



GAME NOTES

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FREDERICKSBURG NATIONALS (15-7) vs. DOWN EAST WOOD DUCKS (10-11)

Wednesday, May 1 | 12:05 p.m. | Virginia Credit Union Stadium | Game 23 of 132 | Broadcast: FredNats Baseball Net./Bally Live

RHP Travis Sykora (Pro debut) vs. RHP Ryan Lobus (3-0, 1.86 ERA)

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLE STARTERS

DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLE PITCHERS	FIRST PITCH (ET)
Thursday, May 2	vs. Down East	RHP Jose Atencio (1-1, 2.04 ERA) vs. LHP Kohl Drake (0-0, 1.08 ERA)	7:05 p.m.
Friday, May 3	vs. Down East	RHP Jarlin Susana (0-3, 6.57 ERA) vs. RHP Jose Gonzalez (0-1, 1.80 ERA)	7:05 p.m.
Saturday, May 4	vs. Down East	RHP Marc Davis (0-0, 5.40 ERA) vs.	

MAY DAY: After eight wins in the last 10 including the first walk-off win of the season last night, the Frednats will look to keep the good times rolling on the second Education Day of the year today at VACU Stadium against the Down East Wood Ducks, Carolina League affiliate of the Texas Rangers. Today, 2023 3rd round pick Travis Sykora makes his professional debut today for Fredericksburg. The 20-year-old from Round Rock, TX is the 11th ranked Nationals prospect according to MLB Pipeline. The Nationals picked Sykora 71st overall last summer and gave him a \$2.6 million dollar signing bonus to lure him away from a college commitment to the University of Texas. He faces off against Down East righty Ryan Lobus, who leads Carolina League starting pitchers in wins with three.

ABOUT LAST NIGHT: The FredNats opened this six-game series with an 8-7 walk-off win over Down East. Brandon Pimentel had the walk-off knock in the 10th, and he extended his Minor League Baseball lead in the RBI category with three hits and two more RBIs. Elijah Green and Gavin Dugas both hit homers in the game for Fredericksburg.

APRIL RECAP: The FredNats ripped off 15 wins in the month of April to start the year, second most in the league and more than any other month in the entire 2023 season. Fredericksburg led the Carolina League with 139 runs scored, and also led the league in run differential with +50. Fredericksburg's three shutouts on the mound is also the most in the Carolina League, and have won two extra inning games in a row heading into the month of May.

RBI KING: Brandon Pimentel's 33 RBIs through the first 22 games of the season is tied for the most in all of Minor League Baseball. Pimentel is tied with Clay Dungen of the Triple-A El Paso Chihuahuas, and Dungen has played six more games this year. Pimentel has at least one RBI in nine of his last 11 games, and has driven in multiple runs in seven of those games. He's hit two grand slams this year as well, which has only been done by one other player in the Majors or full-season Minors this season.

FORMULA FOR SUCCESS: The FredNats are a perfect 11-0 this season when scoring first, including all five wins in last week's series against Delmarva and last night's game against the Wood Ducks. 12 of Fredericksburg's 15 wins have come against the North Division of the Carolina League as well.

BULLPEN WORK: So far in 2024, the FredNat bullpen has been one of the best units in the Carolina League. In 110 IP so far for the FredNat relievers, the unit has allowed 31 earned runs for a group ERA of 2.54. The Freddie's are also 7/8 in save opportunities (four by Thomas Schultz, one by Kevin Rodriguez, one by Samuel Vasquez and one by Mason Denaburg), and the team is 11-0 when holding a lead after seven, and 13-0 when leading after eight innings this year.

THE SKIP IS BACK: The FredNats' leader from the last two seasons returns to the Managerial role for 2024. Jake Lowery is back for another year in the 'Burg Lowery, 34, was selected by Cleveland in the fourth round of the 2011 Draft out of James Madison University, where he was given the Johnny Bench Award as the nation's top collegiate catcher. The Midlothian, Virginia native played in the Nationals organization from 2016 to 2019, including parts of two seasons with the Potomac Nationals. Lowery reached the Triple-A level in 2018 and transitioned to a managerial role in 2021 after nine seasons in the minor leagues. Lowery is the 28th manager in franchise history dating back to 1978. Lowery is 156-127 in his two-plus years as Manager in Fredericksburg, including the 2022 Carolina League playoffs.

THE STAFF: The majority of the 2023 coaching staff returns for 2024, with the lone exception being Hitting Coach Mike Habas. Pitching Coach Justin Lord, Development Coach Carmelo Jaime, Performance Analyst Josh Freligh, Strength & Conditioning Nathan Sier and Athletic Trainer Jake Meyer are all back from last year's staff. Lord, 44, will begin his fourth season coaching in the Washington organization. The Alabama native and Florida State alum pitched six seasons professionally before transitioning to coaching, spending time in the Baltimore organization prior to joining the Nationals.

