



AKRON RUBBERDUCKS GAME NOTES

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Akron RubberDucks (9-9, 44-43)

vs Richmond Flying Squirrels (11-7, 44-43)

Cleveland Guardians Double-A

San Francisco Giants Double-A

LHP Doug Nixhazy (2-5, 3.66 ERA)

LHP Nick Swack (5-5, 6.44 ERA)

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Game 88, 2nd Half Game 19, Home Game 43, Night Game 65, Divisional Game 52

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July 20: Flying Squirrels 3, RubberDucks 2: Johnathan Rodriguez's launched a two-run home run in the bottom of the first, but Richmond scored twice in the top of the fifth to rally back in a rain shortened five innings victory.

Odor and Clark reach milestones: On June 18, the RubberDucks swept a doubleheader from the New Hampshire Fisher Cats. The win in the second game of the doubleheader was the 245th win for the RubberDucks with **Rouglas Odor** as manager, which passed **Brad Komminsk** for most in franchise history. Returning for a fourth season to Akron, Odor becomes the longest-tenured manager in franchise history. The RubberDucks also reached 2,500 as a franchise since moving to Ohio in 1989 (Canton 1989-1996, Akron 1997-present) with the sweep of the June 18 doubleheader. RubberDucks broadcaster **Jim Clark** is in his 30th season with the franchise starting. On July 7, Clark called his 3,500th game for the franchise.

J-Rod continues to crush: Outfielder **Johnathan Rodriguez** powered the RubberDucks offense for much of the first half. He led the RubberDucks (among qualified batters) with a .271 average and 11 homers. He ended the first half ninth in the Eastern League in total bases (109) while having the fifth most RBI (36) and extra-base hits (21) in the Guardians organization. In the second half, Rodriguez has continued his impressive offensive production. Rodriguez is batting .313 (15-for-48) with three home runs and eight RBI in 12 second half games. He is tied sixth in the Eastern League in homers, tied fifth in RBI, ninth in slugging percentage and fourth in hits and total bases.

Martinez and Tena heating up: **Jose Tena** and **Angel Martinez** are starting to heat up in the second half. In his first 16 second half games, Tena is batting .344/.431/.459 with 10 runs scored, six RBI and 10 walks. This hot start raised Tena's season average from .220 to .248. In 15 second half games, Martinez is batting .345/.439/.455 with nine runs scored, one home run, seven RBI and seven walks, which has raised his season average from .219 to .241.

Road sweet road: The RubberDucks offense has been terrorizing pitchers during road trips. Akron is batting .233/.331/.343 with 144 runs scored, 21 home runs and 132 RBI in 39 games at Canal Park. In 45 road games, the RubberDucks are batting .240/.337/.377 with 211 runs scored, 40 home runs and 190 RBI.

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

Saturday, July 22 7:05 p.m. RHP Jack Leftwich (4-4, 7.15 ERA)
Sunday, July 23 2:05 p.m. RHP Hunter Stanley (3-7, 5.35 ERA)
Tuesday, July 25 6:05 p.m. TBA
Wednesday, July 26 6:05 p.m. TBA

RubberDucks host Flying Squirrels: Akron is playing the second of three series with Richmond this season and first series in Bowie. The two teams split the first series between the two clubs at The Diamond. According to MLB.com, top prospects in this series include:

Guardians (MLB.com): #7 IF **Angel Martínez**, #12 OF **Petey Halpin**, #13 IF **Juan Brito**, #17 RHP **Tanner Burns**, #18 IF **José Tena**, #25 LHP **Doug Nixhazy**, #27 RHP **Jack Leftwich**, #30 LHP **Will Dion**

Giants (MLB.com): #4 LHP Carson Whisenhunt, #6 OF Vaun Brown, #15 RHP Carson Seymour, #24 RHP Ryan Murphy, #27 RHP Jose Cruz, #28 OF Wade Meckler

Gators in Akron: The RubberDucks pitching staff features three former Florida Gators. **Tommy Mace** (CB-B), **Jack Leftwich** (7th Round) and **Franco Aleman** (10th round) were all taken by Cleveland in 2021 draft after helping the Gators to 38-22 season and regional appearance. Mace led Florida in innings pitched that season while Leftwich and Aleman were third and fourth respectively in IP.

Former RubberDucks make MLB debuts: 10 recent RubberDucks have made MLB debuts in 2023. **Carlos Vargas** (2022) debuted with the Arizona Diamondbacks on Mar. 30 against the Los Angeles Dodgers striking out two and allowing a run. **Kevin Kelly** (2022) debuted for the Rays on April 1 allowing one run over two innings against the Detroit Tigers. **Tim Herrin** (2021-2022) debuted for the Guardians on April 2 against the Seattle Mariners and struck out the first four batters he faced (first pitcher since 1893 to face at least four hitters and strike them all out in his MLB debut). On April 12, **Peyton Battenfield** (2021) debuted against the New York Yankees and struck out three over 4.2 innings, allowing just one run. **Logan Allen** (2021-2022) struck out eight over six innings in a win for the Guardians over the Miami Marlins on April 23 in his debut. **Tanner Bibee** (2022 Eastern League Pitcher of the Year) debuted for Guardians on April 26 against the Colorado Rockies (W, 5.2IP, 1R, 8K). **Brayan Rocchio** (2021-22) made his debut with Cleveland on May 16 recording a hit against the Chicago White Sox. **Andruw Monasterio** (2019-21) made his debut with the Milwaukee Brewers on May 28. Akron's 2023 Opening Day starter **Gavin Williams** (2022-23) made his debut with Cleveland tossing five and two third innings with four strikeouts against the Oakland A's on June 21. **Jose Fermin** (2021) made his debut with the St. Louis Cardinals against the White Sox on July 7.

RUBBERDUCKS STARTING PITCHER

#29 Doug Nikhazy...LHP, 6-0, 205, Age 23 (8/11/99), Resides: Windermere, FL

Acquired: Selected by Cleveland out of the University of Mississippi in the second round of the July 2021 MLB Draft

Twitter: @DougNikhazy

Instagram: @dougNikhazy Throws: Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup

Entered the 2023 season as Cleveland's No. 30 prospect by MLB Pipeline.

2022

- Ranked as Cleveland's No. 28 prospect by MLB Pipeline.
- Came within a strike of a seven-inning no-hitter in Game 1 of a July 9 doubleheader in Fort Wayne, but he got a no-decision in a 3-2, eight-inning loss.
- Through his final High-A start, his 118 strikeouts ranked ninth in the Midwest League, and his 21 starts ranked tied for sixth.
- Promoted to Akron Aug. 29 and made three Double-A starts.
- Pitched 4.2 scoreless innings at Harrisburg on Sept. 9, allowing just one hit with nine strikeouts, as part of a combined 5-0, one-hit shutout.

College:

- Posted a 12-2 record with a 2.45 ERA in 16 games/15 starts at Ole Miss in 2021 (92.0IP, 62H, 25ER, 31BB, 142SO).
- Earned First Team All-American honors from ABCA/Rawlings, Baseball America, Collegiate Baseball, NCBWA and D1Baseball.
- Set an Ole Miss record for single-season wins (12) and finished second in program history for single-season strikeouts (142, fifth in NCAA), behind Lance Lynn's 146 in 2007.
- In 2021, he was a finalist for the C Spire Ferriss Trophy (awarded to the top collegiate baseball player in the state of Mississippi) and a semifinalist for the Golden Spikes Award.
- Was the second Ole Miss pitcher drafted in 2021, as RHP Gunnar Hoglund was drafted in the first round (No. 19 overall) by Toronto, which traded Hoglund to Oakland in the Matt Chapman deal in March 2022.
- Concluded his three-year college career with a 24-6 mark and a 2.81 ERA in 40 games/33 starts (204.2IP, 149H, 64ER, 73BB, 259SO).
- Recorded a one-hit shutout vs. Mississippi State and set an Ole Miss single-game record with 16 SO vs. Florida State at the Oxford Regional.
- Was a member of the Team USA Baseball Collegiate National Team in 2019
- Set an Ole Miss freshman record with 86 SO (previously 81 by Jeff Calhoun in 1977 and Drew Pomeranz in 2008) in 89.2 innings, earning Freshman All-American honors in 2019.
- Major in political science.

Amateur:

- Lettered all four years, playing right field and pitching, at West Orange High in Windermere, FL, under head coach Jessie Marlo.
- Was a two-time district champion in 2016 and 2017 that included a trip to the state final four in 2017.
- Was a member of the USA Baseball team in 2015.
- Was the student body president at West Orange High, a national debater, and a coordinator of West Orange dance marathon that raised \$80,000 for a children's miracle network.

MLB Pipeline Scouting Report (Preseason 2023):

Scouting grades: Fastball: 45 | Curveball: 55 | Slider: 55 | Changeup: 50 | Control: 45 | Overall: 40

Nikhazy baffles hitters with his breaking balls, a mid-70s curveball with big shape and a shorter mid-80s slider/cutter. His fastball features below-average velocity, sitting at 88-92 mph and topping out at 94, but he compensates by creating run and deception with his high three-quarters arm slot and quality extension. He also has an interesting changeup that ranges from 78-82 mph with tumble and fade.

Nikhazy doesn't excite radar guns but succeeds with a combination of fastball metrics, breaking ball spin rates, savvy and mound presence. He wasn't terribly wild in his debut but a tendency to nibble and try to be too fine with his pitches led to his walk rate soaring from 3.2 per nine innings in college to 6.9 in 2022. He's going to have to demonstrate much better control and command to make it as a starter.

