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Position Players

- 21 ALEXANDER, BLAZE INF B/T: R-R 6-0/190 • AGE 22 (6/11/99) • 4TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 11th round, 2018 draft HOME TOWN: Cape Coral, FL HS: Bishop Verot ("vuh-ROE") HS (Ft Myers, FL) / IMG Academy (Bradenton, FL) COLLEGE: None
MLBpipeline.com says: D-backs #18 prospect, a "plus-plus arm that is possibly the best position-player arm in the Arizona system" 2020 Arizona Fall League participant: though his time in the AFL ended early because of a rib injury 2019 full year with Kane County of Midwest Lg: 97g, .262, 7hr, 47 rbis, 14x18 sba 2018 first pro year split between AZL (27g) and Missoula (28g): combined .329, 5hr, 42 rbis, 10x13 sba, 50g SS, 31g 2B, 9g 3B Had been committed to the U of South Carolina: but signed for an above-slot value of \$500,000, \$375,000 more than any other player taken after the 10th round Began his high school career at Bishop Verot ("vuh-ROE") HS in Fort Myers, FL: and finished at IMG Academy in Bradenton Blaze is given first name: his dad played baseball with someone with the first name of Blaze; his dad told the teammate if he had a son someday, he'd name him Blaze Full name: Blaze Chanee (pronounced "chain-ee") Alexander; Blaze's mom wanted his first name to be "Chanee," and dad wanted "Blaze"; dad won this one. For the first four years of Blaze's pro career, his name was listed as Blaze Charles Alexander; his dad's middle name is Charles; he's not sure how it got entered into his official record as Charles Dad Charles: was a LHP who spent 4 years in Cleveland org from 1988-91, topped out High A; in his final year, 1991, he was a teammate of Alan Embree Brother CJ: 3 years older than Blaze, he was a 20th-rounder by the Braves out of JC ball in Florida in 2018; a corner infielder, as of July 8, 2021 was hitting .168 with 5 HR for Braves' Double-A affiliate in Mississippi
- 14 ANDUEZA, AXEL C/INF B/T: R-R 6-0/200 • AGE 22 (10/27/98) • 5TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: International Free Agent, 7/2/16 HOME TOWN: Barquisimeto, VZ HS: Colegio Americano
Pronunciation: axle on-DWAY-zuh 5th-year pro, all previous experience in Rookie ball: 2017 in Dominican Summer Lg, 2018 split between DSL and Arizona rookie league, 2019 full year with Missoula in Pioneer Lg 2019 full year with Missoula in the rookie-level Pioneer Lg: 54g, .281, 1hr, 21 rbis, 0x3 sba, struck out just 12% of plate appearances, 32g C, 5g 3B, 1g 2B, 1g 1B, defensively threw out 6 of 26 stolen base attempts (23%) Full name: Axel Antonio Andueza
- 6 BARROSA, JORGE OF B/T: S-L 5-9/177 • AGE 20 (2/17/01) • 4TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: International free agent, 7/2/17 HOME TOWN: Puerto Cabello, VZ HS: None COLLEGE: None
Pronunciation: hor-hay buh-ROW-suh Joined the Hops on June 21st: after beginning the year with Low-A Visalia in Cal Lg; 35g w/Visalia, .333/.389/.449, 3hr, 8 2b, 0 3b, 16 rbis, 9x13 sba (20g CF, 14g LF, 2g RF) Upon promotion to Hillsboro on June 21st was among Low-A West League leaders: 4th in batting average (.333), 2nd in hits (49), 5th in runs scored (30) 2019 full year with the Hops: 57g, .251/.1hr, 8x12 sba Started all 7 games in RF in 2019 postseason for Hops: was just 4-for-25 in postseason, but still had a strong impact; in the Hops' two-game sweep of Salem-Keizer in the South Division Series he walked twice, reached twice on rushed infielders' errors and scored 4 runs; in the pivotal Game Three 2-1 win over Tri-City in the NWL Championship Series, he made a running catch in the bottom of the 9th inning with the bases loaded; and in the decisive game five win over Tri-City, he was 2-for-4 with a double; in the top of the 7th in that game, he singled leading off the inning and scored a run to make it 3-1 Hops (that would be the final score) 2018 split time between three rookie-level clubs in D-backs chain: 52g in Dominican Summer League, 10 games in AZL, 6 games in Pioneer League 2018 combined stats: 68g, .279/.373/.389, 3hr, 39x47 sba, 61g CF, 4g LF, 1g RF Signed out of Venezuela as a 16-year-old on 7/2/17: received a \$415,000 bonus; didn't debut until the following summer (2018) Became a switch hitter: 2018 in his first pro year; prior to that had been a right-handed hitter and left-handed thrower Showed strong instincts in CF: last year in his pro debut season His hometown, Puerto Cabello VZ: pop. 182,000 on the north coast of Venezuela, the largest port in the nation and important to Venezuela's oil industry Also from Puerto Cabello: Jose Altuve, Willson Contreras, Pablo Sandoval, Carlos Zambrano
- 9 BRICKHOUSE, SPENCER 1B B/T: L-R 6-4/230 • AGE 23 (4/10/98) • 3RD-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 7th round, 2019 draft HOME TOWN: Zebulon, NC HS: Bunn HS COLLEGE: East Carolina U ("Pirates") (American Athletic Conference)
Hit in 10 straight games May 22-June 6: the first 10-game hitting streak for the Hops this year 2019 first pro year full season with Missoula in Pioneer Lg: 60g, .272, 6 hr, 34 rbis, 2x3 sba, struck out 29% of PA 2019 as junior at East Carolina U: 60g, .335, 14hr, 56 rbis, 2x3 sba, struck out 17% of PA 2 years with Bourne in the Cape Cod Lg: 2017 and 2018 In his high school career at Bunn HS in Bunn, NC: hit .548 with 25 hr in 90g, struck out just 10 times and drew 77 walks Major at East Carolina: mechanical engineering; has said he is interested in working on jet engines For a brief period as a junior at ECU: wore mutton chops and a mohawk, and though his teammates loved it, he decided, "I can't do this. It's just not my look." Related to former Cubs broadcaster Jack Brickhouse? Spencer isn't sure Full name: Spencer Lee Brickhouse
- 4 COURSEY, CAM INF B/T: L-R 5-8/144 • AGE 22 (8/25/98) • 3RD-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 13th round, 2019 draft HOME TOWN: Sugar Hill, GA HS: Lanier HS COLLEGE: Georgia Gwinnett College (Lawrenceville, GA) ("Grizzlies") (NAIA)
Began pro career in 2019 with 2g in Arizona Lg, then played 51g with Missoula in the Pioneer Lg: combined 53g, .281, 1hr, 12 rbis, 4x7 sba, struck out just 11% of plate appearances, 47g 2B, 3g SS Over his final two years at NAIA Georgia Gwinnett College in Lawrenceville, GA, 2018 & 2019: combined 118g, hit .470, 6 hr, 112 rbis, 38 sb, struck out just 18 times in 523 plate appearances, only 3% of the time Was two-time NAIA first-team All-American: and was conference player of the year both years In 2019 was named to the Golden Spikes Award preseason watch list: rare for an NAIA player Attended Lanier HS: in his home town of Sugar Hill GA, 35 mi NE of downtown Atlanta His dad, Kiley: is an assistant baseball coach at Lanier HS, where Cam played, and is also head of football operations
- 5 DALESANDRO, NICK C B/T: R-R 6-1/185 • AGE 24 (10/03/96) • 4TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 10th round, 2018 Draft HOME TOWN: Plainfield, IL HS: Joliet Catholic (suburban Chicago) COLLEGE: Purdue University (Boilermakers - Big 10)
Pronunciation: dallas-ANN-dro Hit first pro home run 6/9 home vs Tri-City: the first inside-the-park home run in Hops history Played at 3 levels in 2019: 2g in AZL, 22g Hillsboro and 18g Kane County in Midwest League, combined .256, 0 hr, 14 rbis, 5x5 sba; with the Hops 22g, .194, 0hr, 8 rbis, 2x2 sba Strong arm: 42 combined games 2019, threw out 52% of base stealers (22 of 42) 2018 in first pro year 2g in AZL and 45g with Missoula: combined .304/.380/.373 with 0 hr (in 158AB), 22 rbis, 4x5 sba 2018 as JR at Purdue: 59g, .297, 2hr, 34 rbis, 27 stolen bases, #1 in nation among catchers Never missed a game at Purdue: started 167 of 169 games Was also a pitcher for a short time at Purdue: 7g (including 4 starts) as a FR in 2016, 0-3, 10.26 ERA Has played a lot of outfield: was CF in HS, then corner OF his first 2 years at Purdue (didn't start catching full time in college until his junior year at Purdue) Had caught a lot as a kid: his dad told him it was the best way to the bigs "because no one wants to do it" Dad Mark

