13, 8% 1-3, 33% Pickoffs

#### Today's Lugnuts Starter

# RH · Tzu-Chen Sha · 6-3, 190 · age 21

**Profile** Name .. .. Tzu-Chen Sha Birthday ......October 15, 2003 Born.....Taipei, Taiwan

School ... ...... National Taiwan Sport University Acquired......International Free Agent, 2/15/23 Bats / Throws Right / Right

Pronounce Tzu-Chen Sha's name as "Shah Tsu-Chun"

Longest Outing: 6 IP, 3x | Most K: 9, April 12, 2025, vs. Rancho Cucamonga

Personal: Tzu-Chen initially gained notice as a soccer star, earning a spot on the Taiwanese National Team before reaching high school... undrafted out of high school, debuted in college in 2022 with four perfect innings / nine strikeouts at National Taiwan Sport University (the same university attended by former Lugnut Chen Zhong-Ao Zhuang)... named Best Pitcher at the 2022 MeiHuaQi College National Tournament... signed with the Athletics a few months later for \$370,000 plus \$30,000 to be put toward scholarship... part of the same A's international signing class as former Lugnut Luis Morales, now in the Majors.

Family Highlight: On July 5, with his father and brother watching him pitch in the Minor Leagues for the very first time, earned first High-A victory with five innings of two-hit, one-run ball vs. Fort Wayne (Brandon Butterworth solo HR in 3rd inning).

Last Game: Starting August 26 vs. Lake County in the first game of this series... took the loss, allowing seven hits and five runs in four innings... gave up two-run homer to Ryan Cesarini in three-run 2nd... 76 pitches, 42 strikes... Nuts lost, 6-2.



fastball, curve, slider, change-up

Pro Ball: Debuted with the Arizona Complex League A's in 2023 (June 6, 3 IP, 4 H, 0 R, 0 BB, 4 K at ACL Reds), earning way to Stockton for a July 26 Calfornia League debut (4 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 2 BB, 3 K vs. Lake Elsinore)... spent all of 2024 with Stockton, piggybacking Will Johnston on the second day of the season... returned to Stockton to open this season and debuted as part of a combined no-hitter at Fresno, following Jefferson Jean's five hitless innings with three perfect innings/six strikeouts before yielding to Wilfrid Alvaradio for a perfect ninth in a 2-0 win... promoted to Lansing to replace Nathan Dettmer in the starting rotation on June 23.

Players from Taiwan in MLB: The only Taiwanese players to see time in the Majors this season are Kai-Wei Teng (SF) and Tsung-Che Cheng (PIT)... 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 Cheng, 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... Chi-Hung Cheng 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 29:3 K:BB ratio.

YR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	ShO	sv	IP	AB	Н	R	ER	HR	НВ	ВВ	IBB	K	WP	вк	AVG
2023	ACL Athletics	2-3	4.01	7	0	0	0	0	24.2	99	28	12	11	2	0	3	0	38	4	1	.283
	Stockton	0-1	5.00	7	7	0	0	0	27.0	109	31	17	15	4	3	5	0	15	7	1	.284
2024	Stockton	2-6	6.33	24	12	0	0	0	85.1	349	104	74	60	20	6	27	0	64	5	3	.298
2025	Stockton	3-3	2.70	12	7	0	0	1	50.0	186	43	19	15	1	4	9	0	59	5	0	.231
	Lansing	1-4	4.91	10	8	0	0	0	40.1	151	36	25	22	6	8	17	0	25	1	2	.238
	TOTALS	8-17	4.87	60	34	0	0	1	227.1	894	242	147	123	33	21	61	0	201	22	7	.271

#### IN THE BULLPEN

## MARK ADAMIAK • RH • Age 24 • "uh-DAHM-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

Born in Des Plaines, IL... lives in Shawnee, Kansas... 454th overall, 15th rd., 2022, Arkansas. 1 \$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.

## 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

Kapolei, Hl., \$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). days rest 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.

## 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

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. days rest

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.

## HENRY GÓMEZ • RH • Age 23 • MWL season: 1

day rest

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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 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. days rest Pitched in 2023 and 2024 in the Florida State League, lowering ERA from 4.91 to 3.03.

# 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.

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).

days rest 2024 Arizona Fall League: 9 G, 7.84, 10 1/3 IP, 10 R, 5 BB, 8 K... rejoined LAN May 13, 2025.