Doug Nikhazy - Pitching - Game Log - 2023 - Regular Season (RubberDucks Record in Starts: 8-4, Runs/Game: 3.44)

Date	GM #	Team	Opp	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S	AKR Result
4/7/23		AKR	ERI	0	0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.2	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	3	3.60	.250	8	0	0	0	12	57 - 33	W, 6-4
4/12/23		AKR	@BOW	0	0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	1.93	.167	10	0	0	0	12	48 - 29	L, 1-2
4/19/23		AKR	HBG	0	0	3.68	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.2	1	3	3	1	0	7	0	2	2.32	.160	7	0	0	1	16	62 - 27	W, 5-3
4/27/23	1	AKR	@BNG	0	0	4.35	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.0	2	2	2	1	0	4	0	2	2.23	.167	11	1	0	0	15	64 - 38	W, 5-2
April		AKR		0	0	4.35	4	2	0	0	0	0	10.1	6	7	5	2	0	17	0	10	2.23	.167	36	1	0	1	55	231 - 127	
Date	GM #	Team	Opp	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S	AKR Result
5/5/23	2	AKR	POR	0	0	3.77	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.0	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	3	1.95	.160	14	0	0	0	17	72 - 40	W, 2-1 (7)
5/11/23		AKR	@ALT	0	0	3.44	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.0	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	5	1.80	.156	14	0	0	0	17	60 - 32	W, 4-2
5/18/23		AKR	@RIC	1	0	2.70	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	3	1	0	0	0	4	0	9	1.71	.159	18	0	0	0	22	82 - 46	W, 10-2
5/24/23		AKR	BOW	0	1	3.10	1	0	0	0	0	0	5.2	7	5	3	1	0	1	0	10	1.66	.190	23	0	0	0	25	88 - 64	L, 0-9
5/30/23		AKR	HFD	0	1	3.82	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.0	7	4	4	0	0	2	0	1	1.73	.221	17	0	0	0	20	81 - 51	L, 5-7
May		AKR		1	2	3.57	5	4	0	0	0	0	22.2	21	12	9	1	0	13	0	28	1.50	.244	86	0	0	1	101	383 - 233	
Date	GM #	Team	Opp	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S	AKR Result
6/4/23		AKR	HFD	0	0	3.55	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	3	1	1	0	1	2	0	6	1.63	.216	17	0	0	1	20	76 - 44	W, 3-1
6/10/23		AKR	@POR	1	0	3.48	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	8	1.48	.206	21	0	0	0	21	85 - 60	W, 5-2
6/16/23		AKR	@NH	0	1	3.49	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	11	1.41	.199	16	1	0	0	19	92 - 55	L, 0-2
6/22/23		AKR	BNG	0	1	4.10	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.2	8	5	5	1	0	2	0	5	1.50	.222	18	0	0	0	20	85 - 49	L, 2-8
6/30/23	1	AKR	@ERI	0	0	3.75	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	3	0	0	0	0	5	0	6	1.51	.218	17	1	0	1	22	94 - 56	W, 1-0 (8)
June		AKR		1	2	3.65	5	5	0	0	0	0	24.2	19	10	10	2	1	11	0	36	1.22	.213	89	2	0	2	102	432 - 264	
Date	GM #	Team	Opp	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S	AKR Result
7/6/23		AKR	HBG	0	0	3.75	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.2	3	2	2	1	0	3	0	6	1.49	.213	19	0	0	0	22	98 - 58	W, 6-3
7/15/23		AKR	@BOW	0	1	3.66	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.0	2	1	1	1	0	4	0	3	1.49	.210	13	0	0	0	17	70 - 37	L, 0-1
July		AKR		0	1	3.12	2	2	0	0	0	0	8.2	5	3	3	2	0	7	0	9	1.38	.156	32	0	0	0	39	168 - 95	
Total		AKR	AA	2	5	3.66	16	13	0	0	0	0	66.1	51	32	27	7	1	48	0	83	1.49	.210	243	3	0	4	297	1214 - 719	

Doug Nikhazy - Pitching - Career - Regular Season

Season	League	Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S
2022	A+	LC	4	4	3.19	21	21	0	0	0	0	93.0	59	37	33	8	6	68	0	118	1.37	.182	324	8	0	9	402	1693 - 993
2022	AA	AKR	0	2	11.57	3	3	0	0	0	0	9.1	14	12	12	1	0	11	0	10	2.68	.359	39	0	0	0	51	218 - 121
2022	Minors	2 Teams	4	6	3.96	24	24	0	0	0	0	102.1	73	49	45	9	6	79	0	128	1.49	.201	363	8	0	9	453	1911 - 1114
2023	AA	AKR	2	5	3.66	16	13	0	0	0	0	66.1	51	32	27	7	1	48	0	83	1.49	.210	243	3	0	4	297	1214 - 719
Career	AA	AKR	2	7	4.64	19	16	0	0	0	0	75.2	65	44	39	8	1	59	0	93	1.64	.230	282	3	0	4	348	1432 - 840
Career	A+	LC	4	4	3.19	21	21	0	0	0	0	93.0	59	37	33	8	6	68	0	118	1.37	.182	324	8	0	9	402	1693 - 993
Career	Minors	2 Teams	6	11	3.84	40	37	0	0	0	0	168.2	124	81	72	16	7	127	0	211	1.49	.205	606	11	0	13	750	3125 - 1833

Highs	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WP	BK	TBF	NP
2023	6.0 (6/10@POR)	8 (6/22vBNG)	5 (multiple)	5 (6/22vBNG)	1 (multiple)	0	7 (4/19vHBG)	0	11 (6/16@NH)	1 (4/27@BNG)	0	25 (5/24vBOW)	98 (7/6vHBG)
Career	6.2 (multiple)	8 (6/22/23)	7 (9/3/22)	7 (9/3/22)	2 (5/14vGL)	2 (6/18/22)	7 (4/19/23)	0	11 (multiple)	1 (multiple)	0	26 (8/11/22)	98 (7/6/23)

2023 RUBBERDUCKS FIELD STAFF

#24 Rouglas Odor, *Manager (Fourth Season)* – Odor, 55, is in his 36th season with the Cleveland organization as a player, coach and manager. The 2023 season is Odor's fourth as RubberDucks manager, making him the longest-tenured Akron manager. Odor led Akron to a 79-59 record in 2022. He guided Akron to the Double-A Northeast championship and a 73-46 record in 2021 and was named Double-A Northeast Manager of the Year. Odor also led the RubberDucks to a 61-79 record in 2019. He enters the 2023 season 213-184 as RubberDucks manager. Odor enters 2023 ranked fourth all-time in franchise managerial wins.

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 Rougnd Odor.

#30 Brad Goldberg, *Pitching Coach (First Season)* — Brad Golberg, 33, enters his second season with the Guardians and first with the RubberDucks. In 2022, Goldberg served as a pitching development coach on the Arizona Complex staff.

A native of Beachwood, Ohio, Goldberg pitched at the Ohio State University before being a 10th round selection of the Chicago White Sox in the 2013 draft. He spent six years between the White Sox and Diamondbacks systems, appearing in 200 games. Goldberg made his Major League debut with the White Sox in 2017 with 11 relief outings.

#28 Mike Mergenthaler, *Hitting Coach (Third Season, First as Hitting Coach)* — Mergenthaler, 34, enters his seventh year with the Guardians organization and third season with Akron. Mergenthaler spent 2022 as Akron's assistant hitting coach after serving as the bench coach for the RubberDucks in 2021.

Prior to coming to Akron, Mergenthaler was the bench coach with Lynchburg in 2019. In 2017 and 2018, Mergenthaler worked as a hitting coach for the Cleveland and Milwaukee joint Dominican Summer League team. The Thiells, New York, native was a 32nd round pick of the San Francisco Giants in the 2011 draft out of the University of Richmond. In two professional seasons, he hit .252 in 102 games.

#1 Ian Forster, *Assistant Hitting Coach (First Season)* — Forster enters his fourth season in the Guardians organization and first season with the RubberDucks. Prior to coming to Akron, Forster spent 2022 as the hitting development coach on the Arizona Complex staff.

A graduate of North Olmsted High School, Forster played four years at Baldwin Wallace University in Berea, graduating in 2018.

#4 Daniel Robertson, *Bench Coach (First Season)* – Robertson, 37, enters his second season in the Guardians organization and first season in Akron. Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Robertson spent 2022 as the bench coach for Single-A Lynchburg.

A native of West Covina, California, Robertson was a 33rd round pick in the 2008 draft by the San Diego Padres out of Oregon State University. Robertson played 12 professional seasons including 148 Major League games. He appeared in 32 games as an outfielder for Cleveland in 2017.

Jacob Legan, *Athletic Trainer (Third Season)* — Legan is in his 10th season in the Cleveland organization and third 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, his master's degree in Exercise Physiology from the University of Akron and his Doctor of Athletic Training from Temple University.

Mo Cuevas, *Strength and Conditioning Coach (First Season)* – Cuevas enters his eighth season with the Guardians organization and first season in Akron. Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Cuevas served as the rehab strength and conditioning coach in 2022.

Zach Block, *Baseball Technology Fellow (Second Season)* – Block returns to Akron after serving in the same role in 2022. Since graduating with a bachelor's degree from the University of Miami in 2015, Block has worked in the Cincinnati Reds, Toronto Blue Jays, Los Angeles Angels and Washington Nationals organizations. He earned his master's degree in sports analytics and management in 2022.

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.

#2 MIKE AMDITIS C, R/R University of Miami
Twitter: @Mamditis IG: @m_amditis2 2019 (21st round)
Last (7/16@BOW) 0-3, bb, 3k **Streak** -1 (0-3, bb, 3k)
Series '23 Long Hit 3 (5/28-6/10)
R-Trip 0-3, bb, 3k '23 Long OBS 4 (4/7-15)
'23/Career High: 2/4 H, 1/2 R, 0/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 3/3 RBI, 0/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 130 g, .208, 7 hr, 57 rbi, 1 sb, .650 ops
2022 Highlights:

- Played 56 games for High-A Lake County, had career-high 26 RBI, hitting .184 with 8 doubles, 2 HR, 29 BB, .303 OBP, .573 OPS.
- **2021:** Played 34 games for High-A Lake County (.192, 7 doubles, 4 HR, 14 RBI, .675 OPS)...Missed nearly two months with injury, played 4 rehab games with ACL affiliate...Played in the Arizona Fall League.
- **2019:** Made pro debut with 36 games for AZL affiliate (.252, HR, 15 RBI, .748 OPS).
- **College:** Drafted following his redshirt sophomore season at Miami...Was slated as team's starting catcher as a true freshman in 2017 before a broken bone in his leg ended his season...Served as a team captain in 2019...In three seasons, totaled 81 games, .263, 7 HR, 41 RBI, .738 OPS.
- **High School:** Attended Boca Raton High School...Won gold medal with Team USA at 2015 World Baseball Softball Confederation 18U World Cup in Japan...One of the top high school catchers in the 2016 class (*Baseball America* No. 200 draft-eligible player) before he tore the labrum in his throwing shoulder and missed his senior season...Drafted by Cleveland in the 37th round but did not sign...In high school, he lost both his uncle and grandfather due to tragic accidents...His father, Michael, who had been sick with diabetes, died at age 57 in June 2016, shortly after Mike was first drafted.