Dalesandro: was 1990 Big 10 player of the year at U of Illinois, drafted in 18th round by Angels in 1990, primarily a catcher, played in 79 games with the Angels, Blue Jays, and White Sox in parts of 5 seasons between 1994 & 2001 **Mom Lisa:** softball at Illinois-Chicago **Also drafted out of HS:** by the Detroit Tigers in the 33rd round in 2015 **Favorite Athlete** is Manny Machado, and witnessed Paul Konerko's Grand Slam in Game 2 of the 2005 World Series **His hometown of Plainfield, IL:** in suburban Chicago, about 35 miles SW of downtown; Plainfield suffered a terrible tornado in 1990 that killed 29 people **His high school, Joliet Catholic:** in Joliet, IL, in the Chicagoland area, same school that produced George Mikan, Rudy Ruettiger, actress Melissa McCarthy and several major leaguers including former Mariner Jack Perconte

18 DIAZ, EDUARDO OF B/T: R-R 6-1/180 • AGE 23 (7/19/97) • 6TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 9/3/15 **HOME TOWN:** Valle de la Pascua, Venezuela

Joined Hops from Arizona complex on May 22nd Split 2019 between Low-A Kane County (72g) and High-A Visalia (44g): combined 116g, .283/.341/.427, 26 doubles, six triples, 10 HR, 58 RBIs, 18x23 sba, hit exactly .283 at both levels, K'd 19% (50g LF, 22g CF, 41g RF) **Just 33g in 2018:** all 33g with Kane County of MWL, .225/2hr **Full season w/Missoula of Pioneer Lg in 2017:** 57g, .312, 7hr, 44 rbis, 11x13 sba **Career .287 hitter entering this year**

23 ENGLISH, TRISTIN 3B/OF/1B B/T: R-R 6-3/210 • AGE 24 (5/14/97) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 3rd round, 2019 Draft (93rd overall) **HOME TOWN:** Williamson, GA **HS:** Pike County HS **COLLEGE:** Georgia Tech (Yellow Jackets) (ACC)

MLBpipeline.com says: D-backs' #28 prospect; made great strides in learning to play third base, and has a strong arm to rival Blaze Alexander's **The Hops are the only professional team he's played for:** was with Hillsboro in 2019, his first pro year, 50g, .290/.356/.482, 7hr, 30bi, 1x1 sba (21g 3B, 16g RF, 7g 1B) **On Had one of biggest HR in Hops franchise history on 9/19/19:** with best-of-five NWL Championship Series tied 1-1, English hit 2-run HR off Angel Acevedo in T9 to snap 0-0 tie; Hops would hang on to win in B9 2-1 **8/31/19 at Boise:** hit first grand slam by a Hops batter since Josh Anderson on 8/28/16—it had been three years and three days (and English also became the first Hop to hit a grand slam and steal a base in the same game) **2019 as a redshirt junior at Georgia Tech:** 58g, .346/.427/.710, 20 2b, 2 3b, 18hr, 71 rbis, 0x1 sba; also pitched as GaTech's closer, 15g (all relief), 3-0, 3.70, 6sv, 24.1ip, 19h, 7bb, 20k **Was a strong candidate for the John Olerud two-way player of the year award:** won by Aaron Shunk of U of Georgia **English at the Atlanta Regional in 2019 (won by Auburn):** 11-for-14 with three doubles, a home run, 5 runs scored, 8 RBIs; also pitched three scoreless innings to pick up save in 10-8 elimination-game win over Coastal Carolina **Missed entire 2017 season at Georgia Tech:** Tommy John surgery **Also drafted out of Pike County high school in 2015:** by Cleveland in the 39th round **Exclusively a 1B and P at GaTech:** played 3g in OF in summer ball in 2018; other than that only 1B and P since he was a 3B/P in high school

7 HAMPTON, REECE OF B/T: S-R 5-10/170 • AGE 24 (7/19/96) • 4TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: Minor-league free agent, 5/13/21 **HOME TOWN:** Charlotte, NC **HS:** Charlotte Christian School **COLLEGE:** UNC-Charlotte ("49ers") (Conference USA)

Signed by the D-backs as a minor-league free agent: on May 13, 2021 **Originally signed:** 12th-round in 2018 by Detroit out of UNC Charlotte **1st 6 years in Royals' chain:** 2014-19 **Topped out at High-A w/Tigers:** split time between High-A Lakeland (Florida St. Lg, 74 games) & Low-A West Michigan (Midwest Lg, 29 games) in 2019, comb. 103g, .270/.333/.378, 3hr, 34 RBIs, 12x18 in stolen base attempts, K'd 21% (47g LF, 29g CF, 21g RF) **151 career minor-league games entering this year over 2018-19 seasons:** .261/4hr, 20x30sba **Career vs LHP:** .250 (22x88), 0hr **Car vs RHP:** .263/4hr **Also from Charlotte Christian School:** Steph Curry, Seth Curry, MLB pitchers Daniel Bard & Luke Bard, Minnesota Vikings starting center Garrett Bradbury **Has a great attitude about getting released by the Tigers and getting a new opportunity:** "I'm playing with house money. The worst thing that can happen already happened."

MARTINEZ, RICKY INF B/T: R-R 6-0/190 • AGE 23 (2/22/98) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 18th round, 2019 draft **HOME TOWN:** Pflugerville, TX **HS:** Pflugerville HS **COLLEGE:** Sacramento State U / Grayson JC / U of Tennessee

Placed on 7-day IL on 6/21: with a broken right thumb after diving head-first back into first base in a game in Eugene **Every game of his pro career has been with Hillsboro** **Straight steal of home vs Vancouver on 5/21/21:** the first straight steal of home in Hillsboro Hops history **With the Hops in 2019, his first pro year:** 62g, .283, 0hr, 16 rbis, 15x23sba **Fielding with the Hops in 2019 (reg. seas & postseas. combined):** 27g at 2B, 21g at SS, 22g at 3B, never mis-handled a ground ball, had just 2 errors in 233 chances, both on throws (and one of those was on a relay throw to the plate from the outfield); didn't commit an error in his final 31 games at SS at the University of Tennessee, so between college and his first pro season, 2 errors in 99 games **Starting SS for the U of Tennessee 2019:** 61g, .279, 18 doubles, 1 hr, 28 rbis, 11x12 sba, helped Vols to NCAA regional (went 3-for-4 w/3 runs scored in Regional win over UNC Wilmington) **Played at three colleges:** FR year (2017), at Sacramento State; SO year (2018) at Grayson CC in Denison, TX; JR year (2019) at Tennessee **Played in two NCAA regionals in college career:** 2017 was starting 3B for Sacramento State as FR, 2019 was starting SS for Tennessee as JR **Home town Pflugerville TX:** a suburb of Austin, population about 50,000 **Spent the pandemic in Austin, and later living with Andy Yerzy in the Phoenix area:** broke the hamate bone of his left hand swinging a bat in July 2020

24 ORIENTE, DANNY OF B/T: R-R 6-0/190 • AGE 23 (10/8/97) • 1ST-YEAR PRO

ACQ: Undrafted free agent, 6/14/20 **HOME TOWN:** Downers Grove, IL **HS:** Downers Grove South HS **COLLEGE:** U of Louisville

Pronunciation: or-ee-INN-tay **Signed as undrafted free agent on June 14, 2020:** 2021 is first year playing pro ball **Pro debut this year with Low-A Visalia until joining Hops on July 26th:** 44g with Visalia, hit .231/.332/.288, 4 2b, 1 3b, 1hr (just 6 xbh in 184PA), 14 rbis, 3x6 sba, K'd 20% **2020 as RSJR with Louisville:** 17g, .268/1hr, 0x0 sba **2019 as RSSO at Louisville:** 63g, .332/1hr, 0x1 sba, led Louisville with 17 2b, played in **College World Series in 2019:** Cardinals went 2-2; lost 3-1 to eventual national champ Vandy, beat Auburn 5-3 & Miss. St. 4-3, lost to Vandy again 3-2; Oriente DH'd all four games and was only Louisville player to have a hit in all four games (he went 5-for-14 with 2B & sac); in elimination win over Mississippi State, Louisville trailed 3-2 entering bottom of ninth; after a leadoff walk and errant pickoff throw, Oriente singled home the tying run, then scored the winning run on a base hit **At Downers Grove South HS:** hit .560 as JR, .518 as SR, finished as school's all-time career leader in batting average, hits, doubles and triples **His teammates at Louisville:** Logan Wyatt and Tyler Fitzgerald of Eugene in the Giants' chain **His home town of Downers Grove IL:** part of Chicagoland area, 20 miles west of downtown **Also with ties to Downers Grove:** Randy "Macho Man" Savage, Johnny Sain

10 PEREZ, LEODANY OF B/T: R-R 5-10/153 • AGE 21 (5/13/00) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 5/9/19 **HOME TOWN:** Ciego de Avila, Cuba

