



# AKRON RUBBERDUCKS GAME NOTES

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**Akron RubberDucks (27-21, 67-50) vs. Richmond Flying Squirrels (16-31, 56-60)**

*Cleveland Guardians Double-A*

*San Francisco Giants Double-A*

LHP Jaime Árias (0-1, 6.53 ERA)

RHP Matt Frisbee (5-8, 5.18 ERA)

Friday, August 26, 2022 • Canal Park • 7:05 p.m. EDT

Game 118, 2nd Half Game 49, Home Game 68, Night Game 91, Divisional Game 88

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**Thursday: RubberDucks 5, Flying Squirrels 2:** Tanner Bibee (3-1) struck out 10 batters for the first time with Akron and third time this season, while pitching six innings of one-run ball for a fourth consecutive start (3-0 in that span). **Jhonkensy Noel** hit his first August home run with a three-run shot in the first inning and added an eighth-inning RBI triple. **José Tena** had three hits, extending his six-game hitting streak. **Mason Hickman** earned his third straight save. Akron is an Eastern League-best 17-6 in August.

**Reliever resurgence:** After allowing 10 earned runs in his first six Double-A outings (6.2 innings), **Cade Smith** has 10 scoreless outings in his last 11 appearances, allowing only one run in his last 17.1 innings, including his first four Double-A saves. **Kyle Marman** has nine scoreless outings in his last 10 appearances (12 innings, 1 ER). **Brett Daniels** has worked six straight scoreless appearances (9.2 IP, one save). **Carlos Vargas** had a seven-outing, 10.2-inning scoreless streak snapped when he allowed four runs in the 10th inning Tuesday.

**Family reunion:** Third cousins **Julian Escobedo** and Richmond's Casey Schmitt are sharing a professional field for the first time this week. They played together at Eastlake High School in Chula Vista, CA, and they played together at San Diego State. Escobedo, one year ahead of Schmitt in school, was drafted by Cleveland in the 17th round in 2019, and Schmitt was drafted by San Francisco in the second round in 2020.

**Strikeout leaders:** RubberDucks pitchers have struck out 1,190 batters, the most in Double-A baseball and tying the 2021 team for most ever by the Northeast Ohio franchise. Akron's starting staff has 642 strikeouts, the most in minor league baseball. Former RubberDuck **Logan Allen** (still tied for ninth in the Eastern League with 104 strikeouts) is tied for eighth in the minor leagues with 141 strikeouts this season. Akron also leads the league in saves (38, the club's most since 38 in 2018) and is second in hits allowed (830) and opposing average (.220), and third in runs allowed (487), home runs allowed (116) and ERA (3.85, the club's highest since 2017 – 4.43).

**Tight contests:** Akron leads the Eastern League with 66 games decided by one or two runs. It is 39-27 in those games (22-17 in one-run games and 17-10 in two-run games) and 28-23 in games decided by 3+ runs. Only Somerset (23) has more one-run wins in the EL.

**Batting below average:** Akron's .235 team batting average is currently the lowest in franchise history (1989-present). The previous franchise low was a .238 average in 2019. However, Akron still has a higher on-base percentage (.319) and slugging percentage (.385) than it did in the 2019 season (.307 OBP, .364 slugging).

## UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS (ALL TIMES EASTERN) – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Saturday, Aug. 27	7:05 p.m.	RHP Gavin Williams (2-3, 2.16 ERA)	vs.	Richmond RHP Landen Roupp (0-1, 9.00 ERA)
Sunday, Aug. 28	2:05 p.m.	RHP Thomas Ponticelli (2-3, 3.72 ERA)	vs.	Richmond LHP Kyle Harrison (4-2, 2.91 ERA)
Tuesday, Aug. 30	6:00 p.m.	TBA	at	Altoona TBA
Wednesday, Aug. 31	6:00 p.m.	TBA	at	Altoona TBA

**RubberDucks host Flying Squirrels:** Akron is playing its last of three regular season series with Richmond this season. The teams split a six-game series in Richmond May 3-8, and Richmond won a series in Akron May 31-June 5, which ultimately gave Richmond the first-half title (its first playoff appearance since 2014) when the teams tied in first place. In 2021, Akron won the series, 8-4, going 5-1 at home. According to MLB.com, top prospects in this series include: **Guardians (MLB.com):** #3 RHP **Gavin Williams**, #8 RHP **Tanner Bibee**, #12 IF **Angel Martínez**, #17 3B/1B **Jhonkensy Noel**, #18 IF **José Tena**, #19 RHP **Tanner Burns**, #26 C **Bryan Lavastida** **Giants (MLB.com):** #2 LHP **Kyle Harrison**, #6 IF **Casey Schmitt**, #10 OF **Vaun Brown**, #21 OF **Tristan Peters**, #26 INF **Will Wilson**, #28 RHP **Landen Roupp**

**Pries posting numbers:** **Micah Pries** has 17 home runs, the most by a RubberDuck since 2018 (**Bobby Bradley**, 24). Pries also has the most RBI (66) for the club since Bradley had 89 in 2017. Pries and **José Tena** each have five triples, the most by any RubberDucks since **Todd Hankins** had seven in 2016.

**Schneemann's hot hitting:** **Daniel Schneemann** has hits in 21 of his last 32 games, with seven multi-hit games, going 30-for-102 (.294) with three home runs, 15 runs, and 19 RBI – including eight go-ahead hits and one game-tying RBI. He hit Akron's first walk-off home run this season in a 4-2 win over Erie July 22 and hit the eighth-inning, go-ahead RBI singles in July 26 and July 29 wins over Harrisburg. His .216 batting average through Aug. 17 was his highest since April 16.

**Home run breakdown:** The RubberDucks have hit 47 home runs in 48 second-half games, after their 59 home runs in the season's first half were the second fewest in the Eastern League. **Jhonkensy Noel** has 10 Double-A homers, and his 29 home runs this season are tied for fifth in the minor leagues. The RubberDucks ended July allowing 19 home runs in a nine-game homestand, but they have allowed only 16 in 22 August games. Akron has allowed 35 home runs in 32 games since the All-Star break, after allowing 81 (second fewest in the Eastern League) in 85 games before the break.

**Former RubberDucks make MLB debuts:** **Xzavion Curry** started Monday night in Game 2 of the Guardians' doubleheader with Detroit, joining **Hunter Gaddis** (Aug. 5 vs. Houston) as the two RubberDucks who began this season with Akron and have made their major league debuts for Cleveland. Curry also became the 10th player from the 2021 Akron club who has reached Cleveland this year. The others are **Will Benson**, **Alex Call**, **Tyler Freeman**, **Oscar González**, **Steven Kwan**, **Bryan Lavastida**, **Richie Palacios**, **Konnor Pilkington**, **Tanner Tully**. In total, Cleveland has had 14 MLB debuts this season.



# 2022 RUBBERDUCKS FIELD STAFF

**#24 Rouglas Odor, Manager (Third Season)** – Odor, 54, is in his 35th season with the Cleveland organization as a player, coach and manager. The 2022 season will be Odor's third as RubberDucks manager (tying him with Joel Skinner, Dave Wallace and Brad Komminsk for most seasons as Akron's manager). In 2021, Odor was named Double-A Northeast Manager of the Year after leading Akron to the Double-A Northeast championship and a 73-46 record. He also guided the RubberDucks to a 61-79 record in 2019. Odor entered 2022 with a career record of 534-513 as a manager.

Odor was the first member of the Guardians organization to be a member of the Canton-Akron Indians, Akron Aeros and RubberDucks. He was an infielder for Canton-Akron for parts of the 1991, 1993 and 1994 seasons. Odor served as the Aeros hitting coach in 2012 and served as the RubberDucks hitting coach in 2014.

A native of Maracaibo, Venezuela, Odor was a 32nd round selection by Cleveland in the 1988 draft out of the University of New Orleans. The former shortstop played in the minor leagues for Cleveland from 1988-94 and for the Milwaukee Brewers organization in 1995. The 2019 season was Odor's first as a manager since 2008. He managed San Felipe in the Venezuelan Summer League (1999-2000), the Burlington Indians (2001-2004), the Mahoning Valley Scrappers (2005-2006), and Gulf Coast League Indians (2007-2008). In 2009, Odor began serving as hitting coach for the Kinston Indians (2009-2010), Double-A Akron Aeros (2011-2012), High-A Carolina Mudcats (2013), Double-A Akron RubberDucks (2014), and Triple-A Columbus Clippers (2015-2017).