#### JACK MAHONEY • LH • Age 26 • MWL season: 1 20

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

Appleton, Wl... 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. days rest

2025: 6 GS with Staten Island, 5.45 ERA, 33 IP, 12 BB, 41 K... purchased by A's on June 9.

#### 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

Mililani, Hl... drafted 484th overall, 16th rd., 2022, University of Hawai'i... signed for \$75,000. 2

1st Team All-State as a high school junior (0.95)... Jr. year at Hawa'i: 1st Team All Big West One year younger than teammate Hunter Breault at Kamehameha-Kapālama High School. davs rest

2021: played for Waterloo (Northwoods League), where Lugs franchise used to be located.

#### 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

Kulpmont, PA... 286th overall, 10th rd., 2023, East Stroudsburg University (ESU) Warriors.

3 Signed for \$125,000... Mount Carmel Area H.S. guarterback... 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. davs rest

Made pro debut in 2023 in ACL: 4 G/2 GS, 6 IP, 10 K... spent 2024 in Stockton, IL: May 1-30.

#### YEHIZON SANCHEZ • RH • 24 • "YAY-ih-sone" • MWL seasons: 3 30 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

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 Encarnacion, Félix Pié and Miguel Castro. days rest

2023 Stockton Ports Opening Day starter... pitched in four games with Lansing in 2023.



#### 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: 2-3, 2 R, 2 SB at WM: 3-17, R, BB, 2 K LC: 5-14, 3 R, 2B, RBI, 3 BB, 2 K, 3 SB Current Hit Streak: +2 (3-5) On-Base Streak: +4 (5-11, 3 BB) Jorge Ali Camarillo... Chula Vista, CA... 346th overall, 12th round, Texas A&M... \$250,000. · In high school: two years at Montgomery High School, then two years at Otay Ranch High School. Played in 2016 Little League World Series (dad Jorge was manager) with Park View Little League. Missed 23 games as a freshman at CSUN due to injuries, starting 29 games as a true freshman. Little League team lost first game to Iowa 5-1, eliminated Texas 5-0, then lost to Tennesse 4-2 (7). As a sophomore, All-Big West First Team, ranking 2nd in Big West in avg. (.371), 4th in OPS (1.032). Played at Cal State Northridge in 2022 and 2023, transferring to Texas A&M for the 2024 season. As a junior at A&M, had 34-game on-base streak... on Stockton IL, April 28-June 3... to Lansing, Aug 18. 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: 1-3, RBI at WM: 1-13, 3 BB, 2 K, PB, E vs. LC: 2-13, 2B, RBI, 2 BB, 2 K Current Hit Streak: +1 (1-3) On-Base Streak: +7 (3-23, 5 BB) 3x gold medalist, Team USA (2015, 2017, 2018), Perfect Game's No. 12 prospect in California 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). 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. MARIO GOMEZ • 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 at WM: 0-7 vs. LC: 2-11, R. RBI, BB, 2 K Last Game: -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) Played for one team in 2021, two teams in 2023, three teams in 2024, and now five teams in 2025. Joined Lugnuts on July 29, replacing Nick Schwartz (promoted to Las Vegas); RBI 1B in 1st AB Has played one game for Caneros de Los Mochis in each of last two winter ball seasons (0-for-2, 2 K). 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: 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) Father Buddy - UNLV head coach, 2003-2010; Nevada-Reno associate head coach 2011-2013; Brought four gloves to Lansing; plays all infield positions... only Hornet to start all 57 gms. in 2024 area supervisor for Kansas City Royals... spent one year at Washington State, three years at Sac State 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: 2-4. RBI at WM: 2-13, BB, 2 K vs. LC: 4-8, 2 R, 2B, 3 RBI, K, SB Current Hit Streak: +2 (4-8) On-Base Streak: +3 (4-11, BB) Jackson, New Jersey... 2nd round, 41st overall, 2023, from Rutgers... signed for \$1.7 million. · Led Big Ten in base hits (90) and runs scored (81) in 2022... criminal justice major. First Scarlet Knight in Big Ten era to be All-American, 2021... tied RU 2B record (24) in 2022. • Rated California League's Best Outfield Arm by Baseball America in 2024... Injured List, 4/4-5/12/25. 