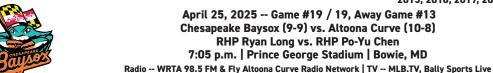
EASTERN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 2010, 2017 DIVISION CHAMPIONS 2004, 2010, 2017, 2018 PLAYOFF APPEARANCES 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2010, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018



TODAY'S GAME / OPPOSING STARTER: The Curve hook up for another series down by the Bay with the Baysox. Altoona dropped 2-of-3 at PNG Field across the opening weekend of the series. The Baysox are managed by Roberto Mercado, who's in his second season leading the Baltimore Orioles Double-A affiliate.

On the mound, Ryan Long takes the ball for the Baysox. Long was Baltimore's 17th round draft pick in 2021 out of Division III Pomona-Pitzer College in California. Long has pitched 5 times against Altoona in his career and gone 0-1 with a 3.60 ERA, allowing 9 walks and earning 15 strikeouts. A native of Woodinville, WA, Long pitched for Team Great Britain (his mom, Liz was born in England) in the World Baseball Classic in 2023 and faced Team USA where he allowed a homer to Kyle Schwarber and struck out Mike Trout. Long was slated to attend graduate school at Georgetown and has passed the LSAT, before he decided to give pro ball a chance. Long took an informal role representing minor leaguers in CBA unionization in 2022.

**ABOVE WATER**: With Wednesday's win over Chesapeake, Altoona pushed their record (9-8) over .500 for the first time since April 13, 2024 when they were 4-3 to start the season.

OUT FOR A WALK: Altoona hitters are 2nd among all Double-A clubs with 88 walks in 18 games this season.

IT'S ABOUT HOW YOU START: Curve starters tossed 15 scoreless innings to begin the season (Barco, Dotel, Solometo, Chen). Overall, Curve starters have a 1.02 WHIP, 1st among Double-A staffs and 3.07 ERA, 5th among Double-A clubs.

SCAN THIS BARCODE FOR OUTS: Lefty Hunter Barco has tossed 17.2 consecutive scoreless innings to begin the season, the longest stretch to begin a season since Roansy Contreras tossed 18.2 scoreless to begin the 2021 season. The longest scoreless streak in franchise history belongs to lefty Jared Lakind who threw 25.1 scoreless innings during the 2016 season.

A GRAND RIDE TO SOUVENIR CITY: On Sunday, April 20 against Somerset, Shawn Ross hit the first pinch-hit Grand Slam by a Curve player at PNG Field in franchise history. Of the previous 18 pinch-hit home runs hit in Curve history, the lone Grand Slam was hit by Tony DeRosso on May 6, 2002 at Reading.

Ross powered the Curve to another win on Thursday, April 24 when he smashed a 3-run homer in the second inning to give the team a 5-3 lead at the time. One of the top power hitters in the Pirates minor league system, Ross banged 23 homers last season at Greensboro, the most by a Pirates minor leaguer.

THE PIRATES ARE THIEVES: Altoona enters play on Friday, April 25, 3rd among Double-A clubs with 37 stolen bases in 43 tries. Mitch Jebb leads the club with 9 steals, 1st in the Eastern League, 2nd among Double-A players.

**RAISIN BRAN**: Infielder **Jack Brannigan** has reached base safely in 13-of-17 games played for the Curve and had three 3-hit games in his first 16 games played this season, he had three last season in 77 games at Greensboro.

A YOUNG MAN'S GAME: Infielder Termarr Johnson became the third-youngest player to suit up for the Curve, behind Jose Tabata and Andrew McCutchen who were both 19 years old when they debuted for the Curve, when he arrived on August 27, 2024 in Curve, PA. This season, Johnson opens as the youngest in the Eastern League at 20 years old, just two days younger than Reading's Aidan Miller. Among Double-A players, he is the 7th-youngest player at the level; the youngest is San Antonio's Ethan Salas (SD, 18.8 years old). Johnson has reached base safely in 22-of-29 games with the Curve and has a hit in 12-of-15 games to begin the season.

THE TRACKS TO PITTSBURGH RIDE THROUGH ALTOONA: Four Curve alums, RHP Thomas Harrington (4/1, PIT), LHP Omar Cruz (4/1, SD), INF Tsung-Che Cheng (4/9, PIT), OF Matt Gorski (4/24, PIT) have all made their major league debut this season, totaling 221 alumni who have gone onto the major leagues.

**WE'LL SEE THEM ALL**: For the first time since the 2019 season and the creation of the six-game series, the Curve will face every team in the Eastern League this season. Altoona will face New Hampshire and Binghamton on the road only, while Hartford and Reading will only play the Curve at PNG Field.

#### **TODAY IN CURVE HISTORY PRESENTED BY**

1999 - Paul Ah Yat is named Eastern League Pitcher of the Week, the first player in franchise history to receive a league-wide recognition after pitching eight, one-hit, one-run innings with 10 strikeouts... Pitched 7.1 hitless innings to start the contest.



2011 - Brock Holt and Starling Marte collect four hits each in 8-7 win at Harrisburg.

