



# 2024 LOS PICANTES DE LAKE COUNTY INFORMACIÓN DEL JUEGO

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## Beloit Sky Carp (15-15, 45-48) vs. Los Picantes de Lake County (16-13, 57-38)

Tuesday, July 30 • 7:00 PM • Classic Auto Group Park • Broadcast: Bally Live App / [MiLB.TV](https://www.milb.com)

Game #96 • Home Game #48 • Season Series: 4-2, 6 Games Remaining

RHP Karson Milbrandt (1-4, 4.09 ERA, 16 GS) vs. RHP Rorik Maltrud (4-0, 3.33 ERA, 5 GS)

### Midwest League East Standings

East Division (2nd Half)	W	L	GB
Dayton Dragons (Cincinnati)	18	12	--
*-Lake County Captains (Cleveland)	16	13	1.5
West Michigan Whitecaps (Detroit)	15	14	2.5
Lansing Lugnuts (Oakland)	14	16	4.0
Great Lakes Loons (Los Angeles - NL)	13	16	4.5
Fort Wayne TinCaps (San Diego)	11	19	7.0

Beloit Sky Carp (Miami / T-3rd MWL West)	15	15	5.5
East Division (Overall)	W	L	GB
*-Lake County Captains (Cleveland)	57	38	--
Dayton Dragons (Cincinnati)	52	44	5.5
Great Lakes Loons (Los Angeles - NL)	47	48	10.0
Lansing Lugnuts (Oakland)	46	49	11.0
West Michigan Whitecaps (Detroit)	46	49	11.0
Fort Wayne TinCaps (San Diego)	39	57	18.5

Beloit Sky Carp (Miami / 3rd MWL West)	45	48	16.0
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### Farm System Overview

#### MLB Pipeline Preseason Ranking: #19

Below are current Captains and their rankings in Cleveland's farm system, according to various publications.

MLB Pipeline	Baseball America	The Athletic (Keith Law)
#10 Angel Genao	#1/19 Travis Bazzana	#1/15 Travis Bazzana
#17 Jake Fox	#5/70 Angel Genao	#14 Alex Mooney (preseason)
#18 Jose Devers	#23 Cooper Ingle	
#19 Alex Mooney		
#28 Cooper Ingle		
#30 Matt Wilkinson		

### By the Numbers

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INF Travis Bazzana hit a single-season school-record 28 home runs for Oregon State this year. He also set the school's career record with 45 home runs in 3 seasons with the Beavers.

.476

C Cooper Ingle has posted a .476 OBP since May 17, which leads full-season Minor League Baseball (Single-A through Triple-A) in that span, lead High-A Greenville/Double-A Portland INF/CF Kristian Campbell (.475) by a point.

.617

Lake County boasts a .617 home win percentage, the 3rd best in the Midwest League. The Captains are 29-18 at Classic Auto Group Park in 2024

### CAPTAINS LOG

**LAST TIME OUT:** Lake County split its series with Great Lakes after an walk-off single by Loons C Frank Rodriguez handed the Captains a 3-2 loss on Sunday at Dow Diamond in Midland, MI.

The Captains led 2-1 going into the bottom of the 9th after CF **Jonah Advincula** drew an RBI walk in the top of the 1st, Great Lakes DH Chris Newell ripped an RBI single in the bottom of the 1st, and Lake County 3B **Alex Mooney**, MLB Pipeline's No. 20 Cleveland prospect, plated a run after reaching on a throwing error.

RHP **Trenton Denholm** (ND) pitched 6 innings, allowing an RBI single in the top of the 1st while striking out 5 and walking none to earn his 8th quality start of the year. After LHPs **Shawn Rapp** and **Steve Hajjar** pitched scoreless 7th and 8th innings, Great Lakes scored 2 runs off RHP **Zane Morehouse** to walk-off LC for the second time in the series.

**ALL THAT BAZ:** 2B **Travis Bazzana**, Baseball America's No. 19 MLB prospect, recorded his first Minor League multi-hit game in his second contest, going 2-for-4 with a double and 2 runs scored. **Bazzana is the first No. 1 pick to have a multi-hit game in his first 2 games of full season Minor League Baseball since current Minnesota OF Royce Lewis went 4-for-5 in his Cedar Rapids debut versus Quad Cities on 8/12/2017.**

**MEAN STREAKS:** OF **Jonah Advincula** extended his on-base streak to a team-best 13 games with a walk on Sunday. C **Cooper Ingle**, MLB Pipeline's No. 30 Cleveland prospect, also rides a 12-game on-base streak. C **Johnny Tincher** has an 9-game on-base streak and 6-game hit streak. OF **Jorge Burgos** boasts a team-best 8-game hit streak.

**THE HITS KEEP COMING AND THEY WON'T STOP COMING:** DH **Jorge Burgos** extended his hit streak to 8 games by going 1-for-4 on Saturday. **He is batting .290 (9-for-31) with an .837 OPS, 2 HR and 3 RBI during the streak.**

**GENAO AND LATER:** INF **Angel Genao**, MLB Pipeline's No. 11 Cleveland prospect, has hit safely in 29 of his first 37 High-A games, and his 108 hits across Lake County and Single-A Lynchburg are tied for 11th in MiLB. **He is 1 of 2 players in MiLB with a .320+ AVG, 35+ XBH, and 20+ SB this season.**

**EXTRA, EXTRA, RUN ALL ABOUT IT!** INF **Alex Mooney (30 XBH, 32 SB) and OF Esteban González (30 XBH, 34 SB) are 2 of 7 MiLB players with 30+ XBH and 30+ SB this season.** Cleveland is the only organization with multiple MiLB players in this group.

**MOON LANDING:** On Wednesday night, 3B **Alex Mooney**, MLB Pipeline's No. 20 Cleveland prospect, went 1-for-3 with a double, **becoming the 4th Captain in franchise history (2003-present) to record 30 XBH and 30 SB in a season.**

### CAPTAINS WITH 30 XBH & 30 SB IN A SINGLE SEASON FRANCHISE HISTORY

INF **ALEX MOONEY**, 2024 (30 XBH, 32 SB)  
OF **Greg Allen**, 2015 (36 XBH, 43 SB)  
OF **Donnie Webb**, 2009 (36 XBH, 35 SB)  
OF **Nathan Panther**, 2003 (41 XBH, 38 SB)

### TRENDS & NOTABLES

**NUMBER ONE'S HOME DEBUT:** INF **Travis Bazzana**, the No. 1 pick in the 2024 MLB Draft, is batting .286 (2-for-7) with 1 double, 1 RBI and 2 runs scored in 2 High-A games. The former Oregon State Beaver and 2024 Pac-12 Player of the Year is ranked as The Athletic's No. 15 overall prospect and Baseball America's No. 19 overall prospect. He is the 1st Australian-born player and 1st second baseman to be drafted 1st overall in MLB Draft history. **At Oregon State:** **Bazzana** set program career records in: hits (251), home runs (45), doubles (52), stolen bases (66), total bases (460), and walks (180). **Cape Cod League:** He won the 2023 CCBL Pat Sorenti MVP Award, winning the batting title with a .375 AVG.

### 1ST OVERALL PICKS TO START AT HIGH-A OR HIGHER SINCE 2000

INF **TRAVIS BAZZANA** (HIGH-A LAKE COUNTY, 2024)  
INF Spencer Torkelson (High-A West Michigan, 2021)  
RHP Gerrit Cole (High-A Bradenton, 2011)  
RHP Stephen Strasburg (Double-A Harrisburg, 2009)

**COOPER (NEVER) TIRES:** C **Cooper Ingle**, MLB Pipeline's No. 30 Cleveland prospect, leads the MWL in AVG (.327) and ranks 2nd in OBP (.436). **The last MWL player to win the batting title and OBP title in the same season was Cedar Rapids OF Mike Trout (.362/.454) in 2010.**

### CAPTAINS AVG. OBP. AND OPS THROUGH FIRST 95 TEAM GAMES SINCE 2005 (MIN. 265 PA)

AVG	OBP	OPS
COOPER INGLE (2024) - .327	COOPER INGLE (2024) - .436	COOPER INGLE (2024) - .852
John Drennen (2006) - .326	John Drennen (2006) - .415	Matthew Whitney (2007) - .919
Jordan Smith (2012) - .322	Logan Vick (2013) - .406	Jesús Aguilar (2011) - .903
Argenis Reyes (2005) - .322		

**STRAIGHT NO CHASER:** Per FanGraphs, the Captains have 4 of the Midwest League's 15 lowest swinging strike percentages. C **Cooper Ingle** (5.1%) ranks 3rd, OF **Jonah Advincula** (6.6%) is 5th, OF **Guy Lipscomb** (7.8%) is 9th, and INF **Maick Collado** (8.0%) is tied for 11th.

**ACE OF BASE:** The Captains have stolen 161 bases through their first 94 games, 2nd-most in a season in franchise history and 6 shy of breaking the franchise record (166, 2009). **Lake County leads MiLB with an 88.0% stolen base percentage.**

**NAVAL POWER:** LHP **Matt Wilkinson** leads MiLB with 137 strikeouts this season. **Wilkinson (1st, 137), and former Captains Austin Peterson (5th, 119), and Parker Messick (6th, 118) all rank top-10 in MiLB in strikeouts this season.**

**THE ATLANTIC CAMPAIGN:** Since 2021, 13 of Cleveland's draft picks have come from the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC), including 6 in the 2023 MLB Draft and 2 in the 2024 Draft. Of those 13 ACC draftees, 6 have played for the Captains this year (LHP **Shawn Rapp**, LHP **Parker Messick**, OF **Angel Zarate**, 1B/LF **C.J. Kayfus**, C **Cooper Ingle**, and INF **Alex Mooney**), with 5 total '23 draftees being current Top 30 Cleveland prospects by MLB Pipeline.