#39 BRYCE BALL IF, L/R Mason City, IA
Twitter: @bryceball_05 IG: @bryceball_05 2023 FA
Last **Streak**
Series '23 Long Hit 4 (multiple)
R-Trip Did not appear '23 Long OBS 16 (4/18-5/16)
'23/Career High: 3/3 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 4/6 RBI, 1/1 SB
4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 352 g, .253, 42 hr, 208 rbi, 2 sb, .783 ops

- Played in four Cubs Spring Training games (2-for-6)...Played in 52 games between High-A South Bend and Double-A Tennessee batting .214 with one home run and 28 RBI...Released on July 4....Signed by Cleveland July 20.
- **2022:** Played in two Cubs Spring Training games going 2-for-5....Played 131 games for Double-A Tennessee batting .265 with 11 homers and 76 RBI
- **2021:** Played in 15 Atlanta Spring Training games going 5-for-21 with 2RBI...Opened season with Rome (Braves High-A) as Atlanta's No.12 prospect (MLB Pipeline)...Appeared in 54 games batting .206 with six homers and 31 RBI...Traded to Chicago on July 15 for Joc Pederson...Played in 53 games for High-A South Bend after the trade batting .207 with seven homers and 21 RBI.
- **2020:** Played in 10 Braves Spring Training games going 3-for-16 with one home run and one RBI.
- **2019:** Drafted by Atlanta in 24th round out of Dallas Baptist...Made professional debut with Danville (Rookie-A) batting .324 with 13HR, 38RBI in 41 games...Earned Appy League Postseason All-Star honors and Baseball America Rookie Appy League All-Star honors...Finished season playing 21 games for Rome (Single-A) batting .337 with 4HR and 14RBI...Named 2019 MiLB.com Organization All-Star.
- **College:** Played in 63 games for Dallas Baptist in 2019 batting .325 with 18HR, 54RBI...Earned NCBWA First Team and ABCA Second Team All-American honors and 1st Team All-MVC honors...Two-time National Player of the Week in 2019...Spent first two college seasons at North Iowa Area CC earning NJCAA Frst Tema All-Region and All-District Team honors as a freshman in 2017 batting .429 with 22 doubles before batting .294 with 14HR and 44RBI as a sophomore in 2018.
- **High School:** Four-year high school letterman at Newman Catholic High School (IA)...Named Rawlings-Perfect Game Honorable Mention All-American after his senior season...Earned First Team All-State honors in 2015 and 2016.

#6 MICHAEL BERGLUND C, L/R Texas Tech, Cisco JC
Twitter: IG: @Mikebergg4 2022 Rule 5 (TB)
Last (7/20vRIC) 0-1, bb **Streak** -1 (0-1, bb)
Series 1-4, bb, 2k '23 Long Hit 3 (multiple)
R-Trip 0-3, k '23 Long OBS 12 (4/27-5/26)
'23/Career High: 2/3 H, 1/2 R, 1/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 2/3 RBI, 0/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 156 g, .226, 5 hr, 59 rbi, 7 sb, .679 ops

- Originally drafted by Tampa Bay in the eighth round of the 2018 Draft.
- 2022 Highlights:**
- Began the season with 20 games for Single-A Charleston (.254, 4 RBI, .753 OPS)
- Joined Double-A Montgomery for 2 games (1-for-4, 2K) before going to High-A.
- For High-A Bowling Green, played 47 games (.224, 4 HR, 12 RBI, .724 OPS).
- **2021:** After missing 2019 (injury) and 2020 (COVID), played 50 games for Single-A Charleston (.196, HR, 26 RBI, .581 OPS)...Hit first career home run July 10 at Columbia.
- **2018:** Made pro debut with 34 games for GCL Rays (.257, 14 RBI, .722 OPS)...played 1 game for Princeton (rookie) (1-for-4, R, BB)...Played 2 games for short-season Hudson Valley (1-for-5, 2 R, 2 RBI, 4 BB).
- **College:** Played freshman season at Texas Tech and was an All-Big 12 Freshman (50 G, .307, 2 HR, 27 RBI, .760 OPS)...Transferred to Cisco (TX) College for his sophomore year (58 G, .387, 11 HR, 61 RBI, 1.146 OPS)...Had planned transfer to Arizona for junior year before signing with Tampa Bay.
- **High School:** Attended Mary Carroll High School in Corpus Christi, TX.

#45 AARON BRACHO IF, L/R El Tigre, VZ
Twitter: IG: @aaronbracho3 2017 FA
Last (7/20vRIC) 0-1, bb **Streak** -2 (0-4, bb)
Series 1-8, bi, 2bb '23 Long Hit 8 (6/21-30)
R-Trip 0-4, bi, 3bb, k, sf, sb '23 Long OBS 8 (6/21-30)
'23/Career High: 2/3 H, 2/2 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 2/2 HR, 5/5 RBI, 1/1 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 188 g, .201, 23 hr, 94 rbi, 6 sb, .670 ops

- Career switch hitter until early this season...batting only left-handed since April 12.
- 2022 Highlights:**
- With High-A Lake County, posted career highs in games (80), hits (48), doubles (13), and RBI (45), while hitting .184 with 8 HR, .605 OPS.
- **2021:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 15 prospect (MLB.com)...Played 70 games for High-A Lake County (.174, 9 doubles, 7 HR, 27 RBI, .568 OPS).
- **2020:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 9 prospect (MLB.com)...Was Cleveland's youngest player (19) participating in the Alternate Training Site at Lake County.
- **2019:** Played 30 games in pro debut with AZL affiliate (.296, 6 HR, 29 RBI, .593 SLG, 1.009 OPS)...Missed a month with an oblique injury...played 8 games with short-season Mahoning Valley (6-for-27, 2 HR, 4 RBI, .825 OPS).
- **2018:** Fractured his right arm in May that postponed his professional debut.
- **2017:** Ranked among top 30 international prospects (MLB.com)...Reportedly received the largest signing bonus in Cleveland's international class (\$1.5 million).

#22 JUAN BRITO IF, S/R Santo Domingo, DR
Twitter: IG: @juan_m_brito 2022 Trade (COL)
Last (7/20vRIC) 1-2, d **Streak** +4 (4-12, 2r, d, hr, 4bi, 2bb,3k)
Series 3-8, 2r, d, hr, 3bi, bb, k, hp, cs '23 Long Hit 11 (5/21-6/4)
R-Trip 4-12, 3r, d, hr, 3bi, 2bb, 5k, 2sb '23 Long OBS 17 (4/11-5/5)
'23/Career High: 4/4 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 4/6 RBI, 2/4 SB
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 169 g, .295, 17 hr, 109 rbi, 34 sb, .875 ops

- Promoted to Akron from Lake County (High-A) on May 26 after batting .265 with 4 HR, 14 RBI, 24 BB, 21 K, .803 OPS...Entered Akron on a three-game hitting streak and proceeded to hit safely in eight games with the Ducks to go 19-for-43, 4D, 2HR, 9RBI in those 11 games.
- Played in 14 Guardians Spring Training games (2-for-14, 6R, D, 10BB, 1K).
- 2022 Highlights:**
- Played 107 games for Single-A Fresno batting .286 with 11 home runs, 72 RBI, 17 stolen bases, 78BB, 71K and .877 OPS...Named California League All-Star at second base...Ranked as #30 prospect for the Rockies during the season (MLB.com)...Acquired by Cleveland on Nov. 15, 2022 for Nolan Jones.
- **2021:** Played 27 games with AZL Rockies batting .295 with 20 runs scored, 3 home runs, 11 RBI, 15BB, 21K and .838 OPS.
- **2019:** Pro debut with DSL affiliate (35 G, .328, 3HR, 26 RBI, 17 SB, .403 OBP, 16 BB, 15K).
- **2018:** Signed with the Colorado Rockies as an international free agent.

#11 PETEY HALPIN OF, L/R Mira Costa (CA) HS
Twitter: @peteyhalpin IG: @peteyhalpin 2020 (3rd round)
Last (7/20vRIC) 1-3, r, 2k, sb **Streak** +1 (1-3, r, 2k)
Series 2-9, 3r, 4bb, 4k, sb '23 Long Hit 6 (5/26-6/1)
R-Trip 2-13, 2r, d, bb, 6k '23 Long OBS 12 (6/4-20)
'23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 2/3 RBI, 2/2 SB
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 159 g, .274, 7 hr, 54 rbi, 27 sb, .753 ops

- Entered the season ranked as Cleveland's No. 17 prospect (MLB.com).
- Played in six Guardians Spring Training games (2-for-10, double, 2 R, 3 RBI, 3 BB).
- 2022 Highlights:**
- Played 105 games with High-A Lake County...hit .262, 6 HR, 36 RBI, .346 OBP, .385 SLG, 68 runs (T-6th in MWL) ...Led team with 4 triples, tied team leads with 100 hits and 21 doubles.
- One of the youngest regulars in the Midwest League (turned 20 in May).
- Reached base in 30 straight games June 24-Aug. 10, second-longest in the league.
- Played 60 straight errorless games April 14-July 4
- **2021:** Made pro debut with 54 games for Single-A Lynchburg...Hit .294 with 1 HR, 18 RBI, 34 runs, 14 doubles, six triples (T-4th in Low-A East), .363 OBP, .425 SLG.
- **2020:** Signed with Cleveland...had been committed to Texas for college.
- **High School:** Attended Mira Costa High School (Manhattan Beach, CA)...Played in the inaugural Prospect Development Pipeline League in 2019, leading the showcase with eight runs and six steals in nine games...Competed in the inaugural High School MLB All-Star Game in Cleveland in 2019...Native of San Mateo, CA.

#15 KOREY HOLLAND OF, R/R Langham Creek (TX) HS
Twitter: @holland_korey IG: 2018 (14th round)
Last (7/20vRIC) 0-2, 2k **Streak** -2 (0-4, bb, 2k)
Series 1-8, d, bi, 2bb, 5k, 2sb '23 Long Hit 9 (5/5-20)
R-Trip 1-9, bb, 3k, cs '23 Long OBS 9 (5/5-20)
'23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/3 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 5/5 RBI, 1/4 SB
4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 227 g, .230, 16 hr, 89 rbi, 28 sb, .678 ops

- Joined Akron from the Arizona Complex on May 5 and begun his Double-A career with a nine-game hitting streak (13 hits, 2 HR, 8 RBI).
- **2022:** Played 80 games for High-A Lake County (.217, 15 2B, 3 3B, 9 HR, 32 RBI, 6 SB).
- **2021:** Played 68 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.252, 7 2B, 3 3B, 6 HR, 24 RBI, 10 SB).
- **2019:** Hit .212 with 4 doubles, 3 triples, 1 homer, 11 RBI in 48 games for Mahoning Valley.
- **2018:** Drafted by Cleveland in the 14th Round...had been committed to Texas for college. Made pro debut in AZL, batting .245 with 3 doubles, 1 triple and 12 RBI in 31 games.
- **High School:** Attended Langham Creek High School...Named to USA Today's ALL-USA Texas Baseball Team...No. 2-ranked OF and 15th ranked overall player in Texas by Perfect Game...Native of Houston, TX.