Habas, 33, begins his first season in the Washington organization after spending the last four seasons coaching in the Milwaukee Brewers organization. He was the hitting coach for the ACL Brewers the last two seasons, and was an Assistant Coach for the independent Gary SouthShore RailCats and Head Coach at Prarie State Junior College prior to his time with Milwaukee. Jaime, 38, was Detroit's 24th round selection in the 2008 Draft out of Miami Dade College. The Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic native reached Double-A in his three-year minor league career, and has served as the first base coach and infield coach with the FredNats the past two seasons, roles he will continue in 2024. Meyer is in his seventh year with the Nationals overall and second with the FredNats, he spent his first five years at the facility in West Palm Beach, FL. Sier is in his second year with FXBG after previous stops with ZSP Sports and Macomb Community College (MI). Freligh begins his second year with the Nationals after previous stops with the Boston Red Sox and Los Angeles Dodgers.

A LASTING LEGACY: The Fredericksburg Nationals adopt the franchise history of their predecessors in the Carolina League dating back to 1978...the Alexandria Dukes (1978, 1980-83) and Alexandria Mariners (1979) played at Four Mile Run Park in Alexandria, Virginia...the Prince William Pirates (1984-1986), Prince William Yankees (1987-1988), Prince William Cannons (1989-1998), Potomac Cannons (1999-2004) and Potomac Nationals (2005-2019) played at G. Richard Pfitzner Stadium in Woodbridge, Virginia...the franchise has won five Mills Cup Championships, as the Dukes in 1982, as the Yankees in 1989, and as the Nationals in 2008, 2010 and 2014.

BY THE NUMBERS

Overall.....	15-7
Home.....	7-3
Road.....	8-4
vs. Down East.....	1-0
Last 10 games.....	8-2
Record in series.....	1-0
Series openers.....	4-1
Series finales.....	3-1
Doubleheaders.....	1-1
April.....	15-7
May.....	0-0
June.....	0-0
July.....	0-0
August.....	0-0
September.....	0-0
Day games.....	5-2
Night games.....	10-5
vs. North.....	12-4
vs. South.....	3-3
vs. LH starter.....	2-3
vs. RH starter.....	13-4
Scoring first.....	11-0
Scoring last.....	9-4
Up after 7/8.....	11-0/13-0
Extra innings.....	2-0
1-run games.....	1-1
Shutouts.....	3-2
Walk-offs.....	1-0
+/-.....	+50 (139-89)
Most over .500.....	8 (15-7)
Most under .500.....	(--)
W streak.....	3 (4/27 -)
L streak.....	(--)
White jerseys.....	1-1
Gray jerseys.....	5-0
Navy jerseys.....	1-1
Red jerseys.....	3-4
Military jerseys.....	2-0
'Burg jerseys.....	2-1
Copa jerseys.....	0-0

TRAVIS SYKORA

#22

Height: 6-6 Weight: 232 B/T: R/R Age: 20 (4/28/2004 in Round Rock, TX) Acquired: Round 3, 2023

2024: 0-0, 0.00 ERA CAREER: 0-0, 0.00 ERA REPERTOIRE: 4SFB, SL, SPL

Date	Opp.	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	ERA
APRIL TOTALS										
MAY TOTALS										
JUNE TOTALS										
JULY TOTALS										
AUG. TOTALS										
SEPT. TOTALS										

TONIGHT'S START: Travis Sykora is making his professional debut this afternoon for Fredericksburg, against the Down East Wood Ducks. He was taken in the third round by Washington in the 2023, who gave him double-slot money to sign him away from a commitment to pitch at the University of Texas. That, along with some command issues that popped up during his senior year at Round Rock HS, caused him to fall from a first-round projection into the third.

QUICK CLIMBER: Sykora was promoted to the FredNats during last week's series against the Delmarva Shorebirds, but did not pitch. He also did not pitch last year after being drafted, but Washington felt he was ready to jump to full-season ball and will bypass the Florida Complex League entirely.

Sykora's calling card is a big fastball that reached 101 MPH on the prep circuit, and will sit in the mid to upper 90's. He pairs the heater with a splitter and a tight slider, both in the mid 80's.

A BIG MENTOR: Sykora has been open about how much he looks up to fellow Texan Nolan Ryan. Travis sees similarities in their two deliveries, between a high leg kick and "elbows and knees flying everywhere," Sykora said in a MLB.com interview. He was able to meet Ryan this offseason.

NEXT GAME'S STARTER: RHP Jose Atencio (1-1, 2.04)

Atencio has excelled since joining the rotation two weeks ago.