#### **UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLE PITCHERS**

Sat. April 26	@ Chesapeake	6:05 p.m.	RHP Alessandro Ercolani vs. RHP Levi Wells
Sun. April 27	@ Chesapeake	1:05 p.m.	LHP Hunter Barco vs. RHP Alex Pham
Tues. April 29	Akron	6:00 p.m.	RHP Wilber Dotel vs. TBA
Wed. April 30	Akron	6:00 p.m.	TBA vs. TBA
Thur. May 1	Akron	11:00 a.m.	TBA vs. TBA
Fri. May 2	Akron	6:00 p.m.	TBA vs. TBA
Sat. May 3	Akron	4:00 p.m.	TBA vs. TBA

#### PLAYERS TO MLB 221

#### SOUTHWEST DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	W-L	GB	RESULT
Akron	12-6		10-2 W vs RIC
Erie	12-6		4-2 L @ HBG
Altoona	10-8	2.0	8-5 W @ CHE
Chesapeake	9-9	3.0	8-5 L vs ALT
Harrisburg	8-10	4.0	4-2 W vs ERI
Richmond	4-14	8.0	10-2 L @ AKR

#### NORTHEAST DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	W-L	GB	RESULT
Binghamton	11-6		5-0 W 4-1 W vs NH
Portland	10-6	0.5	4-3 W vs REA
Hartford	10-7	1.0	2-0 L @ SOM
Somerset	8-10	3.5	2-0 W vs HFD
New Hamp.	6-10	4.5	5-0 L 4-1 L @ BNG
Reading	5-13	6.5	4-3 L @ POR

#### **2025 CURVE AT A GLANCE**

Overall Record	10-8
Home	5-4
Road	5-4
First Half	10-8
Second Half	0-0
Place (Southwestern Div)	
Games Ahead/Behind	
Streak	
Last 5	
Last 10	
All-Time Record	
'25 Home Attendance	
Home Openings	
Average Attendance	
2025 vs. Chesapeake	
at Altoona	
at Bowie	
All-time vs. Chesapeake	
at Altoona	
at Bowie	
at Dowle	104-114

#### **TOP 30 PROSPECTS**

NAME	OUTLET (MLB/BA)
Termarr Johnson	4/5
Hunter Barco	7/10
Jack Brannigan	
Mitch Jebb	13/17
Anthony Solometo	
Alessandro Ercolani	/21
Wilber Dotel	/27
Enrique Bradfield Jr	3/6
Pat Reilly	10/16
Creed Willems	
Juan Nunez	20/-
Trace Bright	
Alex Pham	
Zach Fruit	/30

#### **RECENT MLB DEBUTS**

RHP Thomas Harrington	4/1/25 (PIT)
LHP Omar Cruz	4/1/25 (SD)
INF Tsung-Che Cheng	4/9/25 (PIT)
INF/OF Matt Gorski	4/24/25 (PIT)

#### **BROADCAST INFORMATION**



MLB.TV Bally LIVE

TAIR Addio 98.5 FM/1240 AM WRTA Altoona (Flagship) -96.1 FM/1370 AM Hank FM Altoona (11AM Games) -KOOL 102.9 - WCRO (select weekend

Jon Mozes and Preston Shoemaker will call the action of the 2025 season on the Fly Altoona Curve Radio Metwork, flown by Contour Air - Online streaming at lines. Pregame coverage begins AltoonaCurve.com, 15 minutes before all games.

- KOOL 102.9 - WCRO (select weekend games)

- 95.3 WRSC - State - Oliege (select Saturday Night games)

Network, Flown by Contour Air - Online streaming at lines. Pregame coverage begins AltoonaCurve.com, WRTA.com, Bally Live and the MiLB First Pitch App