Odor resides in Winter Haven, Florida, with his wife, Milagros. He has three sons and is the uncle of major league infielder Rougned Odor.

**#35 Owen Dew, Pitching Coach (Second Season)** — Owen Dew, 33, is in his sixth season in the Cleveland organization and second as RubberDucks pitching coach. In 2021, Dew led the Akron pitching staff to a 3.78 ERA (second best in the Double-A Northeast) and a franchise record 1,190 strikeouts. Prior to coming to Akron, Dew was the pitching coach for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers in 2017, AZL Indians in 2018 and Lake County in 2019.

Dew was a 21st round selection by Cleveland in 2010 out of the University of Central Florida. He spent parts of three seasons in the Cleveland organization, logging 58 appearances and 152.1 innings. Dew began his baseball journey as a right-handed pitcher for Seminole State College of Florida (2008-2009), before moving to the University of Central Florida in 2010. That same year, Dew advanced through Mahoning Valley with a strong 2.64 ERA in nine starts for the Scrappers. At Class-A Lake County, Dew was converted to a relief pitcher where he appeared in 15 games over the 2010 and 2011 seasons. In Dew's final season as a player, the right hander appeared in 34 games, accruing 70 innings and posted a 3.86 ERA with 41 strikeouts.

Since his playing career, Dew served as an assistant coach at Seminole State College of Florida while also assisting the Cleveland Indians as an associate scout from 2014-2017.

**#16 Junior Betances, Hitting Coach (Second Season)** — Betances, 49, is in his 25th season with the Guardians organization as a player, coach or executive and second as the hitting coach for the RubberDucks. In 2021, Betances guided the RubberDucks hitters to a .254 average (third best in the Double-A Northeast) with 116 home runs and 577 RBI (second best in the Double-A Northeast).

Betances came to the organization via the 1996 Rule 5 draft after spending six seasons in the Brewers organization. He batted .289 over 165 games in 1998 and 1999 for the Akron Aeros. Betances joined the coaching ranks in various roles for Cleveland's Dominican Summer League team from 2000-2010. Betances then served as Arizona League Indians coach from 2010-2015, and moved to Lake County in 2017 as the Bench coach for Manager Larry Day.

**#28 Mike Mergenthaler, Assistant Hitting Coach (Second Season)** — Mergenthaler, 33, is in his sixth year with the Cleveland organization and second season with Akron. Mergenthaler spent 2021 as the bench coach for the RubberDucks. Prior to coming to Akron, Mergenthaler was the bench coach with Lynchburg in 2019. In 2018 and 2019, Mergenthaler worked as a hitting coach for the Cleveland and Milwaukee joint Dominican Summer League team. The Thiells, New York, native was drafted as a player in the 32nd round of the 2011 amateur draft by the San Francisco Giants, playing in their system for parts of 2011 and 2012.

**#27 Juan De La Cruz, Bench Coach (Second Season, not consecutive)** – De La Cruz, 28, is in his fourth season with the Cleveland organization and second season with Akron, where he was the bench coach in 2019. De La Cruz spent 2021 as the bench coach for Low-A Lynchburg. De La Cruz was signed by Cleveland in 2009 and played eight seasons in the organization. He appeared in 12 games for the RubberDucks in 2017.

**Jacob Legan, Athletic Trainer (Second Season)** — Legan is in his ninth season in the Cleveland organization and second season in Akron. Prior to coming to Akron, Legan served as the athletic trainer for Lynchburg in 2019. He earned his bachelor's degree in Athletic Training from East Carolina and his master's degree in Exercise Physiology from the University of Akron.

**Tyler Grisdale, Strength and Conditioning Coach (First Season)** – Grisdale is in his first season with the Guardians. He spent two years in the Miami Marlins organization and four years with the Colorado Rockies, including as the Physical Performance Coach for the Spokane Indians (Colorado's High-A affiliate) in 2021.

Lineup Card (67-50) 92 Different Batting Orders (Record in parentheses, bold is most common)	Starts By Position
1. Brennan (2-3), <b>Tena (42-30)</b> , Schneemann (2-1), Escobedo (2-2), Naylor (12-9), Rocchio (1-1), Roller (6-4)	<b>P</b> <b>Allen (5-8)</b> , Espino (3-1), Burns (12-7), Gaddis (9-5), Cantillo (8-5), Curry (7-4), Arias (7-3), Oviedo (3-5), Williams (7-5), Bibee (6-3), Daniels (1-1), Ponticelli (2-2), Lingos (1-1)
2. <b>Rocchio (36-33)</b> , Escobedo (4-2), Valera (10-7), Tena (1-3), Chang (2-0), Schneemann (4-1), Freeman (2-0), Naylor (3-2), Delgado (0-1), Lavastida (3-1)	<b>C</b> <b>Naylor (14-18)</b> , Rodriguez (16-18), Caddell (4-3), Lopez (4-3), Lavastida (19-7)
3. Tena (2-3), Rocchio (16-10), Schneemann (0-1), <b>Valera (20-24)</b> , Naylor (2-1), Gonzalez (2-0), Pries (3-3), Lavastida (18-7), Noel (4-1)	<b>1B</b> <b>Pries (40-37)</b> , Gonzalez (16-7), Engelmann (0-1), Freeman (0-1), Delgado (6-2), Noel (4-2)
4. Valera (13-9), Brennan (21-10), <b>Pries (25-17)</b> , Noel (5-12), Gonzalez (3-2)	<b>2B</b> <b>Tena (24-20)</b> , <b>Rocchio (27-18)</b> , Schneemann (8-9), Freeman (4-2), Delgado (1-0), Martinez (3-1)
5. Naylor (10-10), Pries (7-10), Gonzalez (4-2), Valera (6-1), Escobedo (1-4), Engelmann (1-0), <b>Tena (15-8)</b> , Roller (1-2), Delgado (3-2), Noel (13-7), Schneemann (2-1), Jo.Rodriguez (2-1), Martinez (3-1)	<b>3B</b> <b>Schneemann (36-25)</b> , Nova (19-9), Gonzalez (1-0), Chang (1-0), Freeman (1-0), Delgado (9-16)
6. Engelmann (5-3), Schneemann (5-8), <b>Pries (15-8)</b> , Escobedo (12-9), Gonzalez (6-4), Naylor (2-0), Freeman (2-1), Roller (5-7), Delgado (11-8), E.Rodriguez (1-1), Noel (3-1), Jo.Rodriguez (4-2)	<b>SS</b> Rocchio (26-26), <b>Tena (32-22)</b> , Schneemann (9-1)
7. Pries (4-4), Nova (1-0), <b>Schneemann (17-8)</b> , Escobedo (13-7), Engelmann (8-1), Gonzalez (6-5), Caddell (1-1), Roller (10-13), Freeman (1-2), Rodriguez (3-1), Delgado (2-6), Tena (0-1), Lopez (0-1), Holmes (1-0)	<b>LF</b> Engelmann (5-7), Valera (12-12), Brennan (2-1), <b>Escobedo (22-13)</b> , Roller (8-7), Pries (6-3), Noel (6-4), Holmes (3-1), Jo.Rodriguez (3-2)
8. <b>Schneemann (13-8)</b> , Escobedo (13-7), Engelmann (3-3), Gonzalez (2-3), Nova (4-4), Caddell (1-5), Rodriguez (4-5), Pries (3-4), Roller (11-5), Freeman (2-0), Delgado (8-3), Lopez (2-3), Holmes (1-0)	<b>CF</b> Brennan (18-8), <b>Escobedo (20-22)</b> , Valera (10-2), Roller (18-17), Holmes (2-0)
9. Caddell (3-2), Rodriguez (9-12), Escobedo (7-9), <b>Nova (17-7)</b> , Engelmann (2-5), Schneemann (13-9), Freeman (1-0), Lopez (5-1), Gonzalez (1-0), Holmes (5-3), Delgado (5-0)	<b>RF</b> <b>Valera (15-24)</b> , Brennan (4-1), Escobedo (5-2), Engelmann (10-5), Roller (3-1) Noel (12-13), Holmes (2-2), Gonzalez (3-1), Jo.Rodriguez (3-1)
	<b>DH</b> Caddell (1-5), <b>Naylor (5-4)</b> , Valera (2-3), Schneemann (3-1), Brennan (0-2), Tena (4-2), Escobedo (4-3), Pries (9-6), Gonzalez (3-8), Nova (3-2), Chang (1-0), Roller (3-5), Engelmann (5-0), Freeman (3-0), Rocchio (2-0), Delgado (8-3), Lavastida (2-1), Noel (3-1), Rodriguez (1-0), O.Gonzalez (0-1), Lopez (3-2)