**FEELS LIKE 2010:** Lake County earned its 57th game in its 93rd contest, the franchise's most wins through 93 games since at least 2005. **The 2010 Captains rank 2nd by going 56-37 through their first 93 games, en route to winning that year's Midwest League Title.**

### CURRENT SERIES SCHEDULE, RESULTS, & PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

Date	Opp.	Time / Result	Sky Carp Starter	Captains Starter	Broadcast
7/30	vs. BEL	7:00 PM	RHP Karson Milbrandt (1-4, 4.09 ERA, 16 GS)	RHP Rorik Maltrud (4-0, 3.33 ERA, 5 GS)	Bally Live / <a href="https://www.milb.com">MiLB.TV</a>
7/31	vs. BEL	7:00 PM	RHP Noble Meyer (0-2, 3.98 ERA, 5 GS)	RHP Carter Spivey (7-1, 3.39 ERA, 15 GS)	Bally Live / <a href="https://www.milb.com">MiLB.TV</a>
8/1	vs. BEL	7:00 PM	LHP Thomas White (1-2, 2.81 ERA, 7 GS)	RHP Dylan DeLucia (0-0, 0.00 ERA, 1 GS)	Bally Live / <a href="https://www.milb.com">MiLB.TV</a>
8/2	vs. BEL	7:00 PM	RHP Jacob Miller (5-4, 4.02 ERA, 16 GS)	LHP Matt Wilkinson (2-2, 2.66 ERA, 9 GS)	Bally Live / <a href="https://www.milb.com">MiLB.TV</a>
8/3	vs. BEL	7:00 PM	LHP Emmett Olson (4-4, 3.36 ERA, 13 GS)	RHP Trenton Denholm (8-2, 3.36 ERA, 17 GS)	Bally Live / <a href="https://www.milb.com">MiLB.TV</a>
8/4	vs. BEL	1:00 PM	RHP Ike Buxton (2-6, 5.04 ERA, 13 GS)	RHP Rorik Maltrud (4-0, 3.33 ERA, 5 GS)	Bally Live / <a href="https://www.milb.com">MiLB.TV</a>



2024 LOS PICANTES DE LAKE COUNTY COACHING STAFF



**OMIR SANTOS**  
Manager

**Born:** April 29, 1981 in Bayamon, PR  
**Resides:** Kissimmee, FL

**Managerial/Coaching Highlights:** Begins his second season managing High-A Lake County after guiding Lynchburg in 2022 and Cleveland's DSL Blue club in 2021...was slated to manage the 2020 DSL club...

...made his professional coaching debut with Triple-A Columbus in 2016 before serving as bench coach for Double-A Akron in 2017.

**Managerial/Coaching Career (all CLE):** **2016**-Coach, Columbus; **2017**-Bench Coach, Akron; **2018-2019**-Bench Coach, Mahoning Valley; **2021**-Manager, DSL CLE Blue; **2022**-Manager, A Lynchburg; **2023**-Manager, H-A Lake County.

**Playing Career:** Drafted by the New York Yankees in the 21st round of the 2001 draft...enjoyed a 14-year professional career as a catcher, including 122 games at the Major League level over five seasons...played for the Baltimore Orioles (2008), New York Mets (2009), Detroit Tigers (2011-12) and Cleveland (2013)...batted .248 (80-for-322) with 7 HR and 41 RBI in 122 Major League games...appeared in one game for Cleveland and 62 games for Triple-A Columbus in 2013...retired after spending the 2014 season with Triple-A Indianapolis (Pittsburgh).

**Personal/Miscellaneous:** Married, wife's name is Gelitza...has a son, Omir Alejandro...has a daughter, Galilea...attended East Central College in Union, Missouri.

**MANAGERIAL CAREER**

YEAR	CLUB	League(Level)	W-L (pct)	POS
2021	DSL Blue	DSL (NW)	34-25 (.576)	2nd
2022	Lynchburg	Carolina (North)	63-68 (.481)	5th
2023	Lake County	Midwest (East)	65-64 (.504)	5th
<b>Totals</b>			<b>162-157 (.508)</b>	



**KEVIN ERMINIO**  
Pitching Coach

**Born:** Dec. 10, 1967 in Salisbury, MD  
**Resides:** Atlanta, GA

**Managerial/Coaching Highlights:** Erminio enters his fifth season with the Guardians organization after spending 13 seasons as a coach with Kennesaw

State University (2007-2019)...Under his guidance, the Owls had 23 pitchers selected in the MLB Draft...his career was highlighted in 2014, leading the pitching staff to a combined 3.50 ERA and saw KSU take its first ever A-Sun Championship as well as the NCAA Division I Tallahassee Regional.

**Coaching Career:** **1992-1995**-Assistant Coach, Tusculum College (TN); **1996-1998**-Volunteer Assistant, Clemson University (SC); **1999-2000**-Pitching Coach, Berry College (GA); **2001-2005**-Pitching Coach, Middle Tennessee State University (TN); **2006**-Pitching Coach, Miami University (OH); **2007-2019**-Pitching Coach, Kennesaw State; **2021**-Pitching Coach, H-A Lake County (CLE); **2022**-Pitching Coach, A Lynchburg (CLE); **2023**-Pitching Coach, H-A Lake County (CLE).

**Playing Career:** Erminio was an all-conference shortstop at Tusculum College and graduated in 1991.

**Personal/Miscellaneous:** Married, wife's name is Jenny...has two sons, Ryan, a graduate student at Clemson University, and Jack, a junior at Ole Miss.



**ORDOMAR VALDEZ**  
Hitting Coach

**Born:** April 27, 1994 in San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic  
**Resides:** San Pedro de Macoris, DR

**Coaching Highlights:** Is in his fourth year in the Cleveland organization, first with High-A Lake County...spent the

2021 and 2022 seasons as a hitting coach in the DSL and was the hitting coach at Class-A Lynchburg in 2023.

**Coaching Career (all CLE):** **2021-22**-Hitting Coach, DSL; **2023**- Hitting Coach, Class-A Lynchburg.

**Playing Career:** Signed as an amateur free agent in 2010 and played 6 seasons in the Cleveland system from 2011-2016. primarily a second and third baseman he played all over the diamond, reaching as high as AAA Columbus in 2016... appeared in 336 games over his pro career, batting .252 (270-for-1072) with 144 runs and a career OBP of .329.

**Personal/Miscellaneous:** Married, Cesarina...two daughters, Oriana Isabella and Ohara Victoria...enjoys spending time with his family...played basketball growing up.



**MARC MUMPER**  
Bench Coach

**Born:** June 17, 1996 in Highlands Ranch, CO  
**Resides:** Phoenix, AZ

**Coaching Highlights:** Entering his second season in the Guardians organization after serving as an infield/

bench coach in the DSL in 2023...coached at the college level in several different roles from 2019-22 before joining Cleveland.

**Coaching Career:** **2019-20**-Assistant Coach, Metropolitan State University (CO); **2020-21**-Director of Player Dev./Asst. Coach, Abilene Christian University (TX); **2022**-Volunteer Assistant, Air Force Academy (CO); **2023**-Infield/Bench Coach, DSL (CLE).

**Playing Career:** Infielder was drafted in the 37th round of the 2015 MLB Draft by the Colorado Rockies out of Mountain Vista HS (CO), but did not sign, electing to attend Grand Canyon University (AZ)...hit .236 (95-for-403) with 20 doubles and 53 RBI in 157 games with the Antelopes from 2016-19...recorded career-highs in batting average (.269) and on-base percentage (.395) in his senior season in 2019.

**Personal/Miscellaneous:** Graduated from Grand Canyon with a degree in communications and also obtained a Master's degree in educational psychology from University of Missouri.



TONIGHT'S PICANTES STARTING PITCHER

#30

Rorik Maltrud

RHP



Born (Age): March 21, 2000 (24)
Birthplace: Atlanta, GA
School: Missouri ('23) / New Mexico State ('21 & '22) / Grayson College (JUCO), Spring '19 & '20) / Oklahoma (Fall '18)
HT: 6'4" | WT: 223 lbs | Bats: R | Throws: R
Acquired: MiLB Free Agent - Signed on 1/9/2024
Pitch Selection: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Curveball, Changeup

MiLB Statistics

Table with columns: Team, W, L, ERA, G, GS, CG, SHO, IP, H, R, ER, HR, HBP, BB, SO. Rows include LYN, LC, 2 TMS, and Total.

NCAA/NJCAA Statistics

Table with columns: Year, Team, W, L, ERA, G, GS, CG, SHO, IP, BB, SO, AVG. Rows include 2019-2023 and Total.

LAST TIME OUT: In his 5th High-A start on July 24 at Great Lakes, Rorik Maltrud (4-0) earned his 4th High-A win. Maltrud pitched 5 innings, allowing 4 runs on 5 hits, fanning 6 and walking 1 in the 6-5 victory.

SINCE MAY 31: In 9 starts since May 31 between Single-A Lynchburg and Lake County, Maltrud ranks 14th in Minor League Baseball and 3rd in the Cleveland system with a 1.88 ERA.

FINAL SINGLE-A START: In his final start with Single-A Lynchburg on June 19 at Charleston, Maltrud (ND) pitched 6 no-hit innings, striking out 4 and walking 3 in the eventual 8-5 win.

SIGNING DAY: On January 9, 2024, Maltrud was 1 of 2 prospects signed to a Minor League contract by the Cleveland Guardians.

CAMPUS TOUR: Maltrud made 59 college appearances at Grayson College (JUCO, Denison, TX) from 2019-20, New Mexico State from 2021-22, and Missouri in 2023.

EYE OF THE TIGER: Maltrud made 20 appearances and 6 starts at Missouri in 2023, his final season of college baseball. He went 1-2 with a 5.73 ERA, 65 strikeouts and 17 walks in 48.2 innings.

UNDER NEW MEXICO SKIES: In his 1st year at New Mexico State in 2021, Maltrud ranked 3rd on the team in strikeouts (55) while posting a 4.55 ERA in 15 appearances and 10 starts.

K STRUT: On March 21, 2021 versus Northern Colorado, Maltrud was featured by baseball media personality Rob Friedman, also known as PitchingNinja, after impersonating UFC fighter Conor McGregor with his "K Strut."

2024 Game-by-Game (Single-A Lynchburg)

Table with columns: Date, Opp, Dec, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Result. Rows include games from 4/10 to 6/19 and a Total row.

\* Relief Appearance

2024 Game-by-Game (Captains)

Table with columns: Date, Opp, Dec, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Result. Rows include games from 6/27 to 7/24 and a Total row.

2024 Highs (Captains)

Table listing career highs for Innings, Strikeouts, Walks, Hits, Runs, Earned Runs, HR, and Fewest Hits (5+ IP).

LAST WIN: 7/24 @ GL

LAST LOSS: 5/18 vs. DEL (Single-A Lynchburg)

LAST HR ALLOWED: 7/24 @ GL

NO-HITTER/PERFECT GAME: --

Career-Highs

Table listing career highs for Innings, Strikeouts, Walks, Hits, Runs, Earned Runs, HR, and Fewest Hits (5+ IP).