#9 CONNOR KOKX OF, R/R Long Beach State

Twitter: @connorkokx IG: @connorkokx 2021 (12th round)

Last (7/18vRIC) 0-5, 4k Streak -2 (0-8, 6k)
 Series 0-5, 4k '23 Long Hit 4 (multiple)
 R-Trip 1-7, r, 5k '23 Long OBS 10 (4/14-5/5)
 '23/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/3 R, 1/1 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 1/3 RBI, 2/2 SB

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 103 g, .235, 8 hr, 32 rbi, 17 sb, .729 ops

- Played in eight Guardians Spring Training games (3-for-10, double, 4 R, RBI, BB).
- 2022 Highlights:**
 - Played 88 games with High-A Lake County...hit .234 with 7 HR, 28 RBI, 50 runs, 11 doubles, two triples, .350 OBP, .366 SLG...1 error all season, no errors in last 65 G.
 - Played for Peoria in the Arizona Fall League (18 G, .283, 3 doubles, 0 HR, 6 RBI).
 - **2021:** Pro debut with ACL affiliate (15 G, .238, HR, 4 RBI, .429 OBP)
 - **College:** Drafted after his third-year redshirt freshman season at Long Beach State (injury-shortened 2019, COVID-shortened 2020)...Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-American who led team in average (.366, program's highest since 2010), OBP (.481, program's highest since 2008), runs (37), hits (59), BB (24), HBP (16) and SB (14), T-1st in total bases (92)... Named a 2021 All-Big West First Team member.
 - **High School:** Attended Aliso Niguel High School...Started 120 games over four years, starting at seven positions in high school (all except P & 1B)...Set school records for HBP (20) and SB (23) as a senior.

#13 ANGEL MARTÍNEZ IF, S/R Santo Domingo, DR

Twitter: IG: @Martinez03 2018 FA

Last (7/20vRIC) 0-3, k Streak -2 (0-6, 2k)
 Series 1-10, r, bi, bb, 3k, hp '23 Long Hit 12 (5/24-6/7)
 R-Trip 5-11, 2r, hr, 3bi, 2bb, hp, sb '23 Long OBS 15 (6/29-7/18)
 '23/Career High: 4/4 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 1/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/3 SB

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 254 g, .270, 21 hr, 117 rbi, 36 sb, .787 ops

- Entered the season ranked as the No. 10 Guardians prospect by MLB Pipeline.
- Ranked as "Best Strike Zone Discipline" in Cleveland system by *Baseball America*.
- **2022:** Played 77 games for High-A Lake County (.288, 10 HR, 27 RBI, .861 OPS). Transferred to Akron on Aug. 20 and hit .244 with 3 HR, 17 RBI, .808 OPS in 24 games.
- **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).

#8 MICAEL RAMIREZ C, R/R Miranda, VZ

Twitter: IG: @alejand 5 2017 FA

Last (7/20vRIC) 0-2 Streak -1 (0-2)
 Series 1-6, 2r, bb '23 Long Hit 5 (7/1-14)
 R-Trip 2-11, 2bb, 4k '23 Long OBS 9 (6/20-7/14)
 '23/Career High: 2/4 H, 2/4 R, 1/3 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 3/6 RBI, 1/1 SB

5-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 219 g, .266, 7 hr, 91 rbi, 7 sb, .709 ops

- Promoted to Akron on July 3...Appeared in 36 games with High-A Lake County batting .242 with three homers and 18 RBI while stealing two bases.
- **2022:** Played in 73 games with High-A Lake County batting .210 with three homers and 22 RBI
- **2021:** Split the season between AZL Cleveland and Single-A Lynchburg. Played in 17 games for AZL Cleveland batting .429 with no homers and 13 RBI...Appeared in 30 games for Lynchburg batting .225 with three doubles and 9 RBI.
- **2019:** Appeared in 16 games for Cleveland Red of the AZL. Hit .313 with three doubles and six RBI.
- **2018:** Appeared in 24 games for AZL Cleveland 2 batting .338 with a home run, 9 RBI and a stolen base.
- **2017:** Signed as an amateur free agent on May 29...Made his professional debut for DSL appearing in 23 games batting .304 with eight doubles and 14 RBI.

#35 GABRIEL RODRÍGUEZ IF, R/R El Tejero, Monagas, VZ

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Last (7/19vRIC) 0-3, k Streak -4 (0-14, bb, 6k)
 Series 0-3, k '23 Long Hit 8 (5/9-21)
 R-Trip 0-4, 4k '23 Long OBS 9 (5/6-21)
 '23/Career High: 2/4 H, 3/4 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/2 SB

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 247 g, .248, 15 hr, 111 rbi, 11 sb, .677 ops

- 2022 Highlights:**
 - Entered season ranked as Cleveland's No. 21/30 prospect (*Baseball America*/MLB.com)
 - In 94 games for High-A Lake County, had career highs in average (.272, fifth in Midwest League), HR (9), SLG (.416, second on team), runs (45), and OPS (.759)...had 15 doubles, 2 triples, 38 RBI, .343 OBP.
 - Did not play after Aug. 27 (shoulder surgery for a torn right labrum).
 - **2021:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 15 prospect (MLB.com)...Played 97 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.236, 3 HR, 34 RBI, 18 doubles, .602 OPS).
 - **2019:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 10 prospect (MLB.com & *Baseball America*)...Played 56 games for rookie affiliates (38 G in DSL, 18 G in AZL), totaling .231 average, 3 HR, 39 RBI, .682 OPS.
 - **2018:** Signed with Cleveland as a 16-year-old in July, reportedly for franchise-record bonus for an international position player (\$2.1 million).

#10 JOHNATHAN RODRÍGUEZ OF, R/R C. Beltran Baseball Acad

Twitter: @jjrodz55 IG: @johnny_245 2017 (3rd round)

Last (7/20vRIC) 1-1, r, hr, 2bi, bb Streak +4 (4-13, 2r, hr, 5bi, 2bb, 5k)
 Series 3-8, 2r, hr, 5bi, 2bb, 2k, cs '23 Long Hit 14 (6/22-7/6)
 R-Trip 3-14, 2r, d, hr, 3bi, 3k '23 Long OBS 16 (5/5-25)
 '23/Career High: 4/4 H, 2/5 R, 1/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 2/2 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/1 SB

5-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 334 g, .272, 40 hr, 178 rbi, 19 sb, .791 ops

- Named "Best Outfield Arm" in Cleveland system by *Baseball America* for sixth straight year (2018-23).
- 14 game hitting streak from June 22-July 6 (18-50, 7r, 2d, t, 3hr, 7bi).
- 2022 Highlights:**
 - 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).
 - Appeared in 28 games for Akron after promotion, batting .206 with 5 HR and 15 RBI.
 - **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 Manatí 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).

#7 JOSÉ TENA IF, L/R San Cristobal, DR

Twitter: IG: @joseluistena20 2017 FA

Last (7/20vRIC) 1-3, 2k, sb Streak +1 (1-3, 2k)
 Series 3-10, 2r, d, bi, 2bb, 4k, hp, sb '23 Long Hit 7 (7/7-18)
 R-Trip 5-10, 3r, 4bb, 2k '23 Long OBS 12 (5/9-21)
 '23/Career High: 2/3 H, 2/4 R, 2/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 3/4 RBI, 2/2 SB

4-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 334 g, .286, 32 hr, 167 rbi, 34 sb, .765 ops

- Entered the season as Cleveland's No. 24 prospect (MLB.com).
- Earned Eastern League Player of the Week honors for Week 9 (May 30-June 4) after going 11-for-25 with 2 doubles, a triple, home run and 6 RBI against Hartford.
- 2022 Highlights:**
 - Played in 127 games, batting .264, 13 HR, 66 RBI, eight stolen bases, .710 OPS, with an Eastern League-leading 136 hits – the most by a RubberDuck since 2015 (Yandy Diaz, 150) and first Akron player to lead the league since Jordan Brown in 2007 (161).
 - Promoted to Triple-A Columbus and appeared in five games batting .368 with one homer and two RBI.
 - **2021:** 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.

#43 FRANCO ALEMAN Twitter: [\[Twitter\]](#) IG: [\[IG\]](#)
 RHP: FB, SL, SI vs. 1st Batter (EL): 0-4 (.000), 2k Inherited Runners-Scored: 4-0 (0%)
1-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 24/8 g/gs, 3-10, 6.31 ERA, 1/2 sv, 55.2 ip, 75 k, .292, 1.56 whip
 Opened season with Lake County (High-A) going 2-2 with a 5.52 ERA in 20 appearances. Two saves and 46 strikeouts over 31 innings pitched...Promoted to Akron on July 1.
2022: Spent season with Lynchburg (Single-A) making 24 appearances (8 starts) going 3-10 with a 6.31 ERA, one save, 75 strikeouts to just 18 walks over 55.2 innings pitched.
Amateur: 10th round pick by Cleveland (306th overall) out of Florida (third member of '21 Gators selected by Cleveland)...Made 23 appearances and 9 starts for Florida in 2021 going 2-4 with a 5.74 ERA and four saves over 69.0 innings pitched while striking out 65 and only walking 21...Went to St. Johns River State in 2020 making seven starts going 3-1, 3.26 ERA, 51SO over 38.1IP...Started college career at FIU making 12 starts and two relief appearances going 3-5 with a 3.97 ERA, 53SO over 65.2IP...Graduated from Alonzo High School (Tampa, FL) where he was All-State First Team after going 9-1 with a 0.59 ERA and 106SO over 72IP as a senior...Also attended Columbia HS (Lake City, FL) where he was All-State in baseball and soccer.
Personal: Born in Cuba. His father Omar was a dentist that chose to work in Venezuela as part of a Cuba-Venezuela Alliance. Father defected to the United States and was able to claim Franco and other immediate family members to come to the United States under a program. Franco was 11 when he came to Tampa, FL in 2011. His parents had him watch American TV and listen to American music to help learn American culture ([Tampa Bay Times](#)).