# **RECORD BREAKDOWNS/HIGHS & LOWS**

HOME 5-4 1-2 4-2 0-0 5-4 5-4 0-0

HOME

ROAD

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2025 SEASON HIGHS/LOWS		2025 RECORD BREAKDO	WN	
TEAM MISCELLANEOUS		1	TOTAL	НО
	5*, 4/19 vs SOM - 4/24 @ CHE	Overall Record	10-8	5-4
	3, 4/12 @ AKR - 4/15 vs SOM	vs. Southwest Division vs. Northeast Division	6-6 4-2	1-2 4-2
	9 runs, 10-1, 4/16 vs SOM 12 runs, 2x, last 13-1, 4/13 @ AKR	vs. NL Affiliates	0-0	0-0
	2 Tulis, 2x, tast 13-1, 4/13 @ AKK	vs. AL Affiliates	10-8	5-4
	2 0, 2X, 435 4, 22 @ GHE	First Half Second Half	10-8 0-0	5-4 0-0
	2 runs, 2x, last 4/20 vs SOM	Second Hati	0 0	0.0
	3:20, 4/13 @ AKR	Day Games	5-2	4-1
	3:20, 4/13 @ AKR	Night Games	5-6 3-2	1-3 2-1
SHORTEST 9-INNING GAME TIME	2:01, 4/19 vs SOM	Day Game After Night	3-2	Z-1
LONGEST 7-INNING GAME TIME	N/A	Curve Score 1st	7-2	3-1
	N/A	Opponent Scores 1st	3-6	2-3
	9 innings, 18x, last 4/24 @ CHE	Come From Behind Wins	4	2
	9 innings, 9x, last 4/20 vs SOM	vs. RH Starters	8-7	4-4
	9 innings, 9x, last 4/24 @ CHE	vs. LH Starters	2-1	1-0
	4,617, 4/4 vs CHE	Curve Starter 5.0 + IP Curve Starter 6.0 + IP	4-2 0-0	3-1 0-0
	2,436, 4/15 vs SOM 4,173, 4/23 @ CHE	Curve Starter 7.0 + IP	0-0	0-0
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	1, 7x, last 4/22 @ CHE	When Hitting a HR	6-3	3-1
		When Not Hitting a HR Outhit Opponent	4-5 8-3	2-3 4-1
	5, 4/10 @ AKR - 4/15 vs SOM	Equal # of Hits	0-0	0-0
	16, 4/16 vs SOM	Outhit by Opponent	2-5	1-3
	3, 4/15 vs SOM	Curve 10+ Hits	4-0	2-0
TEAM BATTING		Commit 0 Errors	6-5	2-3
	10, 4/16 vs SOM	Commit 1 Error	4-3	3-1
MOST RUNS, INNING	9, 7th inning, 4/20 vs SOM	Commit 2+ Errors	0-0	0-0
	14, 4/16 vs SOM	Leading After 7th	8-2	4-1
	8, 7th inning, 4/20 vs SOM	Trailing After 7th	0-5	0-2
	2, 4/16 vs SOM	Tied After 7th	2-1	1-1
	2, 3rd inning, 4/16 vs SOM	Leading After 8th	10-0	5-0
MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A HOME RUN	4*, 4/20 vs SOM - 4/24 @ CHE	Trailing After 8th Tied After 8th	0-7 0-1	0-3 0-1
		Extra-Inning Games	0-0	0-0
		Double-headers	0-0	0-0
		Series Record	1-2	1-1
		One-Run Games	3-3	2-1
		Two-Run Games	3-1	1-1
	11, 4/16 vs SOM	3+Run Games	4-4	2-2
TEAM PITCHING	, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,,	Shutout Record	2-1	0-1
	13, 2x, last 4/13 @ AKR	April Record	10-8	5-4
	5, 4th inning, 4/9 @ AKR	May Record	0-0	0-0
MOST HITS ALLOWED	16, 4/13 @ AKR	June Record	0-0 0-0	0-0 0-0
MOST HITS ALLOWED, INNING	5, 5th inning, 4/13 @ AKR	July Record August Record	0-0	0-0
		September Record	0-0	0-0
	1, 15x, last 7th inning, 4/24 @ CHE	L.,	0.0	
	JN2*, 3x, last 4/23 - 4/24 @ CHE	Monday Record Tuesday Record	0-0 1-2	0-0 0-1
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	14, 2x, last 4/17 vs SOM	Wednesday Record	2-1	1-0
*	14, 2x, last 4/17 vs SOM	Thursday Řecord	3-0	1-0
		Friday Record	1-2	0-2
		Saturday Record Sunday Record	1-2 2-1	1-1 2-0
INDIVIDUAL BATTING	2, 10x, last Nick Cimillo & Mike Jarvis, 4/20 vs SOM	Sullday Necold	2 1	2 0
	2, Tox, last Mick Ciffillo & Mike Jarvis, 4/20 VS SOM 3, 6x, last Mitch Jebb & Tres Gonzalez, 4/24 @ CHE	1st Game of Series	1-3	0-2
		Last Game of Series	2-1	2-0
	1, 21x, last Tres Gonzalez, 4/24 @ CHE	Getaway Day	0-1	0-0
		Red Alternate Hat	4-2	0-1
	1, 9x, last Shawn Ross, 4/24 @ CHE	Black Keystone Hat	3-1	3-1
	7, Jack Brannigan, 4/16 vs SOM	Gray Road Hat Red/Bronze Engineer Hat	1-1 1-3	0-0 1-1
	4, 2x, last Shawn Ross, 4/20 vs SOM	Peces Dorados Hat/Uniform	0-1	0-1
	3, Mitch Jebb, 4/24 @ CHE	Rail Kings Hat/Uniform	1-0	1-0
		Red Uniform	2-3	0-1
	5 2v last lack Brannigan & Mitch John 7/16 vs SOM	White Uniform	3-0 3-1	3-0 0-0
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		Gray Uniform Bronze Uniform		1-1
LONGEST HITTING STREAK		Gray Uniform Bronze Uniform Other Specialty Uniform/Hat	1-3 0-0	
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## TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#45 Po-Yu Chen RHP



Vitals:
Pitch Selection:
Hometown:
Acquired:
Prospect Ranking:

6-2, 187, 10/2/01 (23) Fastball (91-94), Curveball, Slider, Changeup

Taoyuan City, Taiwan

International FA (2020) (Taiwan), 5th year of professional baseball

Trending:

Has struck out 16 batters in 11.2 IP

Swinging strike percentage is 15.9% through 3 starts, recorded a 10.6% rate in 2024 with Altoona Allowed just 2 baserunners in 5.0 scoreless innings in his last outing on 4/19 vs. Somerset

#### **CAREER NOTES**

2025: Assigned to Altoona to begin the season...

2024: Made every turn in the Altoona rotation, finishing the season 7th in Eastern League in ERA (4.03), and Innings Pitched (134.0)... Tied for the lead among PIT MiLB with 25 starts (Wilber Dotel, GBO), also ranked 1st in IP (134.0), 7th in Strikeouts (96)... Named to Altoona's Opening Day roster for his Double-A debut... Changed number from #35 to #45 on 4/25... Completed 5.0 IP for the first time on 5/3 at HBG... Faced fellow Taiwanese prospect Hao-Yu Lee on 5/21 @ Erie (Lee lined into DP in 1st and homered in 3rd), did so again on 5/26 (struck him out looking and walked)... Pitched opposite fellow Taiwanese pitching prospect CJ Liu on 6/1 vs. Portland... Earned his first Double-A win with a career-long 8.0 innings, struck out a season-high 9 batters, on 6/7 @ Richmond... Finished 7.0 innings for the 7th time in his career on 6/29 vs. Akron... Fired 7.0 innings in 3 straight starts 6/29 - 7/11... May 25 - August 1: 4-3, 2.43 ERA (23 ER / 74.0 IP), in 12G/11 starts, 1.08 WHIP, 60 strikeouts, dropped season ERA from 5.72 to 3.62...

**2023:** Spent the entire season with High-A Greensboro... Finished the season fourth among Pirates minor leaguers in IP (119.2), also ranked fifth in strikeouts (124)... Led the South Atlantic League in games started (24) which was also fifth among Pirates minor leaguers... Also ranked third in the South Atlantic League in ERA (4.44) and innings pitched, tied for fifth in WHIP (1.28)...