Pronunciation: lay-oh-DAWN-ee **2019 in first pro year played for 3 different Diamondbacks Rookie teams:** 26g in Dominican Summer Lg, then 32g in Arizona Lg, then 4g with Missoula in Pioneer Lg **Stats from 2019:** combined 62g, .217, 0hr, 13 rbis, 24x32 sba, struck out 21% of plate appearances, 42g LF, 12g CF, 9g 2B **His home town, Ciego de Avila, Cuba:** in the central part of the island nation, the capital city of the Ciego de Avila province, population 119,000 **Also born in Ciego de Avila:** Hall-of-Famer Tony Perez

12 RUIZ, ROMAN INF B/T: R-R 5-11/175 • AGE 20 (1/3/01) • 4TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 7/2/17 **HOME TOWN:** Palo Negro, Venezuela

Pronunciation: roe-MAWN roo-EEZ **Joined the Hops on June 20th:** after spending the first six weeks of the season with Low-A Visalia, his first-ever action above Rookie ball **With Low-A Visalia the first six weeks of 2021:** 14g, .163/.269/.233, 7-for-43, 1hr (his only extra-base hit), 7 rbis, 6bb, 14k, 3x5 SBA, 9g SS, 3g 2B, 1g 3B, 1g RF **2018 (1st pro year) in Dominican Summer Lg; 2019 split between DSL and Arizona Lg:** his pro numbers over his first two seasons entering this year, 77g, .180, 1hr, 12x14 sba **Palo Negro, VZ:** in the state of Aragua, population 173,000; it began as an ecclesiastical parish around 1781; crops such as banana and sugar cane are common there

38 YERZY, ANDY 1B/C B/T: L-R 6-3/215 • AGE 23 (7/5/98) • 6TH-YEAR PRO**ACQ:** 2nd round, 2016 draft (52nd overall) **HOME TOWN:** North York, Ontario **HS:** York Mills Collegiate Institute **COLLEGE:** None

Pronunciation: YUR-zee **All-time leader in many offensive categories rejoined Hops on May 20th:** promoted from Low-A Visalia to make High-A debut **Was with the Hops in 2018-19:** when the club was at the Short-Season A level **Hops' all-time leader:** in games played, at-bats, plate appearances, hits, home runs, RBIs and walks **Opened year as C/1B for Visalia of the Low-A West League:** 12g, .220/.418/.439, three doubles, two HR, 9 RBIs, and 2x2 in stolen bases (just the second and third steals of his five-season career); 5 of 10 base stealers were cut down with Yerzy behind the plate **Hit one of most dramatic HR in Hops' franchise history:** 9/7/19 home vs. Tri-City in Game 1 of NWL Championship Series, Hillsboro trailed 3-2 w/2 out in B9, and Yerzy homered to RF off Tom Colletti for a 5-4 win; the Hops would win the best-of-five series in five games **2019 split time between Low-A Kane County (33g) and Short-Season Class A Hillsboro (63g):** combined 96g, .179, 6hr, 0x0 sba **With the Hops the full season in 2018:** 63g, .297/.382/.452, 8hr, 0x0 sba **Struggled in 1st pro yr (2016) after being drafted as 17-year-old...:** hit combined .216 w/1hr between AZL and Missoula, K22%, just 4bb in 170PA ... **but had breakout year in 2017 with Missoula:** 54g, .298/.13/45, 0x0 sba (37g C, 17g DH), K18%, BB10% **His home town, North York Ontario:** just north of downtown Toronto **Signed for reported \$1.2 million bonus:** as third-highest pick ever from Toronto area (Josh Naylor 12th overall to Marlins in 2015, Joey Votto 44th overall by Reds in 2002) **Had committed to:** Notre Dame, which offered him a nearly full scholarship **Has been on a big-league stage:** at the 2015 MLB All-Star Game festivities at Great American Ballpark in Cincinnati, in front of a sold-out ballpark, Yerzy tied for the win in the Junior Home Run Derby (which took place during commercial breaks of the major league home run derby); Yerzy hit 12 home runs in two rounds, matching the total of Texas high school outfielder Ron Washington Jr. (who is no relation to the former Rangers manager) **Backyard batting cage at home in North York:** his dad David installed the cage when Andy was 10, and Andy cites it as a big reason for his growth as a hitter **When Yerzy homers, he doesn't showboat:** he simply drops his bat and runs around the bases

Pitchers

45 ARROYO, MAILON RHP B/T: S-R 6-0/220 • AGE 23 (1/2/98) • 7TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 7/18/14 HOME TOWN: Salcedo, D.R. HS: None COLLEGE: None

Pronunciation: MY-lawn uh-ROY-oh **Joined Hops on June 15th** Began season with Visalia of the Low-A California League: 12g (all relief), 1-1, 0.55, 4 saves, 16.1 ip, 17h, 3bb, 17k, 1hr, 1hb, 1wp **In 2019 began year with Missoula of Rookie-level Pioneer Lg (13g), finished the year with the Hops in the Short-Season Class A Northwest Lg (11g):** comb. 24g, 1-1, 2.30, 31.1ip, 17h, 10bb, 48k, 3hr, 2hb, 1wp **Huge save for Hops in pivotal game 3 of 2019 NWL Championship Series at Tri-City (9/9/19):** with the best-of-five series tied at a game apiece, the Hops scored two in the top of the 9th for a 2-0 lead; Arroyo was brought in with the bases loaded and none out in the bottom of the 9th, still leading 2-0; facing Kelvin Melean, Arroyo went to a 3-1 count, then to 3-2, and after Melean fouled off a pair of 3-2 pitches, Arroyo retired him on a liner to shallow right (a running catch by Jorge Barrosa), and the runners held; he retired Jack Stronach on a ground-out to first, which made the score 2-1; and then, with the tying run at third and the winning run at second, he battled the switch-hitting Luke Becker for 10 pitches; Becker fouled off five two-strike pitches, before Arroyo struck him out looking on a back-door slider to end the game **2018 split time between AZL and Missoula:** combined 19 games (all relief), 2-0, 4.85, 4 saves **2017 was first year as a pitcher:** Split time between DSL and AZL, combined 24g (all relief), 3-5, 4.01, 11 saves **First two years of career (2015-16) as a corner infielder & catcher for D-backs' DSL club:** combined 123g, .193, 7hr

29 AY, BOBBY RHP B/T: R-R 6-3/190 • AGE 24 (5/28/97) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 9th round, 2019 draft HOME TOWN: Trabuco Canyon, CA HS: El Toro HS COLLEGE: Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo, CA) ("Mustangs") (Big West)

Pronunciation: EYE (rhymes with "my") **Joined Hops on July 12th:** after spending first 10 weeks of season with Low-A Visalia **With Visalia this season:** 13g (3 starts), 2-2, 6.00, 24ip, 18h, 13bb, 32k, 3hr, 4hb, 6wp... his first six outings (including all 3 of his starts) through June 13: 0-2, 9.45, 13.1ip, 15h, 10bb, 14k... then his last seven outings beginning June 19th: 2-0, 1.69, 10.2ip, 3h, 3bb, 18k **2020:** did not pitch **2019 first pro year, full year with Missoula of Pioneer Lg:** 10g (all starts), 0-1, 4.09, 11ip, 10h, 2bb, 14k, 2hr, 1hb, 0wp **2019 as Redshirt Junior at Cal Poly...** All Big West Conf 1st-team, 15g (all starts as the Mustangs' Saturday starter), 9-1, 3.27, 85.1ip, 82h, 35bb, 74k, 2hr, 6hb, 2wp ... **largely struggled in his first three years at Cal Poly:** he was 2-8 with one save and a 5.86 ERA prior to his final year **Missed almost all of the 2018 season with a shoulder injury:** said he used the time off to sit by the coaches and listen and learn **2015 as SR at El Toro HS:** 6-0, 2.01, played in Orange County All-Star Game

22 CECCONI, SLADE RHP B/T: R-R 6-4/220 • AGE 22 (6/24/99) • 2ND-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 1st round (33rd overall), 2020 draft HOME TOWN: Oviedo, FL HS: Trinity Prep COLLEGE: U of Miami (FL)

Pronunciation: suh-CONE-ee **MLBpipeline.com says:** D-backs #6 prospect, and #2 pitcher behind Blake Walston **2020:** pitched at D-Backs' alternate training site, his first pro experience **Drafted in Competitive Balance Round A:** considered "first round," and signed to \$2.3 million bonus, slightly above slot value **2020 as draft-eligible SO with U Miami:** 4 starts, 2-1, 3.80, 21.1 ip, 15h, 7bb, 30k, 2hr, 2hb, 2wp **2019 as a true freshman with U Miami:** 17g (13 starts), 5-4, 4.16, 80ip, 79h, 18bb, 89k, 6hr, 7hb, 3wp **Also drafted out of HS:** 38th round by Baltimore; likely would have been a high draft pick if not for an injury his SR year of HS coupled with his strong commitment to U of Miami **Future reliever?** Fastball-slider combination could make him effective in that role **Pitches:** fastball (tops out at 97-98), slider, curve, change... slider is his best secondary pitch, considered one of the best in the Arizona system... improved his change at Arizona's alternate training site last year