**Recent EL Outings (4 scoreless of 4 overall)
4 straight scoreless outings (7.1 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/19	RIC	S 1.1	0	0	0	0	3	0	2-0
7/14	@BOW	H 1.2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
7/6	HBG	W 2.1	2	0	0	1	3	0	2-0
7/2	@ERI	2.0	1	0	0	1	3	0	0-0

#38 TREY BENTON Twitter: [@TreyBenton12](#) IG: [@treybenton](#)
 RHP: FB,SL,SW,CB vs. 1st Batter (EL): 6-23 (.261), hr,2bb,10k,hplInherited Runners-Scored: 12-4 (33.3%)
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 57/0 g/gs, 3-5, 3.58 ERA, 13/18 sv, 60.1 ip, 76 k, .192, 1.59 whip
2022: Split the season between Single-A Lynchburg (13 G, 1-2, 4/6 saves, 1.13 ERA, 16 IP, 6 BB, 27 K, 0.69 WHIP, .094 avg) and High-A Lake County (26 G, 2-1, 8/11 saves, 2.63 ERA, 27.1 IP, 20 BB, 25 K, 1.61 WHIP, .231 avg).
2021: Appeared in 18 games for Lynchburg going 0-2 with a 7.41 ERA, 1/1 saves, 29BB, 24 K over 17 innings pitched.
2019: Had reconstructive surgery on right elbow (Tommy John surgery) during junior collegiate season, before being drafted by Cleveland in the 15th round out of East Carolina...Rehabbed with the Guardians organization.
Amateur: Pitched 49 games (26 starts) at East Carolina (2017-19)...Was 11-9 with a 3.72 ERA and 170 strikeouts over 164.2 innings pitched...Teammate with Gavin Williams at East Carolina (2018-19) and in summer of 2018 for the Bourne Braves in the Cape Cod League...Also a college teammate with Seth Caddell...Attended West Columbus (NC) High School.

**Recent EL Outings (17 scoreless of 26 overall)
1 straight scoreless outings (2.1 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/18	RIC	2.1	2	0	0	1	3	0	2-1
7/16	@BOW	L 0.1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0-0
7/9	HBG	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
7/6	HBG	1.0	2	0	0	1	2	0	0-0
6/30-2	@ERI	1.0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0-0

#16 ROSS CARVER Twitter: [@RossCarver11](#) IG: [@rosscarver26](#)
 RHP: FB,CB,SL,CH vs. 1st Batter (relief) 0-1 (.000), k Inherited Runners-Scored: 0-0 (-%)
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 32/24 g/gs, 4-12, 4.91 ERA, 1 sv, 139.1 ip, 161 k
2022: Recorded 128 strikeouts in 117.1 ip, tied for the sixth most strikeouts in Arizona system...Pitched at least five innings in 12 of 15 starts for the High-A Hillsboro Hops...Named Northwest League Pitcher of the Week for his five no-hit innings for Hillsboro at Eugene on May 6...Made his Double-A debut July 31 for the Amarillo Sod Poodles vs. Corpus Christi and allowed eight runs (three home runs) in 3.1 IP...Earned wins for Amarillo on Aug. 18 at Midland (6IP, 6H, 1ER, 2BB, 2K) and Sept. 11 vs Arkansas (6IP, 3H, 1R, 1BB, 5K).
2021: Began the summer with the Eau Claire of the Northwoods League (5 games) before signing with the Diamondbacks. After being drafted appeared with Single-A Visalia.
College: Pitched first two seasons for Crowder (MO College)...Earned first-team All-Region honors as a sophomore when he was 8-2 in 12 starts (64.1IP, 113K). Drafted by the Texas Rangers in the 23rd round of the 2019 draft but did not sign...Pitched in 2020 and 2021 for Dallas Baptist University combined 17 relief outings (19 IP, 2-1, 4.74 ERA, 10BB, 20K, .217 avg).
High School: Graduated from Benton High School (AR). Named the No. 17 overall prospect in 2017 class in the state of Arkansas by Perfect Game.

**Recent EL Outings (1 scoreless of 8 overall)
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/14*	@BOW	2.2	7	5	4	1	4	3	0-0
7/5	HBG	W 4.0	4	1	1	1	5	0	0-0
6/29*	@ERI	L 1.2	7	8	8	2	2	0	0-0
6/21*	BNG	3.0	1	1	1	1	5	0	0-0
4/28*	@BNG	L 3.0	2	2	2	1	3	0	0-0

#34 BRADLEY HANNER Twitter: [@Bradleyhanner3](#) IG: [@bhanner99](#)
 RHP: FB, SL, CH vs. 1st Batter (EL): 7-23 (.304),bi,bb,4k,3hb Inherited Runners-Scored: 14-5 (35.7%)
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 76/2 g/gs, 11-8, 5.39 ERA, 5/8 sv, 127.0 ip, 144 k, .231, 1.42 whip
 Acquired by Cleveland during the Triple-A Phase of the Rule 5 Draft on 12/7/22...Appeared in 3 games during MLB Spring Training, tossing 3.1 IP with a 5.40 ERA and 4 K.
2022: Pitched for Cedar Rapids (High-A)...Went 7-4 with a 4.60 ERA, 2/2 saves, 27 BB, 65 K, .216 avg, 1.24 WHIP in 39 games (1 start)...Won the Harmon Killebrew Award for outstanding minor league community service (Cedar Rapids club awardee) after being nominated by Cedar Rapids' general manager. Hanner participated in the Twins' organization wide Week of Service, going to a local Meals on Wheels location to assemble boxes for meals. Alongside his host family, he also brought breakfast to the elderly. The Kernels' front office also recognized he spent extra time talking to fans and signing autographs.
2021: Pitched 26 games (1 start), 41.2 IP, 2-1, 7.13 ERA, 2/4 saves, 34 BB, 49 K, .278 avg, 1.90 WHIP for Single-A Fort Myers.
2019: Drafted by Minnesota in the 21st round...11 games (26.2 IP) in GCL (rookie), 2-3, 1 save, 4.39 ERA, 27 BB, 30 K.
Amateur: Pitched two seasons for Patrick & Henry Community College...Went 9-6 with a 3.53 ERA, 73 BB, 176 K in 27 games (24 starts) over 140.1 IP...Attended Orange County (VA) High School.

**Recent EL Outings (18 scoreless of 27 overall)
2 straight scoreless outings (3.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/18	RIC	2.0	4	0	0	0	5	0	0-0
7/14	@BOW	S 1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
7/8	HBG	1.0	3	1	1	1	1	0	0-0
7/5	HBG	S 1.0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
7/3	@ERI	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0-0

#47 ZACH HART Twitter: [@Zachart17](#) IG: [@zart_17](#)
 RHP: FB, SL, CB vs. 1st Batter (EL): 4-15 (.257), hr,bb,k Inherited Runners-Scored: 7-2 (28.6%)
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 75/2 g/gs, 17-7, 4.28 ERA, 4/12 sv, 147.1 ip, 203 k, .231, 1.42 whip
 Began season rehabbing in Arizona from February appendectomy...joined Akron on May 1.
2022: Pitched 31 games in relief (44.1 IP, 6-4, 4/7 saves, 5.06 ERA, 27 BB, 59 K, .222 avg, 1.44 WHIP) for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron July 4. Appeared in one game for Akron tossing 2.1 scoreless innings with 3SO. Transferred to Lake County on July 14 to finish the season.
2021: Pitched 30 games (1 start) for Single-A Lynchburg (75.1 IP, 8-2, 3.35 ERA, 45 BB, 105 K, .205 avg, 1.33 WHIP)...Finished T-3rd in the Low-A East in wins (8) and fourth in strikeouts (105).
2019: Drafted by Cleveland in the 10th round out of Division II Franklin Pierce (NH) University...Pitched 13 games (1 start) in the Arizona League (rookie), 25.1 IP, 2-1, 0/3 saves, 6.04 ERA, 9 BB, 36 K, .320 avg, 1.66 WHIP.
Amateur: Finished his career ninth all-time in FPU history in innings pitched (206.0), 12th in wins (17) and 13th in strikeouts (196)...As a senior in 2019, pitched 14 games (10 starts), 5-1, 3 saves, 2.65 ERA, 68 IP, 18 BB, 68 K...As a junior in 2018, made 12 starts for the Ravens finishing 9th in Division II in WHIP (0.91) and 15th in ERA (1.97), earning All-Northeast 10 Conference First Team honors...In 11 games (1 start) for Wareham Gatemen in the 2018 Cape Cod League, went 1-1, 1.54 ERA, 4 BB, 16 K in 23.1 IP...Majored in criminal justice...Four-year letterwinner at Mark T. Sheehan (CT) High School, where he also played basketball.

**Recent EL Outings (7 scoreless of 16 overall)
0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/18	RIC	1.2	3	3	3	1	0	0	2-2
7/4	HBG	W 1.1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0-0
6/29	@ERI	2.0	1	1	1	1	3	1	0-0
6/23-2*	BNG	2.2	2	1	1	2	3	0	0-0
6/20	BNG	2.0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0-0

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#44 MASON HICKMAN Twitter: @HickmanMason IG: @masonhickman

RHP: FB, CB, SL, CH vs. 1st Batter 3-20 (.150), bi, 4bb, 10k Inherited Runners-Scored: 15-7 (46.7%)
2-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 49/30 g/gs, 11-14, 4.55 ERA, 6/6 sv, 170.0 ip, 213 k, .233, 1.32 whip
2022: 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. Pitched 10 games (13.0 IP, 1-1, 4/4 saves, 2.77 ERA, 9 BB, 16 K, .196 avg, 1.38 WHIP)...Pitched 8 games (1-0, 9.2 IP, 5 ER, 6 BB, 15 K) for Peoria Javelinas (AZ Fall League) and named to Fall Stars Game.
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.

Recent EL Outings (14 scoreless of 24 overall) 3 straight scoreless outings (3.1 innings)										
Date	Opp		IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/16	@BOW	BS	1.1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1-1
7/8	HBG	H	1.0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0-0
7/3	@ERI		1.0	1	0	0	1	3	0	0-0
6/30-2	@ERI	L	1.0	2	2	2	0	2	2	0-0
6/24	BNG	W	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0

#36 JORDAN JONES Twitter: @JJ1s_9 IG: @jj1s_9

RHP: FB, CT, CH, CB, SL vs. 1st Batter 1-14 (.071), 8bb, 4k Inherited Runners-Scored: 14-8 (57.1%)
3-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 65/24 g/gs, 11-12, 4.35 ERA, 4/8 sv, 180.0 ip, 179 k, .254, 1.40 whip
2022: Pitched 28 games (one start) for 47 IP, 3-2, 4/6 saves, 5.55 ERA, 25 BB, 46 K, .250 avg, 1.47 WHIP for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron Aug. 13 and appeared in 3 games going 2-0 with a 4.26 ERA, 4 BB, 6 K, .182 avg, 1.26 WHIP before transferred back to Lake County to finish the season...Saved Lake County's Game 3 win at Great Lakes to clinch MWL East Division Series and Game 1 win at South Bend in MWL Championship Series...5 scoreless IP in 3 postseason games, although Lake County lost to South Bend 2-1 in championship round.
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 and third base for Triple-A Salt Lake Bees (Angels) in 2023...Taylor appeared in 43 major league games for Houston from 2020-2022.