**CURVE CUTS:** Po-Yu Chen... Was a member of the 2019 U-18 world-champion Taiwanese national team, where he started two games against Panama and Korea during the tournament; also earned a save in the gold medal game against the United States... Was rated as the 22nd-best international prospect for the 2019-20 signing period according to Fangraphs... Signed for \$1,250,000, one of the largest amounts in the 2019-20 International signing class for the Pirates... Pittsburgh was able to secure his services after trading for International Bonus Pool money in deals that sent Domingo Robles to St. Louis and Jarrod Dyson to the Chicago White Sox... Would be just the 12th pitcher from Taiwan to reach the major leagues... His father Ping-Nan Chen played professionally in the Chinese Professional Baseball League... Attended the National Taiwan Sport University, same preparatory school that former Curve C Jin-De Jhang, former Richmond Flying Squirrel RHP Kai-Wei Teng and Orioles/Marlins LHP Wei-Yin Chen attended... Grew up approximately 10 minutes away from INF Hao-Yu Lee (DET/PHI) and played with and against him many times growing up, the two first faced each other in 2023 in the South Atlantic League when Lee was playing for Jersey Shore (Phillies, A+)... For more on Chen, see page 31 of the Curve Media Guide

PO-YU CHEN'S 2025 GAME LOG													
GAME	RESULT	GS	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	K	AVG	вв	HR	P-S	LEFT
4/8 @ AKR	ND, 5-6	1	4.50	4.0	3	2	2	7	.200	1	1	66-45	5-2
4/13 @ AKR	L, 1-13	1	6.75	2.2	4	3	3	4	.259	2	0	53-33	0-1, 2 on
4/19 vs. SOM	ND, 2-1	1	3.86	5.0	1	0	0	5	.190	0	0	57-37	1-0
Season		3	3.86	11.2	8	5	5	16	.190	3	1	176-115	
Career		28	4.02	145.2	138	73	65	112	.250	46	13	2147-1403	

		PO-YU CHEN'S	HIGHS	
		2025	(	CAREER
STAT	VALUE	DATE	VALUE	DATE
IP	5.0	4/19/25 vs. SOM	8.0	6/07/24 @ RIC
SO	7	4/08/25 @ AKR	12	8/09/23 @ GVL
Н	4	4/13/25 @ AKR	8	9/19/21 @ LAK
R	3	4/13/25 @ AKR	6	6/28/23 @ HIC
ER	3	4/13/25 @ AKR	6	4/12/23 @ JS
HR	1	4/08/25 @ AKR	2	8/07/22 @ FTM
BB	2	4/13/25 @ AKR	5	9/05/21 vs. TAM
NP	66	4/08/25 @ AKR	95	7/25/24 @ ERI

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SPLIT	IP	Н	R	ER	K	ВВ	HR	ERA	Р	IP	Н	R	ER	K	ВВ	HR	ERA	Р
Home	5.0	1	0	0	5	0	0	0.00	57	184.0	154	83	73	171	63	21	3.57	2807
Away	6.2	7	5	5	11	3	1	6.75	119	195.2	209	121	111	183	74	23	5.11	3049
Day	7.2	5	3	3	9	2	0	3.52	110	115.0	103	62	53	102	42	11	4.15	1760
Night	4.0	3	2	2	7	1	1	4.50	66	264.2	260	142	131	252	95	33	4.45	4096
vs Left	7.1	7	-	-	11	2	1	-	111	164.2	175	-	-	154	69	21	-	2667
vs Right	4.1	1	-	-	5	1	0	-	65	213.1	188	-	-	200	68	23	-	3199
March	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
April	11.2	8	5	5	16	3	1	3.86	176	59.0	55	39	37	57	22	8	5.64	949
May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66.2	67	40	38	59	24	6	5.13	1051
June	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	85.2	80	37	32	77	30	8	3.36	1226
July	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	82.2	60	26	23	76	24	7	2.50	1120
August	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56.1	59	36	35	57	24	8	5.59	993
September	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29.1	42	26	19	28	13	7	5.83	517

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YR CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SH	0 SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
21 FCL Pirates (Rk.)	2-0	0.69	6	6	0	0	0	26.0	18	3	3	0	0	29
Bradenton (A)	1-1	5.63	4	4	0	0	0	16.0	15	12	10	2	12	15
2021 Totals (Rk./A)	3-1	2.57	10	10	0	0	0	42.0	33	15	12	2	12	44
22 Bradenton (A)	4-8	4.58	22	22	0	0	0	98.1	88	54	50	8	36	103
23 Greensboro (A+)	5-8	4.44	25	24	0	0	0	119.2	122	65	59	21	43	124
24 Altoona (AA)	4-10	4.03	27	25	0	0	0	134.0	130	68	60	12	43	96
25 Altoona (AA)	0-1	3.86	3	3	0	0	0	11.2	8	5	5	1	3	16
MiLB Totals (5 seasons)	16-28	4.13	87	84	0	0	0	405.2	381	207	186	44	137	383

**BATTERS BREAKDOWN** 

PLAYER TO Jase Bowen 2 Jack Brannigan 4 Nick Cimillo 2 Brenden Dixon 2 Tres Gonzalez 3 Hudson Head Wyatt Hendrie Mike Jarvis 1	T 2H 1 1 2 2 2 2	3H 1 3   1	4H    	5+   	1 3 	2BI 1 2 	3BI   	<b>4BI</b>  1	5+BI  	<b>TOT</b> 2 1	<b>2R</b> 1 	<b>3R</b>  1	GS  	PH  	4/16 vs SOM 4/16 vs SOM
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Mike Jarvis 1															
	1														
Mitch Jebb 4	3	1			1	1									
Termarr Johnson 4	4				1		1			2		1			4/22 @ CHE
Aaron McKeithan 1	1														
Kervin Pichardo					1	1				1	1				4/23 @ CHE
Shawn Ross 1	1				3	1	1	1		2		1	1	1	4/24 @ CHE
Sammy Siani 4	4				2	2				1	1				4/6 vs CHE
Imanol Vargas															
Totals 28	22	6			12	8	2	2		10	3	3	1	1	4/24 @ CHE

