



TAMPA TARPONS

OFFICIAL GAME NOTES



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Florida State League Champions: 1957, 1961, 1994, 2001 (co. w/ Brevard County), 2004 (co. w/ Daytona), 2009, 2010

FORT MYERS MIGHTY MUSSELS (0-1) at TAMPA TARPONS (1-0)

RHP Merit Jones (2-1, 3.64 ERA) vs. RHP Tyler Boudreau (3-2, 3.18 ERA)

Saturday, June 20th, 2026 • George M. Steinbrenner Field • Tampa, FL • 6:30 p.m.

Game #68 • Home Game #38 • Radio/TV: MiLB.tv • Phone App: MiLB First Pitch

LAST TIME OUT: The Tampa Tarpons opened the second half of the season with a gritty 8-7 victory over the Fort Myers Mighty Mussels on Friday night... The Tarpons struck first in the second inning when **Luis Puello** launched a 416-foot home run, giving Tampa an early 1-0 lead... Fort Myers answered back in the top of the third with a grand slam into the right field bleachers to take a 4-1 advantage... In the middle innings, the Tarpons took advantage of Fort Myers' mistakes, tying the game before **Jackson Lovich** gave the Tarpons the lead with a 104.5 MPH laser over the right-center field wall that put the home team ahead 6-4... **Luis Escudero** provided some much-needed insurance in the bottom of the eighth, delivering a two-out RBI single... **Gabriel Lara** followed by ripping an RBI double off the top of the right field wall, extending Tampa's lead to 8-5 heading into the ninth... Fort Myers made things interesting in the final frame, but **Josh Tiedemann** shut the door to earn his fifth save and preserve an 8-7 Tarpons victory.

FOR STARTERS: RHP Tyler Boudreau (3-2, 3.18 ER, 51.0IP, 36H, 22R, 18ER, 20BB, 67K, 3HR, 11G/11GS) will make his 12th start of the season against Fort Myers... struck out a career-high 11 batters in his last start on 6/13 @ Bradenton (6.0IP, 3H, 1R/1ER, 11K)...authoring a 2.77 ERA in the month of June, striking out 18 batters over 13.0 IP...signed by the New York Yankees on July 16th, 2025...assigned to the Tampa Tarpons on August 20th, 2025.

VS. FORT MYERS: The Tarpons head into the fifth game of their six-game set against the Fort Myers Mighty Mussels... the season series is currently tied, 5-5... both teams are scheduled to play 12 games (6 home, 6 away) during the 2026 season... in 2025, Tampa finished 13-9 (7-5 home, 6-4 away) against Fort Myers, with two games canceled.

FIRST HALF RECAP: The Tampa Tarpons finished the 1st half of the season in third place of the FSL West... Here's how the Tarpons stacked up against the rest of the league at the halfway point... 1st in home runs (64)—*Jackson Lovich finished tied for the league lead with 12*... 1st in slugging percentage (.405)... 2nd in batting average (.245)... 2nd in stolen bases (137)—*Bryce Martin-Grudzielanek led team with 19*... 4th in team ERA (4.42)—*Tyler Boudreau had the lowest ERA among Tarpon starters with a 3.18*... also ranked third in the FSL for strikeouts with 67.

GOGO JACKSON: JoJo Jackson continued his recent hot stretch at the plate yesterday, collecting his fifth multi-hit game in his last seven contests with a 2-for-4 performance... Over that seven-game stretch, Jackson has batted .500.

LOVIN' LOVICH: On June 4th, the Florida State League announced **Jackson Lovich** as the FSL Player of the Month for the month of May... batted .358/.430/.741 and led the league in home runs (eight), RBI (23), slugging percentage (.741), OPS (1.171) and total bases (60)... finished second in average (.358), was third in runs (22) and was fourth in hits (29) and triples (2)... posted eight multi-hit games and began the month with an 11-game hitting streak... had his first career multi-homer game on May 14 against Dunedin and six days later he homered three times against Clearwater.

PROSPECT PARK: Of the Yankees' Top 30 Prospects as named by *MLB.com*, four of them reside on the Tarpons' roster... **INF Dax Kilby** (No. 3), **RHP Thatcher Hurd** (No. 9), **LHP Henry Lalane** (No. 14) and **RHP Mac Heuer** (No. 24).

WASSERMAN AT THE WHEEL: Zak Wasserman enters his third season in the Yankees organization and his first as manager of the Tampa Tarpons... before joining the Tarpons, Wasserman spent 2025 as the Defensive Coach for the Triple-A Scranton Wilkes-Barre RailRiders, overseeing outfielders and baserunning... in November 2023, Wasserman joined the Yankees' Player Development department, spending the 2024 season as the Hudson Valley Renegades' Defensive Coach... Wasserman began coaching in 2018, serving as Head Coach at Lake Michigan College, where he led the program for five seasons... he then moved to the NCAA Division I level, joining Xavier University's staff as a volunteer assistant in 2022 before being promoted to assistant coach in 2023... As assistant coach, he helped lead the Musketeers to their fourth Big East title.