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: 2-4, K, SB WM: 7-15, R, 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 2 BB, 2 K, HBP LC: 6-19, 3 R, 2 RBI, 2 BB, 5 K, 4-5 SB Current Hit Streak: +1 (2-4) Bethpage, NY... selected 286th overall, 10th round, 2024 draft from Boston College (\$50,000). Promoted from Stockton riding a 10-game hitting streak and a 30-game on-base streak. High school: 3 years, St. Anthony's (NY), finished at P27 Academy (Lexington, SC)... finance major. • Slugged 2nd most HR in Boston College history (43)... only Eagle to have 40+ HR and 40+ steals 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) Played in DSL in 2019 (55 G, .213 avg.) and 2021 (40 G, .217 avg.), ACL in 2022 and 2023. 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 full 2024 in Stockton... spent from May 2-July 1, 2025: on Injured List (hamate). 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: 0-4, 3 K at WM: 2-21, R, 3B, 3 BB, 7 K, E vs. LC: 3-15. R. BB. 7 K. HBP. CS Current Hit Streak: -2 (0-6) On-Base Streak: -1 (0-4) · Albany, CA... signed as undrafted free agent, January 22, 2025, Fresno State. · According to college bio: "enjoys basketball, drawing and poker in his free time." Business major... 3x Mountain West Scholar Athlete. 3x Academic All-Mountain West. Also from Albany High School: Ron Hansen, the last rookie to start the ASG at SS before Jacob Wilson. 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. Pipeline grades: hit 45, power 40, run 60, arm 50, field 50... played in DSL in 2022 (.183) & 2023 (.244). Signed for \$1.2 million as the A's top position-player target in 2022 international free agency Playing at third different level in 2025, replacing the injured Pedro Pineda in Lansing on August 6 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: 1-3, R, 3B, BB, K LC: 6-19, 2 R, 3B, RBI, 2 BB, 6 K, SB at WM: 3-23, 2B, 10 K Current Hit Streak: +4 (6-16) On-Base Streak: +6 (7-23, 2 BB) Santo Domingo Norte, DR... signed as an international free agent, January 15, 2021 · Rose as high as MLB Plpeline's No. 11 A's prospect in 2022... signed for \$2.5 million. 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: 0-3. K at WM: 2-14. 4 K vs. LC: 3-14. R. 4 K Current Hit Streak: -1 (0-3) On-Base Streak: -1 (0-3) Hamilton, NJ... 2021 Vanderbilt, 2022-24 Penn State... 2025 undrafted free agent, Penn State. 1B, 2B, 3B, LF, RF at Penn State... 1B, 3B, LF, CF, RF at Stockton (42 games in LF, 48 games at 1B). Christopher John Pittaro... grandfather played in the minors from 1960-62, then coached at Rider. • Father, Chris, played 53 G in MLB (1985 DET, 1986-87 MIN), currently A's Special Assistant to the GM 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: 2-18, R, 2 BB, 6 K, HBP Current Hit Streak: -2 (0-8) On-Base Streak: -2 (0-8) Tyrell James... Brampton, ON... 374th pick, 12th rd., 2019, North Park S.S. ... signed for \$320,000. Promoted to Midland July 1, returned July 17... Double-A stats: 9 G, 5-36, .139/.162/.139, 1 BB, 6 K, 2 SB. Bronze Medalist w/ Canada Junior National Team in Panama... father is from Saint Vincent (SVG). Has enjoyed marvelous 2025 with Lugnuts... 5-for-5 vs. Fort Wayne on April 24... batted .371 in April. 2018 - won the Tournament 12 title, the Marucci World Series title and U-21 Canadian Baseball title. • May 31 vs. Beloit, blasted go-ahead grand slam in the 7th ("The Schofield-Slam"), leading to 8-2 win. CASEY YAMAUCHI • R/R • INF Age 25 3rd season with Lugnuts

LC: 6-19, R, 2B, 5 RBI, 2 K, SB, SF, HBP Hilo, Hl... signed as an undrafted free agent with the Athletics from Hawai'i at Hilo, July 12, 2023. Owns Hawai'i Hilo records in runs (147), hits (240), doubles (49), steals (74-for-85); only 27 K in 167 G. 5 years... graduated w/ bachelor degrees in Communications and Kinesiology & Exercise Sciences. • Joined Nuts for the final three games of 2023 at LC (6-9, 2 BB, 1 HBP), replacing Jacob Wilson at SS.

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

at WM: 7-24, 2B, RBI, BB, K, CS, E

Last Game: 0-4, RBI

On-Base Streak: -1 (0-4)

Current Hit Streak: -1 (0-4)

#### 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.