<b>OFFENSE BY</b>	' INNI	NG									
INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	TOTAL
CURVE	10	6	12	5	3	6	11	6	7	0	66
OPPONENT	7	10	8	8	9	6	14	8	7	0	77

SHUTOUTS BY CURVE - 2						
Date	Score	Hits	Pitcher(s)			
4/10 @ AKR	2-0	3	Barco, Linarez, Meis, Sanders			
4/22 @ CHE	2-0	3	Barco, Linarez, Ramos, Sanders			

EJECTIONS				
PLAYER/COACH	DATE	UMPIRE	REASON	

SHUTOUTS BY OPPONENTS - 1							
Date	Score	Hits	Pitcher(s)				
4/5 vs CHE	2-0	3	Fruit, Van Loon, Heid				

2025 HOME-ROAD STATS								
Home (5-4)								
Average:	.204	Home Runs:	5					
Runs Per Game:	3.7	Stolen Bases:	20					
Doubles:	11	Walks:	42					
Triples:	0	Strikeouts:	77					
Road (5-4)								
Average:	.230	Home Runs:	5					
Runs Per Game:	3.7	Stolen Bases:	17					
Doubles:	10	Walks:	46					
Triples:	1	Strikeouts:	102					

<b>2025 PINCH H</b>	ITTERS	
PLAYER	STATISTICS	LAST APP.
Mike Jarvis	1-1, 1B	4/20 vs S0M
Shawn Ross	1-1, Grand Slam	4/20 vs SOM
2025 Totals:	2-2, 1B, HR, 4 RBI	4/20 vs S0M

Category	TEAM HITTING RA	NKINGS		
<b>Runs Scored</b> 9th	Category	TOTAL	EL RANK	AA RANK
	Average	217	9th	23rd
	Runs Scored	66	9th	T-23rd
HitsT-5thT-15th	Hits	125	T-5th	T-15th
<b>Doubles</b>	Doubles	21	11th	26th
<b>Triples</b>	Triples	1	T-10th	T-25th
Home Runs 10	Home Runs	10	T-11th	T-23rd
<b>Walks</b>	Walks	88	2nd	2nd
<b>Strikeouts</b>	Strikeouts	179	8th	19th
<b>Stolen Bases</b>	Stolen Bases	37	1st	3rd
<b>RISP</b> 230T-6thT-17th	RISP	230	T-6th	T-17th

### 2025 STREAKS/OFFENSIVE SUPERLATIVES

10+ GAME HITTING STREAKS

15+ GAME ON-BASE STREAKS

FIRST-INNING LEAD-OFF HOME RUNS

BACK-TO-BACK HOME RUNS

4+ RBI GAMES (2) Jack Brannigan (4) - 4/16 vs SOM Shawn Ross (4) - 4/20 vs SOM

WINS TRAILING/TIED AFTER 8 INNINGS

GRAND SLAMS (1) Shawn Ross - 4/20 vs SOM

**MULTI-HOMER GAMES** 

WALK-OFF WINNERS

EASTERN LEAGUE PLAYER OF THE WEEK AWARDS

## 2025 ALTOONA CURVE PITCHING & DEFENSIVE NOTES

PLAYER	LAST START	DEC	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	S0	RESULT	STARTS	TEAM RECORD
Hunter Barco	4/22 @ CHE		4.2	2	0	0	0	2	8	2-0 W	4	3-1
Wilber Dotel	4/23 @ CHE		5.0	4	0	0	0	3	8	3-2 W	4	3-1
Po-Yu Chen	4/19 vs SOM		5.0	1	0	0	0	0	5	2-1 W	3	1-2
Alessandro Ercolani	4/20 vs SOM		3.0	0	0	0	0	0	4	9-3 W	3	1-2
Anthony Solometo	4/12 @ AKR		5.0	1	1	1	0	1	5	4-3 L	2	0-2
Bullpen game or used as	Opener											
Derek Diamond	4/18 vs SOM	L	2.2	7	5	5	0	1	4	12-1 L	1	0-1
J.C. Flowers	4/24 @ CHE		2.2	3	3	3	1	2	2	8-5 W	1	1-0

CATCHER'S BOX							
Player	Caught	Att.	Percent	Last C	S CI	PB	Pickoffs
Hendrie	1	5	20%	4/5		2	
McKeithan	0	7	0%				
Ross	2	4	50%	4/22			

STARTING PITCHER RUN SUPPORT									
Pitcher	GS	Team Runs	R/Start	Quality Starts					
Barco	4	16	4.0	0					
Dotel	4	17	4.3	0					
Dombkowski									
Chen	3	8	2.7	0					
Ercolani	3	11	3.7	0					
Solometo	2	5	2.5	0					
Bullpen Game	or used	as Opener							
Diamond	1	1	1	0					
Flowers	1	8	8	0					

<b>TEAM PITCHING F</b>	RANKS (EL/AA)							
TOTAL (EL, AA RANK)	ERA	WHIP	BAA	GIDP	SV	BB/9	SO/9	HR Allowed
Starters	3.07 (4th/5th)	1.02 (1st/1st)	.190 (4th/4th)	6 (4th/T-7th)		3.07 (11th/24th)	10.36 (4th/9th)	5 ( <b>T-1st</b> /T-3rd)
Bullpen	5.24 (11th/26th)	1.41 (8th/21st)	.231 (7th/18th)	5 (T-5th/T-12th)	8 (2nd/T-2nd)	5.13 (3rd/9th)	9.55 (10th/23rd)	11 (12th/28th)
Staff	4.27 (8th/20th)	1.24 (5th/10th)	.213 (4th/8th)	11 (T-3rd/T-8th	) 8 (2nd/T-2nd)	4.22 (T-5/T-14th)	9.91 (6th/16th)	16 (T-9th/T-22nd)