8 FUENMAYOR, LIU LHP B/T: L-L 5-11/170 • AGE 22 (2/2/99) • 5TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 2/16/17 HOME TOWN: Valencia, Venezuela HS: None COLLEGE: None

Pronunciation: Lou FWEN-my-or **Promoted to Hillsboro on 7/26 from Low-A Visalia:** 24g with Visalia, 0-2, 4.81, 1sv, 24.1ip, 24h, 14bb, 26k, 3hr, 2hb, 4wp **2019 split time as reliever between Rookie-level Missoula (14g) and Hillsboro (5 games):** at Missoula was 3-2, 2.50, 0sv, 36 ip, 31h, 15bb, 51k; with Hillsboro was 1-0, 1.23, 0sv, 7.1ip, 1h, 2bb, 7k **Two postseason appearances for Hops in 2019:** worked one inning in South Division Series-clinching win at Salem-Keizer, allowing a solo HR to Harrison Freed; and worked two-thirds of an inning in 6-0 loss in game four of NWL Championship Series at Tri-City, allowing two walks and two runs **Natural right hander,** only thing he does with his left hand is throw baseballs. When his father found out he wanted to be a baseball player, he taught him how to throw left-handed

24 HERNANDEZ, KENNY LHP B/T: L-L 6-1/197 • AGE 23 (6/24/98) • 6TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 7/6/15 HOME TOWN: David, Chiriqui, Panama HS: None COLLEGE: None

2019 full season with Kane County of Midwest League: 30g (1 start), 7-3, 1.88, 3sv, 96ip, 85h, 31bb, 83k, 1hr, 3hb, 5wp **2018 full year with Hops:** 16g (5 starts), 6-3, 4.37, 68ip, 81h, 7bb, 59k **Career K/BB numbers:** entering this year 233ip, 8k/9ip, 2.4bb/9ip **Other Panamanian-born players include:** Rod Carew, Carlos Lee, Ben Oglivie, and longtime D-back Randall Delgado (Delgado pitched on injury rehab for the Hops in the 2017 postseason) **Pitches:** 2SFB, 4SFB, CH, SL... fastball 89-91

39 HIRALDO, YARAMIL RHP B/T: R-R 6-1/190 • AGE 25 (12/31/95) • 4TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: International free agent, 6/5/18 HOME TOWN: Santo Domingo, D.R. HS: None COLLEGE: None

Pronunciation: YAW-duh-meel her-ALL-doe **Came off IL on 7/1/21:** Had been on IL with a minor shoulder issue since his last appearance on 5/18 **2019 split time between Hillsboro (16g) and Kane County of Midwest League (7g):** combined 23g, 2-1, 1.01, 35.2ip, 18h, 15bb, 32k, 0hr, 0hb, 2wp **2019 was his first year on U.S. soil:** pitched in 2018—his first pro year—in the Dominican Summer League **2018 in first pro year in Dominican Summer League:** 16g (3 starts), 5-1, 1.58, 2 saves, 40ip, 19h, 14bb, 58k, 1hr, 1hb **Full name:** Yaramil Junior Hiraldo **Pitches:** fastball/curveball/change-up... fastball 90-94... plus stuff... change-up is strikeout pitch... hard worker... unfazed by any situation...

30 HULL, DENSON LHP B/T: S-L 6-1/220 • AGE 24 (10/21/96) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 28th round, 2019 draft HOME TOWN: San Antonio, TX HS: Churchill HS COLLEGE: U of the Incarnate Word / Temple JC / Creighton U

Re-joined the Hops on June 21st; had been with Hillsboro the first week of the season: 2g, 3.1ip, 3h, 4er, 3bb, 3k, 0hr, 0hb, 0wp **Sent from the Hops to Low-A Visalia on 5/10/21:** 10g (all relief) with Visalia, 2-3, 2.70, 16.2ip, 13h, 4bb, 20k, 1hr, 1hb, 2wp **2019 first pro year:** spent the full season with Missoula in the Rookie-level Pioneer Lg, 18g (2 starts), 2-2, 7.89 ERA, 29.2ip, 30h, 15bb, 42k, 7hr, 2hb, 10wp **2019 as SR at Creighton U:** 19g (18 starts), 5-4, 5.75, 72ip, 65h, 39bb, 58k **In 2019, strikeout rate much higher as a pro than as a collegian:** 42k in 29.2ip as a pro, just 58k in 72ip at Creighton **Pitched for three colleges:** U of the Incarnate Word ("Cardinals") in his home town of San Antonio as a freshman in 2016, Temple JC ("Leopards") in Temple, TX as a sophomore in 2017, then two years—2018 and 2019—at Creighton U ("Bluejays") in Omaha **Creighton's home games:** played at TD Ameritrade Park, which hosts the College World Series **Three sports at Churchill HS in San Antonio:** also played football and basketball **Pitches:** fastball/curve/change... mostly two-seam fastballs, has good run... velocity got up to 96 in 2019, was low '90s in spring 2021... curve is best secondary pitch

