

# CLEARWATER THRESHERS

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Clearwater Threshers (17-30, 52-60)    AT    Daytona Tortugas (15-30, 44-66)

**Sunday, August 21, 2022**

**Game #113 | Road Game #59 | 5:35 PM | Jackie Robinson Ballpark, Daytona Beach, FL**

**LHP Matt Osterberg (1-6, 3.59 ERA) vs. TBD**

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**LAST TIME OUT:** Following a 6-4 victory in game one, the Clearwater Threshers settled for the split of a doubleheader with the Daytona Tortugas after a 5-4 defeat in game two on Saturday night at Jackie Robinson Ballpark. In the first contest, left-hander Jordan Fowler made his fourth start of the season for Clearwater and allowed only one run on two hits with five strikeouts in four solid innings of work. The Threshers (17-30, 52-60) opened the scoring in the fourth inning on an RBI single by Jamari Baylor to make it 1-0. Baylor finished the game 2-for-3 with two RBI and reached base three times. After the Tortugas (15-30, 44-66) pushed home single runs in the fourth and fifth off relievers Cam Wynne and Jared Wetherbee to make it 2-1, the Threshers responded with a big five-run sixth inning. Clearwater began the sixth with four straight hits, including an RBI base knock by Baylor to tie the game 2-2. With the bases loaded and two outs, Cade Fergus launched a grand slam over the scoreboard in the left to give the visitors a 6-2 advantage. It was Fergus' third homer of the season and the Threshers first grand slam of the year. With the Threshers leading 6-2, the Tortugas inched closer with runs in the sixth and seventh but right-hander Daniel Harper secured the first save of his professional career in the bottom of the seventh to give Clearwater a 6-4 victory in game one of the twin bill. In the second contest, right-hander Gunner Mayer made his ninth start of the season for Clearwater and allowed two runs on three hits with an impressive seven strikeouts in four innings. The Tortugas pushed home two runs in the bottom of the first on back-to-back solo home runs by Jack Rodgers and Yassel Pino to grab an early 2-0 lead. Trailing 2-0, the Threshers got one back in the third on a base hit by Baylor and an error on Rodgers in right field to trim the deficit to 2-1. After Daytona added one more in the fifth off right-handed reliever Konnor Ash to make it 3-1, the Threshers evened the game on a two-run home run out to left by catcher Ryan Leitch in the sixth inning. It was Leitch's first professional home run. Tied 3-3, the Tortugas responded immediately with two runs of their own in the bottom of the sixth as catcher Wilfred Astudillo singled home two off lefty Tristan Garnett to make it 5-3. Despite loading the bases with one out in the top of the seventh, the Threshers settled for only one run on an RBI groundout by Leandro Pineda and fell just short 5-4 in the second game.

**FOR STARTERS:** Left-hander **Matt Osterberg** is scheduled to make his 12th start (21st appearance) for the Threshers on Sunday evening...Holds 1-6 record with 3.59 ERA...Last outing: out of bullpen on August 13 vs. St. Lucie, allowed three runs, only one earned, on five hits with one strikeout...prior to August 13 outing, did not allow an earned run in 8 straight innings (3 appearances out of bullpen)...Holds a 3-7 record with 3.10 ERA overall in professional career...Drafted by Phillies in 15th round of 2021 MLB Draft