2024 MLB DRAFT #1 OVERALL PICK

#37

Travis Bazzana

INF



Born (Age): August 28, 2002 (21)
Resides: Sydney, Australia
School: Oregon State

HT: 6'0" | WT: 199 lbs | Bats: L | Throws: R
Acquired: 2024 Draft - 1st Round (1st Overall)

Trends
Last Game: 2-4, 2 R, 2B, 2 K (7/28 @ GL)
@ GL (Last Series): 2-7 (.286), 2 R, 2B, RBI, 4 K
Hit Streak: +1
On-Base Streak: +1

NCAA Statistics (Oregon State)

Table with 15 columns: Year, AVG, G, AB, R, H, 2B, 3B, HR, RBI, BB, SO, SB, OBP, SLG, OPS. Rows for 2022, 2023, 2024, and Total.

CCBL Statistics (Falmouth Commodores)

Table with 15 columns: Year, AVG, G, AB, R, H, 2B, 3B, HR, RBI, BB, SO, SB, OBP, SLG, OPS. Rows for 2023 and Total.

WCL Statistics (Corvallis Knights)

Table with 15 columns: Year, AVG, G, AB, R, H, 2B, 3B, HR, RBI, BB, SO, SB, OBP, SLG, OPS. Rows for 2021 and Total.

AUBL Statistics (Sydney Blue Sox)

Table with 15 columns: Year, AVG, G, AB, R, H, 2B, 3B, HR, RBI, BB, SO, SB, OBP, SLG, OPS. Rows for 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, and Total.

TRAVIS TRAVERSES THE WATERS: On Friday, July 19, the Cleveland Guardians announced that INF Travis Bazzana would begin his Minor League career with the Lake County Captains. After being officially assigned to Lake County on Friday, July 26, he is the 716th Captain of all-time.

MAKING HISTORY: On Sunday, July 14, the Guardians selected Bazzana with the 1st overall pick in the 2024 MLB Draft. He is the first No. 1 overall pick in Cleveland franchise history, as well as the 1st second baseman and Australian-born player taken No. 1 overall in MLB Draft history.

INSPIRING HIS COUNTRY: Bazzana is seeking to become the 36th Australian-born player in MLB history. There have been 3 MLB All-Stars born in Australia: 3-time All-Star closer Liam Hendriks, 2013 All-Star closer Grant Balfour, and 1999 All-Star catcher Dave Nilsson. "The premise of everything I want to achieve is I want to make Australia a powerhouse in baseball," Bazzana told MLB.com's Sonja Chen. "It's not going to come from me, but I want to start that trend."

KING OF CORVALLIS: Bazzana played 3 collegiate seasons at Oregon State. The left-handed hitter set many school records, including career marks for: hits (251), doubles (52), home runs (45), total bases (460), stolen bases (66), and walks (180). His 36 stolen bases in 2023 also set a single-season school record, and he helped lead the Beavers to a pair of NCAA Super Regionals appearances in 2022 and 2024. Bazzana was a 3-time 1st Team All-Pac-12 honoree, while being named an All-American by multiple organizations in each of his last 2 years at Oregon State. Additionally, he played for the Corvallis Knights of the West Coast League in 2021. Bazzana had a remarkable season, leading the league in: batting average (.429, then-single-season league record), hits (81), runs (46), triples (5, tied), slugging percentage (.593), OPS (1.064), and total bases (112) en route to WCL MVP honors and Corvallis's 5th straight league championship.

A SEASON TO REMEMBER: This year, Bazzana ranked top-10 in Division I in: walks (76, 2nd), on-base percentage (.568, 2nd), slugging percentage (.911, 2nd), runs (84, T-6th), home runs (28, T-7th), total bases (195, T-7th), and batting average (.407, 8th). His 84 runs, 28 home runs, and .911 slugging percentage, and 195 total bases were all Oregon State single-season school records, while his 70 walks tied a single-season school record. Bazzana was named the 2024 Pac-12 Player of the Year, while being recognized as a 1st Team All-American by the ABCA, Baseball America, the College Baseball Foundation, D1baseball.com, the NCBWA, and Perfect Game. He was also a Golden Spikes Award finalist (best amateur baseball player in U.S.) and Dick Howser Trophy semifinalist (national college baseball player of the year).

BAZZANA TAKES THE CAPE: Bazzana dominated in his lone season in the Cape Cod Baseball League (CCBL) last year. He was named the 2023 Cape Cod Baseball League Pat Sorenti MVP after winning the league's batting title with a .375 average. Bazzana also tallied 51 hits, 33 runs, 6 doubles, 6 home runs, 31 RBI, 14 stolen bases, and a 1.037 OPS in 33 regular-season games.

A PLAYER BEYOND HIS YEARS: When he was 3, Bazzana was playing baseball against 6-year-olds. Then, 12 years later, he was already playing professionally in the Australian Baseball League at just 15 years old. "I was always competitive," Bazzana told ESPN's Jeff Passan. "That's the one thing that I think was the base for me to go far in whatever I was pursuing: a competitive nature to where I was going to find a way to be a little bit better than the next guy or the guy next to me or whoever I was competing with."

THE ATHLETIC AUSTRALIAN: During his time at Turramurra High School in Australia, Bazzana represented Team Australia in the 2019 U18 Baseball World Cup. He recorded 6 hits and 4 RBI in 9 games. Bazzana also played cricket for his high school team, captaining his squad to its first state championship in school history. He also played basketball, soccer, and rugby for Turramurra, while participating in track and field (100m dash, long jump, and high jump) as well.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

Chris Antonetti, Cleveland Guardians President of Baseball Operations: "We view him to be a dynamic player. He's a guy that makes really good swing decisions, controls the strike zone really well, rarely swings and misses, and can really impact the baseball. And we think he's got a chance to impact the game in a variety of ways."

But as impressive as he is as an athlete and as a player, he's just as impressive, or more impressive, as a person. He has been relentless, I think from the time he was 3 years old, to take advantage of every resource available to him to become the best baseball player he can possibly be. And I think it's a testament to his hard work and the support system that he's had around him to be able to get to this point."

Rob Cerfolio, Cleveland Guardians Director of Player Development: "We are incredibly excited to welcome Travis to the organization and for him to make his Minor League debut with the Captains. Travis' on-field successes over his college career speak for themselves but we are even more impressed with the type of person he is and his dedication to maximizing his ability. We look forward to partnering with him on future growth both on and off the field."

MLB Pipeline Draft Profile: "A native of Sydney, Australia, Bazzana came to the United States and immediately made an impact with a .902 OPS as a freshman. He upped that to 1.122 with 11 homers and 36 steals a year later, then raised his profile even more when he won the Cape Cod League batting title (.375) and MVP Award, putting him near the top of most Draft boards. The left-handed-hitting infielder is compact and strong with plenty of bat speed. He has an advanced approach at the plate with a ton of raw power he taps into, though he can occasionally be susceptible to offspeed stuff on the outer half. He's proven he can hit lefties as well as righties. A plus runner, he's a legitimate base-stealing threat. While some worry about where he can play defensively, some scouts think he's going to be just fine at second base. His athleticism helps him have good range, he has enough arm for the spot and he can turn the double play effectively. A second-base profile isn't one often seen at the top of a Draft, but the conviction in his bat is so strong, he's going to get a lot of attention in the top 10."

Baseball America Draft Profile: "Bazzana has put on a hitting clinic in three years at Oregon State. The Australian native played in the college summer West Coast League as an 18-year-old in 2021 and excelled, setting the stage for a strong freshman season in 2022. Bazzana hit over .300 in each college season and improved year over year, culminating in a 2024 campaign in which he battled Georgia's Charlie Condon for the best overall offensive season in the country. A 6-foot, 199-pound lefthanded hitter and second baseman, Bazzana's offensive profile is built around his elite bat-to-ball skills. He has an unusual-looking swing with a deep bat tip behind his shoulder and a sizable leg kick, but he has always found the barrel at a high clip and produced an 84% contact rate in his three seasons with the Beavers. He pairs that skill with a savvy approach at the plate and strong swing decisions, helping him walk more than he struck out in his career. In 2024, his excellent 25.8% walk rate ranked second only to Nick Kurtz for the best among Division I hitters. Bazzana added more home run power in his draft season as well, going from 11 home runs in 2023 to 28 in 2024, with a corresponding increase in his exit velocity data. Bazzana's swing seems optimized to maximize the power he does have, and while he's nearly maxed-out physically, he might be the sort of player who always makes the most of his natural raw power. Bazzana is a plus runner and strong athlete who should be able to play second base, though he frequently throws with an odd sidearm slot that some scouts question. He could be athletic enough to play center field as well. Bazzana has all-star upside and is the best prospect from Oregon State since Adley Rutschman in 2019—with a chance to match his No. 1 overall status on draft day."

Oregon State Head Coach Mitch Canham (via The Oregonian/OregonLive's Joe Freeman): "He wants everything. Scouting reports, data, video. He doesn't get locked up mentally by all the analytics. He wants them all."

Trent Oeltjen, former Australian MLB outfielder and current mentor to Bazzana (via ESPN's Jeff Passan): "He understands that he's doing this for the whole country. And he knows all the kids are now looking up to him and want to be in Travis Bazzana's shoes. He remembers where he comes from, and he's very proud of where he did come from, and he's driving to really change the game of international students and Australians to follow behind him."

Steven Kwan, Cleveland Guardians left fielder, 2024 American League All-Star starter, and former Oregon State Beaver (during Captains rehab media availability on 5/25): "He's a leader. He's playing for something bigger than himself, which I think is really cool. He plays fundamental baseball, and I think that's a really cool thing."

