



ROCKET CITY TRASH PANDAS

2025 GAME INFORMATION



Rocket City Trash Pandas - LAA (5-12, 29-56) at Chattanooga Lookouts (8-8, 46-36)

Sunday, July 13, 2025 • 12:15 PM • AT&T Field • Chattanooga, Tennessee

LHP Sam Aldegheri (3-6, 4.83) // RHP Ryan Cardona (4-2, 3.26)

Game: 86 of 137 • Second Half: 18 of 69 • Road Game: 44 of 68

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Upcoming Games & Probable Pitchers

July 14-17	ALL-STAR BREAK			
Friday, July 18	Columbus	RHP George Klassen (2-7, 6.49) // TBA		6:35 PM
Saturday, July 19	Columbus	LHP Mitch Farris (0-6, 5.04) // TBA		6:35 PM
Sunday, July 20	Columbus	TBA // TBA		2:35 PM

FOR STARTERS: The Rocket City Trash Pandas conclude their nine-game road trip this afternoon, with the finale of a six-game series against the Chattanooga Lookouts at AT&T Field. This marks Rocket City's final regular-season visit to AT&T Field, the longtime home of the Lookouts. The Trash Pandas are coming off a 3-3 series split with the Knoxville Smokies, taking two of three at Toyota Field before dropping two of three at Covenant Health Park. Rocket City is 5-15 against Chattanooga this season, including a 4-7 mark on the road. The two clubs will meet one final time in 2025, closing out the regular season with a six-game set from September 9-14.

TRASH PANDAS' BATS AND BULLPEN DOMINATE IN 10-3 WIN: The Trash Pandas defeated the Lookouts 10-3 on Saturday night, powered by 13 hits and a dominant bullpen performance. Forced into a bullpen game again, five Trash Pandas pitchers combined to allow just one earned run with 15 strikeouts and no walks.

Nick Jones made his first career start, while **Sean Poppen** earned the win with three perfect innings. Rocket City's offense exploded for five runs in the fourth and added insurance late, led by **Josh Crouch's** two doubles and two RBIs. The Pandas now aim to split the series in Sunday's finale.

"IN ORDER TO BUY RUNS, YOU NEED TO GET ON BASE": Six Trash Pandas enter Sunday's series finale with on-base streaks of five games or more. **Denzer Guzman** leads the group with an 12-game streak dating back to June 29. **Joe Redfield** and **David Merшон** have reached safely in 10 straight. **Oscar Colás** (7 games), **Ben Gobbel** (6 games), and **Nelson Rada** (6 games) also carry active streaks into the series.

BACK FROM THE FUTURES GAME: RHP **George Klassen** made a brief but electric appearance for the American League squad at the Futures Game on Saturday, throwing 11 pitches in the bottom of the third inning. He fired two 99 mph heaters—striking out Chicago's Owen Caissie and inducing a weak groundout from Colorado's Charlie Condon. Klassen allowed one infield single and issued one walk, but managed to escape further damage. The No. 3 prospect for the Angels is the only representative for the Angels and becomes the sixth Rocket City player to earn a Futures Game selection, joining RHP **Caden Dana** (24), OF **Kyren Paris** (23), C **Edgar Quero** (23), RHP **Ky Bush** (22), and LHP **Reid Detmers** (21).

CLOSE CALLS: Ten of Rocket City's last 15 games have been decided by two runs or fewer, including seven one-run contests. The Trash Pandas are 3-7 in those close games during that stretch. On the season, 51% of their games have been decided by two runs or less, including 26 one-run games (11-15) and 17 two-run decisions (9-8).

COLÁS CLEANING UP FOR PANDAS: Rocket City outfielder **Oscar Colás** has four home runs, two doubles, 10 RBIs, seven runs scored, and a .314 batting average (11-for-35), and 1.082 OPS in his last nine games. He recorded his first three-homer game on July 3 vs. Knoxville, leading off the third, fourth and sixth innings with solo shots. It was the second in club history, with the first coming in game four of the franchise by **Orlando Martinez** on May 7, 2021 at Chattanooga.

BEN JAMMIN': INF **Ben Gobbel** has 21 hits over his last 18 games while batting .304 with five doubles, three home runs, and 13 RBIs. He homered in back-to-back games—one on July 6 in Knoxville and two more in Tuesday's game at Chattanooga, marking his second multi-homer game of his career with the first being against the Lookouts as well, on June 6, 2024 at Toyota Field. Since joining the Trash Pandas on June 17, the Georgia native is hitting .280 overall, a strong jump from his .228 average over 68 games with Rocket City last season.