- 15 JAMESON, DREY** **RHP** **B/T: R-R 6-0/170 • AGE 23 (8/17/97) • 3RD-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 1st round (34th overall), 2019 draft **HOME TOWN: Greenfield, IN** **HS: Greenfield Central HS** **COLL: Ball State U (Muncie, IN) (Cardinals) (Mid-American Conf)**
Pronunciation: dray (rhymes with "tray") **Came off IL on 6/30/21:** had been placed on IL on 6/21/21 after his appearance on 6/19 **2019 in first pro year with Hillsboro:** limited to 8 starts and just 11.2 ip because of his college workload, 0-0, 6.17, 14h, 9bb, 12k **Started Game 1 of 2019 NWL Championship Series for Hops:** no decision in 5-3 win, worked 3 shutout innings with 2h, 1bb and 4k **MLBpipeline.com says:** He is D-backs' #22 prospect **2019 as a draft-eligible sophomore at Ball State U.:** 2nd-tm All-American, MAC pitcher of the year, ranked 3rd in country w/146K (a MAC record), 16gs, 6-3, 3.24, 91.2ip, 74h, 32bb, 146k, 6hr, 9hb, 7wp, 14.33 K/9ip was 5th in nation, one slot behind Hops teammate Ryne Nelson **Prospect status rose quickly in 2019:** with more than 100 people affiliated w/ML teams in the stands to watch him pitch against a prospect-laden Stanford team, Jameson threw six no-hit innings and K'd 9 **In 2018 as a FR at Ball State:** Freshman All-American, MAC freshman pitcher of the year, 18g (12 starts), 7-2, 3.88, 72ip, 54h, 44bb, 97k **Also used as pinch-runner at Ball State:** is a fast runner **Had 32 AB as FR in 2018 (though none in 2019):** 3-for-32 with a double and a HR **His hometown, Greenfield IN:** 25 miles east of downtown Indianapolis, the county seat of Hancock County, named for John Hancock, the first person to sign the Declaration of Independence **His high school, Greenfield Central:** known as the Cougars, they compete in the Hoosier Heritage Conference **Also from Greenfield Central HS:** RHP Kyle Gibson (1st round, 22nd overall from U of Missouri by Twins in 2009), was in the starting rotation for the Twins 2013-19, and with the Rangers 2020-21 **Motivated by being an underdog:** not only is he undersized, but he told the Star Press newspaper after he was drafted, "I grew up with not the best life; financially we struggled. Stuff wasn't just handed to me. I had to really work for what I had back in the day." **Reported signing bonus:** \$1.4 million **Pitches:** fastball, curve, slider, change... FB sits in the mid-90s, has hit 100... added a sinker in middle of spring 2021
- 32 LEWIS, JUSTIN** **RHP** **B/T: R-R 6-7/205 • AGE 25 (8/10/95) • 4TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 12th round, 2018 draft **HOME TOWN: Suwanee, GA** **HS: Greater Atlanta Christian School** **COLLEGE: U of Kentucky**
Joined Hops on June 21st: came from Double-A Amarillo **With Double-A Amarillo from Opening Day to June 20th:** 12g (all relief), 0-0, 14.18, 13.1ip, 21h, 10bb, 18k, 5hr, 6hb, 1wp **Did not pitch in 2020** **2019 began year with Low-A Kane County...:** 14 starts, 3-4, 2.23, 64.2ip, 51h, 29bb, 65k ... **the finished 2019 with High-A Visalia:** 12g (10 starts), 3-2, 3.53, 51ip, 55h, 13bb, 62k **Broke into pro ball in 2018 with three late-season Rookie ball appearances in Arizona League:** 2.2ip, 3h, 3r **Pitched for three years at U of Kentucky:** as redshirt junior in his last year, 2018, was 7-3, 4.33 in 12 starts (had been reliever as a redshirt freshman in 2016, with four saves and a 2.08 ERA over 30 innings, and then became a starter for his final two years) **Starred in baseball and basketball at Greater Atlanta Christian School:** back-to-back state titles in hoops as JR and SR, state runner-up as SR in baseball **Cousin of:** CB Richard Sherman (formerly Seahawks, last 3 yrs 49ers, currently unsigned)
- 17 LIN, KAI-WEI** **RHP** **B/T: R-R 5-10/190 • AGE 25 (3/19/96) • 6TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: International free agent, 7/10/15 **HOME TOWN: New Taipei, Taiwan** **HS: Chen De** **COLLEGE: National Taiwan Sports Institute**
Pronunciation: kye-way (rhymes with "highway") **2019 full season with Kane County of Midwest Lg:** 28g (all relief), 5-3, 3.95, 43.1ip, 39h, 20bb, 42k, 3hr 3hb, 7wp **2018 full season with Hops:** 22g (all relief), 4-1, 3.44, 34ip, 26h, 7bb, 44k, 3hr, 2hb, 6wp **Out of the National Taiwan Sports Institute:** a college specialized in sports in Taiwan... the University has been growing since it was first part of a donation in 1973 in response to government's call for developing national sports. Yung-Ching Wang donated a gymnasium, and it has been growing since **16 Taiwanese players have made the majors, including:** Chin-Feng Chen, (the first, in 2002), and RHP Wei-Chieh Huang with Texas in 2019; Huang had pitched for Hillsboro in 2016 **Pitches:** four-seam fastball, slider, occasional splitter... fastball 91-94... has ditched the two-seamer and change he was throwing in 2018
- 37 McMINN, JOSH** **RHP** **B/T: R-R 6-4/205 • AGE 25 (4/29/96) • 3RD-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 27th round, 2018 draft **HOME TOWN: Oklahoma City** **HS: Southwest Covenant HS** **COLL: Oral Roberts U ("Golden Eagles") (Summit League)**
Joined Hops from Low-A Visalia on 7/14/21 **With Low-A Visalia:** 3g (all relief), 0-0, 0.00, 6ip, 3h, 3bb, 5k, 0hr, 0hb, 1wp **Pro debut 2019 full year with Missoula:** 14g (13 starts), 1-4, 3.44, 55ip, 48h, 18bb, 65k, 3hr, 3hb, 11wp **Was a reliever as FR at Oral Roberts, then a starter his final three years:** as SR in 2019, 15 starts, 7-5, 4.75, 91ip, 102h, 30bb, 92h, 12hr, 10hb, 6wp **Also drafted after SO year at Oral Roberts:** in the 36th round by Minnesota in 2017 **Also basketball during high school:** broke the Southwest Covenant High School record for career points scored
- 20 PFAADT, BRANDON** **RHP** **B/T: R-R 6-4/220 • AGE 22 (10/15/98) • 2ND-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 5th round, 2020 draft **HOME TOWN: Louisville, KY** **HS: Trinity HS ("Shamrocks")** **COLL: Bellarmine U (Louisville, KY) ("Knights") (see note below about level)**
Pronunciation: FOT (rhymes with "pot") **Joined Hops on June 21st:** came from Low-A Visalia **In Low-A Visalia rotation from Opening Day to June 20th:** 7 starts, 2-2, 3.12, 40.1ip, 29h, 7bb, 57k, 5hr, 1hb, 0wp, 0.89 WHIP **2020 as JR at then-D2 Bellarmine University in Louisville, KY:** 5 starts in shortened season, 3-1, 1.38, 26ip, 18h, 4bb, 27k **2019 last full college season as SO at Bellarmine:** 23g (2 starts), 3-3, 4.03, 38ip, 38h, 14bb, 50k **Bellarmine U was D2 when Pfaadt pitched there 2018-20...:** in the Great Lakes Valley Conf; but in summer 2020 transitioned to D1 Southern Conference **Elevated his draft status in the Cape Cod league in the summer of the 2019:** pitching for the Wareham Gatemen, 9g (2 starts), 2-1, 2.81, 32ip, 19k, 8bb, 34k; Dusty Baker's son Darren also on that team **Brandon was a college teammate of his brother Brady:** who was a senior catcher at Bellarmine in 2018 when Brandon was a freshman; the two were batterymates **Another brother, Brett:** is entering his third year at Bellarmine as a sophomore middle infielder **Dad Brian:** played soccer at Bellarmine **Grandfather Robert a history teacher at Bellarmine U:** Brandon's brother Brady said, "he led the whole family to Bellarmine University; he's a history teacher here, and he also teaches the history of sports"; Brandon said his grandfather was always teaching them baseball **Prior to the 2020 draft:** Perfect Game called him one of the top 30 D2 prospects **Trinity HS in St. Matthews, KY (part of Louisville metro area):** has a big rivalry with St. Xavier HS; their annual football meeting is said to be the most well-attended high school game in the county, with more than 30,000 fans in attendance; the baseball rivalry games are played at Jim Patterson Field at the U of Louisville in front of thousands; Brandon said that taught him to tune the crowd out at an early age—"it's just you, the catcher and the batter" **"Pfaadt" origin:** a German name **Does everything left-handed:** except play sports **Also from Trinity HS:** Seahawks player and radio announcer Steve Raible **Pitches:** fastball, slider, curve, circle change... fastball 92-96
- 28 RODRIGUEZ, WESLEY** **RHP** **B/T: R-R 5-10/258 • AGE 24 (12/4/96) • 6TH-YEAR PRO**
ACQ: 12th round, 2015 draft **HOME TOWN: Bronx, NY** **HS: George Washington HS (Washington Heights, NY)** **COLLEGE: None**
2019 full year with Kane County of Class A Midwest Lg: 35g (all relief), 5-1, 2.01, 1sv, 62.2ip, 39h, 29bb, 67k, 1hr, 3hb, 4wp **2018 full year with Hops:** 24g 9all relief, 4-2, 3.48, 33.2ip, 28h, 12bb, 40k **Entering this year, allowed just 2hr in pro career:** over 108ip **Finally healthy over 2018-2019 seasons:** entering 2018, injuries had limited him to just 12 innings in first 3 years of career **Onetime phenom from the Bronx:** fastball was in upper 90s in high school **Tommy John surgery:** cost him all of 2015 and most of 2016 (just 6 ip in 2016, 5 in AZL, 1 in Hillsboro) **Shoulder tendinitis:** cost him most of 2017 (just 6ip in '17, all in AZL) **Had committed to the University of Pittsburgh:** but signed with Diamondbacks instead **Pitches:** two-seam fastball, slurve, vulcan change ... fastball 92-95...

35 SNYDER, NICK LHP B/T: L-L 6-7/220 • AGE 23 (11/19/97) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 11th round, 2019 draft **HOME TOWN:** Marlton, NJ **HS:** Cherokee HS **COLLEGE:** Mercer County CC (as FR) / West Virginia U (as SO & JR)

Dominant 2019 first pro year with Hillsboro: 9g (all relief), 2-0, 0.00, 16ip, 2h, 9bb, 27k **Had three-perfect-inning stint in G1 of the South Division Series in 2019:** with 3 strikeouts; picked up win in relief of outstanding Tyler Holton (6ip, 1h, 10k) on Liover Peguero's RBI double in bottom of 9th **Rare struggles in final 2019 outing as a Hop, in Game 3 of NWL championship series:** worked a scoreless 8th inning in 0-0 game, then after Tristin English's 2-run HR in top of ninth for 2-0 lead, Snyder came back out for bottom of 9th; he gave up a single and 2 walks to load bases with none out; Mailon Arroyo replaced him and earned the save **Began pro career in 2019 with one appearance in AZL:** 1ip, 2h, 1r, 1er, 0bb, 3k, 0hr, 0hb **2019 as a JR at West Virginia U:** 16g (13 starts), 9-1, 2.65, 68ip, 42h, 34bb, 103k, 1hr, 14hb, 4wp **Two years at WVU:** after one season at Mercer County CC in West Windsor, NJ **Helped Mercer County CC (West Windsor, NJ) to 2017 junior college national championship game:** 15g (11 starts), 6-2, 3.68 **Strong student:** made the Big 12 Commissioner's honor roll **Pitches:** fastball/slider

26 STOUT, KYLER RHP B/T: R-R 6-0/204 • AGE 26 (10/13/94) • 4TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 18th round, 2018 draft **HOME TOWN:** Broken Arrow, OK **HS:** Union HS **COLLEGE:** Oral Roberts University (Tulsa, OK)

2019 full season with High-A Visalia of California Lg: 27g (all relief), 3-1, 4.06, 37.2ip, 27h, 29bb, 54k, 3hr, 1hb, 6wp **2018 split time between Hillsboro (8g, his first pro stop) and Kane County (15g):** combined 23g, 3-2, 2.23, 32.1ip, 22h, 17bb, 53k; **with the Hops** 1-0, 0.79, 11.1ip, 5h, 8bb, 22k **2018 as a redshirt senior at Oral Roberts University (Tulsa, OK):** 25g (all relief), 2-2, 2.60, 14sv (12th in nation), 27.2 ip, 16h, 11bb, 47k, 1hr **Relieved his entire career at ORU and was full-time closer his final 2 yrs:** 88g (all relief), he left as ORU's career saves leader with 28 **Healthy his last 2 years of college:** after both the 2015 and 2016 seasons were cut short by injury **Major at ORU:** sports management **Pitches:** four-seam fastball, cutter, curve... fastball 91-94