Prospect Rankings

The Athletic (Keith Law)
#1 CLE, #15 MLB

Baseball America
#1 CLE, #19 MLB

Scouting Grades (Scale = 20-80)

MLB Pipeline
Hit: 65 | Power: 60 | Run: 60 | Arm: 50 | Field: 50 | Overall: 65

Baseball America
Hit: 65 | Power: 55 | Run: 60 | Arm: 45 | Field: 50 | Overall: 60



PICANTES BATTING NOTES

#1 Jake Fox, OF/2B

Age: 21

Born: Lakeland, FL

Acquired: 3rd Round (2021) – Lakeland Christian High School (FL)

5'11" – 185 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/R

Last Game: 0-4, 2 K (7/28 @ GL)

@ GL: 0-16 (.000), RBI, BB, 8 K, SF

vs. BEL: 4-14 (.286), 3 R, 2 2B, HR, 3 RBI, 2 BB, IBB, 2 K, SB, HBP

Hit Streak: -5

- #17 CLE prospect according to MLB Pipeline... "With his whippy left-handed stroke and fine hand-eye coordination, Fox has the tools to hit for average... he became a full-time outfielder in 2023." – MLB.com
- Assigned to Lake County's 2023 Opening Day roster... Played 101 games with Lake County last season, hitting .256 with 103 H, 23 2B, 5 3B, 8 HR, 53 RBI, 45 BB, 103 K, and 9 SB (5 CS), while compiling a .330 OBP, .398 SLG, and .728 OPS
- Tallied 25 2B and 21 SB in 104 games with Single-A Lynchburg in 2022... Ranked 6th in Carolina League with a .381 OBP in his full-season debut... Looked natural in CF in 2022 (MLB.com)
- Played SS in HS, but entering 2023, spent the majority of his pro career at 2B... His father, Blane, reached Double-A as an outfielder and coached Jake to Florida's 3-A State Championship in 2019

#6 Alex Mooney, INF

Age: 21

Resides: Rochester Hills, MI

Acquired: 7th Round (2023) – Duke University

6'1" – 195 lbs

Bats/Throws: R/R

Last Game: 0-2, SB, PO, 2 HBP (7/28 @ GL)

@ GL: 1-15 (.067), 3 R, 2B, 4 BB, 3 K, 3 SB, 2 HBP

vs. BEL: 3-19 (.158), R, 2B, RBI, 2 BB, 4 K, 3 SB

Hit Streak: -3

- #14 CLE prospect according to The Athletic's Keith Law (preseason), #19 CLE prospect according to MLB Pipeline... "Mooney distinguishes himself with his fine instincts... he also earns praise for his nonstop energy and leadership ability." – MLB.com
- On 4/27 @ West Michigan, tied Captains franchise records with 5 H and 3 2B... Became 1st MiLB player with 5+ H, 3+ R, and 1+ SB in a game this season, and 1st Captain since at least 2005 with 5+ H, 3+ XBH, and 3+ R in a game
- Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Set franchise record with 6 R on 7/5 vs. Dayton... Played 17 games with Single-A Lynchburg from 8/9/23 to 9/9/23... Batted .152 (10-for-66) with 4 2B, 4 RBI, and 8 R
- Started in 117 games at Duke from 2022-23... 2023 2nd Team ABCA/Rawlings All-Region and 1st Team All-ACC... Hit .315 with a team-high 80 H and 68 R, 3rd-most in program history... 2023 semifinalist for the Brooks Wallace Award (Best College SS)

#7 Maick Collado, INF

Age: 21

Born: Santiago, DR

Acquired: Signed by CLE on 7/2/2019 (Int'l FA)

5'11" – 160 lbs

Bats/Throws: S/R

Last Game: 0-1, K (7/28 @ GL)

@ GL: 4-16 (.250), R, 3 RBI, 2 BB, 2 K, SB

vs. BEL: 4-15 (.267), R, 2B, 3 RBI, 4 BB, 4 K, SF, HBP

Hit Streak: -2

- Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Played 68 games with Single-A Lynchburg from 4/7 to 9/10 in 2023... Finished 2nd on the team with a .279 AVG, while recording 1 HR, 1 3B, 12 2B, 40 RBI, 34 R, and 11 SB
- His 19-game on-base streak from 4/7 to 5/11 was the longest by Captain this season... Hit .323 with 20 H, 8 R, 2 2B, 1 HR, 7 RBI, 18 BB, 13 K, 1 SB, a .488 OBP, a .403 SLG, and an .891 OPS during this span
- 2023: 8th-lowest strikeout rate among Carolina League hitters w/ 200+ PA (14.5%), 6th-highest walk-to-strikeout ratio (0.95)
- Named an Arizona Complex League Postseason All-Star in 2022... Ranked 4th in the ACL in OBP (.425)... Totaled the 5th-fewest strikeouts among qualified ACL hitters

#10 Cooper Ingle, C

Age: 22

Born/Resides: Asheville, NC

Acquired: 4th Round (2023) – Clemson University

5'10" – 190 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/R

Last Game: 0-2, 2 BB, K (7/27 @ GL)

@ GL: 5-14 (.357), R, 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 3 BB, 2 K

vs. BEL: 3-18 (.167), 2 R, 2B, 3 BB, 5 K

Hit Streak: -1

- #23 CLE prospect according to Baseball America, #28 CLE prospect according to MLB Pipeline... "Ingle controls the barrel of his bat as well as the strike zone better than most players can. He rarely swings and misses or chases pitches out of the strike zone, making regular contact while drawing plenty of walks." – MLB.com
- After being drafted, assigned to Lake County on 8/8/23... Played 17 games with Lake County last season, hitting .288 with 15 H, 5 2B, 10 RBI, 17 BB, 8 K, and 2 SB (1 CS), while compiling a .464 OBP, .385 SLG, and .849 OPS
- 13-game hitting streak from 5/17 to 6/6 was the longest by a Captain this season... Led MiLB with a .460 AVG & a .565 OBP during this span, and 1.245 OPS ranked 2nd... Ranked top-5 in MWL with a .680 SLG (1st), 23 H (2nd), 12 BB (T-3rd), and 16 RBI (T-5th)
- Played 3 collegiate seasons at Clemson... In 126 games, hit .329 with 112 R, 29 2B, 14 HR, 81 RBI, 80 BB, and 62 K... Also compiled a .425 OBP and .476 SLG... In 2023, had hitting streaks of 19 and 16 games, and a 51-game on-base streak
- Named 2023 3rd Team All-ACC, Clemson Defensive MVP, and Preseason Perfect Game 3rd Team All-American... Also named to 2023 Buster Posey National Collegiate Catcher of the Year Watch List

#13 Johnny Tincher, C

Age: 22

Resides: Sylmar, CA

Acquired: 11th Round (2023) – University of Washington

5'8" – 170 lbs

Bats/Throws: R/R

Last Game: 1-4, 2 K (7/28 @ GL)

@ GL: 2-7 (.286), RBI, BB, 3 K

vs. BEL: 3-10 (.300), 2 R, 2 BB, 5 K

Hit Streak: +6

- Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Played 2 games with Single-A Lynchburg in 2023 (8/9 and 8/10 vs. Fredericksburg)... Went 1-for-5 and caught 1 of 3 baserunners stealing
- Won the Cleveland organization's catching competition in Minor League Spring Training camp on 3/20
- Was a 2-time All-Pac-12 catcher at Washington... Played 132 games in 4 seasons with the Huskies from 2020-23
- In 2023 at UW, hit .310 while slugging a career-high .514... Ranked 4th among Pac-12 catchers in HR (10)... Named to the Pac-12 All-Defensive Team in 2022... Threw out 22 runners in 2 years

#15 Esteban González, OF

Age: 21

Born: Maracaibo, VE

Acquired: Signed by CLE on 7/2/2019 (Int'l FA)

5'8" – 150 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/R

Last Game: 0-4, 4 K (7/27 @ GL)

@ GL: 2-13 (.154), R, HR, 2 RBI, 7 K

vs. BEL (This Series): --

Hit Streak: -1

- Called up to Lake County on 7/22... At time of promotion, ranked top-7 in Carolina League in: R (54, 2nd), SB (37, 3rd), SLG (.464, 4th), OPS (.812, T-4th), 3B (6, T-4th), AVG (.287, 6th), XBH (29, T-6th), H (76, 7th), and TB (123, 7th)
- At time of promotion, was 1 of 4 MiLB players with 29+ XBH and 30+ SB, along with current Captains teammate Alex Mooney, ACL-RCK/High-A Spokane's Cole Carrigg, and High-A Lansing/Double-A Midland's Henry Bolte
- Named Carolina League Player of the Week twice this season (5/13 and 7/1)... From 5/7-5/12, led Carolina League with: 19 TB, 3 HR (tied), a 1.118 SLG, and a 1.618 OPS... From 6/25-6/30, led Carolina League with: a .500 AVG, 9 H (tied), 15 TB, an .833 SLG, and a 1.333 OPS
- Played 71 Rookie Ball games across the DSL (2021) and ACL (2023)... Hit .299 with 73 H, 18 2B, 9 3B, 6 HR, 39 RBI, 34 BB, 30 SB (2 CS), a .415 OBP, a .520 SLG, and a .935 OPS

#17 Angel Genao, INF

Age: 20

Born: Castillo, DR

Acquired: Signed by CLE on 1/15/2021 (Int'l FA)

5'9" – 150 lbs

Bats/Throws: S/R

Last Game: 1-4, 2 K (7/28 @ GL)

@ GL: 5-22 (.227), 2 R, 2 2B, 5 K

vs. BEL: 6-20 (.300), 3 R, 2B, HR, 2 RBI, BB, 5 K

Hit Streak: +4

- #10 CLE prospect according to MLB Pipeline... "Genao has a quick, compact swing and advanced bat-to-ball skills from both sides of the plate. He has a very disciplined approach, rarely chasing pitches and using the entire field." – MLB.com
- #5 CLE/#70 MLB prospect according to Baseball America... "He controls the strike zone well thanks to a feel for the barrel and swing decisions that belie his age... His infield actions, hands, arm strength and baseball IQ play well at shortstop..." – Baseball America
- Called up to Lake County on 6/3... At time of promotion, ranked top-10 in Carolina League in: H (61, 1st), XBH (23, 1st), TB (99, 1st), AVG (.341, 2nd), SLG (.553, 2nd), OPS (.936, 2nd), 2B (14, T-2nd), RBI (39, T-3rd), 3B (3, T-6th), R (31, 8th), and HR (6, T-9th)
- Played 124 regular-season games with Single-A Lynchburg from 2022-2024... Hit .287 with 139 H, 35 2B, 4 3B, 10 HR, 74 RBI, 52 BB, 1 1BB, 82 K, 18 SB (7 CS), a .356 OBP, a .437 SLG, and a .793 OPS... Had 2 H, 1 2B, 1 RBI, and 1 SB in 2022 Carolina League Playoffs
- Played 84 Rookie Ball games across DR (2021) and AZ (2022)... Hit .293 with 88 H, 10 2B, 5 3B, 3 HR, 32 RBI, 55 BB, 69 K, 22 SB (3 CS), a .409 OBP, a .390 SLG, and a .799 OPS... Was a member of the 2017 DR LLWS squad



PICANTES BATTING NOTES

#22 Tyresse Turner, INF

Age: 24

Resides: La Palma, CA

**Acquired:** 13<sup>th</sup> Round (2022) – University of Southern California **5'10" – 170 lbs** **Bats/Throws:** S/R  
**Last Game:** 1-4, K (7/28 @ GL) **This Series:** 1-13 (.077), RBI, BB, 6 K, SB **vs. BEL:** 2-9 (.222), R, RBI, BB, 6 K, 2 SB **Hit Streak:** +1