### We Are the RubberDucks

On October 29, 2013, team owner **Ken Babby** stood before a capacity audience at the Akron Civic Theater and announced that the team would be known henceforth as the **Akron RubberDucks**. In addition to being symbolic of the fun, family-friendly brand of entertainment offered by minor league baseball, the name also honors Akron's long history as the "**Rubber Capital of the World.**" Brandiose Marketing of San Diego, California designed the team logo, colors, and various marks and insignias. Please note that for print coverage, *RubberDucks* is spelled as one word with a capital "D." In broadcast coverage, referring to the team as "*the Ducks*" is an acceptable variation of the team's nickname.

**#10 RAYNEL DELGADO IF, L/R Calvary Christian (FL)**

Twitter: @RayDelgado15 IG: @raydelgado15 2018 (6th round)

Last (8/25vRIC) 1-3, r, d, k Streak +1 (1-3, r, d, k)  
 Series 1-9, 3r, d, 2bb, 3k, hp, 2sb '22 Long Hit 7 (multiple)  
 R-Trip 6-14, 3r, 2d, 6bi, 7bb, 3k, sb '22 Long OBS 14 (6/14-30)  
 '22/Career High: 3/3 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/2 SB

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 216 g, .242, 11 hr, 79 rbi, 30 sb, .660 ops

- Played 39 games with High-A Lake County (.263, 2 HR, 14 RBI, .754 OPS)...Joined Akron on June 14 and singled in his debut in Hartford.
- 2021: Played 100 games with High-A Lake County, .208, 8 HR, 35 RBI, .609 OPS.
- 2019: Ranked as Cleveland's No. 15 prospect by MLB Pipeline...Played 53 games with short season Mahoning Valley (.240, 2 HR, 17 RBI, .653 OPS) and 17 games with Single-A Lake County (.250, 0 HR, 6 RBI, .582 OPS)
- 2018: T-3rd in AZL in walks (30), T-5th in OBP (.409), 6th in runs (34), T-7th in hits (53), also tied for team lead in doubles (10).
- Amateur: Played at Calvary Christian Academy in Fort Lauderdale, FL...Born in Havana, Cuba, and moved to the United States when he was seven years old.

**#8 JULIAN ESCOBEDO OF, L/L San Diego State**

Twitter: @JulianEsco1 IG: @julian.esco 2019 (17th round)

Last (8/25vRIC) 1-3, sb Streak +6 (8-20,5r,d,t,hr,4bi,2bb,2k)  
 Series 4-11, 2r, d, 2k, sb '22 Long Hit 6 (multiple) - active  
 R-Trip 4-11, 3r, t, hr, 4bi, 2bb '22 Long OBS 9 (4/30-5/11)  
 '22/Career High: 2/4 H, 3/3 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 3/4 RBI, 1/2 SB

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 114 g, .235, 8 hr, 57 rbi, 19 sb, .685 ops

- 2021 Highlights: Began the season with Lynchburg (Single-A) but went on the injured list after six games...Played eight rehab games with AZ Complex affiliate (rookie)...Returned to Lynchburg for 12 games, promoted to High-A Lake County Aug. 3...Hit .254, 3 HR, 12 RBI, .748 OPS in 18 total games with Lynchburg...In 38 games with Lake County, hit .206, 1 HR, 12 RBI, .598 OPS.
- 2019: Made pro debut with 28 games in AZL (rookie), .327, 2 HR, 16 RBI, .919 OPS...Played 22 games for Mahoning Valley (SS-A) .129, 0 HR, 8 RBI, .389 OPS.
- College: Played 159 games (139 starts) in three seasons...Hit .274, 7 HR, 63 RBI, .742 OPS...As a sophomore (2018), hit .316 with an .848 OPS.
- Was a four-time varsity team MVP at Eastlake High School in Chula Vista, CA.
- Favorite athlete is Tony Gwynn.

**#6 BRYAN LAVASTIDA C, R/R Hillsborough (FL) CC**

Twitter: @Lavastida IG: @lavastida 2018 (15th round)

Last (8/25vRIC) 1-4, r, k Streak +1 (1-4, r, k)  
 Series 2-13, 2r, hr, bi, 4k '22 Long Hit 10 (5/25-6/10)  
 R-Trip 2-19, 3r, 2hr, 3bi, 2bb, 5k '22 Long OBS 10 (multiple)  
 '22/Career High: 2/3 H, 2/4 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 2/4 RBI, 1/2 SB

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 176 g, .305, 12 hr, 109 rbi, 24 sb, .844 ops

- Made Cleveland's Opening Day roster and played six games (1-for-12, 3 BB).
- Optioned to Columbus (Triple-A) on April 25, played 33 games (.225, 3 HR, 11 RBI, .692 OPS) before going on the IL June 19 with a right hamstring strain.
- Activated from the IL July 7 and transferred to Akron.
- 2021: Played 48 games with Lake County (High-A), hit .303/.399/.467, 5 HR, 31 RBI...Joined Akron July 30...In 29 Double-A regular season games, he hit .291, 3 HR, 17 RBI, .839 OPS...Played seven games with Columbus (Triple-A) Sept. 1-12 (3-for-19, HR, 3 RBI)...Returned to Akron Sept. 14...6-for-12, HR, 4 RBI in Championship Series.
- 2019: Was second in the organization in batting average (.335)...Finished in fourth in the New York-Penn League in batting average (.335) and second in OPS (.892) and doubles (19) ...NYPL All-Star as a DH...Played one game for Lake County (1-3, R, BB).
- 2018: Played 33 games in AZL (rookie), .292, 1 HR, .782 OPS, 4 doubles, 1 triple.
- Amateur: Was a SS and 3B in high school, transitioned to catcher at Hillsborough Community College...In 2018 for Hillsborough CC, he played 57 games (.384/.465/.539, 1.004 OPS, 21 doubles, 2 triples, 3 HR, 35 RBI, 26 BB, 20 K, 30-36 SB)...Teammate Aldrich De Jongh is in the Dodgers system...Among 13 players from Hillsborough CC to go pro since 2010...Planned to transfer to Alabama before being drafted.

**#12 ANGEL LOPEZ C, R/R Northampton (PA) Comm. Coll.**

Twitter: IG: @lopez07angel 2017 (13th round)

Last (8/23vRIC) 0-4, 4k Streak -2 (0-6, r, bb, 6k)  
 Series 0-4, 4k '22 Long Hit 2 (8/6-8/9)  
 R-Trip 1-4, r, bb, 2k '22 Long OBS 7 (7/14-8/20)  
 '22/Career High: 1/2 H, 0/2 R, 0/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 0/1 HR, 0/5 RBI, 0/0 SB

4-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 113 g, .199, 5 hr, 32 rbi, 0 sb, .618 ops

- Joined Akron for his first regular season assignment of 2022 on June 22.
- 2021: Played five games for Triple-A Columbus May 19-June 20 (2-for-13, 2 doubles, 2 RBI)...Played six games with Akron June 23-July 16 (4-for-18, double, RBI)...Played five games for High-A Lake County Aug. 5-Sept. 5 (3-for-16, double, triple).
- 2019: Played 19 games for Lake County (A) - .152, 1 HR, 4 RBI...Placed on the IL from May 22-September 17 with a right finger strain...Played 9 games for AZL Indians (rookie) - .290, 0 HR, 8 RBI.
- 2018: Played 37 games for Mahoning Valley (SS-A) - .197, 1 HR, 7 RBI...Played 6 games for Lynchburg (A-Adv) - .278, 1 HR, 4 RBI.
- 2017: Hit .411 (58-for-141) with a school-record 14 home runs and 62 RBI in 44 games his senior season...named First Team All-Region by NJCAA...Made his pro debut with 23 games for AZL Indians (rookie) - .194, 2 HR, 6 RBI.