27 VERNIA, JUSTIN RHP B/T: R-R 6-2/205 • AGE 25 (9/22/95) • 5TH-YEAR PRO

ACQ: Minor league free agent, 2/28/19 **HOME TOWN:** Issaquah, WA **HS:** Issaquah HS **COLLEGE:** Tacoma Community Coll. / Gonzaga U

Pronunciation: VERN-ee-uh **Joined Hops on June 1:** came down from AA when RHP Matt Tabor went up **Earlier this year with AA Amarillo:** 1-0, 6.17, 7g (all relief), 11.2ip, 14h, 1bb, 11k, 4hr, 0hb, 0wp **2019 in first year of affiliated pro ball spent most of year in starting rotation at High-A Visalia (with brief stints at Low-A Kane County and Triple-A Reno):** at High-A was 8-3, 3.65, 22g (18 starts), 113.1ip, 111h, 34bb, 103k; in 2 games (1 start) with AAA Reno, allowed 13h and 13r (all earned) in 5ip; made two starts with Low-A Kane County and was 2-0, 2.53 **After his senior season at Gonzaga, spent a month in 2017 and all of 2018 in indy ball:** with the Sioux City Explorers of the American Assoc.; he got his feet wet in 2017 with six starts (3-2, 6.11), and then was the American Assoc. Rookie of the Year in 2018, when he tied for the league lead in wins, going 12-2, 3.32, 20g (all starts), 119.1ip, 122h, 22bb, 91k **Undrafted after his senior year at Gonzaga in 2017:** that year, he was 7-3, 3.11 in 14g (all starts), 89.2ip, 88h, 20bb, 59k, 10hr **Pitched two years at Gonzaga after two seasons at Tacoma Community College:** at Tacoma CC he was 22-0 over two years, ERA under 1.50 **Sports management major at Gonzaga:** his Zags bio said his career goal is to be GM of an MLB team

34 WALSTON, BLAKE LHP B/T: L-L 6-5/175 • AGE 20 (6/28/01) • 3RD-YEAR PRO

ACQ: 1st round (26th overall), 2019 draft **HOME TOWN:** Wilmington, NC **HS:** New Hanover HS **COLLEGE:** None

Joined Hops on June 28th **One of youngest players in league:** turned 20 on June 28th, the day he joined Hops **MLBpipeline.com #5 prospect for D-backs:** and #1 pitcher **Began season with Low-A Visalia:** 8g (all starts), 2-2, 3.32, 43.1ip, 34h, 17bb, 60k, 4hr, 0hb, 6wp **Longest outing this year at Low-A:** 6.2 ip in best start as pro, 6/16 at Rancho Cucamonga, 3h, 0r, 2bb, 8k **2020 at D-backs Alternate Site and Instructional Lg:** did well at Alt Site as a 19-year-old against much older competition **Pro debut season right out of HS in 2019:** started in AZL (3g, 2 starts, 5ip, 2h, 1r, 1er, 0bb, 11k), then joined Hops on 8/21/19 for stretch run and postseason (3gs in reg seas, 0-0, 3.00, 6ip, 6h, 2r, 2er, 2bb, 6k) **1 app. for Hops in 2019 postseason:** was starter in G2 of NWL Championship Series against Tri-City; faced just 5 batters, allowing a single, back-to-back walks to load the bases, getting a strikeout and hitting a batter before being lifted; he would allow 4 runs (all earned); later in the inning T-C's Johnny Homza hit a grand slam and T-C scored six in the first en route to a 9-1 win **2019 as a SR at New Hanover High School (Wilmington, NC):** 12-0, 0.20, 68.2ip, 129k, was North Carolina's Gatorade Player of the Year, led New Hanover to back-to-back state titles (and also won one in football) **Had been committed to pitch for:** North Carolina State U **Bonus:** \$2.45 million **Wasn't a regular on the high school showcase circuit:** in part because he was a high school quarterback **Starred as a left-handed QB at New Hanover HS:** as a junior in 2017, he led the state with 4,340 passing yards, and led New Hanover to a state title **Brother Garrett:** a sixth-yr senior tight end at U North Carolina in 2021; made 11 starts in 2020, had 19 catches for 255y including 2 TDs; caught UNC's first TD of the year vs Syracuse **Blake thought about accepting an offer to play college football:** "I thought about it. I had an opportunity from a couple of schools. I just decided baseball is probably a little easier on the body" **Also from New Hanover HS:** Trot Nixon, selected by the Red Sox with the 7th pick of the 1st round in 1993 **Full name:** Matthew Blake Walston **Pitches:** fastball (93-97), curve (77-79), slider, change-up