ACTIVE ROSTER (29 + 2 Rehab)

8 Boudreau, Tyler.....	RHP
35 Carter, Greysen.....	RHP
39 Etheridge, J.T.....	RHP
31 Hurd, Thatcher.....	RHP
46 Lalane, Henry.....	LHP
17 Ledesma, Jose.....	LHP
41 Martinez, Jose.....	RHP
23 Mendoza, Jordarlin.....	RHP
16 Parliament, Wyatt.....	RHP
20 Rodriguez, Jose M.....	RHP
47 Rodriguez, Pedro.....	LHP
6 Seay, Parker.....	LHP
44 Stevens, Kevin MiLB.....	RHP
26 Stuprich, Brennan.....	RHP
34 Tiedemann, Josh.....	RHP
30 Tippie, Matthew.....	RHP
37 Velasquez, Luis MiLB.....	RHP
25 West, Justin.....	LHP
40 McCann, David.....	C
1 Puello, Luis.....	C
15 Rivera, Ediel.....	C
29 Engelth Urena.....	C
22 Escudero, Luis.....	INF
2 Green, Austin.....	INF
18 Lovich, Jackson.....	INF
7 Martin-Grudzielanek, Bryce.....	INF
10 Montero, Hans.....	INF
11 Jackson, JoJo.....	OF
21 Lara, Gabriel.....	OF
3 Maxwell, Logan.....	OF
27 Montero, Willy.....	OF

LAST 10 GAMES (6-4)

6/9 @ Bradenton.....	W, 7-3
6/11 @ Bradenton (G1).....	L, 1-3
6/11 @ Bradenton (G2).....	W, 7-1
6/12 @ Bradenton.....	W, 8-2
6/13 @ Bradenton.....	W, 2-1
6/14 @ Bradenton.....	L, 3-10
6/16 vs. Fort Myers.....	W, 15-9
6/17 vs. Fort Myers.....	L, 7-9
6/18 vs. Fort Myers.....	L, 5-16
6/19 vs. Fort Myers.....	W, 8-7

UPCOMING PROBABLE STARTING PITCHERS

DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLE PITCHERS	TIME
Sun., June 21st	vs. Fort Myers	RHP Jason Reitz (0-0, 1.74 ERA) vs. RHP Brennan Stuprich (2-1, 3.58 ERA)	12:00 p.m.
Tues., June 23rd	@ Dunedin	TBD (0-0, -- ERA) vs. LHP Justin West (2-3, 6.19 ERA)	6:30 p.m.
Wed., June 24th	@ Dunedin	TBD (0-0, -- ERA) vs. RHP Thatcher Hurd (0-2, 7.53 ERA)	6:30 p.m.

FSL 2ND HALF STANDINGS

EAST	RECORD	GB
St. Lucie (NYM)	1-0	-
Jupiter (MIA) *	0-0	0.5
Palm Beach (STL)	0-0	0.5
Daytona (CIN)	0-1	1.0

WEST	RECORD	GB
Clearwater (PHI) *	1-0	-
Lakeland (DET)	1-0	-
Tampa (NYY)	1-0	-
Bradenton (PIT)	0-1	1.0
Dunedin (TOR)	0-1	1.0
Fort Myers (MIN)	0-1	1.0

* Clinched Division (1st Half)

TARPONS AT A GLANCE

Records	
Overall Record:.....	36-31
Place:.....	1st (tied)
Games Back:.....	0.0
Home:.....	20-17
Away:.....	16-14
Last 5:.....	2-3
Last 10:.....	6-4

Active Hitting Leaders (Min. 10 G)	
Batting Avg:.....	J. Lovich (.295)
Runs Scored:.....	B. Martin-Grudzielanek (46)
Home Runs:.....	J. Lovich (13)
Runs Batted In:.....	J. Lovich (46)
Stolen Bases:.....	B. Martin-Grudzielanek (19)

Active Pitching Leaders	
Wins:.....	J.T. Etheridge (6)
ERA:.....	J. Rodriguez (2.03)
Strikeouts:.....	T. Boudreau (67)
Saves:.....	J. Tiedemann (5)
WHIP:.....	T. Boudreau (1.10)

SEASON SERIES vs. FORT MYERS (5-5)

5/5	7:05 p.m.	@ Fort Myers	W, 9-8
5/6	7:05 p.m.	@ Fort Myers	W, 4-3
5/7	7:05 p.m.	@ Fort Myers	L, 6-10
5/8	7:05 p.m.	@ Fort Myers	W, 6-2
5/9	7:05 p.m.	@ Fort Myers	L, 9-11
5/10	12:05 p.m.	@ Fort Myers	L, 3-5
6/16	6:30 p.m.	@ Tampa	W, 15-9
6/17	5:00 p.m.	@ Tampa	L, 7-9
6/18	11:00 a.m.	@ Tampa	L, 5-16
6/19	6:30 p.m.	@ Tampa	W, 8-7
6/20	6:30 p.m.	@ Tampa	—
6/21	12:00 p.m.	@ Tampa	—