Recent EL Outings (12 scoreless of 21 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)										
Date	Opp		IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/18	RIC		0.2	0	3	3	3	1	0	0-0
7/15	@BOW		2.0	1	0	0	1	3	0	0-0
7/7	HBG	L,BS	1.2	2	1	0	0	2	0	2-1
7/4	HBG	S	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0-0
7/1	@ERI		3.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0-0

#46 TOMMY MACE Twitter: IG: @tommymace47

RHP: FB, SL, CT, CB, CH vs. First Batter (relief): 1-3 (.333), k Inherited Runners-Scored: 0-0 (-%)
1-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 22/21 g/gs, 1-5, 4.55, 0/0 sv, 85.0 ip, 75 k, .233, 1.32 whip
Promoted to Akron on June 12 after opening the season with Lake County...Earned Midwest League Pitcher of the Week honors after striking out 11 over eight innings on June 8.
2022: Pitched with High-A Lake County in 22 games going 1-5 with a 4.55 ERA and 75K over 85IP...Went 1-0 with a 1.00 ERA and 12K over 9IP in two starts during Captains playoff run.
2021: Drafted in the Competitive Balance-B round by Cleveland out of Florida.
Amateur: Attended Florida going 22-7 with two saves and a 4.37 ERA in 62 games/41 starts in four years (269.2IP, 269H, 150ER, 76BB, 258SO)...Finished 2021 season tied-eighth in the SEC in strikeouts (113) and ninth in innings pitched (90.1)...2021 and 2020 SEC Community Service Team...2019 USA Collegiate National Team member...Only Florida pitcher to start every weekend series as a sophomore in 2019...Pitched 26 games (six starts, 4.16 ERA, 62.2IP) as a freshman...12th Round selection by the Cincinnati Reds in 2017 MLB Draft (did not sign)...Attended Sunlake High School (Land O'Lakes, FL).

Recent EL Outings (2 scoreless of 6 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start										
Date	Opp		IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/16	@BOW		4.0	4	2	2	1	2	0	0-0
7/9	HBG	W	4.0	4	0	0	2	4	0	0-0
7/3*	@ERI	W	6.0	1	0	0	2	6	0	0-0
6/25	BNG	S	4.0	4	3	3	1	2	0	0-0
6/20*	BNG	L	3.2	7	5	5	2	3	1	0-0

#48 DAVIS SHARPE Twitter: @Dsharpe3 IG: @DavisSharpe

RHP: FB, CT, SL vs. First Batter: 5-21 (.238), bi, 2bb, 4k, hp Inherited Runners-Scored: 9-6 (66.7%)
1-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 38/0 g/gs, 8-3, 2.02, 4/6 sv, 71.1 ip, 87 k, .208, 0.91 whip
Pitched in four 2023 Major League Spring Training games in relief (1-0, 3 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 3 BB, 2 K).
2022: Pitched 15 games for Single-A Lynchburg (25.1 IP, 3-2, 1/1 save, 1.42 ERA, 5 BB, 39 K, 0.95 WHIP, .207 avg)...Promoted to High-A June 7...Pitched 23 games for Lake County (46 IP, 5-1, 3/5 saves, 2.35 ERA, 7 BB, 48 K, 0.89 WHIP, .209 avg).
2021: Drafted in the 13th round by Cleveland out of Clemson.
Amateur: Attended Clemson as a two-way player...Two-time ACC Academic Honor Roll member...In three seasons appeared in 29 games (24 starts) on the mound going 12-6 with a 3.89 ERA, .232 avg, 54 BB, 152 K...At the plate he appeared in 74 games (66 starts) with .256/.424/.369, 12 doubles, 10 HR, 40 RBI, 44 runs, 35 BB...Eighth in Clemson history in career strikeouts per nine innings pitched (9.87)...John Olerud Two-Way Player-of-the-Year award finalist as a freshman...Drafted in the 34th round by Pittsburgh out of high school...attended Mill Creek (GA) High School.

Recent EL Outings (13 scoreless of 25 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)										
Date	Opp		IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/19	RIC		1.2	3	1	1	0	2	0	0-0
7/15	@BOW		2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
7/6	HBG		1.0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0-0
7/3	@ERI		1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
6/30-1	@ERI	W	3.0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0-0

#26 MATT TURNER Twitter: IG:

LHP: vs. 1st Batter (EL): 2-6 (.333), bb, 2k, hp Inherited Runners-Scored: 2-0 (0%)
5-yr MiLB Totals thru '22: 72/28 g/gs, 9-12, 4.37 ERA, 2/3 sv, 193.2 ip, 161 k, .266, 1.44 whip
Pitched in a rehab game with ACL Guardians tossing one inning allowing two runs while striking out one and walking one...Promoted to Akron on June 10.
2022: Went 1-2 with a 6.69 ERA in 28 games for Lake County (39 IP, 28BB, 30SO).
2021: Made seven starts between AZL and Lake County 0-2, 3.15 ERA, 8BB, 20SO over 20 IP.
2019: Made 15 starts between Mahoning Valley and Lake County going 4-3 with a 2.81 ERA, 73.2 innings, one CG, 19BB, 52SO
2018: Pitched 11 games (3 starts) for AZL Cleveland 2 (36.0 IP, 3-3, 3.75 ERA, 8 BB, 36 K, .250 avg, 1.19 WHIP).
2017: Drafted by Cleveland in the 11th round from Miami Palmetto HS...Began professional career making 10 appearances (3 starts) for AZL Cleveland going 1-2 with a 6.75 ERA, 2 saves, 22 strikeouts in 24 innings.
High School: Graduated Miami Palmetto High School in Miami, FL

Recent EL Outings (3 scoreless of 8 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)										
Date	Opp		IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/20	RIC	L	2.0	3	2	2	2	3	0	0-0
7/16	@BOW	H	0.2	2	3	3	2	0	0	0-0
7/8	HBG		1.0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0-0
7/4	HBG		3.2	1	3	3	3	3	0	0-0
6/29	@ERI		4.1	1	0	0	2	1	0	1-0

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Hitters	Pinch Hitting	Multi-Hit Games					Multi-RBI Games						Home Runs												
		T	2	3	4	5	Last	T	2	3	4	5	6	Last	T	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Leadoff	Tying	Go-ahead	Walk-off	Last	
Amditis		2	2				6/18-2@NH (2)	2	1	1				5/28vBOW (2)	2	1	1				1				6/10@POR
Berglund		3	3				6/18-1@NH (2)	2	2					6/25vBNG (2)	2	2									7/5vHBG
Bracho		9	9				7/9vHBG (2)	5	4			1		7/9vHBG (2)	8	5	2	1			1		4		6/30-2@ERI
Brito		11	8	2	1		7/14@BOW (3)	7	3	2	2			7/18vRIC (3)	6		3	2	1		1		1		7/18vRIC
Delgado								1	1					4/16@BOW (2)	1		1								4/16@BOW
Escobedo		3	1	2			4/13@BOW (3)	1	1					5/18@RIC (2)	3	3									5/25vBOW
Gonzalez		3	3				4/23-2vHBG (2)																		
Halpin		13	10	3			7/9vHBG (2)	6	6					6/13@NH (2)	4	2	2						1		7/9vHBG
Holland		10	8	2			7/9vHBG (2)	3	1	1		1		7/6vHBG (5)	3		1	2			1		1		7/6vHBG
Kokx		8	5	3			7/7vHBG (3)	1				1		6/9@PORE (4)	1	1									5/30vHFD
Lavastida		13	9	4			6/22vBNG (3)	8	5	3				6/23-2vBNG (2)	4	2	1	1							6/22vBNG
Martinez		22	19	2	1		7/16@BOW (4)	10	6	3	1			7/16@BOW (2)	6	3	3				1		2		7/16@BOW
Naranjo		9	5	4			7/4vHBG (2)	3	3					6/8@POR (2)	1	1									4/18vHBG
Planez		1	1				6/3vHFD (2)																		
Ramirez		2	2				7/14@BOW (2)																		
Rodriguez, G.		4	4				5/18@RIC (2)	4	2	1	1			6/3vHFD (2)	4	2	1	1					2		5/20@RIC
Rodriguez, J.		21	16	4	1		7/14@BOW (2)	14	10	2	2			7/20vRIC (2)	16	7	8	1			3		5		7/20vRIC
Tena		16	11	4	1		7/18vRIC (2)	8	6	2				6/25vBNG (2)	2		1	1					1		6/8@POR
Total		150	116	30	4		7/18vRIC	73	49	15	7	2		7/20vRIC	63	29	24	9	1			8	19		7/20vRIC

RUBBERDUCKS 2023 TRANSACTIONS 45 PLAYERS USED (4 REHAB) 26 PITCHERS USED (4 REHAB, 1 POS.)