MAJOR LEAGUE REHAB ASSIGNMENTS

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Player **Dates Notes** 

### 2025 STREAKS/PITCHING SUPERLATIVES

7+ STRIKEOUTS GAMES (4) Po-Yu Chen (7) - 4/8 @ AKR Wilber Dotel (7) - 4/17 vs SOM Hunter Barco (8) - 4/22 @ CHE Wilber Dotel (8) - 4/23 @ CHE

#### 15+ INNING SCORELESS STREAKS

Hunter Barco - 17.2\*, 4/4 vs CHE - 4/22 @ CHE

### **MISC. PITCHING**

PICKOFFS (1)

Hunter Barco, 4/22 @ CHE - Jackson at 1st

#### PITCH CLOCK VIOLATIONS (8)

Wilber Dotel, 4/5 vs CHE - Not ready to pitch to Willems (1st)
Preston Johnson, 4/6 vs CHE - Not ready to pitch to Bowen (5th)
Adam Retzbach, 4/6 vs CHE - Not ready to hit vs Solometo (5th)
Adam Rodos, 4/8 @ AKR - Not ready to pitch to Kayfus (8th)
Jaden Woods, 4/8 @ AKR - Not ready to pitch to Kayfus (8th)
Cy Nielson, 4/9 @ AKR - Not ready to pitch to Uspscomb (3rd)
Magnus Ellerts, 4/10 @ AKR - Not ready to pitch to Vargas (9th)
Trenton Denholm 4/11 @ AKR - Not ready to pitch to Jebb (8th)
Emmanuel Chapman, 4/24 @ CHE -

#### **EASTERN LEAGUE PITCHER OF THE WEEK**

#### **ERRORS BY POSITION (OUTFIELD ASSISTS)** 7 E, (.988 - T-1sт), 11 DP (6тн) Left Field Center Field Right Field **E (A)**0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) Player (G) Bowen (2) Gonzalez (10) Player (G) Bowen (5) Jebb (10) **E (A)** 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) Player (G) Bowen (7) **E (A)** 0 (0) 0 (0) 1 (0) 0 (0) Gonzalez (1) Head (1) Siani (9) Head (2) Siani (3) Jarvis (2) Siani (4) **Shortstop** Second Base Player (G) Player (G) Vargas (1) Brannigan (16) 0 Brannigan (1) 0 **Third Base** Jarvis (1) 0 Jarvis (1) 0 Player (G) First Base Brannigan (1) Dixon (11) Ross (1) 0 Jehh (4) Player (G) Cimillo (10) Dixon (4) Catcher Johnson (13) 0 Player (G) Hendrie (5) Jarvis (3) Pichardo (2) 0 0 McKeithan (8) 0 (0) Vargas (4) 0 Ross (3) 0 Ross (6) 0 (0)

## **ALTOONA CURVE PITCHER NOTES**

#### RHP #50 Jarod Bayless

Pitch Selection:

Hometown Texarkana, TX Acquired: Mil B FA (2025) Vitals: 6-3, 220, 12/29/96 (28)

Curve Record:

Trending

2025: Has shuttled between Greensboro, Indianapolis and Altoona to begin the year..

2024: Pitched in 19 games with Double-A Arkansas, going 1-1 with a 4.76 ERA and 2 saves... In 22.2 IP, allowed 22 hits, 9 BB (13 HBP)

2024: Pitched in 19 games with Double-A Arkansas, going 1-1 with a 4.76 ERA and 2 saves... In 22.2 IP, allowed 22 hits, 9 BB (13 HBP) and K'd 16... Released by Seattle on August 5... - CURVE CUTS: Signed with the Pirates on 2/10/2025 after five seasons with the Seattle Mariners... Drafted by the Mariners in the 33rd round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Dallas Baptist University... Also played collegiatelly at Northeast Texas Community College and San Jacinto College... Attended Pleasant Grove High School in Texarkana, TX... Told Kyle Morrison of the Everett AquaSox in September of 2023 that despite being a professional pitcher, Bayless does not describe himself as a sports fan. He likes sports and their impact on individuals but does not follow professional sports closely. He does not watch sports television nor does he have the ESPN app on his phone, and when the offseason comes, he is so focused on spending time with his wife, pursuing other hobbies, and continuing his own development. "For a long time, I didn't embrace baseball, but now I freaking love baseball. I love all the little cultural things about it. I think baseball has this super deep mystique about it. If think baseball. things about it. I think baseball has this super deep mystique about it, it has a lot of tradition.

#### RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC.	IP, H, R/ER, BB/	K PITCHES/STRIKES	SCORELESS STREAK	NOTES NOTES
4/13 @ WS		1.0, 1, 0/0, 0/2	15/12		
4/16 VS JS		1.0, 1, 0/0, 0/1	12/9		
4/19 VS TOLEDO		1.0, 2, 1/1, 1/3	24/13		4TH CAREER APPEARANCE AT TRIPLE-A (2.08 ERA, 1 R IN 4.1 IP)

#### #34 Emmanuel Chapman

Fastball (92-96), SL, SPLIT Pitch Selection: Hometown:

Baguanos, Cuba MiLB FA (2023) Acauired: Vitals: 6-4, 281, 9/23/98 (27) Curve Record:

Trending:

Has pitched 1.0 IP+ in 24-of-30 outings with Altoona

- 2024: Finished the season T-8th on the Curve in Games Started (7), recorded a 3.28 ERA as a starting pitcher... Ranked third on the tean in ERA (3.57, min. 50.0 IP)... Pitched 1.0 IP+ in 19-of-24 outings with Altoona, including 14 appearances that lasted 3.0 IP... Transferred to ALT on 5/28... Last 20 apps of the season (6/18 - 9/12): 2-2, 2.73 ERA (17 ER / 56.0 IP), 1.09 WHIP, 24 BB, 53 K... Tossed 14.0 consecutive hitless innings from July 28-August 18... Held opponents to a .103 BAA in the month of August... Was on the mound on 7/24 at Erie when the Curve turned a triple play for the third time in franchise history... With runners on first and second after a walk by and an error committed by Charles McAdoo, Erie's Julio Rodriguez hit a hard ground ball to third where McAdoo picked it up, touched third bace and those them to expend where McAdoo picked it up,

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touched third base and then threw to second where Kervin Pichardo made the quick turn for the triple play...