MERRICK BALDO - RHP
#17
Height: 6-1 Weight: 200 B/T: R/R Age: 23 (7/17/00 in New York, NY) Acquired: 17th Rd, 2023 Draft
Last Series (@ DEL): 0-0, 0.00 (3.0 IP, 0 ER) 6 K, 1 BB Repertoire: 45FB, SL, CHG vs. Left: .261 vs. Right: .100

- Pitched three seasons at Loyola Marymount, almost exclusively as a reliever, two starts out of 39 total appearances...3.87 ERA over 79.0 IP with excellent command, 73 strikeouts to just 18 walks (4.06 K:BB ratio)...
- Signed for \$100K in the 17th round
- Made one appearance in the FCL in 2023 before joining the FXBG bullpen for his debut on 8/11 @ LYN...proved to be a valuable piece out of the bullpen during the FredNats' late-season playoff push, allowed just three ER in 17 IP (1.59 ERA)...did not allow an ER in seven of his nine appearances in '23

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/5	H	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/10	-	1.0	4	3	3	0	1	0
4/13	H	2.0	0	0	0	0	3	0
4/17	-	1.2	1	1	1	0	1	0
4/20	H	2.0	2	1	1	1	2	0
4/24	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	3	0
4/28	-	2.0	1	0	0	1	3	0

MATTHEW BOLLENBACHER - RHP
#28
Height: 6-1 Weight: 203 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (11/9/99 in Virginia Beach, VA) Acquired: Free Agent, 2023
Last Series (@ DEL): 0-0, 3.38 (2.2 IP, 1 ER) 2 K, 1 BB Repertoire: vs. Left: .500 vs. Right: .167

- Matthew David Bollenbacher...began collegiate career at East Tennessee State, where he made 36 appearances for the Bucs over three seasons, named to the Southern Conference All Freshman team in 2021 after leading the team with six saves, with five of those outings being 2+ innings, struck out 22 and walked six in 25.2 IP
- Finished third on ETSU in K's in 2022 with 46, made 19 appearances with one start, although it was on Opening Day
- Transferred to DBU for 2023, made 19 appearances with three starts, struck out 32 and walked 7 in 30.0 IP
- Made three appearances in the FCL in '23, allowed 1 ER in 3.2 IP
- Played for the Mystic Schooners in the New England Collegiate Baseball League in Summer '22
- Joined FXBG on 4/24

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/26	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	0
4/28	BS	1.2	2	2	1	1	0	0

MASON DENABURG - RHP
#32
Height: 6-4 Weight: 195 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (8/08/99 in Cape Canaveral, FL) Acquired: 1st Rd, 2018 Draft
Last Series (@ DEL): 1-0, 4.91 (3.2 IP, 2 ER) 3 K, 3 BB Repertoire: FB, SL, CHG vs. Left: .304 vs. Right: .294

- Mason Alan Denaburg...has had two different season-ending surgeries (Shoulder in '19, Tommy John in '21) which has led to a bumpy beginning in his professional career
- Scuffled in the then-GCL in 2019 with a 7.52 ERA over 20.1 innings before Covid-19 and injury prevented him from pitching in 2020 and 2021
- Debuted in Fredericksburg on 5/25/22 and proved to be a valuable contributor in the rotation...pitched to a 4.15 ERA over 13 starts (39.0 IP) while giving up just three home runs
- Struggled in '23 with FXBG, with a 11.64 ERA, primarily as a bullpen arm...Excelled in May with a 4.15 ERA over five relief appearances

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/5	H	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/10	-	1.0	4	3	3	0	1	0
4/13	H	2.0	0	0	0	0	3	0
4/18	-	1.0	1	2	2	2	1	0
4/21	W	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	0
4/26	-	1.2	2	3	2	3	2	0
4/28	W	2.0	1	1	0	0	1	0

MOISES DIAZ - RHP
#36
Height: 6-0 Weight: 195 B/T: R/R Age: 23 (4/27/2001 in Santiago, DR) Acquired: FA, 2021
Series: 1-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER) 0 K, 0 BB Repertoire: FB, SL, CHG vs. Left: .000 vs. Right: .095

- Moises Aldo Diaz...initially signed by the Chicago Cubs in 2018, signed by Washington in 2021
- Spent 2018, '19, '21 with the Cubs Dominican Summer League team, 34 appearances with 14 starts, 2.3 K:BB ratio
- Signed with WAS prior to 2023, spent 11 games in the complex before joining the FredNats on 7/28/23
- Recorded first FXBG save on 8/17/23 vs Augusta, first FXBG win on 8/25 @ Salem

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/16	-	2.0	0	0	0	1	2	0
4/19	-	1.2	0	0	0	0	0	0
4/23	H	2.0	1	0	0	1	1	0
4/27	-	2.0	1	0	0	1	1	0
4/30	W	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

BUBBA HALL - RHP
#27
Height: 6-1 Weight: 212 B/T: R/R Age: 23 (4/10/00 in Ft. Leavenworth, KS) Acquired: Free Agent, 2022
Last Series (@ DEL): 0-0, 4.50 (4.0 IP, 2 ER) 2 K, 0 BB Repertoire: vs. Left: .071 vs. Right: .118