**#2 ANGEL MARTÍNEZ IF, S/R Santo Domingo, DR**

Twitter: IG: @Martinez03 2018 FA

Last (8/25vRIC) 0-3 Streak -1 (0-3)  
 Series 1-9, r, hr, 2bi, 3bb, k '22 Long Hit 14 (7/4-8/6)  
 R-Trip 2-4, 2d, 2bi, sb '22 Long OBS 26 (6/26-8/18)  
 '22/Career High: 3/4 H, 3/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 2/2 HR, 3/4 RBI, 2/3 SB

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 153 g, .265, 8 hr, 73 rbi, 24 sb, .701 ops

- Ranked the No. 12 Guardians prospect by MLB Pipeline.
- Played 77 games for High-A Lake County (.288, 10 HR, 27 RBI, .861 OPS).
- Before joining Akron Aug. 20, he ranked among Midwest League leaders with a .384 OBP (5th), .288 batting average (7th), .861 OPS (7th) and .477 SLG (10th).
- 2021: Played 97 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.241, 7 HR, 46 RBI, .701 OPS, 13 SB)...Finished tied for fourth in the Low-A East in triples (6)...One of just nine teenagers playing every day in the Low-A East in 2021.
- 2019: Made his professional debut in the Dominican Summer League (56 games, .306, 1 HR, 27 RBI, .830 OPS)...Completed his high school diploma through Cleveland's Dominican Academy after the season and was part of the Academy's inaugural graduating class in January 2020.
- 2018: Signed with Cleveland as an international amateur free agent at age 16.
- Personal: Son of former MLB catcher Sandy Martinez (1995-2004 with the Blue Jays, Cubs, Marlins, Expos, Indians and Red Sox).

**#39 JHONKENSY NOEL IF, R/R San Pedro de Macoris, DR**

Twitter: @JhonkensyNoel IG: @jhonkensy 2017 FA

Last (8/25vRIC) 2-4, r, t, hr, 4bi Streak +5 (9-21,6r,2d,t,hr,7bi,2bb,4k)  
 Series 4-12, 2r, d, t, hr, 6bi, bb, k '22 Long Hit 5 (5/20-25)  
 R-Trip 7-24, 8r, d, bi, 4bb, 10k, sb '22 Long OBS 13 (8/13-25) - active  
 '22/Career High: 4/5 H, 3/4 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 2/2 HR, 4/6 RBI, 1/3 SB

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 181 g, .293, 35 hr, 142 rbi, 16 sb, .879 ops

- Ranked the No. 17 Guardians prospect by MLB Pipeline.
- Began the season with High-A Lake County (62 games, .219 average, 19 HR, 42 RBI, nine doubles, .795 OPS)...Promoted to Akron June 24...At the time he was leading the Midwest League with 19 homers, also third in extra-base hits (28) and total bases (116).
- Appeared in the SiriusXM All-Star Futures Game July 16 at Dodger Stadium (replaced George Valera in LF for final three innings, went 0-for-1 with groundout).
- 2021: Hit a combined .340 (90-for-265) with 14 doubles, one triple, 19 homers and 66 RBI in 70 games between Single-A Lynchburg and High-A Lake County (.390 OBP/.615 SLG/1.005 OPS)...Second in the system in homers (19) and RBI (66) despite missing almost two months due to a bruised hand and left ankle sprain...His .340 average would have been third-highest in the entire Minor Leagues if he qualified. His .615 SLG and 1.005 OPS would have been fourth...Hit .512 (22-for-43) with RISP for Lynchburg...Named Cleveland's top power hitting prospect (*Baseball America*)...Added to Cleveland's 40-man roster in November 2021.
- 2019: Played 47 games in AZL (rookie)...287, 6 HR, 42 RBI (2nd in AZL), .804 OPS.
- 2018: Made pro debut with 64 games in DSL (rookie), .287, 10 HR, 34 RBI, .788 OPS
- 2017: Signed as an amateur free agent by Cleveland on July 15.
- Personal: Hobbies include time with family/getaways with them, enjoying the beach...Favorite artists: The Future, 50 Cent, Lil Baby...Favorite players growing up were David Ortiz and Adrian Beltre...Nicknamed "La Belleza" (the Beauty) by teammates...His stepbrother Victor Igsema, who is 15 years older, played 2005-09 in the Pittsburgh Pirates organization, reaching as high as Class-A as an outfielder and pitcher.

**#37 MICAH PRIES OF, L/R Point Loma Nazarene**  
**Twitter: @micahpries IG: @micahpries 2019 (13th round)**  
**Last** (8/25vRIC) 1-4, d, k, cs **Streak** +1 (1-4, d, k)  
**Series** 2-12, r, d, 2k, hp, cs **'22 Long Hit** 14 (6/21-7/8)  
**R-Trip** 7-13, 4r, d, t, hr, 6bi, 3bb, 5k, 2sb **'22 Long OBS** 19 (7/17-8/12)  
**'22/Career High:** 3/3 H, 2/2 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 2/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/1 SB  
**1-yr MiLB Totals thru '21:** 72 g, .296, 12 hr, 40 rbi, 14 sb, .893 ops

- Named Eastern League Player of the Week June 20-26 (9-22, 2 doubles, triple, 2 HR, 10 RBI, SB, 7 R) and June 26-July 3 (10-20, 2 doubles, 3 HR, 6 RBI, 6 BB, 3 SB, 6 R).
- Named June 2022 Eastern League Player of the Month (league-leading 25 RBI, .688 SLG, 64 total bases, along with .312, 9 HR, 1.082 OPS, .394 OBP, 29 H, 19 R).
- Posted a team-best 14-game hitting streak June 21-July 8, going 23-for-52 (.442) with six doubles, one triple, five homers, 16 RBI, 15 runs, 10 walks, .523 OBP, .885 SLG.
- 2021:** Began season in Lynchburg (Low-A), (22 games, .320, 2 HR, 13 RBI, .951 OPS)...Played 5 rehab games in ACL (8-for-17, 3 HR)...Played 45 games with High-A Lake County (.267, 7 HR, 21 RBI, .788 OPS)...Joined Akron for playoffs Sept. 21.
- 2019:** Drafted by Cleveland the same day (June 5th, 2019) his older brother, Jake, was drafted as an outfielder by the Yankees in the 24th round out of UCLA...Had right elbow surgery reconstruction on July 3 and did not appear for a minor league affiliate.
- College:** Played three seasons at Point Loma Nazarene (Division II school in San Diego, CA)...Hit 18 home runs as a junior, only striking out 16 times in 222 plate appearances...Point Loma Nazarene baseball plays at what is described as "America's Most Scenic Ballpark" overlooking the California coast.
- Personal:** Brother Jake (one year, 4.5 months older than Micah) began 2022 on 60-day IL in Yankees system...Jake was drafted (37th round) by Orioles out of high school in 2015 but went to UCLA...Both went to Junipero Serra High School, the alma mater of Guardians catcher Austin Hedges and former Twins No. 1 overall pick Royce Lewis.

