

**PRESS RELEASE****DAYTON DRAGONS UPCOMING HOMESTAND PREVIEW**

Presented by **aes** Ohio

Tuesday, April 30 – Sunday, May 5, 2024

Day Air Ballpark, in the heart of the Water Street District | Dayton, Ohio  
Dayton Dragons (Cincinnati Reds) vs. West Michigan Whitecaps (Detroit Tigers)

**GAME AND RADIO BROADCAST SCHEDULE**

- Tuesday, April 30 at 7:05 PM
- Wednesday, May 1 at 7:05 PM
- Thursday, May 2 at 7:05 PM
- Friday, May 3 at 7:05 PM
- Saturday, May 4 at 7:05 PM
- Sunday, May 5 at 1:05 PM

All 132 Dragons games in 2024 can be heard on the radio home of the Dragons, FOX Sports 980 WONE. The broadcasts are also available via the Dragons Mobile App and the iHeart App, or at [wone.com](http://wone.com).

**TICKETS**

Tickets are still available for this week's homestand. Single game tickets can be purchased now at [daytondragons.com](http://daytondragons.com).

**DRAGONS ON THE FIELD**

Here are the scheduled Dragons starting pitchers:

- Tuesday: LHP Bryce Hubbart
- Wednesday: RHP Johnathan Harmon
- Thursday: RHP Kevin Abel
- Friday: RHP Rhett Lowder
- Saturday: RHP Jared Lyons
- Sunday: RHP Javi Rivera

Team update:

On April 17<sup>th</sup>, during the Dragons' last homestand, Dayton pitcher Luis Mey broke the record for fastest pitch ever thrown at Day Air Ballpark when he fired a fastball at 103 miles per hour. The previous record was 102 mph, set in 2018 by current Cincinnati Reds pitcher and former Dragon Hunter Greene.

The Reds' two most recent first round draft picks headline the Dragons' roster. They are RHP Rhett Lowder, the Reds' first round selection (7<sup>th</sup> overall) in 2023, and 3B Cam Collier, Cincinnati's first round choice (18<sup>th</sup> overall) in 2022.

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## DRAGONS ENTERTAINMENT

- Tuesday, April 30
  - National Anthem: Edwin D. Smith School
- Wednesday, May 1
  - National Anthem: Beavertown Elementary Choir Club
  - Dragons Present in partnership with Winsupply: LYD Band on plaza
  - God Bless America: Bell Creek Intermediate
- Thursday, May 2
  - National Anthem: Parkwood Elementary
  - Learning Tree Farm on plaza
- Friday, May 3
  - National Anthem: Lehman Limelighters
  - Honor Guard: Monroe Police Department
  - Water Street District "Party at the Plaza"
  - Madison Mohawks Steel Drum Band on plaza
  - DJ Banana
  - God Bless America: Beverly Gardens Elementary School
- Saturday, May 4
  - National Anthem: Bethel Local Schools Childrens Choir
  - Honor Guard: Miami Valley 4H
  - Cool Critters Outreach on plaza
  - Team Zoom Canine Entertainment
- Sunday, May 5
  - National Anthem: Cline Elementary
  - *Encanto* characters on plaza
  - Dragons Present in partnership with Winsupply: Steel Drum Dave on plaza

## DRAGONS IN THE COMMUNITY

Tuesday, April 30: The **Dayton Dragons 50/50 Raffle** has a starting jackpot of \$2,500! One lucky fan will win big in the Dragons 50/50 raffle. Fifty percent of the total pot will go to the winner and the other fifty percent of net proceeds will go to The Dayton Dragons Foundation. Raffle tickets are now available online at [daytondragons5050.com](http://daytondragons5050.com) and can be purchased at upcoming Dragons games between April 30 and May 5.

- \$5.00 receives Three (3) Raffle Tickets; or
- \$10.00 receives Ten (10) Raffle Tickets; or
- \$20.00 receives Forty (40) Raffle Tickets; or
- \$40.00 receives One Hundred (100) Raffle Tickets

**Dayton Dragons MVP** students will be recognized at the ballpark for the first set of Dragons MVP games starting April 30. Dragons MVPs receive four tickets to a Dragons game and exclusive access to the Dragons MVP Zone, where they receive their Dragons MVP hat. Additionally, selected MVPs throw out the ceremonial first pitch, deliver the game ball to the pitcher's mound, and join the Dragons coach at home plate for the pre-game umpires meeting. Dragons MVPs will also be recognized on Wednesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 2. The Dayton Dragons MVP Program is made possible by the generous support of Ohio's 529 CollegeAdvantage, Roosters, WDTN-TV and Dayton's CW. To learn more about the Dragons MVP program, visit [daytondragons.com/mvp](http://daytondragons.com/mvp).

