

CLEARWATER THRESHERS

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Clearwater Threshers (19-31, 54-61) VS. Tampa Tarpons (28-20, 55-59)

Thursday, August 25, 2022

**Game #116 | Home Game #57 | 6:30 PM | BayCare Ballpark, Clearwater, FL
RHP Starlyn Castillo (0-6, 8.27 ERA) vs. TBD**

LAST TIME OUT: The Clearwater Threshers were shutout for the 13th time this season in a 3-0 defeat to the Tampa Tarpons in game two of the six-game series on Wednesday night at BayCare Ballpark. Right-hander Alex McFarlane, a fourth round draft pick of the Philadelphia Phillies in 2022 from the University of Miami, made his professional debut for Clearwater and allowed only one run on three hits with six strikeouts in three innings of work. The Tarpons (28-20, 55-59) opened the scoring in the first on an RBI single by Brett Barrera, but McFarlane was able to limit the damage with a double play ball. With the Threshers (19-31, 54-61) trailing 1-0 in the fourth, right-hander Alex Rao made his Florida State League debut and worked a 1-2-3 inning with one strikeout. Rao was an eighth round draft selection of the Phillies in this year's MLB draft out of Notre Dame. Righty Orion Kerkering also made his FSL and Threshers debut in the contest, working a scoreless fifth and allowing only one hit to keep Clearwater in striking distance. Kerkering was a fifth round draft pick of the Phillies in July's draft from the University of South Florida. Tampa added single runs in the seventh and eighth innings off relievers Gabriel Yanez and Tristan Garnett to build a 3-0 advantage. Despite the Threshers stringing together multiple scoring opportunities, the home team stranded 13 runners on base and finished 1-for-13 with RISP as the Tarpons evened the series. Clearwater and Tampa will resume the six-game set on Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. Right-hander Starlyn Castillo (0-6, 8.27 ERA) is scheduled to start for the Threshers, with coverage on the **Threshers Broadcasting Network** set to begin at 6:20 p.m.

FOR STARTERS: Right-hander Starlyn Castillo is scheduled to make his 10th start, 12th appearance, in 2022 for the Threshers on Thursday night...Holds an 0-6 record with 8.27 ERA, including four appearances in FCL...Last outing: start @ Daytona on August 17, allowed two runs on two hits including a home run with two walks and six strikeouts in four innings of work, charged with loss...pitched @ Tampa on August 3, allowed four runs on three hits including a homer with only one strikeout in 3.1 innings, charged with loss...struck out season-high 7 hitters vs. St. Lucie on August 9...signed amateur free agent deal with Phillies in July 2018...from Pimentel, Dominican Republic



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SHARK BITES: vs. Tampa in 2022: 14-6, this marks the fourth and final meeting between the Threshers and Tarpons in 2022, Clearwater split a six-game series in Tampa on August 2-7... **KNOW THE FOE:** The Tarpons have surged in the second half, holding a 28-20 record and are only two games out of the final playoff spot in the FSL West. Tampa is 55-59 overall under MiLB's only female manager Rachel Balkovec ... **FISHING FOR TARPON:** The Threshers 14-6 mark against the Tarpons this season is their best winning percentage against any FSL opponent. Clearwater is also 7-1 at home against Tampa... **FUN FACT:** Despite missing nearly two months on the injured list, INF Hao Yu Lee is now 6th in the FSL in RBI with 50 and is currently on a four-game on-base streak ... OF Cade Fergus is currently on a five-game hitting streak... **NOT SO FUN FACT:** Clearwater has had six losing streaks of three games or more in the second half, *the Threshers are also 6-17 at home in the second half of the season*... **DEBUT PARADE:** Right-hander Alex McFarlane, a fourth round draft pick of the Philadelphia Phillies in 2022 from the University of Miami, made his professional debut for Clearwater on Wednesday and allowed only one run on three hits with six strikeouts in three innings of work... right-hander Alex Rao made his single-A debut and worked a 1-2-3 inning with one strikeout on Wednesday. Rao was an eighth round draft selection of the Phillies in this year's MLB draft out of Notre Dame... Righty Orion Kerkering also made his single-A and Threshers debut on Wed, working a scoreless fifth and allowing only one hit to keep Clearwater in striking distance. Kerkering was a fifth round draft pick of the Phillies in July's draft from the University of South Florida... **SCORING ZERO**... Wednesday's 3-0 loss was the 13th time the Threshers have been shutout in 2022, second time by the Tarpons... **ON DECK:** Following this six-game set with the Tarpons, the Threshers will travel to Lakeland to battle the Flying Tigers in the final road series of the season August 30-Sept 4

Inside the Numbers:

Current Streak: L1

Last 10: 5-5

VS. Tampa: 14-6

At Home: 25-31

On Road: 29-30

In August: 10-10 (7-17 July)

On Thursday's: 8-7

Team hitting at home: .225

Team hitting on road: .225

Night games: 45-40

Day games: 9-21

Team hitting in August: .229

Team ERA in August: 4.76

Team hitting vs. LHP: .216

Team hitting vs. RHP: .228

Following a win: 29-24

Following a loss: 24-35

Starters ERA: 4.25

Bullpen ERA: 3.42



Diving Deeper - #58 RHP Starlyn Castillo

CASTILLO, STARLYN... RHP... B-T: R-R... HT: 6-0; WT: 215... BORN: February 24, 2002, Pimentel, DR... RESIDES: Santo Domingo, DR... HOW OBTAINED: Signed by Phillies as an amateur free agent, 7/2/18... SIGNED BY: Carlos Salas and Franklin Felida... 2021: Pitched for Clearwater (A)... In 3 starts, posted a 0.82 ERA (1 ER, 11.0 IP) with 12 strikeouts while allowing 6 hits and 2 walks... Held RHH to a .150/.261/.225 slash line (46 PA)... Was placed on the IL, 6/9, with a right elbow strain and missed the remainder of the season... 2020: Participated in Florida Instructional League... 2019: Began his professional career with Gulf Coast League Phillies East (R)... Participated in FIL... 2018: Participated in FIL.



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CLEARWATER THRESHERS LATEST TRANSACTIONS

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



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- 12-Aug RHP Daniel Harper assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League
- 12-Aug RHP Cam Wynne reinstated from 7-Day Injured List, activated by Clearwater Threshers
- 12-Aug RHP Jean Cabrera placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug RHP Eiberson Castellano placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug LHP Gabriel Cotto placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug RHP Buddy Hayward transferred to 60-Day Injured List (retroactive to 8/11)
- 12-Aug LHP Keylan Killgore on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 12-Aug C Anthony Quirion on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 12-Aug LHP Josh Hendrickson on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 16-Aug RHP Jack Dallas assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League (retroactive to 8/15)
- 16-Aug RHP Victor Vargas on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers (retroactive to 8/15)
- 16-Aug LHP Samuel Aldegheri reinstated from 60-Day Injured List, assigned to Florida Complex League (retroactive to 8/15)
- 17-Aug C Nick Matera on MiLB Rehab assigned to Clearwater Threshers
- 23-Aug LHP Jordan Fowler placed on Development List (retroactive to 8/21)
- 23-Aug INF Alexeis Azuaje placed on 7-Day Injured List (retroactive to 8/22)
- 24-Aug RHP Orion Kerkering assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League
- 24-Aug RHP Alex McFarlane assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League



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24-Aug RHP Alex Rao assigned to Clearwater Threshers from Florida Complex League

24-Aug RHP Alex Garbrick placed on Development List

24-Aug RHP Cam Wynne placed on Development List



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