**#38 ERIC RODRIGUEZ C, R/R George Wallace (AL) CC**  
**Twitter: @E\_Rod1328 IG: @e.rod\_13 2018 (21st round)**  
**Last** (8/19@ERI) 0-3, k **Streak** -2 (0-6, 4k)  
**Series** **'22 Long Hit** 6 (6/25-7/8)  
**R-Trip** 0-6, 4k **'22 Long OBS** 6 (6/25-7/8)  
**'22/Career High:** 2/3 H, 1/3 R, 1/2 2B, 0/0 3B, 1/1 HR, 1/3 RBI, 0/0 SB  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21:** 66 g, .169, 4 hr, 19 rbi, 0 sb, .520 ops

- 2021:** Began the season with Lynchburg (Low-A), playing 12 games (4-for-31, 0 HR, 0 RBI, one double...Joined Akron on Aug. 2...Had his first hit since June 25 – and first ever in Double-A – on a three-run, go-ahead home run in Richmond Sept. 9. It was his first home run since Aug. 22, 2019.
- 2019:** Played 14 games with Mahoning Valley (short season), .140.
- 2018:** Made pro debut with 23 games for AZL Indians (rookie), hitting .200, 2 HR, 8 RBIs...Played 2 games for Lake County (A), going 2-for-7 with one RBI.
- Personal/Amateur:** Born in Bayamon, Puerto Rico...Hometown is San Juan, Puerto Rico...Attended George Wallace (AL) Community College.

**#13 JOHNATHAN RODRIGUEZ OF, R/R C. Beltran Baseball Acad**  
**Twitter: @jjrodz55 IG: @johnny\_245 2017 (3rd round)**  
**Last** (8/25vRIC) 0-3, 2k **Streak** -1 (0-3, 2k)  
**Series** 1-11, bi, bb, 6k **'22 Long Hit** 15 (6/18-7/10)  
**R-Trip** 4-23, r, 2d, bi, 9k **'22 Long OBS** 16 (6/17-7/10)  
**'22/Career High:** 4/4 H, 5/5 R, 2/2 2B, 2/2 3B, 2/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/1 SB  
**4-yr MiLB Totals thru '21:** 227 g, .273, 14 hr, 104 rbi, 17 sb, .758 ops

- Played 79 games with Lake County (High-A) before joining Akron Aug. 16.
- At the time of his promotion, he led the Midwest League with a career-high 21 home runs and was third in slugging (.573), fourth in OPS (.919), tied for fourth in RBI (59), tied for fifth in extra-base hits (39), and sixth in batting average (.292) and total bases (169).
- Named Best Outfield Arm in Cleveland system by *Baseball America* for fifth straight year (2018-22).
- 2021:** Played 59 games with Single-A Lynchburg (.314, 5 HR, 33 RBI, .813 OPS) and 24 games with High-A Lake County (.215, 2 HR, 11 RBI)...After the season, played 21 games for Gigantes de Carolina in the Puerto Rican Winter League (.242, 1 HR, 7 RBI).
- 2020:** After the canceled minor league season, played 15 games with Atenienses de Manati in the Puerto Rican Winter League (.220, 0 HR, 2 RBI, .582 OPS).
- 2019:** Played 66 games with short season Mahoning Valley (.247, 6 HR, 27 RBI, .742 OPS)...Finished fifth in the New York-Penn League in extra-base hits (25), 9th in total bases (98) and tied for 9th in runs (36).
- 2018:** Led AZL Blue club in runs scored (36) and stolen bases (8).

**#32 CHRIS ROLLER OF, R/R McLennan (TX) Comm. Coll.**  
**Twitter: @ChrisRoller\_7 IG: @chris\_roller\_vii 2020 Rule 5 (LAD)**  
**Last** (8/21@ERI) 1-5, k **Streak** +1 (1-5, k)  
**Series** **'22 Long Hit** 7 (6/18-25)  
**R-Trip** 5-23, 2r, 2d, bi, bb, 6k **'22 Long OBS** 7 (6/18-25)  
**'22/Career High:** 2/3 H, 1/3 R, 1/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 1/2 HR, 2/4 RBI, 1/3 SB  
**4-yr MiLB Totals thru '21:** 257 g, .241, 15 hr, 109 rbi, 45 sb, .715 ops

- Played three games in LF for Columbus (AAA), going 2-for-6, 2 BB, HBP, SB, R...transferred to Akron May 2.
- 2021:** Played 70 games with Akron (.203, 1 HR, 27 RBI, .561 OPS, 14-18 SB-ATT)...On the Injured List July 31-Aug. 15 with a right achilles strain.
- 2019:** Played his whole season (88 games) with Great Lakes (A)...Tied for second in the Midwest League with 8 triples...Was second on his club with 21 doubles, tied for second with 36 extra-base hits and third in runs (61).
- 2018:** Played 26 games with Ogden (rookie) and 28 with Great Lakes (A).
- 2017:** Drafted by the Dodgers in the 30th round...made his pro debut in Arizona League for 45 games (.181 AVG, 1 HR, 14 RBI).

**#1 DANIEL SCHNEEMANN IF, L/R Brigham Young U.**  
**Twitter: @Schneemann55 IG: @D\_Schnee 2018 (33rd round)**  
**Last** (8/25vRIC) 1-3, 2k, cs **Streak** +2 (2-6, r, hr, bi, bb, 3k)  
**Series** 2-6, r, hr, bi, bb, 3k, cs **'22 Long Hit** 9 (7/15-29)  
**R-Trip** 5-23, 4r, 3d, 2bi, 2bb, 5k, 2sb **'22 Long OBS** 9 (multiple)  
**'22/Career High:** 4/4 H, 3/3 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 3/4 RBI, 2/2 SB  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21:** 164 g, .252, 11 hr, 74 rbi, 17 sb, .705 ops

- 2021 Highlights:**
- Underwent surgery on his right hand in early August after a July 31 check swing, missing the rest of the season.
- Played 26 games (12 in LF, 4 infield, 10 DH) for Lake County (High-A), .235, 3 HR, 13 RBI...joined Akron June 28 and started 10 straight games at SS (June 30-July 10).
- 2020:** Trained at home in Utah and Arizona...Sometimes trained with his wife, Allie Hancock-Schneemann, who is a volunteer assistant softball coach at BYU... Allie was a renowned defensive first baseman at BYU, posting the program's highest single-season fielding percentage in 2019...Daniel and Allie adopted a puppy in 2020, naming the dog Benny, after "Benny The Jet" from the movie *Sandlot*.
- 2019:** Played 70 games for Lake County (A), .287, 2 HR, 30 RBI...Earned Midwest League Player of the Week for July 14, after going 12-for-19 (.632)...Was placed on the IL on July 22 with a left forearm strain and missed 11 days...Was the Captains' starting shortstop at the end of 2019 and during the playoffs...also played second and third base.
- 2018:** Played 41 games (.206, 3 HR, 14 RBI) with AZL Indians (rookie) after being drafted by Cleveland... Played just one game in the outfield (3 innings).
- Named the 2017 West Coast Conference Defensive Player of the Year as BYU's shortstop...Had the #4 play on SportsCenter's Top 10 Plays during the 2018 college season when he made a sliding stop and glove flip at shortstop against Santa Clara.

**#7 JOSÉ TENA IF, L/R San Cristobal, DR**  
**Twitter: IG: @\_joseluistena20 2017 FA**  
**Last** (8/25vRIC) 3-4, 2r, d, bi **Streak** +6 (10-26, 5r, 2d, hr, 7bi, 9k, hp)  
**Series** 6-12, 3r, 2d, 4bi, 5k, hp **'22 Long Hit** 8 (5/17-25)  
**R-Trip** 7-30, 4r, t, hr, 5bi, bb, 8k **'22 Long OBS** 17 (5/15-6/4)  
**'22/Career High:** 3/3 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/1 SB  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21:** 202 g, .299, 18 hr, 99 rbi, 26 sb, .792 ops

- 2021 Highlights:**
- Ranked as Cleveland's No. 12/20 prospect by *MLB.com/Baseball America*.
- Won the Rawlings Gold Glove Award for Minor League Baseball shortstops.
- Played the regular season with High-A Lake County, 107 games, .281 (6th in High-A Central), 16 HR (T-9th), 58 RBI, .798 OPS, 116 hits (T-2nd), 25 doubles (T-3rd), 43 extra-base hits (5th), 193 total bases (4th)...Joined Akron for the playoffs Sept. 21.
- Played 17 games in the Arizona Fall League and led the circuit with a .387 average. He also had a .467 OBP and .516 SLG to be ranked the No. 12 prospect in the league.
- Graduated from Cleveland's high school diploma program in December...Completed four months' equivalent of coursework in 10 days, according to Cleveland Education & Language Coordinator Anna Bolton.
- 2019:** Finished 5th in the Arizona Rookie League in hits (62), tied for 7th in triples (6) and 10th in batting average (.325).
- 2018:** Named Dominican Summer League Mid-Season All-Star.
- Nephew of 16-year major leaguer Juan Uribe.