- Dawson Alexander "Bubba" Hall...returning FredNat who played a key role out of the bullpen in 2023...frequently deployed as a multi-inning arm, Bubba made 21 appearances and logged a 3.51 ERA over 33.1 innings last season...allowed multiple earned runs in just two of his 21 outings with the FredNats, recorded eight consecutive scoreless outings from 7/6 to 8/1...opponents hit just .202 off the righty, as he registered a WHIP of 1.14
- Played at three different colleges...started with Mississippi Gulf Coast CC ('19, '20), transferred to Southern Illinois ('21), before enrolling at Dallas Baptist ('22) for his final collegiate season...held opposing hitters to a .188 BAA with DBU, racked up 74 K's against 24 BB's

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/9	W	1.2	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/13	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
4/16	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
4/19	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4/25	W	2.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
4/27	W, BS	2.0	3	2	2	0	0	0

BRYAN POLANCO - RHP
#24

Height: 6-2 Weight: 190 B/T: R/R Age: 22 (09/12/01 in Santo Domingo, DR) Acquired: International Free Agent, 2021
 Last Series (@ DEL): 1-0, 0.00 (5.0 IP, 0 ER) 6 K, 3 BB Repertoire: 45FB, CUT, SL, CHG vs. Left: .217 vs. Right: .156

- Bryan Ariel Polanco...signed with the Washington organization in 2021, spent '21 and '22 in the Dominican Summer League, where he split time between the bullpen and the starting rotation...came stateside for 2023, began in the FCL before joining FXBG for a pair of starts late in the season, allowed three earned runs over six innings

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/5	W	4.0	3	1	1	1	5	0
4/10	H	3.0	1	1	1	2	0	0
4/17	W	4.0	3	3	3	5	2	1
4/23	W	5.0	3	0	0	3	6	0

KEVIN RODRIGUEZ - RHP
#14

Height: 6-1 Weight: 185 B/T: R/R Age: 23 (8/13/00 in Panama City, PAN) Acquired: International Free Agent, 2018
 Last Series (@ DEL): 0-0, 2.70 (3.1 IP, 1 ER) 1 BB, 3 K Repertoire: 45FB, CH, CB, SNK vs. Left: .222 vs. Right: .200

- Kevin Antonio Rodriguez...emerged as a crucial reliever in his full-season debut in 2023, serving as a multi-inning weapon capable of handling high-leverage spots
- Spent the full season with FXBG, appearing in 38 games and even starting one...struck out 74 hitters in 69.2 IP while walking just 24 (3.1 K:BB)...was most dominant in May/June with a 1.21 ERA over 22.1 IP, struck out 30 and walked nine, surrendered just a pair of home runs in that stretch...allowed 10/28 (35%) inherited runners to score on the season...in his one start, fired three scoreless, hitless innings against Lynchburg...went 1+ inning in 26/38 (68%) of his appearances last season

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/6	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/12	-	2.0	3	1	1	1	3	0
4/14	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
4/18	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/21	S	1.2	1	0	0	1	2	0
4/26	-	1.1	1	1	1	1	2	0
4/28	-	2.0	1	1	0	0	1	0

THOMAS SCHULTZ - RHP
#26

Height: 6-6 Weight: 243 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (8/3/99 in Mt. Carmel, PA) Acquired: 9th Rd, 2023 Draft
 Series: 0-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER) 4 K, 0 BB, 0-1 SV Repertoire: 45FB, CUT, SL, CHG vs. Left: .167 vs. Right: .143

- Thomas Ronald Schultz...appeared in 62 games over four years with the Vanderbilt Commodores, making 11 starts in that span
- Wrapped up senior season in '23 with a 4.05 ERA over 33.1 IP, to go along with 37 punchouts against 10 walks...recorded a four-inning save in the NCAA Tournament against Eastern Illinois, holding the Panthers scoreless while striking out five, , fired 1.2 scoreless IP in the SEC championship game against Texas A&M...finished fourth in the SEC in saves with eight in 2022
- Made one appearance with the FCL Nats after being drafted then joined FXBG, where he impressed over nine relief outings...15 strikeouts against just four walks in 14.2 innings of work
- Has worked as the FredNat closer so far, going 4-5 in save opportunities, including two inning saves on 4/23 and 4/2 @ DEL

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/5	S	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
4/10	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/13	S	1.0	0	0	0	3	2	0
4/16	L	1.0	2	1	1	1	0	1
4/20	S	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	0
4/23	S	2.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
4/27	S	2.0	2	1	1	0	1	1
4/30	BS	2.0	2	1	1	0	4	0

MIKEY TEPPER - RHP
#34

Height: 6-1 Weight: 175 B/T: R/R Age: 21 (6/2/02 in Phoenix, AZ) Acquired: 15th Round, 2023
 Series: 0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER) 2 K, 3 BB Repertoire: FB, CRV, CHG vs. Left: .130 vs. Right: .148

- Michael James Tepper...spent two years at Mississippi State, including in 2021 when MSU won the CWS, before transferring to Liberty University for his final college season...spent two summers with the Falmouth Commodores of the historic Cape Cod League
- Made 15 starts (16 app.) for the Flames in '23, struck out 78 batters in 65.1 IP, allowed only two home runs all season long
- Joined the FredNats late in 2023 after a brief stint in the Complex League, made three starts and one relief appearance