- Called up to Lake County on 8/15/23... Played 13 games with Lake County last season, hitting .267 with 8 H, 1 2B, 2 3B, 1 HR, 2 RBI, 4 BB, 12 K, and 4 SB (1 CS), while compiling a .371 OBP, .533 SLG, and .904 OPS
- Played 52 games with Single-A Lynchburg in 2023, hitting .233 with 41 H, 3 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 21 RBI, 24 BB, and 62 K, while stealing 26 bases (4 CS)... Originally drafted by the Miami Marlins in the 38<sup>th</sup> round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Gahr HS (CA)
- In 2023, his 30 SB across Lake County and Single-A Lynchburg were the 4<sup>th</sup>-most in the Cleveland PD system
- Played 108 games (101 starts) in 4 seasons at USC... Hit .296 with 109 H, 20 2B, 5 3B, 9 HR, 49 RBI, 47 BB, 66 K, and 40 SB (7 CS)... Led Trojans in SB each of his last 3 seasons
- Named to 2022 All-Pac-12 Team... In 51 games (all starts), slashed .330/.419/.524, led USC in 2B (15), TB (100), SLG (.524), BB (25), and SB (15, T-7<sup>th</sup> in Pac-12)... Totaled career-bests of 63 H, 15 2B, 2 3B, 6 HR, and 33 RBI

#24 Jorge Burgos, OF

Age: 22

Born: Barquisimeto, VE

**Acquired:** Signed by CLE on 1/9/2019 (Int'l FA) **5'10" – 165 lbs** **Bats/Throws:** L/L  
**Last Game:** 1-4, K (7/27 @ GL) **@ GL:** 4-15 (.267), 2 R, HR, 2 RBI, BB, 4 K **vs. BEL:** 1-14 (.071), R, 2B, RBI, BB, 6 K, HBP **Hit Streak:** +8

- Assigned to Lake County's 2023 Opening Day roster... Played 94 games with Lake County last season, hitting .238 with 77 H, 15 2B, 1 3B, 7 HR, 46 RBI, 42 BB, 84 K, and 3 CS, while compiling a .330 OBP, a .356 SLG, and a .686 OPS
- Named Midwest League Player of the Week on 6/24... During week of 6/17-23 @ SB, led qualified MWL players in: OPS (1.305), TB (17), SLG (.850), XBH (5), H (8, tied), and 2B (3, tied)... Also ranked top-10 in: HR (2, T-2<sup>nd</sup>), AVG (.400, 3<sup>rd</sup>), R (5, T-4<sup>th</sup>), and OBP (.455, T-8<sup>th</sup>)
- On 5/30/23 vs. Quad Cities, hit Lake County's only walk-off HR of the season, a solo shot in the bottom of the 10<sup>th</sup> inning in a 5-4 win that ended the River Bandits' 12-game winning streak... This is his only career pro multi-HR game to date
- In Lake County's 2023 season-opener vs. Dayton on 4/6/23, hit a grand slam on his first career High-A pitch... Finished the game with a pro career-high 5 RBI
- In 105 games played for Single-A Lynchburg in 2022, he tallied 110 H in 396 AB, posting a .278 AVG... Totaled 18 2B, 3 3B, 6 HR, 66 RBI, 56 BB, 27 XBH, and 34 multi-hit games

#27 Jose Devers, INF

Age: 21

Born: Samana, DR

**Acquired:** Signed by CLE on 7/2/2019 (Int'l FA) **6'0" – 140 lbs** **Bats/Throws:** R/R  
**Last Game:** 0-3, RBI, BB, 2 K (7/27 @ GL) **@ GL:** 4-17 (.235), 4 R, 2B, HR, 4 RBI, 4 BB, 7 K **vs. BEL:** 4-20 (.200), 3 R, 2 2B, 3 RBI, BB, 7 K, CS **Hit Streak:** -2

- #18 CLE prospect according to MLB Pipeline... "Devers has a sweet right-handed swing and uncanny hand-eye coordination that allows him to make regular contact..." – MLB.com
- On 5/22 vs. West Michigan, went 3-for-5 with 2 R, 2 HR, and 4 RBI, hitting a pair of 2-run shots... This was his first and only pro multi-HR game to date, and 4 RBI were a season-high and are tied for his pro career-high
- Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Was a 2023 Carolina League All-Star in 2023 with Single-A Lynchburg... Had a team-high 66 RBI, the 2<sup>nd</sup>-most in the Carolina League to Columbia 1B/OF Brett Squires
- In 2023 with Single-A Lynchburg, batted .252 (100-for-397) with 11 HR, 5 3B and 15 2B in 111 games... Also tallied 34 SB, the 3<sup>rd</sup>-most in the Cleveland PD system
- Family Ties:** Brother of José Devers, SS in the Miami Marlins organization currently at Triple-A Jacksonville... Cousin of Boston 3B and 2-time MLB All-Star Rafael Devers

#31 Jonah Advincula, OF

Age: 23

Resides: Santa Clara, CA

**Acquired:** 8<sup>th</sup> Round (2023) – Washington State University **6'1" – 197 lbs** **Bats/Throws:** L/R  
**Last Game:** 0-2, RBI, BB, K, CS (7/28 @ GL) **@ GL:** 3-14 (.214), RBI, 2 BB, 4 K, CS **vs. BEL:** 5-12 (.417), 2 R, 2B, 3B, HR, 6 RBI, 3 BB, 3 K, HBP **Hit Streak:** -1

- Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Played 6 games with the ACL Guardians in 2023 from 8/3 to 8/22... Reached base in all 6 games, hitting safely in 4 games... Drew 9 BB to 1 K... Stole a base in 3 of his last 4 games
- On 4/25 @ West Michigan, went 3-for-4 with 1 R, 1 2B, 1 3B, 2 RBI, 1 BB, and 3 SB... Became the 2<sup>nd</sup> Captain since 2005 with 3+ SB and 1+ 3B in a game, joining current Guardians 3B José Ramírez (8/1/12 @ WM)
- Spent 2023 college season at Washington State after 2 seasons at Division III University of Redlands (CA)... Posted the first 20 2B, 20 SB season in Cougars history in 2023 (24 SB, 20 2B)... Named Honorable Mention All-Pac-12... His 20 2B were the most by a Cougar since 2006
- Named First Team ABCA All-West Region in 2022 at University of Redlands... Finished 19<sup>th</sup> in D-III in OBP (.540) and 30<sup>th</sup> in AVG (.430)... Tallied 65 hits, the 3<sup>rd</sup>-most in single season program history

#55 Isaiah Greene, OF

Age: 22

Born: Riverside, CA

**Acquired:** Traded from NYM on 1/7/2021 **6'0" – 180 lbs** **Bats/Throws:** L/L  
**Last Game:** 0-3, BB, 3 K, SB (7/28 @ GL) **@ GL:** 1-7 (.143), 2B, RBI, BB, 4 K, SB **vs. BEL ('23):** 4-14 (.286), 3B, 4 RBI, BB, 7 K, SB **Hit Streak:** -1

- Assigned to Lake County's 2023 Opening Day roster... Transferred to Development List on 6/29/23... Activated on 8/8/23... Played 114 games for Lake County in 2023, hitting .180 with 33 H, 7 2B, 1 3B, 3 HR, 19 RBI, 27 BB, 74 K, 10 SB (2 CS), and a .563 OPS
- Played 114 games for Single-A Lynchburg in 2022, hitting .226 with 84 H, 65 R, 14 2B, 8 3B, 4 HR, 43 RBI, 97 BB, 114 K, and 39 SB (4 CS)
- Was acquired in the trade on 1/7/21 that sent SS Francisco Lindor and RHP Carlos Carrasco to the Mets in exchange for INF Andrés Giménez, INF Amed Rosario, and former Captains RHP Josh Wolf
- Played 43 games in Rookie Ball in 2021, tallying 44 H and scoring 31 R... Totaled 16 RBI and a .289 AVG... Originally drafted 69<sup>th</sup> overall by the New York Mets in the 2020 MLB Draft out of Corona HS (CA)
- Entering 2023, was named Fastest Baserunner in the Guardians' farm system by Baseball America... Cousin of Cleveland 2016 10<sup>th</sup>-round pick and current Tacoma Rainiers (Triple-A, SEA) INF/OF Samad Taylor



PICANTES BULLPEN NOTES

#16 Matt Jachec, RHP

Age: 23

Resides: Hampshire, IL

Acquired: 18th Round (2023) - Indiana State University vs. LH: .292 (4.2 IP) vs. RH: .208 (12.1 IP) Home: .229 (8.1 IP) Away: .242 (8.2 IP) Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Sinker, Curveball, Slider, Changeup Scoreless Streak: 2.0 IP

Called up to Lake County on 6/21... Made 17 relief appearances (35.1 IP) with Single-A Lynchburg this season, going 2-2 with a 3.82 ERA, 2 SV (2 SVO), 6 BB, and 48 K, with a .232 opp. AVG

Made 7 relief appearances with Single-A Lynchburg last season... Went 1-0 with a 3.27 ERA in 11.0 IP, going 0/1 in save opportunities... Had 3 BB, 14 K, and a .186 opp. AVG

Made 38 appearances (30 starts) in 4 collegiate seasons at Indiana State... Went 17-6 with a 3.56 ERA, 3 CG, 1 SHO, 1 SV, 32 BB, 199 K, and a .258 opp. AVG... Was a 2-time 1st Team All-Missouri Valley Conference selection ('22 and '23)

#26 Allan Hernández, RHP

Age: 23

Born: Annapolis, MD

Acquired: 12th Round (2019) - Miami Christian HS (FL) vs. LH: .176 (9.0 IP) vs. RH: .200 (24.2 IP) Home: .186 (16.0 IP) Away: .200 (17.2 IP) Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider Scoreless Streak: 1.0 IP

Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Returned from right UCL reconstructive surgery on 7/14/23... Posted a 5.40 ERA with 20 K and 8 BB in 11 games with ACL Guardians... Went 1-1 with a 3.18 ERA in 5 games with Single-A Lynchburg

Last 9 Appearances ('23): Posted a 2.61 ERA across 4 appearances with the ACL Guardians and 5 with Single-A Lynchburg