ROCKET CITY POWER SURGE: Over the last nine days, the Trash Pandas lead the Southern League, and are T-3rd in all of Double-A baseball with 11 home runs, including five on July 3 vs. Knoxville at Toyota Field, which tied a club record. **Oscar Colás** and **Ben Gobbel** have combined for seven of the 10, leading the league individually with four and three respectively.

THE GUZ IS LOOSE! DENZER POWERS HIS WAY TO PLAYER OF THE WEEK: 21-year-old **Denzer Guzman** is the reigning Southern League Player of the Week for July 1-6. Guzman led the league with a 1.316 OPS and seven extra-base hits, adding six RBIs and six walks across the six-game set against Knoxville. His highlight performance came in a July 2 win, going 2-for-4 with a double, home run, and three RBIs. Guzman is the first Rocket City player to earn weekly honors in 2025 and the 13th in team history.

12-GAME ON-BASE STREAK... The San Pedro de Macoris native has reached base in 12-straight games since June 29 and now **ranks among league leaders** in several offensive categories, including **doubles** (3rd, 18), **extra-base hits** (4th, 28), and **RBIs** (T-9th, 42).

SOUND THE BLANKENHORN: OF **Travis Blankenhorn** has reached base in 13 of his last 14 games, and 21 of 24 since returning from the Injured List on June 13; the veteran outfielder is tops in the league, and is 4th in Double-A with a 1.014 OPS, and batting .294 (25-for-85) with six doubles, seven home runs, 19 RBIs, and 14 walks. In the series at Montgomery, June 24-29, finished 7-for-25 with a double, five home runs, nine RBIs, and 1.360 OPS ... Blankenhorn became the fifth Panda to homer in three straight games, June 22-25.

RADA REPORT: CF **Nelson Rada**, the youngest player in the Southern League at 19 years and 11 months, is 2nd in the Southern League, and is 6th in Double-A with 29 stolen bases this season, including 19 in May, but dropped to just four in June. He hit his first home run of 2025 on June 28 at Montgomery, his second as a Trash Panda and first since June 7 of last season against Pensacola at Toyota Field. **Rada ranks among the league leaders in stolen bases** (2nd, 29), **OBP** (6th, .380), **batting average** (10th, .274), **walks** (11th, 40), and **hits** (10th, 76). Rada has recorded a team-best 23 multi-hit games, including four three-hit games.

KEEPIN' IT QUALITY: Starter **Joel Hurtado**, has not made a start since June 20, but still ranks 3rd in the Southern League with seven quality starts, and ranks 5th in the Southern League with a 3.10 ERA.

ROCKET CITY BRINGS THE ATTENDANCE BOOM: The Trash Pandas led the Southern League in attendance over the Independence Day stretch, drawing a league-best 7,157 fans to Toyota Field on July 3. The next closest was Chattanooga, which welcomed 6,311 fans on July 4.

Regular Season By The Numbers

Streak.....	W1
All-Time Record (since 2005).....	283-323
2025 at Toyota Field.....	15-27
2025 on the Road.....	14-29
Day Games.....	6-13
Night Games.....	23-45

TRASH PANDAS VS. LOOKOUTS

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Overall
at Toyota Field	7-5	15-3	5-10	6-5	1-8	34-31
at Chattanooga	9-9	6-6	6-6	9-9	4-7	34-37
Total	20-13	21-9	11-16	15-14	5-15	68-69