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Every Tuesday when the Dragons play at home, **Penn Station** helps keep the summer rolling with a **Buy One Get One Coupon** on sandwiches, redeemable Tuesday – Sunday at participating locations. Find your Penn Station location and download the coupon at [daytondragons.com/pennstation](http://daytondragons.com/pennstation).

Wednesday, May 1: **Dayton Dragons MVP** students will again be recognized at the ballpark on May 1. Dragons MVPs receive four tickets to a Dragons game and exclusive access to the Dragons MVP Zone, where they receive their Dragons MVP hat. Additionally, selected MVPs throw out the ceremonial first pitch, deliver the game ball to the pitcher's mound, and join the Dragons coach at home plate for the pre-game umpires meeting. Dragons MVPs will also receive recognition on Thursday, May 2. The Dayton Dragons MVP Program is made possible by the generous support of Ohio's 529 CollegeAdvantage, Roosters, WDTN-TV and Dayton's CW. To learn more about the Dragons MVP program, visit [daytondragons.com/mvp](http://daytondragons.com/mvp).

Thursday, May 2: **Dayton Dragons MVP** students will also be recognized at the ballpark on May 2. Dragons MVPs receive four tickets to a Dragons game and exclusive access to the Dragons MVP Zone, where they receive their Dragons MVP hat. Additionally, selected MVPs throw out the ceremonial first pitch, deliver the game ball to the pitcher's mound, and join the Dragons coach at home plate for the pre-game umpires meeting. The Dayton Dragons MVP Program is made possible by the generous support of Ohio's 529 CollegeAdvantage, Roosters, WDTN-TV and Dayton's CW. To learn more about the Dragons MVP program, visit [daytondragons.com/mvp](http://daytondragons.com/mvp).

Friday, May 3: The Water Street District will be hosting its first **"Party at the Plaza"** on Friday. Jeff Stevens from Mix 107.7 will host the party, which features beer, food trucks, live music, Dragons Entertainment, fun and games, Heater, Gem, the Green Team, and Roofman! Water Street community members will be joined by Honey Hill Farms, Reptigirls Reptiles, and *Hot Wheels Monster Trucks Live*. It's sure to be wild! Arrive early to Friday's game against the West Michigan Whitecaps and enjoy a festive atmosphere in the heart of the Water Street District.

**Dragons Friends and Family Games**, presented by Wendy's, return to Day Air Ballpark, in the heart of the Water Street District. The best deal in town provides a ticket for the Dragons game, a Wendy's "Biggie Bag" meal voucher, and an exclusive Dragons hat. Cost of the package is just \$17 for stadium seats or \$13 for lawn tickets. Tickets are available at the Dragons Box Office or online at [daytondragons.com/friends](http://daytondragons.com/friends).

Burn off some energy playing games and running through inflatables at the **Great Clips Fun Zone**. Located behind the batter's eye near center field, the Great Clips Fun Zone is open during every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday game all season long. Fun Zone passes are only \$10 for 15 plays. For more information, visit [daytondragons.com/funzone](http://daytondragons.com/funzone).

Saturday, May 4: The popular **Team Zoom Canine Entertainment** act will perform throughout the game.

Located behind the batter's eye in center field, the **Great Clips Fun Zone** is back on Saturday. Fun Zone passes are only \$10 for 15 plays. For more information visit [daytondragons.com/funzone](http://daytondragons.com/funzone).

Sunday, May 5: **Kettering Health** will be joining the Dragons to Strike Out Stroke. Kettering Health will be on the plaza to promote blood pressure checks, stroke education, and hands-only CPR. They will have giveaways, touch a trucks, a photo booth, and more!

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Post-game **Kids Run the Bases** presented by Graeter's Ice Cream is on Sunday. Line up behind section 104 at the conclusion of the game and join Heater, Gem, and the Green Team on the field for a lap around the bases. Kids who participate will receive a Graeter's Ice Cream coupon redeemable at participating locations.

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