Posted a 1.06 WHIP with the Hillcats in 2023, allowing just 6 baserunners in 5.1 innings of work... Averaged 13.5 strikeouts per 9 innings with ACL Guardians, the 5th-most on the squad

#32 Josh Harlow, RHP

Age: 23

Resides: Garner, NC

Acquired: 19th Round (2023) - Mercer University vs. LH (LYN): .185 (15.0 IP) vs. RH (LYN): .262 (25.0 IP) Home: .197 (20.0 IP) Away: .272 (21.0 IP) Pitches: TBD Scoreless Streak: 0.0 IP

Called up to Lake County on 7/29... Made 28 relief appearances with Single-A Lynchburg this season, going 4-3 with a 3.51 ERA, 1 HLD, 5 SV (6 SVO), 47 K, 20 BB, and a .236 AVG in 41.0 IP

After being drafted, made 4 appearances (1 start) with the ACL Guardians, going 1-0 with 0 SV (1 SVO), 5 K, and 1 BB in 6.0 IP... Made 20 appearances (18 starts) in 2 seasons at Mercer from 2022-23, going 9-3 with a 4.34 ERA, 107 K, 30 BB, and a .215 AVG in 85.0 IP

Made 19 appearances (15 starts) in 2 seasons at Pitt Community College (JUCCO) from 2020-21, going 7-1 with a 3.64 ERA, 1 SV, 102 K, and 28 BB in 86.1 IP... Averaged 11.37 K/9 in 2021

#33 Jay Driver, RHP

Age: 22

Born/Resides: Wellesley, MA

Acquired: 9th Round (2023) - Harvard University vs. LH: .262 (11.1 IP) vs. RH: .213 (20.2 IP) Home: .236 (15.2 IP) Away: .226 (17.1 IP) Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Changeup Scoreless Streak: 4.1 IP

Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... In 2023, made 2 appearances with the ACL Guardians (8/8 and 8/12) before 7 appearances with Single-A Lynchburg from 8/17 to 9/10... Went 0-0 with 11 ER, 11 K and 11 BB in 7.1 innings of work

His 14-game shutout appearance streak from 4/17 to 6/15 was the longest in High-A this season... Pitched 17.1 straight scoreless innings with 22 strikeouts, a 0.98 WHIP, and a .172 opp. AVG

Lifetime 3.67 ERA in 27 appearances (12 starts) at Harvard from 2022-23... 1st Team All-Ivy League in 2021, posting a 1.91 ERA and 4 saves... Made 14 shutout appearances for the Cape Cod Baseball League's Hyannis Harbor Hawks in 2022

#34 Adam Tulloch, LHP

Age: 24

Resides: Weston, FL

Acquired: 15th Round (2022) - Arizona State University vs. LH: .196 (12.2 IP) vs. RH: .252 (31.1 IP) Home: .278 (22.0 IP) Away: .190 (22.0 IP) Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Sweeper, Cutter, Changeup Scoreless Streak: 4.0 IP

Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... Started 20 of 28 games with Single-A Lynchburg in 2023... Went 5-6 with a 4.89 ERA, 115 K (3rd in CLE PD system), 50 BB and 2 saves in 95.2 innings of work

Ranked 2nd in the Carolina League with 28 appearances and 6th with 115 strikeouts... Posted a 24.7% K rate, the 4th-highest among Carolina League pitchers with 90+ innings pitched... Named Carolina League Pitcher of the Week (8/20/23)

Drafted by CLE out of Arizona State with college teammate Joe Lampe ('23 Captain)... Pitched in 2019 at D-II Wingate, 2020 at State College of Florida, 2021 at West Virginia, and 2022 at ASU... 211 career K in 52 appearances

#35 Zach Jacobs, RHP

Age: 22

Born/Resides: San Dimas, CA

Acquired: 18th Round (2022) - University of California-Riverside vs. LH: .186 (19.2 IP) vs. RH: .171 (39.1 IP) Home: .162 (29.0 IP) Away: .189 (31.0 IP) Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup Scoreless Streak: 5.1 IP

Assigned to Lake County's 2024 Opening Day roster... In 2023, made 29 appearances (3 starts) with Single-A Lynchburg... Led CLE PD system/T-1 in Carolina League with 10 wins... Tallied a 4.43 ERA, 94 K, 29 BB, and 3 saves in 91.1 innings of work

As Reliever ('23): Went 10-3 with a 3.73 ERA, 86 K and 27 BB in 79.2 innings of work... Went 2+ innings in 27 of 29 appearances

Started 19 games at UC Riverside from 2020-22, redshirting in 2020... Recruited by then-UCR Head Coach/WS Champ Troy Percival... Tossed a complete game shutout in his 3rd start on 2/29/20 vs. St. Mary's

#36 Shawn Rapp, LHP

Age: 24

Resides: Mendham, NJ

Acquired: 20th Round (2022) - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill vs. LH: .000 (0.1 IP) vs. RH: .333 (2.2 IP) Home (LC '23): .121 (18.0 IP) Away: .300 (3.0 IP) Pitches: TBD Scoreless Streak: 5.1 IP (ACL + LC)

Activated from 60-day IL on 7/22 (L elbow sprain)... Made 2 rehab appearances with ACL Guardians, pitching 2.1 scoreless, hitless innings of relief (2 K & 1 BB)... Ended last season on 7-day IL (L elbow strain)

Called up to Lake County on 5/16/23... Made 21 relief appearances with the Captains last year, going 0-1 with a 2.63 ERA, 2 HLD, 2 SV (3 SVO), 36 K, 8 BB, a 0.99 WHIP, and a .196 opp. AVG in 27.1 IP... Averaged 11.85 K/9

Made 11 relief appearances with Single-A Lynchburg last season... Went 1-0 with a 1.72 ERA in 15.2 IP... Averaged 12.06 K/9

In 2022, led all of Division I with 42 appearances at North Carolina... Went 4-0 with a 3.80 ERA in 45.0 IP... Older brother, Brian, was selected by the Twins as a pitcher in the 2018 MLB Draft (pitched for MWL's Cedar Rapids Kernels in 2019)

#39 Juan Zapata, RHP

Age: 25

Born: Baní, DR

Acquired: Signed by CLE on 1/22/2018 (Int'l FA) vs. LH: .317 (9.1 IP) vs. RH: .297 (23.2 IP) Home: .279 (16.0 IP) Away: .324 (17.0 IP) Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Changeup, Slider, Curveball Scoreless Streak: 5.1 IP

Called up to Lake County on 5/7/23... Made 1 start with Captains on 6/3/21... Only pitcher to appear for all 4 Cleveland affiliates in 2023... In 20 appearances (1 start) with Lake County, went 5-2 with a 4.08 ERA, 48 K, and 10 BB in 54.2 innings of work

Named Midwest League Pitcher of the Week (6/26/23) after tossing a season-high 6.1 IP with 9 K on 6/21/23 at Dayton... Also made 2 appearances (1 start) with Double-A Akron and 2 appearances with Triple-A Columbus

Minor League Career (entering '24): Made 97 appearances (41 starts) from 2018-23... Lifetime record of 14-24 with a 4.56 ERA, 241 K and 90 BB in 322.0 innings of work





PICANTES BULLPEN NOTES

#40 Steven Perez, LHP

Age: 23

Born: San Fernando de Apure, VE

Acquired: Signed by CLE on 6/2/2018 (Int'l FA)

6'0" – 155 lbs

Pitches: TBD

vs. LH: .000 (1.0 IP)

vs. RH: .250 (1.0 IP)

Home (LYN): .183 (24.2 IP)

Away: .143 (2.0 IP)

Scoreless Streak: 0.0 IP

🍷 Called up to Lake County on 7/22... Made 23 relief appearances with Single-A Lynchburg this season, going 1-1 with a 2.20 ERA, 1 HLD, 4 SV (4 SVO), 58 K, 19 BB, and a .188 AVG in 41.0 IP

🍷 At time of promotion, his 12.73 K/9 led Carolina League relievers (min. 33.0 IP)... His 58 K also ranked T-3<sup>rd</sup> among all Carolina League relievers

🍷 Made 52 Rookie Ball appearances (24 starts) across DSL (2018-19) and ACL (2021, 2023)... Went 7-6 with a 3.93 ERA, 1 SV (3 SVO), 155 K, 70 BB, and a .252 opp. AVG in a combined 144.1 IP

#44 Steve Hajjar, LHP

Age: 23

Born/Resides: Andover, MA

Acquired: Traded from CIN on 3/26/2023 (PTBNL)

6'5" – 240 lbs

Pitches: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Curveball, Changeup

vs. LH: .121 (10.2 IP)

vs. RH: .132 (20.0 IP)

Home: .121 (18.0 IP)

Away: .140 (12.2 IP)

Scoreless Streak: 2.1 IP

🍷 Assigned to Lake County's 2023 Opening Day roster (7-day IL)... Made 14 starts with Lake County, going 3-4 with a 3.61 ERA, 52 BB, and 58 K in 57.1 innings of work

🍷 Was the PTBNL on 3/26/23 in the 2/8/23 trade that sent former Captains OF Will Benson to the Cincinnati Reds in exchange for current Captains OF Justin Boyd... Also traded from the Minnesota Twins to Cincinnati on 8/2/22 in the Tyler Mahle deal

🍷 Made 2 starts with the Midwest League's Dayton Dragons in 2022, going 0-1 with a 6.43 ERA, 6 BB, and 10 K in 7 innings of work

🍷 Made 18 starts in 2 collegiate seasons at Michigan, going 7-2 with a 3.01 ERA, 40 BB, 134 K, and a .219 opp. AVG... Named 2021 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Big Ten and both ABCA & Rawlings 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Region after throwing a conference-best 110 K



CAPTAINS BREAKDOWN

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Overall (57-38), First Half (41-25), Second Half (16-13), Last 5 (3-2), Last 10 (6-4), Longest Winning Streak (7), Longest Losing Streak (5), Day (16-14), Night (41-24), vs. RH Starter (47-25), vs. LH Starter (10-13), When leading after 6 (44-5), When tied after 6 (7-7), When trailing after 6 (6-26), When leading after 7 (47-6), When tied after 7 (5-6), When trailing after 7 (5-26), When leading after 8 (45-5), When tied after 8 (5-4), When trailing after 8 (4-22), Captains score first (40-18), Opponent scores first (17-20), Pitching Shutouts (8-5), Score 0-2 runs (7-17), Score 3-4 runs (11-12), Score 5+ runs (39-9), Captains hit HR (38-14), Captains hit 0 HR (19-24), Opponent hits HR (23-24), Opponent hits 0 HR (34-14), When committing 0 errors (28-12), When committing 1+ errors (29-26), Captains steal a base (46-30), Captains don't steal (11-8), 1-Run games (16-12), 2-Run games (10-7), Extra innings (6-2), Doubleheader W-L-T (0-2-3), Series W-L-T (12-5-1), Series Sweeps (1-0), Come-from-Behind Wins (20), Innings batted around (9), Walk-Offs (5-5), Tuesday (8-6), Wednesday (11-3), Thursday (7-8), Friday (11-6), Saturday (12-6), Sunday (8-8), Monday (0-1).