Regular Season Record Breakdown

Score First.....	15-13	Opponents Score First.....	10-41
Leading after 6 innings.....	19-4	Leading after 7 innings.....	20-3
Tied after 6 innings.....	6-7	Tied after 7 innings.....	2-6
Trailing after 6 innings.....	1-37	Trailing after 7 innings.....	1-40
Leading after 8 innings.....	20-2	Score 2 or Fewer Runs.....	4-36
Tied after 8 innings.....	3-6	Score 3 Runs.....	3-4
Trailing after 8 innings.....	1-43	Score 4 or More Runs.....	21-15
First Game of Series.....	3-12	Last Game of Series.....	2-12
First Game of Homestand.....	1-5	Last Game of Homestand.....	1-5
First Game of Road Trip.....	1-5	Last Game of Road Trip.....	1-4
Following an Off Day.....	3-9	1-Run Games.....	11-15
Final AB Decisions (Walk-Offs).....	2-5	2-Run Games.....	9-7
Errorless Games.....	13-16	3-Run Games.....	4-20
With a Homer.....	18-22	Allow a Homer.....	11-33
With No Homers.....	13-31	Allow No Homers.....	16-22
White Jersey.....	6-7	Vs. Righty Starters.....	22-48
Halo Blue Jersey.....	8-22	Vs. Lefty Starters.....	7-7
Military Camo Jersey.....	2-5	Starter Goes <5 Innings.....	9-28
Throwback Pinstripe Jersey.....	3-4	Starter Goes 5+ Innings.....	20-27
Gray Jersey.....	5-13	Shutouts.....	2-4
Special Jersey.....	5-5	In Decision By Starters.....	14-34
Series Breakdown (W-L-Sp).....	2-8-4	In Decision By Bullpen.....	15-21
Vs. South Division.....	11-24	Extra Innings.....	3-5
Vs. North Division.....	18-32	7-Inning Games.....	6-6

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ANOTHER ONE LAUNCHED TO THE LEAGUE: On July 3, INF **Chad Stevens** made his MLB debut for the Angels, becoming the seventh this season, and 43rd all-time Trash Panda to make their MLB debut. In 17 games for Rocket City in 2024, he hit .316 with two homers, 10 RBIs, and two stolen bases over 17 games. He joins former Pandas, **Robinson Piña** (debuted on June 20), **Christian Moore** (debuted on June 13), **Alan Rangel** (June 6), **José Fermin** (April 26), **Edgar Quero** (April 16), and **Michael Darrell-Hicks** (April 11), who all debuted this year.

NEW HALF, NEW TRASH PANDAS: In June, the Trash Pandas had 25 roster moves impact the roster, with 10 moves coming on June 17. Only 17 of the current 28-man roster were active on May 19. Newcomers joining the club in June include OF **Oscar Colás** (6/3), 1B **Evan Edwards** (6/3), INF **David Mershon** (6/17), INF **Ben Gobbel** (6/17), LHP **A.J. Block** (6/17), RHP **Sam Ryan** (6/17), while OF **Travis Blankenhorn** (IL, 6/7), C **Jaxx Groshans** (Dev. List, 6/24) and RHP **George Klassen** (IL, 6/1) have been reinstated from the IL, or Dev. List.

THE STREAK IS OVER!!!: The Trash Pandas dropped a Southern League record 16 straight games from June 14 to July 2. The streak was the longest in Minor League Baseball this season. The streak surpassed the previous Southern League mark set by the Columbus (GA) Astros in 1971, dropping 15-straight games from May 17-June 1, 1971. That season, the Southern League and Texas League played an interlocking schedule and referred to the agreement as the "Dixie Association".

PROSPECTS WITH A HALO: The Trash Pandas roster features four of the Angels' top 10 prospects and nine of the top 25; included in the top 10 are RHP **George Klassen** (3), LHP **Sam Aldegheri** (5), OF **Nelson Rada** (6), and INF **Denzer Guzman** (9). The other members of the roster included in the Top-30 include LHP **Samy Natera Jr.** (16), RHP **Walbert Ureña** (17), RHP **Joel Hurtado** (19), and RHP **Camden Nacci** (21).

THE YOUNG GUNS: The Trash Pandas have three of the nine youngest players in the Southern League. For the second-straight year, OF **Nelson Rada** is the youngest player in the Southern League at 19.8 years old (8/24/05), the only player in the league born in 2005. INF **Denzer Guzman** is the eighth-youngest at 21.4 years old (2/8/04), and RHP **Walbert Ureña** is the ninth-youngest, just 14 days older than Guzman, born on 1/25/04 at 21.4 years old (1/25/04).

DELAYING THE LAUNCH: From June 12-29, the Trash Pandas endured 9 hours and 20 minutes of weather delays, and during the last homestand, June 10-25, they faced delays that totaled 6 hours and 20 minutes. This season, Rocket City has had 14 home games impacted by rain delays or postponements, adding up to 9 hours and 2 minutes of total delay time. According to wunderground.com, rain has been recorded on 22 out of 37 home game days.