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**SHARK BITES:** vs. Daytona in 2022: 8-3, this marks the second and final meeting between the Threshers and Tortugas in 2022, Clearwater secured 5 of 6 games from Daytona at home on May 10-15 ... **KNOW THE FOE:** The Tortugas hold the FSL's worst overall record at 44-66 under manager Gookie Dawkins, the Tortugas have remained in last place in the FSL's East Division in the second half with a 15-30 mark. *Daytona has also gone 59 straight days without back-to-back wins* ... **HOME SWEET HOME:** The Threshers lead the Florida State League in attendance, welcoming in more than 120,000 fans through the BayCare Ballpark gates so far in 2022, including a league-high 8,017 for the July 3 contest.... **FUN FACT:** Despite missing nearly two months on the injured list, INF Hao Yu Lee is now 7th in the FSL in RBI with 49 ... **NOT SO FUN FACT:** Clearwater has had six losing streaks of three games or more in the second half, the Threshers are also 5-16 at home in the second half of the season... **WHO'S HOT:** Newcomer Cade Fergus, a 13th round draft pick of the Phillies in 2022 out of George Washington, crushed the Threshers' first grand slam of the season in Saturday's game one victory. It was Fergus' third home run in 46 at bats this season. Fergus also has 9 RBI ... **DOUBLE TROUBLE:** Following Saturday night's split, the Threshers are 4-11 in doubleheader games in 2022. They have been swept by Dunedin, Tampa and Fort Myers... **SERIES STRUGGLES:** With a win on Sunday evening, the Threshers can secure their first series win since taking two of three from Bradenton on July 22-4. It would be Clearwater's second series victory of the second half... **WELCOME BACK:** INF Alexeis Azuaje has reached base at least once in every game since returning from the Injured List (placed on Injured List May 24, returned August 5) the streak continued for Azuaje on Saturday night in game two, as he finished 1-for-3... **ON DECK:** Following the six-game series finale in Daytona, the Threshers will return home to open the second to final homestand of the season against the Tampa Tarpons on Tuesday, August 23.

### Inside the Numbers:

Current Streak: L1

Last 10: 5-5

VS. Daytona: 8-3

At Home: 24-30

On Road: 28-30

In August: 8-9 (7-17 July)

On Sunday's: 8-11

Team hitting at home: .224

Team hitting on road: .224

Night games: 43-39

Day games: 9-21

Team hitting in August: .222

Team ERA in August: 5.05

Team hitting vs. LHP: .216

Team hitting vs. RHP: .226

Following a win: 28-23

Following a loss: 23-35

Starters ERA: 4.32

Bullpen ERA: 3.40



### Diving Deeper - #26 Matt Osterberg

**OSTERBERG, MATTHEW BRIAN (Matt)**... LHP... B-T: L-L... HT: 6-2; WT: 205... BORN: April 21, 1999, Coleman, WI... RESIDES: Coleman... HOW OBTAINED: Selected by Phillies in 15<sup>th</sup> round of June 2021 draft... SIGNED BY: Derrick Ross... EDUCATION: 2021 graduate of St. Cloud State University (MN)... 2017 graduate of Coleman HS... MISC: During his senior collegiate season, held opponents to a .208 AVG, which was the lowest mark in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference... 2021: Made professional debut with Florida Complex League Phillies (R)... Promoted to Clearwater (A), 8/17... Overall, held opponents to a .186 AVG (13-70) and .257 SLG... Participated in Florida Instructional League.



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### CLEARWATER THRESHERS LATEST TRANSACTIONS

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- 2-Aug OF Chad Castillo activated and assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug OF Cade Fergus activated and assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug C Ryan Letich activated and assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug C Caleb Ricketts activated and assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug OF Troy Schreffler activated and assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug C Arturo De Freitas assigned to Jersey Shore from Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug OF Marcus Lee Sang assigned to Jersey Shore from Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug RHP Rodolfo Sanchez assigned to Jersey Shore from Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug INF Nicolas Torres assigned to Jersey Shore from Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/1)
- 2-Aug INF Albert Jerez released from organization (retroactive to 7/31)
- 2-Aug INF McCarthy Tatum on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 5-Aug INF Matt Alifano activated and assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 5-Aug INF Alexeis Azuaje reinstated from 7-Day Injured List, activated by Clearwater Threshers
- 5-Aug C Andrick Nava assigned to Jersey Shore from Clearwater Threshers
- 5-Aug INF Kendall Simmons assigned to Jersey Shore from Clearwater Threshers



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- 12-Aug RHP Daniel Harper assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League
- 12-Aug RHP Cam Wynne reinstated from 7-Day Injured List, activated by Clearwater Threshers
- 12-Aug RHP Jean Cabrera placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug RHP Eiberson Castellano placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug LHP Gabriel Cotto placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug RHP Buddy Hayward transferred to 60-Day Injured List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug LHP Keylan Killgore on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 12-Aug C Anthony Quirion on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 12-Aug LHP Josh Hendrickson on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 16-Aug RHP Jack Dallas assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League (retroactive to 8/15)
- 16-Aug RHP Victor Vargas on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/15)
- 16-Aug LHP Samuel Aldegheri reinstated from 60-Day Injured List, assigned to Florida Complex League (retroactive to 8/15)



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