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/7	-	2.2	0	1	1	5	4	0
4/13	-	2.0	1	1	1	3	3	1
4/19	-	4.0	2	1	1	0	6	0
4/24	W	4.0	2	0	0	0	5	0
4/30	-	2.0	2	0	0	0	2	0

SAMUEL VASQUEZ - RHP
#40

Height: 6-3 Weight: 170 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (9/20/99 in Bonao, DR) Acquired: Rule 5 Draft, 2023
 Series: 0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER) 3 K, 3 BB Repertoire: 45FB, SL, CHG vs. Left: .222 vs. Right: .167

- Selected by Washington in the MiLB Rule 5 Draft from Cleveland...spent all of 2022 and '23 with Carolina League foe Lynchburg...recorded a 4.50 ERA in 35 appearances with the Hillcats in '23
- Selected with the fourth pick in the first round of the MiLB Rule 5 draft

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
4/7	W	1.1	0	0	0	0	1	0
4/10	W	1.2	4	2	2	0	3	0
4/14	-	1.2	1	0	0	1	0	0
4/18	-	2.0	0	0	0	2	1	0
4/21	H	1.1	1	2	0	0	1	0
4/25	S	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4/28	H	0.1	0	0	0	3	0	0
4/30	-	2.0	0	0	0	3	3	0

TYLER BACA - OF
#2

Height: 5-9	Weight: 180	B/T: S/R	Age: 23 (5/22/00 in Fullerton, CA)	Acquired: Free Agency, 2022
2024 Average: .179	2024 OPS: .495	Streak (long): 3g (3g)	Last Series (@ DEL): .429 (3-7) K	Home Runs: 0

- Tyler Baca...making his full season debut after signing with the Nationals in summer 2022, slashed .256/.400/.282 for an OPS of .682 in 18 games and 39 at-bats in the Complex last summer, originally drafted by the Nats in the 34th round in 2018 but opted to attend Division II Biola College (CA), where he played 4 years, hit .301 with an OPS of .814 in his final season for the Eagles
- Father Mark is a former Minor League player and current West Coast Crosschecker with the Nationals, has been with the organization in scouting since 2007
- Baca is married to his wife Eleanor

JOSE COLMENARES - C
#9

Height: 5-10	Weight: 165	B/T: R/R	Age: 21 (8/23/02 in El Tocuyo, VEN)	Acquired: International Free Agent, 2018
2024 Average: .190	2024 OPS: .554	Streak (long): 1g (4g)	Series: .500 (2-4) RBI, BB	Home Runs: 0

- Jose Samuel Colmenares...made full-season debut with Fredericksburg last season after spending '19, '21, '22, and part of '23 in the Dominican Summer League and the Complex League
- Recorded an OPS of .384 over 10 games, 27 AB's with FXBG last season, caught six of 20 base-stealers (30%)

EVERETT COOPER III - IF
#5

Height: 6-1	Weight: 184	B/T: L/R	Age: 20 (7/31/03 in Baltimore, MD)	Acquired: Round 16, 2022
2024 Average: .265	2024 OPS: .684	Streak (long): 0g (3g)	Series: .000 (0-3) 3 BB	Home Runs: 0

- Everett Melvin Cooper III...drafted out of Pro5 Baseball Academy (Apex, NC), played six games in the FCL in 2022 before getting his first real taste of professional baseball in 2023...hit .373 across 75 AB's in '23, with an .860 OPS, showcased strong plate discipline with 10 BB's against 9 K's, swiped six bases in nine attempts
- Made FredNat debut on 4/13 at Lynchburg, went 2-3 with two runs scored and a stolen base in a 4-1 win

BRENNER COX - OF
#12

Height: 6-3	Weight: 195	B/T: L/R	Age: 19 (5/11/04 in Houston, TX)	Acquired: Round 4, 2022
2024 Average: .236	2024 OPS: .710	Streak (long): 3g (3g)	Series: .400 (2-5) R	Home Runs: 1 (Last: 4/17 vs FAY)

- Brenner Drew Cox...3 hits and career high 3 RBI on 4/9 at LYN...career-high 4 hits on 4/17 vs FAY ...4th round draft pick (111th overall) in 2022...signed for \$1 million instead of attending University of Texas where he was committed as a two-way player...struggled in 35 games with FXBG last year in his full season debut (.418 OPS)...went back to Complex where he finished the year out
- Starred as a high school quarterback at Rock Hill HS in Frisco, TX...became the second-highest draft pick in the history of Prosper ISD, second to Steele Walker...favorite movie is Bull Durham...favorite musician is Future...favorite athlete is Christian Yelich

ARMANDO CRUZ - IF
#20

Height: 5-11	Weight: 160	B/T: R/R	Age: 20 (1/16/04 in Santo Domingo, DR)	Acquired: International Free Agent, 2021
2024 Average: .250	2024 OPS: .569	Streak (long): 1g (7g)	Series: .250 (1-4) BB	Home Runs: 0