MAY WAS A GOOD MONTH FOR BROWN AND RADA: Over 26 games in May, **Sam Brown** finished 4th in the league in batting at .301 (28-for-93), with eight extra-base hits, and 14 RBIs, and **Nelson Rada** finished 2nd in batting at .325 (27-for-83), and 2nd in OBP (.467). Rada led all of Double-A and was 3rd in MiLB with 19 stolen bases.

ANOTHER WALK-OFF AT TOYOTA FIELD: Wednesday night's walk-off single in the 10th inning by **Cole Fontenelle** was the second of the season for the Trash Pandas. This was the first walk-off since **Denzer Guzman** hit a walk-off homer in the ninth inning on April 5 against Chattanooga. Overall, it marked the 24th walk-off victory for the Trash Pandas at Toyota Field.

MLB EXPERIENCE: The Trash Pandas boast seven players on the roster with Major League experience after the recent additions. **Sam Aldegheri** made his MLB debut on August 30, 2024, for the Angels, vs. Seattle, and made three starts for the Angels over the remainder of the season. **Kelvin Cáceres** made his debut for the Angels on September 27, 2023, vs. Texas, and appeared in two total games that season. **Jesus Cruz** made his MLB debut for on August 18, 2020 for the Cardinals, and has appeared in eight games between the Cardinals (20) and Braves (22). **Jordan Holloway** made his MLB debut on July 26, 2020, for the Marlins, and appeared in 15 games (4 starts) for Miami from 2020-2023, posting a 3.29 ERA. **Sean Poppen** made his MLB debut on June 19, 2019, for the Twins and has appeared in 63 games for the Twins (10), Pirates (3), Rays (1), and Diamondbacks (49) since 2019, posting a 5.08 career ERA. **José Quijada** made his MLB debut for the Marlins on April 24, 2019, against Cleveland, and has appeared in 140 games for the Marlins (34) and Angels (106) since 2019, logging a 4.64 ERA and eight saves. The only position player with MLB experience is **Travis Blankenhorn**, who made his MLB debut on September 15, 2020, for the Twins against the White Sox. Overall, he's played in 49 career games for the Twins (2), Mets (24), and Nationals (23) since 2020.

FONTENELLE'S CYCLE: Not only was Cole Fontenelle's cycle on April 8 vs. Knoxville the first in Trash Pandas history, but it was the first in the Southern League since former Smokies star Moises Ballesteros did it on June 15, 2024, at Biloxi. Fontenelle led off each at-bat, which has only been done once in MLB history, by Todd Helton in 1999 against the Florida Marlins. The last LA Angels' minor league player to hit for the cycle was José Rojas, who hit for the cycle on May 11, 2018, while playing for the Double-A Mobile BayBears. Rojas completed his cycle with a grand slam in the eighth inning, leading the BayBears to a 14-3 win over the Mississippi Braves at Trustmark Park.

Series Breakdown

Type	Home		Road		Overall	Sweeps
	Won-Lost-Split	Won-Lost-Split	Won-Lost-Split	Won-Lost-Split	Won-Lost-Split	
Series	2-4-2	1-5-1	3-9-3	0-2		
Double Headers	1-3-1	1-0-0	2-3-1	2-2		
Series Dates	Opponent	Record	Notes			
4/4-6	Chattanooga	1-1	Third game was PPD by rain			
4/8-13	Knoxville	2-4	Fontenelle hit for the cycle on 4/8			
4/15-20	at Montgomery	1-5	Played 3 extra inning games			
4/22-27	Birmingham	2-4	5 of 6 games decided by 3 runs or less			
4/29-5/4	at Knoxville	3-2	Won final 3 games, DH sweep on 5/4			
5/6-11	Montgomery	1-5	Outscored 33-16, split doubleheader on 5/11			
5/13-18	at Pensacola	2-4	Rada on base 9 times, and 7 SB			
5/20-25	at Chattanooga	2-4	Lost to Reds top prospect Chase Burns twice			
5/27-6/1	Biloxi	4-2	First home series win			
6/3-8	at Birmingham	3-3	Won Rickwood Classic 1-0 on 6/4			
6/10-15	Pensacola	3-3	Dropped the final two games			
6/17-22	Chattanooga	0-7	6 hr, 20 min in rain delays First 7-game sweep			
6/24-29	at Montgomery	0-6	4 of 6, 1-run games, 9 HR, 5 from Blankenhorn			
7/1-6	vs. Knoxville/at Knoxville	3-3	Stopped 16G losing streak on 7/2 / home teams won 2 of 3			