IN THE SYSTEM

MLB – Cleveland (AL)

65-42 • 1st in AL Central • -- GB  
Yesterday: @ DET; W, 8-4  
Today: @ DET; W, 5-0

AAA – Columbus (International League)

17-9, 49-51 • 1st, T-4th in International League West • -- GB, 15.0 GB  
Yesterday: OFF  
Today: vs. Syracuse (NYM); 7:05 PM

AA – Akron (Eastern League)

19-8, 56-40 • 1st, 2nd in Eastern League Southwest • -- GB, 1.0 GB  
Yesterday: OFF  
Today: @ Harrisburg (WSH); 6:30 PM

Single-A – Lynchburg (Carolina League)

13-17, 50-46 • T-5th, T-3rd in Carolina League North • 7.0 GB, 8.0 GB  
Yesterday: OFF  
Today: vs. Fredericksburg (WSH); 6:30 PM

2024 HIGHS & LOWS

Team Batting

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs, Game (20), Most Runs, Inning (12), Most Hits, Game (18), Fewest Hits, Game (1), Most Doubles (7), Most Triples (2), Most Home Runs (4), Most Stolen Bases (6), Most Strikeouts (18), Most Walks (12), Most Left on Base (15).

Individual Batting

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs, Game (6), Most Hits, Game (5), Most RBI, Game (4), Most Doubles, Game (3), Most Triples, Game (1), Most Home Runs, Game (2), Most Extra-Base Hits, Game (3), Most Steals, Game (3), Most Walks, Game (4), Most HBP, Game (2), Most Times on Base, Game (6), Most Strikeouts, Game (4).

Team Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs Allowed, Game (15), Most Runs Allowed, Inning (9), Most Hits Allowed, Game (17), Fewest Hits Allowed, Game (2), Most HR Allowed, Game (4), Most Strikeouts, Game (17), Most Walks, Game (10), Most Errors, Game (5), Most SB Allowed, Game (6), Largest Blown Lead (8).

Individual Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Innings, Game (8.2), Most Runs, Game (9), Most Hits, Game (12), Most Home Runs, Game (2), Most Strikeouts, Game (13), Most Walks, Game (6), Most Errors, Game (3).

Game Times/Attendance

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Longest Game, Innings (11), Longest Game Time, Extra Innings (3:30), Longest Game Time, 9 Innings (3:50), Longest Game Time, 7 Innings (2:12), Shortest Game Time, Extra Innings (2:13), Shortest Game Time, 9 Innings (2:00), Shortest Game Time, 7 Innings (1:31), Largest Home Crowd (7,146), Largest Road Crowd (8,641).

Ejections

N/A

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Batting

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Win on a Walk-Off (7/9), Grand Slam (7/20), Leadoff HR (6/9), Back-to-back HR (7/14), 2-HR game (5/22), 3-HR game (4/18), 4-HR game (4/18), 4-hit game (7/5), 5-hit game (4/27), 3+ steal game (6/25).

Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Team No-Hitter (9 IP), CG No-Hitter (9 IP), CG (7 IP), CG SHO (7 IP), CG SHO (9 IP), 10+ K game (6/6), Immaculate Inning (7/14), 4 K inning (8/19).

Miscellaneous

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes 7+ game winning streak (4/24 - 5/1), 15+ runs, game (7/5), Back-to-back shutout wins (6/22), Sweep home series (8/9), Swept in home series (8/21), Sweep road series (7/19), Swept in road series (8/1), 9 innings in under 2 hours (6/6), Play game in 4+ hours (8/24).

Postponed/Suspended/Cancelled/Shortened

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes 4/5 vs. WM, 4/10 @ FW, 4/11 @ FW, 5/9 vs. DAY, 6/4 @ BEL, 6/29 vs. GL.

Delays

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes 4/23 @ WM, 4/26 @ WM, 5/7 vs. DAY, 5/11 vs. DAY, 7/3 @ DAY, 7/5 vs. DAY, 7/9 vs. LAN, 7/23 @ GL.

SCORE BY INNING

Table with 11 columns: Inning (1-10+) and Total. Rows for CAPTAINS and Opponents.

CAPTAINS SEASON RECORDS

Table with 7 columns: Month (April-September) and Total. Rows for Overall, Home, and Away.



2024 REGULAR SEASON DAY-BY-DAY (FIRST HALF)

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Result, Record, Pos., GB, WINNING PITCHER, LOSING PITCHER, SAVE, TIME, ATT. Rows list game dates from 4/5 to 6/20, including opponents like West Michigan, Lansing, and Dayton, and their respective records and pitching staff.

\*denotes make-up of 4/11 @ Fort Wayne



2024 REGULAR SEASON DAY-BY-DAY (SECOND HALF)

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Result, Record, Pos., GB, WINNING PITCHER, LOSING PITCHER, SAVE, TIME, ATT. Rows include games from 6/21 to 9/8, featuring opponents like South Bend, Great Lakes, Lansing, and Cedar Rapids.

END OF REGULAR SEASON



## 2024 TRANSACTIONS

- 11/8/23 – Captains placed **C Richard Paz** on the 60-day injured list.  
 3/20 – Captains placed **RHP Elvis Jerez** and **RHP Reid Johnston** on the 60-day injured list.  
 4/2 – Captains announced 2024 Opening Day Roster and placed **LHP Shawn Rapp** on the 7-day injured list.  
 4/5 – **RHP Juan Zapata** assigned to High-A Lake County from Triple-A Columbus, and Captains transferred **OF Isaiah Greene** to the Development List.  
 4/19 – Captains placed **C Johnny Tincher** on the 7-day injured list.  
 4/25 – **C Kevin Rivas** assigned to High-A Lake County from ACL Guardians.  
 4/29 – Captains placed **OF Jorge Burgos** on the 7-day injured list.  
 5/1 – Captains transferred **LHP Shawn Rapp** from the 7-day injured list to the 60-day injured list.  
 5/9 – **RHP Juan Zapata** assigned to Triple-A Columbus from High-A Lake County.  
 5/10 – **RHP Juan Zapata** assigned to High-A Lake County from Triple-A Columbus.  
 5/13 – **C Kevin Rivas** assigned to ACL Guardians from High-A Lake County.  
 5/14 – Captains activated **C Johnny Tincher** from the 7-day injured list.  
 5/15 – Captains placed **OF Justin Boyd** on the 7-day injured list.  
 5/16 – Captains activated **OF Isaiah Greene** from the Development List.  
 5/18 – Captains released **RHP Josh Wolf**.  
 5/21 – **LHP Matt Wilkinson** assigned to High-A Lake County from Single-A Lynchburg, and Captains sent **C Richard Paz** on a rehab assignment to ACL Guardians.  
 5/23 – Captains activated **OF Jorge Burgos** from the 7-day injured list.  
 5/25 – Cleveland Guardians sent **OF Steven Kwan** on a rehab assignment to High-A Lake County.  
 5/28 – Cleveland Guardians sent **OF Steven Kwan** on a rehab assignment to Triple-A Columbus, Captains activated **OF Justin Boyd** from the 7-day injured list, Captains transferred **OF Isaiah Greene** to the Development List, and **RHP Alaska Abney** assigned to Double-A Akron from High-A Lake County.  
 6/3 – **INF Nate Furman** and **1B/LF C.J. Kayfus** assigned to Double-A Akron from High-A Lake County, and **INF Angel Genao** assigned to High-A Lake County from Single-A Lynchburg.  
 6/9 – **C Richard Paz** activated from the 60-day injured list assigned to Single-A Lynchburg from High-A Lake County.  
 6/16 – Captains activated **OF Isaiah Greene** from the Development List.  
 6/17 – Captains placed **OF Justin Boyd** on the 7-day injured list.  
 6/21 – Captains released **RHP Elvis Jerez**.  
 6/22 – **LHP Parker Messick** assigned to Double-A Akron from High-A Lake County, and **RHP Matt Jachec** assigned to High-A Lake County from Single-A Lynchburg.  
 6/24 – **RHP Austin Peterson** assigned to Double-A Akron from High-A Lake County, and **RHP Rorik Maltrud** assigned to High-A Lake County from Single-A Lynchburg.  
 7/9 – Captains activated **OF Justin Boyd** from the 7-day injured list.  
 7/13 – **C/1B Zac Fascia** and **OF Angel Zarate** assigned to Triple-A Columbus from High-A Lake County.  
 7/16 – Captains sent **LHP Shawn Rapp** on a rehab assignment to ACL Guardians.  
 7/18 – Captains placed **RHP Jake Miller** on the 7-day injured list.  
 7/19 – **OF Angel Zarate** assigned to High-A Lake County from Triple-A Columbus.  
 7/22 – **RHP Magnus Ellerts** assigned to Double-A Akron from High-A Lake County, Captains released **OF Angel Zarate**, Captains activated **LHP Shawn Rapp** from the 60-day injured list, and **RHP Dylan DeLucia**, **OF Esteban González**, and **LHP Steven Perez** assigned to High-A Lake County from Single-A Lynchburg.  
 7/26 – **INF Travis Bazzana** assigned to High-A Lake County, and **RHP Juan Zapata** assigned to Triple-A Columbus from High-A Lake County.  
 7/29 – **OF Guy Lipscomb** and **RHP Zane Morehouse** assigned to Double-A Akron from High-A Lake County, **RHP Josh Harlow** assigned to High-A Lake County from Single-A Lynchburg, **RHP Juan Zapata** assigned to High-A Lake County from Triple-A Columbus, and Captains transferred **OF Justin Boyd** to the Development List.

## PICANTES TO THE MAINLAND

7 former Lake County Captains have made their MLB debut during the 2024 season.