**#41 ROBERT BROOM** Twitter: [Twitter](#) IG: [IG](#)  
**RHP: SNK, SL vs. 1st Batter (EL): 4-14 (.286),5bb,2k,hb Inherited Runners-Scored: 12-3 (25.0%)**  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 108/3 g/gs, 6-7, 2.45 ERA, 9/12 sv, 139.2 ip, 161 k, .188, 1.07 whip**  
 Was a non-roster invitee to Guardians Major League Spring Training...Pitched 16 relief outings with Triple-A Columbus 16.1 IP, 2-1, 7.71 ERA, 1.65 WHIP...Transferred to Akron May 31.  
**2021:** Led the organization with 45 appearances and making the first three starts of his career as an "opener" (5.0IP, 3H, 2ER, 5BB, 5SO)...49.1 IP, 2-3, 5.29 ERA, 52 K for Triple-A Columbus...Was a member of the Minor League Depth Camp in Spring Training, appearing in two Cactus League games.  
**2019:** Had a combined 0.73 ERA over 41 games with High-A Lynchburg and Akron (3 SV, 62.0IP, 32H, 5ER, 23 BB, 70 SO)...Named a Carolina League midseason all-star...A lifelong outdoors enthusiast, Broom spent his nights in Lynchburg and Akron in an RV in the parking lot outside of each ballpark.  
**2018:** Drafted by Cleveland in the 10th round out of Mercer University...Made his pro debut in the Arizona League (Rookie), 5 games, 1.69 ERA, 2 saves...Pitched 17 games with Lake County (A), 2-1, 1.17 ERA, 2 saves, 23 IP, 30 K.  
**Amateur:** Pitched 103 games (1 start) at Mercer 2016-18, 22-9, 2.40 ERA...Finished fourth in Division I in K/9 IP in 2018 (13.5, 111 K/74 IP)... 2018 Third-Team All-American by *Baseball America*, two-time First-Team All-Southern Conference honoree (2017 & 2018)...2017 Cape Cod All-League Team (Brewster Whitecaps), 0.44 ERA in 11 games (1ER/20.1IP)...His Gordon Lee (GA) High School team finished state runner-up in back-to-back years.

**#36 BRETT DANIELS** Twitter: [@iBrettDaniels](#) IG: [@ibrettdaniels](#)  
**RHP: FB,CH,SL,CB,CT vs. 1st Batter: 3-14 (.214), 8bb, 4k Inherited Runners-Scored: 13-7 (53.8%)**  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 57/35 g/gs, 16-14, 3.92, 2/3 sv, 234.1 ip, 263 k, .232, 1.31 whip**  
 Selected by Cleveland from Houston in the Triple-A phase of the Rule 5 Draft Dec. 8, 2021...Pitched 11 relief outings with Triple-A Columbus (16.1 IP, 2-2, 7.16, 8 BB, 15 K, .284 AVG, 1.65 WHIP)...Joined Akron May 24.  
**2021:** Pitched 22 games (18 starts) with Astros Double-A affiliate Corpus Christi, working 90.1 IP, 5-8, 6.58 ERA, 48 BB, 112 K, .273 AVG, 1.59 WHIP.  
**2019:** Was named a Class-A Midwest League Midseason All-Star...Pitched 21 games (15 starts) for Single-A Quad Cities, 102.2 IP, 7-6, 2.10 ERA, 2/2 saves, 44 BB, 105 K, .208 AVG, 1.17 WHIP...Pitched three relief outings in April for Double-A Corpus Christi (8 IP, 1-0, 6.75 ERA, 6 BB, 10 K).  
**2018:** Drafted in the 17th round by Houston out of the University of North Carolina...Made his pro debut with Short Season-A Tri-City (33.1 IP, 3-0, 1.62 ERA, 7 BB, 36 K, .175 AVG, 0.84 WHIP)  
**Amateur:** Pitched four seasons at the University of North Carolina...Was a two-year teammate of 2021-22 RubberDuck Ike Freeman (two years behind Daniels)...Made 94 appearances (3 starts) in four years, going 13-2, 2.61 ERA, two saves, .241 AVG, 147 K in 148 IP...Attended Fuquay-Varina (NC) High School.

**#43 MASON HICKMAN** Twitter: [@HickmanMason](#) IG: [@masonhickman](#)  
**RHP: vs. 1st Batter 0-3 (.000) Inherited Runners-Scored: 1-0 (0%)**  
**1-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 20/20 g/gs, 8-8, 4.88 ERA, 0/0 sv, 97.2 ip, 110 k, .237, 1.29 whip**  
 Pitched 19 games (10 starts) for 59.1 IP, 2-5, 2/2 saves, 4.40 ERA, 28 BB, 87 K, .235 avg, 1.37 WHIP) for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron Aug. 16.  
**2021:** Made 20 starts for High-A Lake County...Finished T-2nd in the High-A Central in wins (8), fifth in opponents' avg (.237), eighth in IP (97.2), WHIP (1.29) and strikeouts (110)...Ranked fifth among qualifying Cleveland minor leaguers in ERA (4.88).  
**2020:** Drafted by Cleveland in the fifth and final round of the 2020 MLB Draft.  
**College:** Career record of 19-2 with a 3.13 ERA at Vanderbilt over 29 starts and 189.2 innings (221 SO, 10.5 SO/9.0IP, 2.9 BB/9.0IP)...Went 9-0 with a 2.05 ERA in 20 games (13 starts) as a sophomore in 2019 earned the College World Series-clinching victory over Michigan (6 IP, 1 R, 10 K)...In pandemic-shortened 2020 season, he was 2-0 with a 0.48 ERA in 3 starts (1ER/18.2IP), posting a 26-to-3 strikeout-to-walk ratio...First Team Preseason All-America by *Collegiate Baseball*.  
**High School:** Attended Pope John Paul II High School (Hendersonville, TN)...2017 Tennessee Mr. Baseball finalist...Also lettered two years in basketball.  
**Personal:** Born in Salt Lake City, UT...Hometown is Hendersonville, TN.

**#47 JORDAN JONES** Twitter: [@JJ1s\\_9](#) IG: [@jj1s\\_9](#)  
**RHP: FB, CH, CB, SL vs. 1st Batter 1-2 (.500), hr Inherited Runners-Scored: 1-1 (100%)**  
**2-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 34/23 g/gs, 6-10, 3.91 ERA, 0/2 sv, 126.2 ip, 127 k, .259, 1.39 whip**  
 Pitched 25 games (one start) for 44 IP, 3-2, 3/5 saves, 5.52 ERA, 25 BB, 43 K, .248 avg, 1.50 WHIP) for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron Aug. 13.  
**2021:** Made 20 starts for Single-A Lynchburg (89.1 IP, 3-10, 4.63 ERA, 43 BB, 82 K, .272 avg, 1.52 WHIP)...Finished eighth in the Low-A East in innings pitched (89.1).  
**2019:** Drafted by Cleveland in the 16th round from the University of Washington...Made professional debut with AZL (rookie) affiliate, working 14 games (three starts) for 37.1 IP, 3-0, 2.17 ERA, 0/2 saves, 9 BB, 45 K, .227 avg, 1.04 WHIP.  
**College:** Pitched three seasons at Washington (2017-19)...52 games (43 starts) for 268.1 IP, 15-18, 4.39 ERA, 75 BB, 209 K...Finished his junior year (2019) ranked among UW's all-time career leaders in: strikeouts (6th - 209, innings (7th - 268.1) and starts (T6th - 43)...is the seventh player in UW history with 200 IP/200 K...As a sophomore in 2018, tied Tim Lincecum (2004) for the UW single-season record of 18 starts on the mound.  
**High School:** Graduated Kentwood (WA) High School in 2016...Was All-USA *Today* Washington Player of the Year as a senior in 2016...Lettered all four years and was 28-2 as a pitcher, including 19-0 over his final two seasons and 11-0, 1.12 ERA, 101 strikeouts in 68.2 IP as a senior...Helped Kentwood reach the state championship game...Played in 2015 Area Code Games with the Kansas City Royals.  
**Personal:** Older brother (by four years) Taylor was drafted by the Houston Astros in 2016 (19th round) out of Gonzaga and is playing first base, third base and outfield for Triple-A Sugar Land Space Cowboys in 2022. Taylor also has appeared in the major leagues for Houston in 2020, 2021 and 2022.

