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Clearwater Threshers (15-28, 50-58) AT

Daytona Tortugas (13-28, 42-64)

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Game #109 | Road Game #55 | 7:05 PM | Jackie Robinson Ballpark, Daytona Beach, FL RHP Starlyn Castillo (0-5, 8.79 ERA) vs. RHP Hunter Parks (2-5, 5.34 ERA)

LAST TIME OUT: In a back-and-forth affair, the Clearwater Threshers squeezed by the Daytona Tortugas 7-6 in 10 innings in the six-game series opener on Tuesday night at Jackie Robinson Ballpark. Right-hander Victor Vargas, on MiLB rehab from Jersey Shore, made the start on the mound for Clearwater on the mound and allowed three runs on seven hits with three strikeouts in five innings of work. The Threshers (15-28, 50-58) opened the scoring in the second inning on a solo home run by first baseman Chad Castillo. It was Castillo's second homer of the season and the ball traveled 430 feet out to left-center to make it 1-0. After the Tortugas (13-28, 42-64) pushed home two runs in the bottom of the third to grab a 2-1 lead, the Threshers responded in the top of fourth with another solo home run by Caleb Ricketts. It was Ricketts' second long ball of the season, as the catcher has already recorded 13 hits and five RBI in his first nine games with Clearwater. Daytona scratched across the go-ahead run in the fifth to make it 3-2, before the Threshers answered again with a big sixth inning. Ricketts drew a walk, Cade Fergus singled and Troy Schreffler walked to load the bases for Erick Brito. The shortstop cleared the bases with a three-run double to left field to give the visitors a 5-3 lead. Right-handed reliever Cam Wynne entered in the bottom of the sixth for the Threshers and allowed one run on two hits, including an RBI double by Jack Rogers to trim the lead to 5-4. In the eighth, the Tortugas were able to bring home the tying run off righty Daniel Harper to even the contest 5-5. After both teams went scoreless in the ninth, the game entered an extra frame as the Threshers pushed home two runs on an RBI single by Schreffler and a bases loaded walk by Hao Yu Lee in the tenth to make it 7-5. Left-hander Tristan Garnett remained on the mound for the Threshers in the bottom of the tenth, and in his second inning of work, allowed one unearned run and struck out one to preserve the 7-6 victory and his third win of the season. The Tortugas stranded the tying run at second base and also had a runner thrown out at home in the 10th inning.

FOR STARTERS: Right-hander Starlyn Castillo is scheduled to make his ninth start (10th appearance) of 2022 for the Threshers on Wednesday night...Holds an 0-5 record with 8.79 ERA...Last outing: start vs. St. Lucie on August 9, allowed four runs on three hits including a homer with season-high



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seven strikeouts in four innings, charged with loss...has allowed at least four earned runs in two straight starts..see more below

SHARK BITES: vs. Daytona in 2022: 6-1, this marks the second and final meeting between the Threshers and Tortugas in 2022, Clearwater secured 5 of 6 games from Daytona at home on May 10-15 ... KNOW THE FOE: The Tortugas hold the FSL's worst overall record at 42-64 under manager Gookie Dawkins, the Tortugas have remained in last place in the FSL's East Division in the second half with a 13-28 mark. Following Tuesday night's loss, the Tortugas have now lost eight straight extra innings games. Daytona has also gone 56 straight days without back-to-back wins ... HOME SWEET HOME: The Threshers lead the Florida State League in attendance, welcoming in more than 120,000 fans through the BayCare Ballpark gates so far in 2022, including a league-high 8,017 for the July 3 contest....FUN FACT: Despite missing nearly two months on the injured list, INF Hao Yu Lee is now 6th in the FSL in RBI with 49 ... NOT SO FUN FACT: Clearwater has had six losing streaks of three games or more in the second half, the Threshers are also 5-16 at home in the second half of the season...WHO'S HOT: Newcomer Caleb Ricketts, a 7th round draft pick of the Phillies from the University of San Diego in June 2022, has already recorded 12 hits and five RBI, including two home runs in his first nine games with the Threshers, INF Hao Yu Lee finished Tuesday's win with a bases loaded walk and RBI but saw his 7-game hitting streak come to an end...INF Chad Castillo smashed his second homer of the season on Tuesday night, launching a solo shot that traveled 430 feet and came 107mph off the bat...WELCOME BACK: INF Alexeis Azuaje has reached base at least once in every game since returning from the Injured List (placed on Injured List May 24, returned August 5) the streak continued for Azuaje on Tuesday night, as he reached base on an error... ON DECK: Following the six-game series in Daytona, the Threshers will return home to open the second to final homestand of the season against the Tampa Tarpons on August 23.

Inside the Numbers:

Current Streak: W1 Last 10: 4-6 VS. Daytona: 6-1 At Home: 24-30 On Road: 26-28 In August: 6-7 (7-17 July) On Wednesday's: 10-9 Team hitting at home: .224 Team hitting on road: .226 Night games: 41-37 Day games: 9-21 Team hitting in August: .227 Team ERA in August: 5.12 Team hitting vs. LHP: .216 Team hitting vs. RHP: .227 Following a win: 27-21 Following a loss: 22-35 Starters ERA: 4.39 Bullpen ERA: 3.29



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 Azujae 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)





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