- Armando Junior Cruz...spent all of 2023 in Fredericksburg as a 19-year-old signed for a then-Nats record \$3.9 million out of the Dominican Republic in January of 2021...struggled at the plate in 2023, slashed .190/.244/.174 for an OPS of .517, despite offensive struggles, was clutch in 2023 with 3 walk-off hits and a game-tying grand slam on 8/5 vs Salem to cap a seven-run rally in the bottom of the 9th inning also plays electrifying defense primarily at shortstop, will play more 2B in 2024
- Formerly in the Washington Top 30 prospects but has fallen out as of Opening Day 2024
- Swiped three bases on 4/23 @ DEL, part of a team-wide 10 stolen bags on the day

GAVIN DUGAS - IF
#8

Height: 5-10	Weight: 205	B/T: R/R	Age: 23 (5/19/00 in Houma, LA)	Acquired: Round 6, 2023
2024 Average: .365	2024 OPS: 1.007	Streak (long): 1g (7g)	Series: .500 (2-4) 2 R, 2 RBI, K	Home Runs: 1 (Last: 4/30 vs DE)

- Gavin Joseph Dugas...returning FredNat played in 16 games after the draft last year went 8-for-50 with 2 homers, hit first pro HR on the same day as his college roommate and teammate Dylan Crews...spent five seasons (2019-2023) and 201 games with the LSU Tigers
- Career .287 hitter at LSU with 1.005 OPS, 44 HR, 148 RBI, school record 66 HBP (also had 9 HBP in 16 games with FXBG)...led SEC with 66 RBI in '21...wore the #8 Jersey in '22 and '23 which is for "the upperclassman who best exemplifies the spirit of the LSU baseball program"...2023 CWS All-Tournament team (8-26, 2 2B, 2 HR, 4 RBI, 4 R)...Had a 55-game on-base streak from 2/17-6/2
- Swiped three bases on 4/23 @ DEL, part of a team-wide 10 stolen bags on the day

CALEB FARMER - C
#15

Height: 6-2	Weight: 205	B/T: R/R	Age: 24 (9/08/99 in Anaheim Hills, CA)	Acquired: Free Agent, 2022
2024 Average: .135	2024 OPS: .451	Streak (long): 1g (2g)	Last Series (@ DEL): .167 (2-12) R, 2 BB, 5 K	Home Runs: 0

- Caleb Jordan Farmer...made full-season debut with Wilmington in 2023, slashed .185/.269/.305 with a .574 OPS across 52 games for the Blue Rocks
- Started 215 out of 227 games for D2 Colorado Mesa University, compiling a career line of .372/.455/.661/1.116, with 50 HR, 215 RBI, and 300 total base hits...accumulated a number of honors after his senior season including All-RMAC (Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference) 1st Team, ABCA (American Baseball Coaches Association) All-Region 2nd Team, RMAC All-Tournament Team, and a gold glove for his defensive work at third base

ELIJAH GREEN - OF
#21

Height: 6-3	Weight: 225	B/T: R/R	Age: 20 (12/04/03 in Windermere, FL)	Acquired: Round 1, 2022
2024 Average: .179	2024 OPS: .597	Streak (long): 1g (5g)	Series: .250 (1-4) 2 R, 2 RBI, BB, 2 K	Home Runs: 2 (Last: 4/30 vs DE)

- Elijah Joseph Green...returning FredNat, slashed .210/.323/.306 for an OPS of .629 in 75 games, struggled with strikeouts (139)...missed time with injured wrist last year but returned the final 3 weeks of the season, son of ex-NFL Pro Bowl TE Eric Green...drafted 5th overall in 2022 out of IMG Academy...signed at slot-value \$6.5 million...very rare power/speed combination with MLB Pipeline grading him at 70 speed and 60 power which could become "double plus"...HS teammate of fellow Nationals prospect James Wood...has the longest HR in the history of VACU Stadium (estimated 436 feet but probably longer)
- Washington's 6th-ranked prospect per MLB Pipeline... Favorite food is steak...favorite movie is Cars...favorite player growing up was Derek Jeter
- Hit first HR of 2024 in Lynchburg on 4/12, clearing the batters' eye in straightaway CF

NATE OCHOA - IF
#13

Height: 6-4	Weight: 215	B/T: R/R	Age: 20 (10/15/03 in Burlington, ON, Canada)	Acquired: Round 6, 2022
2024 Average: .149	2024 OPS: .472	Streak (long): 0g (2g)	Last Series (@ DEL): .200 (3-15) 3 R, 2 RBI, 2 BB, 6 K	Home Runs: 1 (Last: 4/12 @ LYN)

- Nathaniel Ochoa Leyva...making his full-season debut with FXBG after 28 games in the Complex where he hit .290 with a .737 OPS last summer played every defensive position in those 28 games except CF and catcher drafted in the 6th round in 2022 out of Canada where he played for the Canadian Junior National team and the FieldHouse Pirates signed for 375K in '22 to lure him away from a commitment to Alabama, had previously committed to Purdue.
- Played for the Trenton Thunder in the MLB Draft league in summer '22, .622 OPS in 31 games, mother Kerrie is Canadian and father Mariano is Cuban and was a Cuban National Ping Pong Champion
- Hit first pro homer on 4/12 at Lynchburg