Hillsboro Hops 2021 Game-By-Game Results and Notes

	OPP	W/L	SCORE	HOPS				OPPONENT				REC	POS	GB/	GA	WINNER	LOSER	SAVE	TIME	ATT	NOTES
				R	H	E	L	R	H	E	L										
5/04	Evt	W	4-1	4	6	1	4	1	4	0	6	1-0	T1	--	L. Frias	M. Brash	N. Snyder	2:43	825	Hops win despite striking out 16x	
5/05	Evt	L	2-3 (11)	2	5	0	8	3	5	2	9	1-1	T3	-1.0	B. McGuigan	J. Jones*		3:26e	825	Hops waste chances in B9, B10, B11	
5/06	Evt	L	1-12	1	2	2	6	12	16	1	9	1-2	T4	-2.0	B. Martinez	D. Hull*		3:23	825	Evt 8r in 6th, 3 in 8th, 1 in 9th	
5/07	Evt	W	7-2	7	12	0	8	2	8	1	7	2-2	T3	-2.0	H. Haworth*	G. Kirby	B. Workman	3:31	825	Dalesandro/Perez tm-rec 4SB; Hops tie lg rec w/11sb	
5/08	Evt	L	0-3	0	4	0	6	3	4	2	4	2-3	T4	-2.0	D. Ellingson	M. Tabor	J. Bayless	2:55	825	Hops batters set franch. record w/18 Ks	
5/09	Evt	L	7-8 (10)	7	9	1	7	8	8	2	5	2-4	5	-3.0	E. Johnson	K. Stout*	K. Hill	3:49e	825	Evt comes back on Connor Hoover 3-r HR T9	
5/10	Eug-1	W	6-2 (7)	6	10	0	6	2	8	2	7	3-4	5	-2.0	H. Haworth*	K. Teng		2:19s	----	Hops K just 2x, win 1st dhdr gm at Tonk	
5/10	Eug-2	W	2-0 (7)	2	4	0	4	0	3	1	4	4-4	T3	-1.0	L. Frias	N. Avila	N. Snyder	1:53s	825	Frias 6ip, 2h, 1bb, 9k; 1st-ever dhdr sweep	
5/13	@Eug	L	2-8	2	4	3	5	8	7	0	8	4-5	4	-3.0	S. Bates	J. Jones*		2:56	600	Eug 6r B8 w/Will Wilson slam; Hops K 17x	
5/14	@Eug	L	1-3	1	8	0	7	3	7	1	3	4-6	4	-4.0	N. Morreale	B. Jarvis	J. Marte	2:25	676	Sean Roby 2-r HR spoils good Jarvis start	
5/15	@Eug	W	11-5	11	13	1	2	5	6	1	5	5-6	4	-4.0	M. Tabor*	C. Nurse		2:59	676	Hops 3 hr; Cecconi debut; Hops 9-r T5	
5/16	@Eug	L	2-5	2	6	2	5	5	7	0	3	5-7	4	-5.0	C. Kilian	D. Jameson	J. Russell	2:38	676	Eug 3 in 1st, Hops 2 in 6th, Eug 2 in 8th	
5/18	Van	L	4-13	4	9	0	13	13	18	0	11	5-8	4	-5.0	M. Reyes	C. Grammes		3:28	825	T7th-most runs, T5-most H ever allowed	
5/19	Van	L	1-6	1	4	1	7	6	7	0	5	5-9	4	-5.0	T. Miller	R. Nelson		2:52	825	Tanner Kirwer leads off gm w/HR	
5/20	Van	L	1-2	1	5	1	3	2	2	0	8	5-10	T4	-6.0	B. Eisert	N. Snyder*	P. Caracci	2:52	825	Vanc 2h, 11bb; lose 4 str 1st x since '17	
5/21	Van	W	4-3	4	5	1	5	3	5	0	6	6-10	4	-5.0	K. Hernandez*	C. Johnson	J. Jones	2:48	1088	Ricky Martinez: Hops' 1st-ever str. steal of home	
5/22	Van	W	8-3	8	8	1	6	3	8	1	7	7-10	4	-4.0	M. Tabor	A. Kloffenstein		2:52	1354	Tabor 6 ip, 1 r; Yerzy HR 2nd str gm	
5/23	Van	L	4-5	4	5	2	5	5	7	0	5	7-11	4	-5.0	P. Schultz	D. Jameson	P. Carracci	2:53	1163	Hops 3-run rally in B9th falls short	
5/25	@T-C	W	5-3	5	7	0	6	3	7	1	9	8-11	4	-5.0	N. Snyder*	Z. Linginfelter	J. Jones	3:26	785	'19 NWLCS hero Yerzy HR in 1st AB vT-C	
5/26	@T-C	W	5-2	5	6	0	12	2	4	4	3	9-11	4	-5.0	R. Nelson	R. Pina	B. Workman	3:10	875	Nelson earns 1st reg. seas. win as pro	
5/27	@T-C	L	6-7	6	5	2	5	7	7	3	4	9-12	4	-5.0	C. Sykes	H. Haworth*		2:39	809	Hops hit 3 HR; wind-blown Herrera HR wins it	
5/28	@T-C	W	3-2	3	9	0	6	2	7	1	10	10-12	4	-4.0	W. Rodriguez*	D. Daniel	J. Jones	3:37	1050	Yerzy 4th HR; Hops K 17x again	
5/29	@T-C	L	0-2	0	2	2	3	2	7	0	9	10-13	4	-5.0	A. Hernandez	M. Tabor	D. King	2:27	1278	Tabor 7ip, never to 3 balls in count	
5/30	@T-C	L	3-6	3	7	1	4	6	8	0	1	10-14	4	-5.0	G. Veliz	D. Jameson	Z. Kristofak	2:31	1158	Brendon Davis 2hr after pitch beh. head	
6/01	@Evt	L	2-16	2	7	2	6	16	20	0	5	10-15	4	-6.0	M. Brash	C. Grammes	T. Elliott	3:02	949	6 opp. HR, 8 combined HR most ever	
6/02	@Evt	W	6-2	6	15	0	12	2	6	2	8	11-15	4	-6.0	R. Nelson	T. Driver		3:15	959	6 different Hops steal bases (6x7)	
6/03	@Evt	W	7-2	7	7	0	5	2	5	2	3	12-15	4	-5.0	B. Jarvis	M. Limoncelli	N. Snyder	2:59	1052	Bryce Jarvis 7ip, 4h, 2r, 0bb, 11k, 89p	
6/04	@Evt	L	2-13	2	6	1	5	13	17	0	7	12-16	4	-6.0	I. Campbell	S. Cecconi		3:13	1150	All 9 Evt H have H & R; 8 have RBI	
6/05	@Evt	Rained out																			
6/06	@Evt-1	W	5-3 (7)	5	10	1	4	3	7	1	9	13-16	4	-5.5	B. Workman*	B. Williamson	J. Jones	3:01s		Hops plate 3 in T6 for 5-3 win in 7 inn	
6/06	@Evt-2	Rained out																			
6/08	T-C	W	7-4	7	8	2	7	4	6	1	8	14-16	4	-4.5	K. Hernandez*	C. Molina	N. Snyder	3:15	1237	Kennedy Hops 5th-ever slam; 6bi ties franch rec	
6/09	T-C	W	10-2	10	12	1	5	2	6	3	8	15-16	4	-4.0	R. Nelson	B. Killam		3:17	1335	Nelson wins 3rd str; Dalesandro 1st-ever Hops IPHR	
6/10	T-C	L	0-6	0	2	0	4	6	8	0	7	15-17	4	-5.0	D. Daniel	B. Jarvis		2:41	1013	3rd x this yr franchise-low 2 hits	
6/11	T-C	L	2-4	2	5	1	4	4	9	0	7	15-18	4	-5.0	R. Smith	S. Cecconi		2:48	1789	Slade Cecconi 6ip, 2h, 1r, 1bb, 4k	
6/12	T-C	Suspended by rain in top 5th w/T-C leading 2-1																			
6/13	T-C-1	W	5-3 (8)	5	6	0	6	3	9	3	10	16-18	4	-5.0	B. Workman*	C. Molina	N. Snyder	3:08	2052	Suspended gm fm yest. called after 8 (rain)	
6/13	T-C-2	Rained out																			
6/15	@Eug	L	1-5	1	8	2	6	5	7	0	4	16-19	4	-6.0	C. Nurse	K. Hernandez		2:45	669	Ricky Martinez hits 2nd pro HR, both in last wk	
6/16	@Eug	L	4-7	4	5	1	2	7	5	0	7	16-20	4	-6.0	R. Walker	J. Frias*	T. Schimpf	2:59	858	Ems 4 in B8 incl 3r HR by Franklin Labour	
6/17	@Eug	L	9-10	9	11	1	8	10	9	3	3	16-21	4	-6.5	N. Avila	N. Snyder*	C. Wright	3:45	694	Eug 9r B6; 3:45 2nd-longest 9-inn gm ever	
6/18	@Eug	L	7-10	7	6	3	7	10	8	0	9	16-22	T4	-7.5	T. Rashi	K. Stout*	T. Schimpf	3:22	694	Diego Rincones 7rbi incl. slam; Eug draws 11bb	
6/19	@Eug	L	5-10	5	9	1	8	10	11	3	3	16-23	5	-8.5	A. Phillips	D. Jameson		3:00	861	Lose 5 in a row for 1st time since 7/12-7/17/13	
6/20	@Eug	L	5-7	5	8	0	7	7	6	0	5	16-24	5	-9.5	J. Timmins	N. Snyder*	C. Wright	3:07	1250	Yerzy longest HR ever at PK? Match longest L streak	
6/22	Spo	L	3-6	3	5	0	2	6	9	0	3	16-25	5	-10.5	M. Kilkeny	J. Vernia*	P. Poulin	2:36	1750	Another big inn. leads to longest L streak ever	
6/23	Spo	W	5-2	5	6	1	4	2	7	1	6	17-25	5	-10.5	R. Nelson	W. Ethridge	J. Jones	2:37	1636	Ryne Nelson 5ip, 2h, 1r, 1bb, 9k in final start	
6/24	Spo(TV)	W	6-4	6	8	1	4	4	9	2	9	18-25	5	-9.5	B. Pfaadt	N. Bush	J. Jones	2:58	1742	Pfaadt 6ip, 3er in Hi-A debut; J. Jones 6th sv leads lg	
6/25	Spo	W	2-0	2	5	0	6	0	6	0	6	19-25	T4	-8.5	S. Cecconi	H. Olivarez	J. Frias	2:43	2126	Cecconi 6ip, 1st pro win; Coursey 2-r 1B B2	
6/26	Spo	L	3-8	3	7	0	7	9	17	2	12	19-26	5	-9.5	C. McMahon	J. Vernia		3:28	1849	Isaac Collins 4x6; Hops 6x7 sba in loss	
6/27	Spo	L	5-7	5	11	2	11	7	7	0	7	19-27	5	-10.5	M. Kilkeny	K. Hernandez	P. Poulin	3:30	1546	108° end of gm; Spo 4hr, 3 opp field to RF	
6/29	Eug	L	2-8	2	6	1	2	8	12	0	6	19-28	5	-11.5	N. Avila	W. Rodriguez*		3:10	1285	Hops had won 11 str reg seas hm vEug	
6/30	Eug	L	3-6	3	4	1	6	6	6	2	5	19-29	5	-12.5	S. Corry	B. Walston		3:05	1175	Armani Smith 2HR; Will Wilson also HR	
7/01	Eug	L	1-3	1	8	0	11	3	6	1	4	19-30	5	-13.5	A. Phillips	B. Pfaadt	C. Wright	2:41	1810	Hops waste chances in 10th str loss to Ems	
7/02	Eug	W	4-2	4	6	1	4	2	9	0	11	20-30	5	-12.5	T. Jones*	C. Nurse	M. Arroyo	2:56	2247	Alexander & Barrosa big RBI doubles	
7/03	Eug	W	8-5	8	9	3	5	5	10	0	7	21-30	5	-12.0	J. Vernia*	K. Teng	Y. Hiraldo	3:11	3133	Widener MLB rehab start; E. Diaz 3-r HR	
7/04	Eug	W	6-1	6	9	0	5	1	5	4	6	22-30	5	-12.0	K. Hernandez	T. Rashi		2:48	5211	K. Hern. car-hi 9K; Canzone, Brickhouse, English HR	
7/06	@T-C	L	2-3	2	4	3	3	3	5	0	7	22-31	5	-12.0	R. Smith	J. Lewis*	K. Ingram	2:28	1118	3 errors lead to 2 unearned runs	
7/07	@T-C	W	9-7	9	7	0	6	7	9	1	7	23-31	5	-12.0	M. Arroyo*	L. Ramirez	Y. Hiraldo	3:37	1091	Hops down 7-6 w/2 out T9, Alexander 3-r HR	
7/08	@T-C	L	3-8	3	5	1	6	8	8	1	5	23-32	5	-13.0	Z. Linginfelter	B. Pfaadt		3:02	1050	Brendon Davis' lg-lg 12th hr, 6th v. Hops	
7/09	@T-C	W	5-2	5	8	0	7	2	8	0	7	24-32	5	-13.0	S. Cecconi	R. Pina	D. Hull	3:08	1600	Cecconi 5ip, 2r; Coursey hit streak ends at 10	
7/10	@T-C	L	6-8	6	11	2	6	8	14	3	8	24-33	5	-14.0	C. Molina	K. Hernandez	L. Ramirez	3:10	1173		