**#26 RANDY LABAUT** Twitter: [@randylabaut](#) IG: [@randylabaut](#)  
**LHP: FB,CB,SL,CH vs. 1st Batter (EL): 2-9 (.222) 3bb, 2k Inherited Runners-Scored: 5-0 (0%)**  
**2-yr MiLB Totals thru '21: 33/3 g/gs, 7-2, 2.53 ERA, 1/3 sv, 74.2 ip, 97 k, .193, 1.08 whip**  
 Pitched 18 games in relief (35.1 IP, 6-1, 2/4 saves, 1.53 ERA, 9 BB, 47 K, .146 avg, 0.76 WHIP) for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron June 26.  
**2021:** Pitched 22 games (3 starts) for Single-A Lynchburg (43.2 IP, 3-2, 3.09 ERA, 23 BB, 58 K, .182 avg, 1.19 WHIP).  
**2019:** Drafted by Cleveland in the 35th round from the University of Arizona...Made professional debut with AZL (rookie) affiliate, working 11 games in relief (31 IP, 4-0, 1.74, 1/2 saves, 5 BB, 39 K, .209 avg, 0.94 WHIP).  
**College:** Pitched three seasons at Arizona (2016-18) after a redshirt season...41 games (23 starts) for 150.1 IP, 11-6, 4.25 ERA, 58 BB, 123 K...As a sophomore in 2018, he had emergency surgery on his left leg for compartment syndrome (a condition that occurs when pressure builds within muscles to excessive levels).  
**High School:** Graduated Downey (CA) High School in 2015...Finished high school career with 19 wins, 2.05 ERA and 209 strikeouts in 180.2 innings...Named a 2015 Perfect Game All-American Honorable Mention and California Region Honorable Mention...Drafted in the 27th round by Toronto but went to college instead.  
**Personal:** Born in Havana, Cuba, lived in Alquizar...At age 11, he entered a baseball academy (practiced 5-6 hours daily and went to school for two hours...Escaped Cuba with parents, Raul and Ernestina, and in 2011, which included a 40-day journey through Peru, Brazil, Costa Rica, Guatemala and Mexico, where they were detained for three weeks (Randy was held separately from his parents). They were fined and released. They settled near Los Angeles with cousins. ([Arizona Daily Star](#)).

**Recent EL Outings (14 scoreless of 22 overall)  
1 straight scoreless outings (2.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
8/21	@ERI	S	2.0	2	0	0	2	2	0-0
8/17	@ERI	W	2.2	3	2	1	0	3	1-1
8/12	BOW		2.1	1	0	0	1	2	0-0
8/9	BOW		2.1	0	0	0	1	3	0-0
8/5	@ALT	BS,L	0.1	1	2	2	2	0	0-0

**Recent EL Outings (17 scoreless of 21 overall)  
6 straight scoreless outings (9.2 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
8/24	RIC	S	1.0	1	0	0	1	2	0-0
8/19	@ERI	H	1.2	1	0	0	0	2	0-0
8/14	BOW		2.2	3	0	0	0	4	0-0
8/10	BOW		2.0	0	0	0	0	2	0-0
8/7	@ALT	H	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0

**Recent EL Outings (3 scoreless of 3 overall)  
3 straight scoreless outings (4.1 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
8/25	RIC	S	1.1	3	0	0	0	2	0-0
8/20	@ERI	S	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0
8/17	@ERI	S	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0

**Recent EL Outings (0 scoreless of 2 overall)  
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
8/20	@ERI		1.1	2	3	3	2	2	0-1
8/13-2	BOW	W	3.0	1	1	0	2	2	0-0

**Recent EL Outings (8 scoreless of 12 overall)  
2 straight scoreless outings (3.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
8/23	RIC		1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2-0
8/18-1	@ERI		2.0	1	0	0	3	2	0-0
8/13-1	BOW	W	2.0	2	1	0	2	2	0-0
8/9	BOW	W	2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0-0
8/5	@ALT		3.1	0	0	0	1	4	0-0