Daily & Monthly Breakdown

Day	Home	Road	Total	Month	Home	Road	Total
Monday	0-0	0-0	0-0	April	5-9	1-7	6-16
Tuesday	1-6	1-6	2-12	May	5-6	7-8	12-14
Wednesday	4-3	3-5	7-7	June	3-11	3-9	6-20
Thursday	4-3	3-4	7-7	July	2-1	3-5	5-6
Friday	2-6	1-6	3-12	August	0-0	0-0	0-0
Saturday	3-4	4-3	7-7	September	0-0	0-0	0-0
Sunday	1-6	2-5	3-11	Postseason	-	-	-
Total	15-28	14-29	29-56		15-27	14-29	29-56

CATCHER'S BOX

Catcher	Innings	Caught Stealing	Stolen Bases	CS%	Passed Balls
Myles Emmerson	427.0	26	69	27.4%	7
Josh Crouch	287.1	19	42	31.1%	4
Total	714.1	45	111	28.8%	11

LAUNCHED TO THE LEAGUE - 41

Player	Years in Rocket City	Major League Debut
1. LHP Reid Detmers	2021	8/1/21 for LAA
2. LHP Packy Naughton	2021	8/8/21 for LAA
3. RHP José Marte	2021	8/20/21 for LAA
4. RHP Elvis Peguero	2021	8/26/21 for LAA
5. RHP Cooper Criswell	2021	8/27/21 for LAA
6. RHP Kyle Tyler	2021	9/5/21 for LAA
7. RHP Janson Junk*	2021	9/5/21 for LAA
8. RHP Oliver Ortega	2021	9/8/21 for LAA
9. LHP Jhonathan Díaz	2021	9/17/21 for LAA
10. RHP Chase Silseth*	2021-22	5/9/22 for LAA
11. INF David MacKinnon	2021	6/12/22 for LAA
12. INF Michael Stefanić	2021	7/3/22 for LAA
13. OF Ryan Aguilar*	2022	8/26/22 for LAA
14. INF Livan Soto*	2021-22	9/17/22 for LAA
15. C Logan O'Hoppe*	2022	9/28/22 for LAA
16. INF Brendon Davis	2021	10/1/22 for DET
17. INF Zach Neto*	2022-23	4/15/23 for LAA
18. RHP Sam Bachman*	2022-23	5/26/23 for LAA
19. RHP Ben Joyce*	2022-23	5/29/23 for LAA
20. RHP José Soriano*	2023	6/6/23 for LAA
21. LHP Kolton Ingram	2021-23	6/17/23 for LAA
22. RHP Victor Mederos*	2023	6/30/23 for LAA
23. 1B/OF Trey Cabbage	2022	7/14/23 for LAA
24. OF Jordyn Adams	2022	8/2/23 for LAA
25. INF Nolan Schanuel*	2023	8/18/23 for LAA
26. Kyren Paris*	2022-23	9/1/23 for LAA
27. Davis Daniel	2021	9/7/23 for LAA
28. Kelvin Cáceres	2023	9/27/23 for LAA
29. Zac Kristofak	2023	4/28/2024 for LAA
30. Jack Kochanowicz	2023-24	7/11/24 for LAA
31. Ky Bush	2022-23	8/5/24 for CHW
32. Samuel Aldegheri	2024	8/30/24 for LAA
33. Caden Dana	2024	9/1/24 for LAA
34. Bryce Teodosio	2022-23	9/7/24 for LAA
35. Eric Wagaman	2024	9/10/24 for LAA
36. Gustavo Campero	2024	9/15/24 for LAA
37. Michael Darrell-Hicks	2023-24	4/11/25 for LAA
38. Edgar Quero	2023	4/17/25 for CHW
39. José Fermin	2025	4/26/25 for LAA
40. Alan Rangel	2024	6/6/25 for PHI
41. Christian Moore	2024-25	6/13/25 for LAA
42. Robinson Piña	2021, 23	6/20/25 for MIA
43. Chad Stevens	2024	7/3/25 for LAA

*Promoted straight from Rocket City to the Majors