RESULTS BY CATEGORY 2013-21

Regular Season	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2021	All-Time
Overall	34-42	48-28	45-31	42-33	41-35	51-25	48-28	31-39	340-261
1st Half	11-27	22-16	22-16	19-19	22-16	24-14	24-14	24-34	168-156
2nd Half	23-15	26-12	23-15	23-14	19-19	27-11	24-14	7-5	172-105
Home (all gms in home park)	16-22	23-15	24-14	26-12	20-18	26-12	28-10	19-18	181-121
Road	18-20	25-13	21-17	16-21	21-17	25-13	20-18	12-21	159-140
Day	5-5	9-3	6-7	7-5	9-5	7-5	11-1	1-6	55-37
Night	29-37	39-25	39-24	35-28	32-30	44-20	37-27	30-33	285-224
vs. LHSP	9-7	15-5	10-10	15-9	14-13	13-7	12-4	7-9	95-64
vs. RHSP	25-35	33-23	35-21	27-24	27-20	38-18	36-24	24-30	245-197
Current Streak								Lost 1	
Longest W Streak	7	8	6	6	7	9	7	4	9
Longest L Streak	6	3	4	3	4	3	3	7	7
Extra Innings	7-3	6-1	4-3	1-2	2-2	8-3	3-1	0-3	31-18
DH (swept/got swept/split)	0-0-2	0-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-3
Shutouts	7-9	6-1	11-4	5-7	7-3	6-4	11-5	3-3	56-37
1-Run Games	13-14	18-10	21-6	10-5	9-9	22-7	11-8	6-12	110-71
2-Run Games	5-7	9-2	4-6	4-5	7-9	9-8	6-9	9-8	53-54
3-Run Games	4-6	6-6	6-6	8-5	4-4	9-3	6-7	7-7	51-44
4+ Run Games	12-15	14-10	14-13	20-18	21-13	11-7	25-4	9-12	126-92
Home vs. Eugene	3-3	4-2	4-2	4-2	3-3	4-2	6-0	5-3	33-17
Home vs. Everett	2-3	4-1	2-3	3-2	4-1	4-1	4-0	2-4	25-15
Home vs. Spokane	3-2	4-1	4-1	5-0	2-3	5-0	0-3	3-3	26-13
Home vs. Tri-City	4-1	2-3	3-2	3-2	2-3	4-1	2-1	3-2	23-15
Home vs. Vancouver	2-3	2-3	3-2	2-3	2-3	2-3	3-1	6-6	22-24
Home vs. Boise	1-5	4-2	3-3	4-2	4-2	3-3	6-3	---	25-20
Home vs. Salem-Keizer	1-5	3-3	5-1	5-1	3-3	4-2	7-2	---	28-17
At Eugene	4-2	5-1	4-2	3-3	1-5	4-2	6-3	4-12	31-30
At Everett	1-4	4-1	3-2	3-2	3-2	3-2	1-2	3-2	21-17
At Spokane	4-1	4-1	2-3	1-3	2-3	3-2	2-2	0-0	18-15
At Tri-City	1-4	3-2	2-3	3-2	1-4	4-1	2-2	5-7	21-25
At Vancouver	2-3	3-2	2-3	1-4	5-0	2-3	3-0	0-0	18-15
At Boise	4-2	3-3	4-2	3-3	4-2	4-2	5-4	---	27-18
At Salem-Keizer	2-4	3-3	4-2	2-4	5-1	5-1	1-5	---	22-20
Total vs. Eugene	7-5	9-3	8-4	7-5	4-8	8-4	12-3	9-15	64-47
Total vs. Everett	3-7	8-2	5-5	6-4	7-3	7-3	5-2	5-6	46-32
Total vs. Spokane	7-3	8-2	6-4	6-3	4-6	8-2	2-5	3-3	44-28
Total vs. Tri-City	5-5	5-5	5-5	6-4	3-7	8-2	4-3	8-9	44-40
Total vs. Vancouver	4-6	5-5	5-5	3-7	7-3	4-6	6-1	6-6	40-39
Total vs. Boise	5-7	7-5	7-5	7-5	8-4	7-5	11-7	---	52-38
Total vs. Salem-Keizer	3-9	6-6	9-3	7-5	8-4	9-3	8-7	---	50-37
May	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	10-14	10-14
June	4-13	11-7	7-6	6-8	8-8	10-6	11-6	9-15	66-69
July	12-18	18-12	17-13	17-13	18-11	19-11	19-11	12-10	132-99
August	16-11	18-9	16-11	16-11	14-14	20-7	17-10	0-0	117-73
September	2-0	1-0	5-1	3-1	1-2	2-1	1-1	0-0	15-6

Postseason	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2021	All-Time
Overall	0-0	4-0	4-2	1-2	0-2	0-2	5-2	0-0	14-10
Total vs. Eugene	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	1-6
Total vs. Everett	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Total vs. Spokane	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Total vs. Tri-City	0-0	0-0	2-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-2	0-0	5-3
Total vs. Vancouver	0-0	2-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0
Total vs. Boise	0-0	2-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	---	2-0
Total vs. Salem-Keizer	0-0	0-0	2-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0	---	4-1

LEAGUE STANDINGS 2013-21

League cumulative regular season standings from the time the Hops entered the league on 6/14/2013, through 7/26/2021:

	W	L	PCT	GB
Hillsboro (AZ)	340	261	.566	---
Everett (SEA)	317	285	.527	23½
Spokane (TEX)	299	304	.496	42
Vancouver (TOR)	294	308	.488	46½
Eugene (SD/CHC)	293	310	.486	48
Tri-City (COL/SD)	284	319	.471	57
Salem-Keizer (SF)	267	263	.504	37½
Boise (CHC/COL)	244	288	.459	61½

NOTE: Hops began first year 8-25 thru 33g; since 7/18/13, they are 332-236 (.585)

SCHEDULE & MATCHUPS

Hops pitcher(s) listed first, then opponent

Tuesday, July 27

7:05 PM vs. Tri-City

RHP Brandon Pfaadt

vs RHP Robinson Pina

Wednesday, July 28

1:05 PM vs. Tri-City

RHP Slade Cecconi

vs. LHP Hector Yan

Thursday, July 29

7:05 PM vs. Tri-City

RHP Justin Vernia

vs. RHP Taylor Ahearn

Friday, July 30 (Doubleheader)

5:05 PM vs. Tri-City

Game One:

RHP Drey Jameson

vs LHP Ryan Smith

Game Two:

TBD

vs. RHP Luis Alvarado

Saturday, July 31

7:05 PM vs. Tri-City

LHP Blake Walston

vs TBD

Sunday, August 1

1:05 PM vs. Tri-City

RHP Brandon Pfaadt

vs TBD

Manager Vince Harrison

Second-year manager: served as skipper at Class A Kane County in the Midwest League in 2019

7th year as coach or manager in D-backs chain:

from 2014-18 was a hitting instructor, helping Double-A Jackson to the league's best batting average and the league title in 2018 **Two sports in college:** played baseball and football at the University of Kentucky

As a player: Played nine professional seasons as an infielder, topping out with parts of two seasons at Double-A... spent four years in the Rays' system (2001-04), and also had time with the Mets and Marlins' organizations, as well as four years of independent baseball... 892 career games, hit .292 w/86hr... playing career began in 2001 and ended in 2011

His brother, Josh Harrison: is in his 11th major-league season in 2021, and his second with the Washington Nationals... Josh has been a two-time All-Star, with the Pirates in 2013 and 2017

Pitching Coach Shane Loux

Fourth season in a coaching role with the D-backs: this will be his second at High-A, after serving as pitching coach with Visalia in the Cal League in 2019.

As a player: 17-years, including parts of 5 years in MLB with Tigers, Angels and Giants... though he didn't pitch in the postseason, he earned a World Series ring with SF in 2012, working in 19 regular season games with a 4.97 ERA... spent 11 seasons in Triple-A, notching 77 wins

Hitting Coach K.C. Judge

2nd season w/D-backs: worked at Rookie-level Missoula in 2019. **As a player:** parts of 4 years (2012-15) in the indy leagues after graduating from D3 Cal Lutheran in 2011. **Has also served as a private hitting instructor:** from 2015-18 in both Durham, NC and Tallahassee, FL **No:** he's not related Aaron Judge

Coach Juan Francia

Fifth year with Diamondbacks: and first season with the Hops. **In 2016:** he was a coach with the D-backs Dominican Summer League affiliate **2017-19:** spent three seasons as manager—two in the Dominican Summer League, and 2019 with Missoula of the Pioneer League... **As a player:** spent 8 years in pro ball, topping out at AAA with the Yankees in 2007