# RUBBERDUCKS 2022 SECOND HALF DAY-BY-DAY

#	Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Record	Place	GB/A	Winner	Loser	Save	Time	Att.	Opening / Total (Avg)
70	6/28	@ERI	10-11 (10)	L	0-1 (40-30)	T-4th	-1.0	Chentouf (3-1)	Ponticelli (0-1)	-	3:21	1,831	
71	6/29	@ERI	5-4	W	1-1 (41-30)	T-3rd	-1.0	Broom (1-0)	Flores (3-2)	Daniels (1)	2:49	2,008	
72	6/30	@ERI	9-13	L	1-2 (41-31)	T-4th	-2.0	Navilhon (5-0)	Oviedo (0-3)	-	3:11	4,480	
<b>June: 14-12. RS-RA: 139-112 (+27). Hitting: .239 (201-841), 35 HR, .340 OBP, .426 SLG, .766 OPS, 24/35 SB. Pitching: 4.14 ERA, 7/11 Saves, .213 avg, 21 HR</b>													
73	7/1	@ERI	PPD		1-2 (41-31)	4th	-2.5	Rain - makeup scheduled for August 18					Road PPD #1
74	7/2	@ERI	10-9 (12)	W	2-2 (42-31)	T-3rd	-1.5	Broom (2-0)	Houston (0-4)	-	4:22	5,090	
74	7/3	@ERI	4-6 (10)	L	2-3 (42-32)	4th	-2.5	Lescher (1-0)	Ponticelli (0-2)	-	2:56	5,513	
75	7/4	ALT	PPD		2-3 (42-32)	4th	-2.0	Makeup scheduled for July 8					Home PPD #3
75	7/6	ALT	3-6	L	2-4 (42-33)	5th	-3.0	Mlodzinski (2-4)	Gaddis (4-3)	Samaniego (5)	2:35	1,981	#34 / 114,206 (3,359)
76	7/7	ALT	2-3	L	2-5 (42-34)	5th	-3.5	Mejia (2-4)	Lingos (0-1)	Thomas (2)	2:48	2,542	#35 / 116,748 (3,336)
77	7/8-1	ALT	8-3 (7)	W	3-5 (43-34)	4th	-3.0	Labaut (1-0)	Case (0-1)	-	2:01		Home DH #4
78	7/8-2	ALT	5-6 (8)	L	3-6 (43-35)	4th	-4.0	Flowers (5-5)	Vargas (1-1)	Samaniego (6)	2:32	3,408	#36 / 120,156 (3,338)
79	7/9	ALT	7-3	W	4-6 (44-35)	4th	-3.0	Hart (1-0)	Ortiz (3-5)	-	2:42	5,105	#37 / 125,261 (3,385)
80	7/10	ALT	1-11	L	4-7 (44-36)	4th	-3.5	Priester (1-1)	Williams (0-2)	-	2:48	3,406	#38 / 128,667 (3,386)
81	7/12	@BOW	PPD		4-7 (44-36)	6th	-3.5	Rain - makeup scheduled for July 14					Road PPD #2
81	7/13	@BOW	5-6	L	4-8 (44-37)	6th	-4.5	Elliott (5-2)	Vargas (1-2)	-	2:36	1,522	
82	7/14-1	@BOW	0-2 (7)	L	4-9 (44-38)	6th	-5.0	Bradish (1-0)	Bibee (0-1)	Stauffer (1)	1:26		Road DH #1
83	7/14-2	@BOW	1-9 (7)	L	4-10 (44-39)	6th	-5.5	Prizina (1-0)	Oviedo (0-4)	-	2:28	2,288	
84	7/15	@BOW	1-2	L	4-11 (44-40)	6th	-6.5	Stallings (2-7)	Burns (1-3)	-	1:52	2,463	
84	7/16	@BOW	PPD		4-11 (44-40)	6th	-6.5	Rain - makeup scheduled for Aug. 13					Road PPD #3
85	7/17	@BOW	9-0	W	5-11 (45-40)	5th	-6.0	Williams (1-2)	Watson (5-5)	-	2:39	2,217	
86	7/22	ERI	4-2	W	6-11 (46-40)	5th	-5.5	Ponticelli (1-2)	Chentouf (3-2)	-	2:39	6,471	#39 / 135,138 (3,465)
87	7/23	ERI	7-6	W	7-11 (47-40)	4th	-4.5	Daniels (2-0)	Houston (0-)	Broom (1)	2:30	5,629	#40 / 140,767 (3,519)
88	7/24	ERI	2-5	L	7-12 (47-41)	4th	-5.5	Zurak (4-1)	Williams (1-3)	Moreno (7)	2:32	4,054	#41 / 144,821 (3,532)
89	7/26	HBG	8-7	W	8-12 (48-41)	4th	-5.5	Smith (1-1)	Gonzalez (1-3)	Broom (2)	2:33	6,246	#42 / 151,067 (3,597)
90	7/27	HBG	2-5	L	8-13 (48-42)	4th	-6.5	Troop (6-2)	Labaut (1-1)	Brzykcy (6)	2:23	3,192	#43 / 154,259 (3,587)
91	7/28	HBG	4-6	L	8-14 (48-43)	5th	-7.5	Fuentes (2-6)	Ramirez (4-2)	Brzykcy (7)	2:49	4,002	#44 / 158,261 (3,597)
92	7/29	HBG	2-1	W	9-14 (49-43)	4th	-6.5	Smith (2-1)	Reyes (3-5)	Broom (3)	2:21	6,007	#45 / 164,268 (3,650)
93	7/30	HBG	6-4	W	10-14 (50-43)	4th	-6.5	Ponticelli (2-2)	Peguero (1-4)	-	2:26	5,683	#46 / 169,951 (3,695)
94	7/31	HBG	5-10	L	10-15 (50-44)	4th	-7.5	Fuentes (3-6)	Daniels (2-1)	-	3:11	4,257	#47 / 174,208 (3,707)
<b>July: 9-13. RS-RA: 94-111 (-17). Hitting: .236 (168-711), 22 HR, .303 OBP, .388 SLG, .691 OPS, 15/23 SB. Pitching: 4.44 ERA, 3/8 Saves, .230 avg, 37 HR</b>													
95	8/2	@ALT	5-2	W	11-15 (51-44)	4th	-7.5	Alvarez (2-3)	Shortridge (0-2)	Ponticelli (2)	2:48	5,880	
96	8/3	@ALT	4-2	W	12-15 (52-44)	4th	-7.5	Daniels (3-1)	Ortiz (3-8)	Smith (1)	2:13	3,896	
97	8/4	@ALT	PPD		12-15 (52-44)	4th	-8.0	Rain - makeup scheduled for Aug. 6					Road PPD #4
97	8/5	@ALT	1-2	L	12-16 (52-45)	4th	-9.0	Thomas (4-4)	Broom (2-1)	-	2:19 (1:19)	3,508	
98	8/6-1	@ALT	4-1 (7)	W	13-16 (53-45)	4th	-8.5	Burns (2-3)	Priester (1-3)	Marman (3)	1:56		Road DH #2
99	8/6-2	@ALT	4-2 (7)	W	14-16 (54-45)	4th	-8.5	Lingos (1-1)	Mlodzinski (3-7)	Vargas (1)	2:06	6,293	
100	8/7	@ALT	6-4	W	15-16 (55-45)	3rd	-8.5	Bibee (1-1)	Shortridge (0-3)	Smith (2)	2:29	5,130	
101	8/9	BOW	6-5	W	16-16 (56-45)	3rd	-7.5	Labaut (2-1)	McGinness (1-1)	-	2:51	2,931	#48 / 177,139 (3,690)
102	8/10	BOW	3-2	W	17-16 (57-45)	3rd	-6.5	Vargas (2-2)	Perez (0-1)	-	2:26	2,814	#49 / 179,953 (3,673)
103	8/11	BOW	2-4	L	17-17 (57-46)	T-3rd	-7.5	Elliott (6-2)	Ponticelli (2-3)	Loeprich (4)	2:43	3,988	#50 / 183,941 (3,679)
104	8/12	BOW	4-6	L	17-18 (57-47)	4th	-8.5	Armbruester (3-0)	Burns (2-4)	McLarty (2)	2:47	7,227	#51 / 191,168 (3,748)
105	8/13-1	BOW	3-2 (9)	W	18-18 (58-47)	3rd	-7.5	Labaut (3-1)	McGinness (1-2)	-	2:42		Home DH #5
106	8/13-2	BOW	6-1 (7)	W	19-18 (59-47)	3rd	-7.0	Jones (1-0)	Stauffer (4-2)	-	2:13	5,907	#52 / 197,075 (3,790)
107	8/14	BOW	7-6	W	20-18 (60-47)	3rd	-7.0	Marman (4-1)	Rom (7-2)	Smith (3)	3:12	6,143	#53 / 203,218 (3,834)
108	8/16	@ERI	5-1	W	21-18 (61-47)	3rd	-6.0	Williams (2-3)	Lescher (1-1)	-	2:21	2,122	
109	8/17	@ERI	10-4	W	22-18 (62-47)	3rd	-5.0	Broom (3-1)	Gipson-Long (1-1)	Hickman (1)	2:59	3,133	
110	8/18-1	@ERI	1-4 (7)	L	22-19 (62-48)	3rd	-6.0	Olson (6-5)	Burns (2-5)	Chentouf (7)	2:00		Road DH #3
111	8/18-2	@ERI	0-1 (7)	L	22-20 (62-49)	3rd	-7.0	White (6-4)	Marman (4-2)	-	1:37	5,831	
112	8/19	@ERI	2-1	W	23-20 (63-49)	T-3rd	-6.0	Bibee (2-1)	Kuzia (4-4)	Smith (4)	2:24	4,738	
113	8/20	@ERI	9-8	W	24-20 (64-49)	T-3rd	-5.0	Vargas (3-2)	Alvarado (2-1)	Hickman (2)	2:55	3,235	
114	8/21	@ERI	6-4	W	25-20 (65-49)	3rd	-4.0	Marman (5-2)	Gardea (0-1)	Broom (4)	2:48 (2:56)	1,736	
115	8/23	RIC	5-8 (10)	L	25-21 (65-50)	4th	-5.0	Adon (1-0)	Vargas (3-3)	-	3:03	2,740	#54 / 205,958 (3,814)
116	8/24	RIC	5-2	W	26-21 (66-50)	3rd	-4.0	Burns (3-5)	Teng (5-10)	Daniels (2)	2:35	2,136	#55 / 208,094 (3,784)
117	8/25	RIC	5-2	W	27-21 (67-50)	3rd	-4.0	Bibee (3-1)	Winn (1-1)	Hickman (3)	2:27	3,311	#56 / 211,405 (3,775)

### Akron Baseball: A Winning Tradition

This is the 33rd season of Double-A baseball in Northeast Ohio, and the 25th in downtown Akron. The franchise began as the **Canton-Akron Indians** in 1989, and then moved to **Canal Park** in Akron as the **Aeros** in 1997, later becoming the **RubberDucks** before the 2014 season. The club has made the Eastern League playoffs 18 times overall, and 12 of the last 19 seasons. The team has captured **six league titles**—2003, 2005, 2009, 2012, 2016 and 2021. Notable alumni of the franchise include Victor Martinez, CC Sabathia, Grady Sizemore, Charles Nagy, Cliff Lee, Johnny Peralta, Jaret Wright, Francisco Lindor, José Ramirez, and Shane Bieber.