- CURVE CUTS: Signed with the Pirates on 12/15/2023 after defecting from Cuba in April of 2023... Participated in a showcase for MLB teams in August... Established residency in Santo Domingo Centro in the Dominican Republic before signing with the Pirates for a bonus of \$200,000 according to Francys Romero... Does not bear a familial relation to former Pirates LHP Aroldis Chapman.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC.	<u>IP, H, R/ER, BB/I</u>	K PITCHES/STRIKES	SCORELESS STREAK	NOTES
4/9 @ AKR		1.2, 4, 2/1, 2/2	36/20		CLEANED UP 4TH INNING FOR DIAMOND, ALLOWED 2 INHERITED RUNS IN. SOLO HR TO INGLE IN 5TH
4/12 @ AKR	L (0-1)	1.0, 1, 3/3, 2/2	32/18		MISSED DIVING CATCH BY BOWEN ALLOWED GO-AHEAD RUN TO REACH IN 6TH / WALKED 2 TO BEGIN 7TH
4/15 VS SOM		0.2, 0, 0/0, 0/1	9/4		CLEANED UP 9TH INNING FOR MELENDEZ AFTER 4 RUNS SCORED
4/18 VS SOM		2.1, 1, 1/0, 1/2	32/19		FOLLOWED DIAMOND'S SPOT START, ALLOWED UNEARNED RUN IN 5TH
4/24 @ CHE	W (1-1)	2.1, 1, 1/1, 2/3	40/24	<del></del>	LONE RUN WAS SOLO HR TO J. JACKSON - COVERED 5TH-7TH OF BULLPEN DAY

#### #43 Fineas Del Bonta Smith

Pitch Selection: FB (93-95), CT, SL, CH, CB Santa Cruz, CA MiLB Rule 5, 2023 (Colorado) 6-0, 190, 2/2/97 (28) Hometown: Acquired: Vitals: Curve Record:

Trendina:

2025: Opened the season with Triple-A Indianapolis and permitted 4 runs in 2.0 innings.

2024: Battled injury thoughout the season and totaled a 3-1 record with a 3.61 ERA in 28G with Bradenton, Greens-

boro and Indianapolis... Recorded a 4.64 ERA in 21 games at Triple-A...

- CURVE CUTS: Fineas Dominic Del Bonta-Smith (Fineas)... Reached the Eastern League with the Hartford Yard Goats in 2022-23 and went 7-3 with a 4.64 ERA in 71 appearacnes, picked up 110 K's in 95.0 IP with just 33 BB, allowed 23 HR... Played collegiatelly at San Jose State, was selected in the 22nd round of the 2019 draft by Colorado... Attended Soquel HS in California, same school as former Pirate Casey McGhee... Soquel HS is located about 45 minutes south of San Jose and just east of Santa Cruz, CA...

#### RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC.	IP, H, K/ER, BB/	K PITCHES/STRIKES	SCURELESS STREAK	NOTES .
4/20 VS SOM		2.0, 3, 2/2, 0/2	28/23		ALLOWED SOLO HR'S TO R. FLORES AND C. GABRIELSON IN TEAM DEBUT
4/24 @ CHE		1.1, 0, 0/0, 1/1	20/10	1.1	FINISHED 7TH FOR CHAPMAN, TOSSED SCORELESS 8TH IN BULLPEN GAME

#### #39 Derek Diamond

Pitch Selection: FB (94-96), CT, CH, CB San Diego, CA 6th Round, 2022 (Ole Miss) Hometown:

Acauired: 6-2, 210, 1/4/01 (24)

Curve Record:

Trending:

17 runs allowed in first 8.0 innings of the season

2024: Spent the season swinging between the bullpen and rotation with High-A Greensboro... Moved into the Grasshoppers rotation full-time after May 22... Tossed at least 5.0 IP in 11 of 23 outings... Played for the Scottsdale Scorpions and was named an AFL Fall Star recording a 2.45 ERA in 7 G/1 ST, struck out 12 batters in 11.0 IP, recording a 0.818 WHIP...

CURVE CUTS: Derek Matthew Diamond... Was honored by the Pirates after the 2023 season as a member of the Community Commitment Program awarded to Pirates Minor Leaguers who participate most often in community engagements with their minor league affiliates... Told Alex Stumpf of DKPittsburgh Sports that an old school approach allowing him to add a curveball helped him turn a corner with Bradenton in 2023... Says that he was not allowed to throw the pitch at Ole Miss, but Marauders pitching coach Matt Ford helped him to "become an artist" by moving pitches around and changing seeds... Won the 2022 CWS Championship with Ole Miss... Pitched collegiately with Cleveland Guardians 2021 second round draft pick LHP Doug Nikhazy, who pitched against Altoona with the Akron RubberDucks... Was also teammates with Chicago White Sox 2023 first round pick SS Jacob Gonzalez... Became a barber during the COVID-19 pageding and gives his teammates his results during the season. the COVID-19 pandemic and gives his teammates haircuts during the season