2023 Opening Day Roster (* returning RubberDuck, *Injured List*, Cleveland Guardians 40-man roster)

P (15): RH Trey Benton, RH Tanner Burns*, **LH Joey Cantillo***, RH Ross Carver, RH Brett Daniels*, RH Bradley Hanner, RH Mason Hickman*, RH Jordan Jones*, LH Randy Labaut*, RH Jack Leftwich, LH Doug Nikhazy*, RH Davis Sharpe, RH Cade Smith*, RH Hunter Stanley, RH Gavin Williams*

C (3): Mike Amditis, Michael Berglund, **Bryan Lavastida***

IF (6): Aaron Bracho, Raynel Delgado*, **Angel Martínez***, Joe Naranjo, Gabriel Rodríguez, **José Tena***

OF (4): Julian Escobedo*, Petey Halpin, Connor Kokx, Johnathan Rodríguez*

#	DATE	PLAYER	POS.	FROM	TO	#	DATE	PLAYER	POS.	FROM	TO
1	4/11	José Tena	INF	Akron	Temporarily Inactive	38	6/12	Tommy Mace	RHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron
2	4/11	Shane McCarthy	RHP	Columbus (AAA)	Akron	39	6/18	Seth Caddell	C	Development List	Columbus (Triple-A)
3	4/14	Brett Daniels	RHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)	40	6/21	Jack Leftwich	RHP	Akron	Injured List
4	4/18	Sam Hentges	LHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)	41	6/21	Ross Carver	RHP	Injured List	Akron
5	4/18	Raynel Delgado	INF	Akron	Columbus (AAA)	42	6/25	Cal Quantrill	RHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)
6	4/18	Marcos González	INF	Arizona Complex	Akron	43	6/30	Cal Quantrill	RHP	Akron (Rehab)	Cleveland
7	4/20	José Tena	INF	Temporarily Inactive	Akron	44	6/30	Alexfri Planez	OF	Akron	Injured List
8	4/23	Bryan Lavastida	C	Akron	Designated For Assignment	45	7/1	Franco Aleman	RHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron
9	4/23	Seth Caddell	C	Arizona Complex	Akron	46	7/3	Bryan Lavastida	C	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)
10	4/25	Sam Hentges	LHP	Akron (Rehab)	Columbus (Rehab)	47	7/3	Micael Ramirez	C	Lake County (High-A)	Akron
11	4/26	Gavin Williams	RHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)	48	7/4	Peyton Battenfield	RHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)
12	4/27	Marcos González	INF	Akron	Columbus (AAA)	49	7/7	Jack Leftwich	RHP	Injured List	Akron
13	4/29	Bryan Lavastida	C	Cleveland (Outright)	Akron	50	7/7	Erik Sabrowski	LHP	Akron	Injured List
14	4/30	Ross Carver	RHP	Akron	Injured List	51	7/10	Shane McCarthy	RHP	Development List	Retired
15	5/1	Jaime Arias	LHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron	52	7/17	Joe Naranjo	INF	Akron	Injured List
16	5/1	Zach Hart	RHP	Injured List	Akron	53	7/19	Bryce Ball	INF	Free Agent	Akron
17	5/1	Seth Caddell	C	Akron	Development List						
18	5/4	Petey Halpin	OF	Akron	Injured List						
19	5/5	Korey Holland	OF	Arizona Complex	Akron						
20	5/7	Marcos González	INF	Columbus (AAA)	Akron						
21	5/14	Mike Amditis	C	Akron	Development List						
22	5/14	Petey Halpin	OF	Injured List	Akron						
23	5/17	Joey Cantillo	LHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
24	5/17	Marcos González	INF	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
25	5/23	Mike Amditis	C	Development List	Akron						
26	5/24	Cody Morris	RHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)						
27	5/26	Juan Brito	INF	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
28	5/30	Erik Sabrowski	LHP	Injured List	Akron						
29	5/30	Shane McCarthy	RHP	Akron	Development List						
30	6/2	Julian Escobedo	OF	Akron	Released						
31	6/2	Alexfri Planez	OF	Injured List	Akron						
32	6/5	Cody Morris	RHP	Akron (Rehab)	Columbus (Rehab)						
33	6/6	Cade Smith	RHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
34	6/6	Will Dion	LHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
35	6/9	Jamie Arias	LHP	Akron	Suspended List						
36	6/10	Randy Labaut	LHP	Akron	Columbus (AAA)						
37	6/10	Matt Turner	LHP	ACL Guardians (rehab)	Akron						

RUBBERDUCKS 2023 FIRST HALF DAY-BY-DAY

Record: Sunday (9-6), Monday (1-0), Tuesday (6-6), Wednesday (7-4), Thursday (8-9), Friday (9-8), Saturday (4-10)

Doubleheaders: 1-1-4 Home Sellouts: 1

Series: First Half: 1-3-2 Home, 3-1-2 Road, 4-4-4 Overall

Second Half: 1-0-0 Home, 0-2-0 Road, 1-2-0 Overall

Home Dates Lost: 2

#	Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Record	Place	GB/A	Winner	Loser	Save	Time	Att.	Opening / Total (Avg)
1	4/6	ERI	0-5	L	0-1	T-3rd	-1.0	Gipson-Long (1-0)	Daniels (0-1)	-	2:47	3,858	#1 / 3,858 (3,858)
2	4/7	ERI	6-4	W	1-1	T-2nd	-1.0	Labaut (1-0)	Chentouf (0-1)	Smith (1)	3:03	1,831	#2 / 5,689 (2,845)
3	4/8	ERI	2-3 (11)	L	1-2	T-4th	-2.0	Bergner (1-0)	Hanner (0-1)	-	3:05	1,898	#3 / 7,587 (2,529)
4	4/11	@BOW	7-4	W	2-2	T-2nd	-2.0	Daniels (1-1)	Velez (0-1)	Smith (2)	2:31	3,504	
5	4/12	@BOW	1-2	L	2-3	T-3rd	-2.0	McDermott (1-0)	Leftwich (0-1)	-	2:04	1,144	
6	4/13	@BOW	3-2	W	3-3	T-2nd	-1.0	Williams (1-0)	Armbruester (1-1)	Sharpe (1)	2:36	1,322	
7	4/14	@BOW	7-5	W	4-3	T-1st	0.0	Hanner (1-1)	Bradish (0-1)	Smith (3)	2:36	3,885	
8	4/15	@BOW	2-6	L	4-4	T-2nd	-1.0	Povich (1-0)	Stanley (0-1)	-	2:33	4,271	
9	4/16	@BOW	4-2 (10)	W	5-4	T-1st	0.0	Hanner (2-1)	Hoffman (0-1)	Smith (4)	2:27	3,198	
10	4/18	HBG	7-6	W	6-4	T-1st	0.0	McCarthy (1-0)	Alston (0-1)	Smith (5)	2:49	1,188	#4 / 8,775 (2,194)
11	4/19	HBG	5-3	W	7-4	T-1st	0.0	Leftwich (1-1)	Cate (0-1)	Hanner (1)	2:27	1,446	#5 / 10,221 (2,044)
12	4/20	HBG	6-5 (10)	W	8-4	T-1st	0.0	Benton (1-0)	Ribalta (1-1)	-	3:15	2,427	#6 / 12,648 (2,108)
	4/21	HBG	PPD		8-4	1st	+0.5	Rain - makeup scheduled for April 23					Home PPD #1
13	4/22	HBG	4-7	L	8-5	2nd	-0.5	Romero (1-1)	Hanner (2-2)	Willingham (2)	2:56	2,112	#7 / 14,760 (2,109)
14	4/23-1	HBG	0-3 (7)	L	8-6	2nd	-1.0	Troop (2-1)	Stanley (0-2)	Guasch (1)	1:48		Home DH #1
15	4/23-2	HBG	1-4 (7)	L	8-7	T-2nd	-1.0	Cuevas (1-0)	Jones (0-1)	Peguero (3)	2:01	2,812	#8 / 17,572 (2,197)
16	4/25	@BNG	5-7	L	8-8	T-2nd	-2.0	Moreno (2-0)	McCarthy (1-1)	Lavender (4)	2:37	1,711	
	4/26	@BNG	PPD		8-8	T-2nd	-2.5	Rain - makeup schedule for April 27					Road PPD #1
17	4/27-1	@BNG	5-2 (7)	W	9-8	T-2nd	-2.5	Labaut (2-0)	Nogosek (0-1)	Smith (6)	2:21		Road DH #1
18	4/27-2	@BNG	3-4 (8)	L	9-9	3rd	-3.5	Alvarez (1-0)	Sharpe (0-1)	-	2:20	1,510	
19	4/28	@BNG	1-6	L	9-10	3rd	-3.5	Parsons (2-0)	Carver (0-1)	-	3:00	2,663	
20	4/29	@BNG	4-6 (11)	L	9-11	T-3rd	-3.5	Kubichek (1-0)	Hickman (0-1)	-	2:59	274	
	4/30	@BNG	PPD		9-11	T-3rd	-3.5	Rain - makeup scheduled for June 23					Road PPD #2
	5/2	POR	PPD		9-11	T-3rd	-4.5	Rain - makeup scheduled for May 5					Home PPD #2
21	5/3	POR	6-0	W	10-11	T-3rd	-3.5	Cantillo (1-0)	Van Belle (0-1)	-	2:25 (1:08)	1,553	#9 / 19,125 (2,125)
22	5/4	POR	0-2	L	10-12	4th	-3.5	Drohan (5-0)	Burns (0-1)	Guerrero (5)	2:16	2,064	#10 / 21,189 (2,119)
23	5/5-1	POR	0-8 (7)	L	10-13	4th	-4.0	Liu (3-1)	Leftwich (1-2)	-	1:47		Home DH #2
24	5/5-2	POR	2-1 (7)	W	11-13	3rd	-4.0	Sharpe (1-1)	Gomez (1-1)	Smith (7)	1:45	2,842	#11 / 24,031 (2,185)
25	5/6	POR	7-10	L	11-14	4th	-4.0	Webb (2-1)	Stanley (0-3)	-	3:29	4,278	#12 / 28,309 (2,359)
26	5/7	POR	5-4	W	12-14	3rd	-4.0	Sharpe (2-1)	Miller (0-1)	Smith (8)	2:19	3,633	#13 / 31,942 (2,457)
27	5/9	@ALT	12-6 (11)	W	13-14	3rd	-3.0	Hanner (3-2)	Thomas (2-1)	-	3:23	2,843	
28	5/10	@ALT	7-2	W	14-14	2nd	-2.0	Burns (1-1)	Dombkowski (0-1)	-	2:55	6,897	
29	5/11	@ALT	4-2	W	15-14	2nd	-1.0	Leftwich (2-2)	Samaniego (1-1)	Smith (9)	2:17	3,011	
30	5/12	@ALT	1-2 (10)	L	15-15	3rd	-1.0	Garcia (3-0)	Sharpe (2-2)	-	2:41	6,595	
31	5/13	@ALT	4-5	L	15-16	4th	-1.5	Nicolas (2-4)	Arias (0-1)	Samaniego (2)	2:43 (0:38)	4,743	
32	5/14	@ALT	4-2	W	16-16	3rd	-1.0	Hanner (4-2)	Meis (0-3)	Smith (10)	2:52	4,555	
33	5/16	@RIC	2-1 (5)	W	17-16	T-2nd	-0.5	Burns (2-1)	Black (0-3)	-	1:28 (0:39)	4,277	
34	5/17	@RIC	4-11	L	17-17	3rd	-1.5	Frisbee (3-0)	Leftwich (2-3)	-	2:54	9,810	
35	5/18	@RIC	10-2	W	18-17	2nd	-0.5	Nikhazy (1-0)	Bivens (0-2)	-	2:54	4,919	
36	5/19	@RIC	11-9	W	19-17	2nd	-0.5	Jones (1-1)	Sanchez (3-2)	Smith (11)	3:09	7,065	
37	5/20	@RIC	4-6	L	19-18	T-2nd	-0.5	Rivera (1-1)	Hickman (0-2)	Gates (4)	2:33	8,987	
38	5/21	@RIC	3-5	L	19-19	3rd	-1.0	Burgos (2-1)	Hart (0-1)	-	2:29	7,488	
39	5/23	BOW	2-7	L	19-20	4th	-1.5	Povich (4-3)	Leftwich (2-4)	Gillispie (2)	2:20	7,997 (\$1)	#14 / 39,939 (2,853)
40	5/24	BOW	0-9	L	19-21	4th	-2.0	Stallings (1-2)	Nikhazy (1-1)	Van Loon (1)	2:27	2,065	#15 / 42,004 (2,800)
41	5/25	BOW	4-1	W	20-21	4th	-2.0	Stanley (1-3)	McDermott (3-3)	Labaut (1)	2:05	2,202	#16 / 44,206 (2,763)
42	5/26	BOW	2-3	L	20-22	5th	-2.5	Tavera (1-2)	Arias (0-2)	Roth (1)	2:34	4,137	#17 / 48,343 (2,844)
43	5/27	BOW	1-3	L	20-23	5th	-3.5	Armbruester (3-1)	Burns (2-2)	Charles (3)	2:31	5,433	#18 / 53,776 (2,988)
44	5/28	BOW	5-4	W	21-23	4th	-2.5	Leftwich (3-4)	Povich (4-4)	Smith (12)	2:32	4,588	#19 / 58,364 (3,072)
45	5/30	HFD	5-7	L	21-24	T-4th	-3.5	Justice (3-0)	Nikhazy (1-2)	Petersen (1)	3:00	1,875	#20 / 60,239 (3,012)
46	5/31	HFD	5-2	W	22-24	4th	-3.5	Stanley (2-3)	Garcia (0-4)	Smith (13)	2:20	1,708	#21 / 61,947 (2,950)
47	6/1	HFD	3-4 (10)	L	22-25	4th	-4.5	Darnell (4-1)	Sharpe (2-3)	-	3:02	3,803	#22 / 65,750 (2,989)
48	6/2	HFD	4-3	W	23-25	4th	-3.5	Hanner (5-2)	Petersen (0-1)	-	2:42	5,076	#23 / 70,826 (3,079)
49	6/3	HFD	15-1	W	24-25	4th	-3.5	Leftwich (4-4)	Rock (0-1)	-	2:42	6,312	#24 / 77,138 (3,214)
50	6/4	HFD	3-1	W	25-25	4th	-3.5	Smith (1-0)	Kitchen (2-2)	-	2:22	4,126	#25 / 81,264 (3,251)
51	6/6	@POR	2-6	L	25-26	4th	-3.5	Van Belle (3-3)	Stanley (2-4)	-	2:18	4,230	
52	6/7	@POR	9-6	W	26-26	4th	-2.5	Labaut (3-0)	Spacke (1-1)	Hanner (2)	3:02 (1:01)	4,011	
53	6/8	@POR	7-13	L	26-27	4th	-2.5	Miller (2-2)	Jones (1-2)	-	2:54	6,930	
54	6/9	@POR	12-8 (10)	W	27-27	4th	-2.5	Sharpe (3-3)	Cellucci (0-1)	-	3:23	6,410	
55	6/10	@POR	5-2	W	28-27	T-3rd	-1.5	Nikhazy (2-2)	Gambrell (1-1)	Hanner (3)	2:18	6,539	
56	6/11	@POR	2-3	L	28-28	3rd	-2.5	Van Belle (4-3)	Stanley (2-5)	Guerrero (10)	2:10	7,368	
57	6/13	@NH	9-1	W	29-28	3rd	-1.5	Hickman (1-2)	Ponce (3-3)	-	2:38	5,302	
	6/14	@NH	PPD		29-28	3rd	-2.0	Rain - makeup scheduled for June 15					Road PPD #3
58	6/15-1	@NH	7-9 (7)	L	29-29	3rd	-2.5	Fluharty (2-1)	Mace (0-1)	Cooke (1)	2:41		Road DH #2
59	6/15-2	@NH	8-3 (7)	W	30-29	3rd	-1.5	Sabrowski (1-0)	Wallace (0-1)	-	2:11	3,008	
60	6/16	@NH	0-2 (8)	L	30-30	3rd	-2.5	Robbins (3-5)	Nikhazy (2-3)	Watson (6)	2:32 (0:33)	5,149	
	6/17	@NH	PPD		30-30	3rd	-2.0	Rain - makeup scheduled for June 18					Road PPD #4
61	6/18-1	@NH	4-2	W	31-30	2nd	-1.5	Stanley (3-5)	Kloffenstein (4-3)	Sharpe (2)	1:44		Road DH #3
62	6/18-2	@NH	5-2	W	32-30	2nd	-1.5	Hickman (2-2)	Robberse (0-5)	Hanner (4)	1:59	6,010	
63	6/20	BNG	2-5	L	32-31	2nd	-2.5	Moreno (5-2)	Mace (0-2)	-	2:24	3,088	#26 / 84,352 (3,244)
64	6/21	BNG	2-4	L	32-32	3rd	-3.5	Scott (2-0)	Burns (2-3)	Hall (4)	2:24	2,380	#27 / 86,732 (3,212)
65	6/22	BNG	2-8	L	32-33	3rd	-3.5	Hamel (3-4)	Nikhazy (2-4)	-	2:40	4,676	#28 / 91,408 (3,265)
66	6/23-1	BNG	3-4 (7)	L	32-34	3rd	-4.0	Woods (2-0)	Hanner (5-3)	-	2:18	5,428	#29 / 96,836 (3,339)
67	6/23-2	BNG	4-2 (8)	W	33-34	3rd	-4.0	Sharpe (4-3)	Juarez (0-2)	-	2:32		Home DH #3
68	6/24	BNG	4-3 (11)	W	34-34	2nd	-3.0	Hickman (3-2)	Renteria (1-1)	-	2:45	6,420	#30 / 103,256 (3,442)
69	6/25	BNG	5-3	W	35-34	2nd	-2.5	Quantrill (1-0)	Marceaux (0-1)	Mace (1)	2:00	3,973	#31 / 107,229 (3,459)