BRANDON PIMENTEL - IF
#25

Height: 6-3	Weight: 210	B/T: L/L	Age: 23 (6/16/00 in El Paso, TX)	Acquired: Free Agent, 2023
2024 Average: .351	2024 OPS: .993	Streak (long): 3g (3g)	Series: .600 (3-5) 2 R, 2 RBI, K	Home Runs: 3 (Last: 4/20 vs FAY)

- Brandon Pimentel...signed by the Nationals in July 2023 out of the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, went 13-for-35 in 10 games in the Complex League last summer with 6 XBH and an OPS of 1.092, broke UTRGV program records in home runs (31) and batting average (.389)...First player in program history to hit 10+ home runs in multiple seasons...tied for the fifth most RBI (120) and recorded ninth-most hits (175) in program history, went 70 games without an error in left field or at first base, the third-longest streak in program history.
- Spent the first 2 years of his college career at Mississippi State where he won a national championship in 2021, played in 24 career games for the Bulldogs
- Drove in a FredNat-record eight RBI's on 4/6 vs Delmarva (3-RBI 2B, GS, RBI 2B), has launched two grand slams this year, on 4/6 vs DEL, and 4/20 vs FAY
- Walk-off 1B on 4/30 vs DEL

ROISMAR QUINTANA - IF
#11

Height: 6-1	Weight: 200	B/T: R/R	Age: 21 (2/06/03 in Caracas, VEN)	Acquired: Free Agent, 2019
2024 Average: .152	2024 OPS: .529	Streak (long): 0g (2g)	Series: .000 (0-4) RBI, K	Home Runs: 0

- Roismar Enrique Quintana...spent all of 2023 with Fredericksburg, started the year exclusively in the infield after switching from the OF in the offseason, ended up playing 24 games in the OF which was his original position when he signed, slashed .255/.349/.346 for an OPS of .695 in 92 games with FXBG last year, had a much better second half OPS of .755 compared to .592 in the first half, XBHs tripled in 2nd half.
- Former Top-30 prospect that has fallen out of the rankings as of Opening Day 2024

CRISTHIAN VAQUERO - OF
#30

Height: 6-3	Weight: 180	B/T: S/R	Age: 19 (9/13/04 in Havana, Cuba)	Acquired: Free Agent, 2022
2024 Average: .113	2024 OPS: .466	Streak (long): 0g (5g)	Series: .000 (0-5) R, BB, 2 K	Home Runs: 1 (Last: 4/10 @ LYN)

- Cristhian Ivan Vaquero, called to FXBG on 8/22/23 and played the final 16 games with the FredNats...went 13-for-66 with a homer, 9 RBIs, 12 walks and a .609 OPS...Washington's 9th ranked prospect according to MLB Pipeline...has a career .732 OPS in 113 professional games prior to 2024.
- Signed in January 2022 for \$4.925 million, the most in that entire international signing class for any team and the most ever for the Nationals...known as "The Phenomenon" when he signed, trained in the Dominican Republic for most of his youth
- Comes from a very athletic family, mother was a swimmer on the Cuban National team, father competed nationally in Judo in Cuba

Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Rcd.	Pos.	GA/GB	Att.	Winner/Loser/Save	
APRIL (15-7) Batting: .235/.341/.682 Pitching: 3.60 ERA, 1.30 WHIP, .222 BAA, 2.04 K:BB									
5.....	DEL.....	4-2.....	W.....	1-0.....	1st.....	+1.....	4507.....	Polanco/Gibson/Schultz	24..... OFF DAY
6.....	DEL.....	11-4.....	W.....	2-0.....	1st.....	+2.....	3112.....	Atencio/Beck	25..... at SAL
7.....	DEL.....	10-4.....	W.....	3-0.....	1st.....	+3.....	4316.....	Vazquez/Forret	26..... at SAL
OFF DAY									
9.....	at LYN.....	15-4.....	W.....	4-0.....	1st.....	+1.....	1810.....	Hall/Richardson	27..... at SAL
10.....	at LYN.....	14-8.....	W.....	5-0.....	1st.....	+1.....	1107.....	Vasquez/Humphries	28..... at SAL
12.....	at LYN.....	12-7.....	L.....	5-1.....	2nd.....	-5.....	1464.....	Scott/Agostini	29..... at SAL
13(gm1)	at LYN.....	4-2.....	L.....	5-2.....	2nd.....	-5.....	N/A.....	Jasiak/Susan/Harlow	30..... at SAL
13(gm2)	at LYN.....	4-1.....	W.....	6-2.....	2nd.....	-1.....	2020.....	Arguelles/Gomez/Schultz	JULY (0-0) Batting: Pitching:
14.....	at LYN.....	7-5.....	L.....	6-3.....	2nd.....	-2.....	1383.....	Richardson/Sthele/Jachec	1..... DEL
15.....	OFF DAY								
16.....	FAY.....	1-0.....	L.....	6-4.....	2nd.....	-2.....	3430.....	Rodriguez/Schultz	2..... DEL
17.....	FAY.....	16-7.....	W.....	7-4.....	2nd.....	-2.....	4145.....	Polanco/Pecko	3..... DEL
18.....	FAY.....	4-0.....	L.....	7-5.....	2nd.....	-3.....	2713.....	Langford/Atencio/Chirinos	4..... at DEL
19.....	FAY.....	4-1.....	L.....	7-6.....	3rd.....	-4.....	3453.....	Mercedes/Susana/Santos	5..... at DEL
20.....	FAY.....	5-2.....	W.....	8-6.....	2nd.....	-4.....	4069.....	Gomez/True/Schultz	6..... at DEL
21.....	FAY.....	6-2.....	W.....	9-6.....	2nd.....	-3.....	4324.....	Denaburg/R. Rodriguez/K. Rodriguez	7..... OFF DAY
22.....	OFF DAY								
23.....	at DEL.....	6-0.....	W.....	10-6.....	2nd.....	-3.....	2605.....	Polanco/German	8..... OFF DAY
24.....	at DEL.....	6-0.....	W.....	11-6.....	2nd.....	-3.....	2077.....	Tepper/Gibson	9..... OFF DAY
25.....	at DEL.....	2-0.....	W.....	12-6.....	2nd.....	-2.....	1012.....	Hall/Weatherly/Vasquez	10..... OFF DAY
26.....	at DEL.....	6-4.....	L.....	12-7.....	2nd.....	-2.....	3077.....	De Leon/Susana	11..... CAR
27.....	at DEL.....	7-5.....	W.....	13-7.....	2nd.....	-1.....	3190.....	Hall/Sanchez/Schultz	12..... CAR
28.....	at DEL.....	6-4 (13).....	W.....	14-7.....	2nd.....	-1.....	3075.....	Denaburg/Beck	13..... CAR
29.....	OFF DAY								
30.....	DE.....	8-7 (10).....	W.....	15-7.....	2nd.....	-1.....	3154.....	Diaz/Matter	14..... CAR
MAY (0-0) Batting: . Pitching:									
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31.....	at DE								
JUNE (0-0) Batting: . Pitching:									
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AUGUST (0-0) Batting: Pitching:									
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4.....	at LYN								
5.....	OFF DAY								
6.....	CAR								
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29.....	at KAN								
30.....	at KAN								
31.....	at KAN								
SEPTEMBER (0-0) Batting: Pitching:									
1.....	at KAN								
2.....	OFF DAY								
3.....	LYN								
4.....	LYN								
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6.....	LYN								
7.....	LYN								
8.....	LYN								

- Rescheduled * - Home sellout % - Extra innings Δ - Shortened

2024 FREDNATS TRANSACTIONS

DATE	+/-	PLAYER	POS	TRANSACTION	DATE	+/-	PLAYER	POS	TRANSACTION
4/12	-	John McHenry	INF	Transferred to A+ Wilmington					
4/12	+	Everett Cooper III	INF	Transferred from Extended Spring Training					
4/16	+	Moises Diaz	RHP	Transferred from Extended Spring Training					
4/16	+	Miguel Gomez	RHP	Transferred from Extended Spring Training					
4/16	-	Anthony Arguelles	RHP	Placed on 7-day injured list					
4/16	-	Gabriel Agostini	LHP	Placed on 7-day injured list					
4/24	N/A	Gabriel Agostini	LHP	Transferred to Full-Season Injured List					
4/24	-	Miguel Gomez	RHP	Transferred to A+ Wilmington					
4/24	-	Liam Sullivan	LHP	Placed on Full-Season Injured List					
4/24	+	Matthew Bollenbacher	RHP	Transferred from Extended Spring Training					
4/25	+	Travis Sykora	RHP	Transferred from Extended Spring Training					
4/27	-	Phillip Glasser	INF	Transferred to A+ Wilmington					

2024 COMPLETE ROSTER

Pitchers (20): Gabriel Agostini, Anthony Arguelles, Jose Atencio, Merrick Baldo, Marc Davis, Mason Denaburg, Bubba Hall, Bryan Polanco, Kevin Rodriguez, Bryan Sanchez, Thomas Schultz, Travis Sthele, Liam Sullivan, Jarlin Susana, Mikey Tepper, Samuel Vasquez, Moises Diaz, Miguel Gomez, Matthew Bollenbacher, Travis Sykora

Position Players (14): Jose Colmenares, Caleb Farmer, Armando Cruz, Gavin Dugas, Phillip Glasser, John McHenry, Nate Ochoa, Brandon Pimentel, Roismar Quintana, Tyler Baca, Brenner Cox, Elijah Green, Cristhian Vaquero, Everett Cooper III