**INF/OF Jhonkensy Noel:** On Wednesday, June 26, **INF/OF Jhonkensy Noel** made his MLB debut for the Cleveland Guardians on the road against the Baltimore Orioles. He started at first base and batted 9<sup>th</sup> in the Guardians' order, finishing 1-for-4 with 2 strikeouts. *In his 1<sup>st</sup> MLB at-bat, Noel hit a 413-foot solo home run to center field, becoming the 4<sup>th</sup> player in Cleveland franchise history to homer in his 1<sup>st</sup> career MLB at-bat. He was the first to do so since 2004 Captain Kevin Kouzmanoff, who became the 1<sup>st</sup> player in MLB history to hit a grand slam on his 1<sup>st</sup> MLB pitch on September 2, 2006.* Noel played 88 regular-season games for the Captains across the 2021 and 2022 seasons, hitting .238 with 78 hits, 12 doubles, 27 home runs, 67 RBI, a .521 SLG, and an .827 OPS.

**LHP Raymond Burgos:** On Monday, June 24, **LHP Raymond Burgos** made his MLB debut for the San Francisco Giants at home against the Chicago Cubs. He pitched 1 inning of relief, allowing 3 hits, 1 earned run, and 1 walk, while throwing 1 strikeout. **Burgos** made 48 regular-season appearances (11 starts) for the Captains across the 2019, 2021, and 2022 seasons, going 10-6 with a 2.83 ERA, 115 strikeouts, a 1.29 WHIP, a .255 opposing batting average, and 8 holds, converting 1 of his 2 save opportunities. He also made 3 postseason relief appearances for Lake County in 2022, tallying a 4.26 ERA, 6 strikeouts, 2 walks, and a .150 opposing batting average, converting his lone save opportunity in Game 2 of the Midwest League East Championship Series.

**INF Angel Martínez:** On Saturday, June 22, **INF Angel Martínez** made his MLB debut for the Cleveland Guardians at home against the Toronto Blue Jays. He started at designated hitter and batted 9<sup>th</sup> in the Guardians' order, going 0-for-3 with 1 strikeout. **Martínez** played 77 regular-season games for the Captains in 2022, hitting .288 with 81 hits, 17 doubles, 3 triples, 10 home runs, 27 RBI, 10 stolen bases, and an .861 OPS.

**INF/OF Daniel Schneemann:** On Sunday, June 2, **INF Daniel Schneemann** made his MLB debut for the Cleveland Guardians at home against the Washington Nationals. He started at 2<sup>nd</sup> base and batted 8<sup>th</sup> in the Guardians' order, going 1-for-3 with a 2-run double on his first MLB pitch and a strikeout. **Schneemann** played 98 regular-season games for the Captains across the 2018, 2019, and 2021 seasons, hitting .267 with 86 hits, 13 doubles, 3 triples, 5 home runs, 43 RBI, 12 stolen bases, and a .711 OPS. He also played 3 postseason games for Lake County in 2019, hitting .182 (2-for-11) with 2 runs, 2 RBI, and 1 walk.

**1B/OF Trenton Brooks:** On Tuesday, May 28, **1B/OF Trenton Brooks** made his MLB debut for the San Francisco Giants at home against the Philadelphia Phillies. He started at 1<sup>st</sup> base and batted 9<sup>th</sup> in the Giants' order, going 0-for-2 with 1 strikeout. **Brooks** played 29 games for the Captains in 2017, hitting .214 with 24 hits, 5 doubles, 1 home run, 8 RBI, 12 walks, and a .588 OPS.

**OF Johnathan Rodríguez:** On Tuesday, May 21, **OF Johnathan Rodríguez** made his MLB debut for the Cleveland Guardians at home against the New York Mets. He started in right field and batted 7<sup>th</sup> in the Guardians' order, going 0-for-4 with 2 strikeouts. **Rodríguez** played 103 games for the Captains across the 2021 and 2022 seasons, hitting .275 with 103 hits, 20 doubles, 23 home runs, 70 RBI, and an .862 OPS. In 2022, he led the Midwest League with 21 home runs.

**RHP Cade Smith:** On Saturday, March 30, **RHP Cade Smith** made his MLB debut for the Cleveland Guardians on the road against the Oakland Athletics. He pitched 2 scoreless, hitless innings of relief, allowing just 1 walk and throwing 5 strikeouts. **Smith** made 23 relief appearances for the Captains across the 2021 and 2022 seasons, going 2-1 with a 2.67 ERA, 48 strikeouts, a 1.11 WHIP, and a .156 opposing batting average, converting 6 of his 7 save opportunities.



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## ABOUT COPA DE LA DIVERSIÓN™ & LOS PICANTES DE LAKE COUNTY

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**COPA DE LA DIVERSIÓN:** According to MiLB.com, “Copa de la Diversión™” or “Fun Cup™” is a season-long event series specifically designed to embrace the culture and values that resonate most with Minor League Baseball™ teams’ local U.S. Hispanic communities.”

This season, for every Tuesday home game and select road games, the Captains will play as their Copa de la Diversión alter ego: **Los Picantes de Lake County**. As part of its alter ego, the team uses a flaming pepper logo and wears alternate uniforms. According to MiLB.com, “Lake County’s ‘Picantes’ moniker represents the area’s spice of life, both literally and figuratively. The identity celebrates both the chile pepper’s place in spicier LatinX cuisine and the community’s edgier, fiery personalities.”

**The Captains are 8-2 as Los Picantes de Lake County this season.**

On Friday, July 26, Los Picantes defeated the Great Lakes Loons (Los Pepinillos Picantes del Norte) on the road by a score of 1-0. In his Minor League debut, **2B Travis Bazzana**, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2024 MLB Draft, drove in the game’s only run on a fielder’s choice in the top of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning. Lake County pitching tossed its 8<sup>th</sup> shutout of the season. In his High-A debut and first start with Lake County, **RHP Dylan DeLucia** (ND) pitched 3.1 scoreless, hitless innings for Los Picantes, allowing 4 walks and throwing 4 strikeouts in 60 pitches (33 strikes). **RHP Zach Jacobs** (5<sup>th</sup> win of the season), **RHP Jay Driver** (H, 6), and **RHP Zane Morehouse** (S, 7) combined to pitch 5.2 scoreless frames of relief out of the Lake County bullpen.

On Tuesday, July 9, Los Picantes defeated the Lansing Lugnuts at home by a score of 7-6 in 11 innings, Lake County’s longest game by innings so far this season. **2B Angel Genao** hit a walk-off RBI single in the bottom of the 11<sup>th</sup> inning to secure Lake County’s 5<sup>th</sup> walk-off win of the year. Los Picantes overcame 4 different deficits in the team’s 19<sup>th</sup> come-from-behind win of the season. Offensively, **C Cooper Ingle** and **CF Jake Fox** led the way for Lake County, each recording 2 hits and 2 RBI, including a solo home run each. **3B Alex Mooney** hit an RBI single in the bottom of the 10<sup>th</sup> inning, and **RF Guy Lipscomb** tallied a game-tying RBI single one frame later. **RHP Zach Jacobs** (ND) and **RHP Matt Jachec** each pitched 3 innings, allowing 1 earned run each and throwing a combined 7 strikeouts. **RHP Jake Miller** (5-2) earned his 5<sup>th</sup> win of the season, inducing a groundout to end the top of the 11<sup>th</sup> inning on his only pitch of the night in relief.

On Tuesday, June 25, Los Picantes defeated the Great Lakes Loons at home by a score of 8-3. **SS Angel Genao** went 3-for-5 with a double and a pair of RBI singles, while **LHP Adam Tulloch** (3-0) earned his third win of the season, allowing 1 hit and throwing 2 strikeouts in 2 scoreless innings of relief out of the Lake County bullpen. As a team, Los Picantes recorded a season-high 6 stolen bases, with **CF Jonah Advincula** leading the way by tying his professional career-high of 3 steals. **Advincula** also had 3 stolen bases on April 25 at West Michigan.

On Tuesday, June 11, Los Picantes defeated the Fort Wayne TinCaps at home by a score of 1-0. **3B Jose Devers** broke a scoreless tie in the bottom of the 7<sup>th</sup> inning with his 5<sup>th</sup> home run of the season, a 2-out solo shot on an 0-2 pitch. **RHP Austin Peterson** (ND) allowed 4 hits and no walks, while striking out 6 in 5.2 scoreless innings of work. **RHP Jake Miller** (3<sup>rd</sup> win of the season), **RHP Jay Driver** (H, 3), and **RHP Zane Morehouse** (S, 5) combined to pitch 3.1 scoreless frames of relief out of the Lake County bullpen.

On Sunday, June 9, Los Picantes defeated the Beloit Sky Carp (Las Paletas de Beloit) on the road by a score of 5-3. **SS Angel Genao** hit his 1<sup>st</sup> career High-A home run on the first pitch of the game for his first career High-A RBI. 4 innings later, **Genao** recorded the 2<sup>nd</sup> RBI of his High-A career with a 2-out RBI infield single, which tied the game at 2-2. **RHP Trenton Denholm** earned his 7<sup>th</sup> win of the season, allowing 2 hits, 2 earned runs, and 3 walks, while striking out 6 in 5 innings of work.

On Tuesday, May 7, Los Picantes defeated the Dayton Dragons at home by a score of 9-5. **LHP Parker Messick** earned his 2<sup>nd</sup> win of the season, allowing 4 hits, 3 runs (1 earned), and 4 walks, while throwing 4 strikeouts in 5 innings of work. Lake County scored in each of its final 7 innings at the plate, including 2 runs in both the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> innings. 7 of 9 Picantes hitters recorded at least 1 RBI, with **1B C.J. Kayfus** and **C Cooper Ingle** leading the way with 2 RBI each.

On Sunday, May 5, the team defeated the Fort Wayne TinCaps (Las Manzanitas Luchadoras de Fort Wayne) at home by a score of 6-0. **RHP Austin Peterson** earned his 4<sup>th</sup> victory of the season, allowing just 3 hits and throwing 3 strikeouts in 6 scoreless innings of work. **LF Guy Lipscomb** (2-run single), **CF Jake Fox** (RBI double), and **DH Nate Furman** (RBI single) each drove in runs for Lake County.

On Tuesday, April 30, Los Picantes also defeated the Fort Wayne TinCaps (Las Manzanitas Luchadoras de Fort Wayne) at home by a score of 1-0 in 10 innings. In the bottom of the 10<sup>th</sup> inning, Lake County **SS Jose Devers** scored the game’s only run on a throwing error after **OF Justin Boyd** hit a single. On the mound, **RHP Austin Peterson** (ND) pitched a then-season-high 7.2 innings, allowing just 4 hits, no runs, and 1 walk, while throwing 6 strikeouts.

The Captains went 4-3 as **Los Picantes de Lake County** last season, and a perfect 7-0 in 2022.