RUBBERDUCKS 2023 SECOND HALF DAY-BY-DAY

#	Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Record	Place	GB/A	Winner	Loser	Save	Time	Att.	Opening / Total (Avg)	
	6/28	@ERI	PPD		0-0 (35-34)	T-3rd	-0.5	Field Conditions – makeup scheduled for June 30					Road PPD #5	
70	6/29	@ERI	3-9	L	0-1 (35-35)	4th	-1.5	Montero (6-2)	Carver (0-2)	-	2:24	5,136		
71	6/30-1	@ERI	1-0 (8)	W	1-1 (36-35)	T-3rd	-1.0	Shapre (5-3)	Holub (0-2)	-	2:04		Road DH #4	
72	6/30-2	@ERI	2-6 (7)	L	1-2 (36-36)	4th	-2.0	Madden (2-1)	Hickman (3-3)	Wolf (2)	1:49	5,631		
73	7/1	@ERI	3-6	L	1-3 (36-37)	T-4th	-2.0	Hurter (4-3)	Stanley (3-6)	Magno (2)	2:45	4,781		
74	7/2	@ERI	1-2	L	1-4 (36-38)	T-5th	-3.0	Petit (2-1)	Dion (0-1)	Mattison (1)	2:15	3,681		
75	7/3	@ERI	6-0	W	2-4 (37-38)	T-4th	-3.0	Mace (1-2)	Gipson-Long (5-5)	-	2:12	6,888		
76	7/4	HBG	4-3	W	3-4 (38-38)	4th	-3.0	Hart (1-1)	Saenz (0-2)	Jones (1)	2:27	7,156	#32 / 114,385 (3,575)	
77	7/5	HBG	4-2	W	4-4 (39-38)	T-3rd	-3.0	Carver (1-2)	Parker (5-4)	Hanner (5)	2:46	2,095	#33 / 116,480 (3,530)	
78	7/6	HBG	6-3	W	5-4 (40-38)	3rd	-3.0	Aleman (1-0)	Cuevas (2-4)	-	2:41	2,548	#34 / 119,028 (3,501)	
79	7/7	HBG	2-3 (10)	L	5-5 (40-39)	T-3rd	-3.0	Javier (2-0)	Jones (1-3)	-	2:30	4,529	#35 / 123,557 (3,530)	
80	7/8	HBG	5-2	W	6-5 (41-39)	T-2nd	-2.0	Dion (1-1)	Hernandez (2-4)	-	2:40	5,333	#36 / 128,890 (3,580)	
81	7/9	HBG	5-1	W	7-5 (42-39)	2nd	-1.0	Mace (2-2)	Saenz (0-3)	-	2:26	3,181	#37 / 132,071 (3,569)	
					ALL-STAR BREAK									
82	7/14	@BOW	8-6	W	8-5 (43-39)	T-1st	0.0	Burns (3-3)	Burch (0-3)	Hanner (6)	2:56 (1:07)	3,593		
83	7/15	@BOW	0-1	L	8-6 (43-40)	T-2nd	-1.0	Long (1-0)	Nikhazy (2-5)	Loeprich (1)	2:21	5,823		
84	7/16	@BOW	5-6	L	8-7 (43-41)	3rd	-1.5	Moore (1-0)	Benton (1-1)	-	3:09	2,535		
85	7/18	RIC	8-17	L	8-8 (43-42)	T-3rd	-2.5	Bertrand (1-0)	Stanley (3-7)	-	3:27	6,142	#38 / 138,213 (3,637)	
86	7/19	RIC	2-1	W	9-8 (44-42)	T-3rd	-1.5	Dion (2-1)	Murphy (1-7)	Aleman (1)	2:15	4,118	#39 / 142,331 (3,650)	
87	7/20	RIC	2-3	L	9-9 (44-43)	T-3rd	-2.0	Seymour (2-2)	Turner (0-1)	Burgos (2)	2:08 (0:37)	3,834	#40 / 146,165 (3,654)	
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Akron Baseball: A Winning Tradition

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