### **RECENT APPEARANCES**

DAIE	DEC.	IP, H, K/EK, DD/N	PITUTES/STRIKES	SCURELESS STREAK	NUTES
4/5 VS CHE	L	3.0, 4, 2/2, 0/0	45/32		RETIRED 6 STRAIGHT HITTERS TO START OUTING, ALLOWED 4H AND 2R IN 8TH
4/9 @ AKR		0.1, 2, 5/5, 2/1	33/20		HAD 11-PITCH BATTLE W/ GUY LIPSCOMB THAT ENDED IN BB - CHAPMAN ALLOWED 2 INHERITED RUNS IN
4/13 @ AKR		0.1, 5, 4/4, 1/0	36/23		RETIRED 1ST BATTER AND THEN ALLOWED NEXT 6 HITTERS TO REACH
4/18 VS SOM	L (0-2)	2.2, 7, 5/5, 1/4	56/37		SPOT START FOR SOLOMETO - ALLOWED RUNS IN EACH INNING / 3 HITS ALLOWED HAD 101+ EXIT VELO
4/24 @ CHE		1.2. 1. 1/1. 3/1	36/17		FINISHED 3RD FOR FLOWERS, LEFT AFTER 2B, 2 BB IN 5TH

#### #27 J.C. Flowers

Pitch Selection: FB (92-95), SL, CH, SINK Orange Park, FL Hometown: 4th Round, 2019 (FSU) Acquired: Vitals: 6-3, 195, 5/19/98 (26) 1-1 Curve Record:

Trending: AA Career ('22, '24): 8-7, 3.53 ERA in 616/2 starts 120.0 IP, 92 H, 56 BB, 106 K, 212 BAA, 1.23 WHIP AAA Career ('23-'25): 4-2, 9.40 ERA in 456/5 starts 67.0 IP, 95 H, 68 BB, 62 K, .339 BAA, 2.43 WHIP runs allowed in 4.0 IP with ALT this season

2025: Opened with Triple-A Indianapolis, allowed 3 runs (2 earned) in 1.0 inning (2 H, 3 BB, 1 K)... Transferred to ALT on 4/18...
2024: Split the season between Altoona and Indianapolis... Struck out 43 in 49.2 IP with Altoona in 27 appearances... Issued the second-most

walks by a PIT MiLB Pitcher (56)... Began the season with Triple-A Indianapolis where he went 2-1 with a 9.00 ERA in 14 games, 2 starts (20.0 IP, 27 H, 24 R, 26 BB, 16 K)... Assigned to Altoona on 5/22... Changed from #2 to #48 on 5/28... Tossed 4.1 IP scoreless innings across 2 outings at Richmond from 6/4 - 6/9... Walked 2 batters across 5 outings (8.2 IP, 5/31 - 6/12)... Retired all 10 hitters faced on 8/8 at Portland...

CURVE CUTS: John Carson Flowers III... Signed with the Pirates for \$500,000... Was named Altoona's Fireman of the Year in 2022 after recording a 2.88 ERA in 33 games, 2 starts... Spent the entire 2023 season at Indianapolis and allowed 50 runs in 46.0 IP... Was a 2-way player at FSU, was a First-Team All-ACC selection as a reliever and was named All-ACC 3rd Team as an outfielder in 2019... Ranked the No. 1 outfielder in Florida in his 2016 class by Perfect Game... Majored in editing, writing & media... Fell in love with baseball at age 4 after his Dad introduced him to it... Idolized Derek Jeter growing up... Told Rumbunter.com that he prefers playing video games on Playstation over Xbox... Attended Trinity Christian HS (FL)

#### RECENT APPEARANCES DEC SCORELESS STREAK

 
 IP, H, R/ER, BB/K
 PITCHES/STRIKES

 1.1, 5, 6/6, 2/1
 45/25

 2.2, 3, 3/3, 2/2
 37/21
 DATE 4/18 VS SOM NOTES
RAN UP HIGH PITCH COUNT IN 7TH AFTER BB, HR, 1B, 3B TO BOTTOM 4 HITTERS OF SOM LINEUP 4/24 @ CHE\* BULLPEN DAY START FOR DOMBKOWSKI / HAD 5 PITCH 1ST, ALLOWED 3R HR TO F. BENCOSME IN 2ND

## **ALTOONA CURVE PITCHER NOTES**

#17 Valentin Linarez

Pitch Selection: FB (94-97), SL, CH, SPLIT Hometown: Palenque, D.R. Int'l FA (2018) Acquired: Vitals: 6-5, 226, 2/14/00 (25) Curve Record:

Trending:

Last 3 outings: 5.0 IP, 1 H, 0 BB, 4 K

**- 2024:** Split the season between Altoona and Greensboro... Went 1-2 with a 6.46 ERA in 17 appearances with the Curve, walked 19 batters and struck out 28 in 30.2 IP... Transferred to Greensboro on 6/25... Went 3-0 with a 3.20 ERA in 18 games and saved 2 games, struck out 43 batters in 25.1 IP... After the seasons played for Scottsdale in the Arizona Fall League and allowed just one run in 10.1 IP, 3 H, 8 BB, 11 K...

- CURVE CUTS: Valentin Guillermo Linarez... Pitches with a high spin rate on all offerings, allowing for additional

movement on fastball and slider... Saw an average velocity increase of nearly four mph on his fastball from 2022 to 2023...

DE	CENT	APPE/	MAGA	CEC
RE	CENI	APPEA	ARAN	

DATE	DEC.	<u>IP, H, R/ER, BB/K</u>	PITCHES/STRIKES	SCORELESS STREAK	<u>NOTES</u>
4/10 @ AKR	W (1-0)	1.0, 0, 0/0, 0/2	15/10	1.0	SET DOWN SIDE IN ORDER, K'D 1ST AND 3RD BATTER FACED
4/13 @ AKR		1.1, 1, 1/1, 2/0	27/13		ALLOWED 3R HR ON 1ST PITCH AFTER INHERITING 2 RUNNERS FROM CHEN IN 3RD INNING OF 13-1 LOSS
4/16 VS SOM		2.0, 0, 0/0, 0/0	19/11	2.0	SET DOWN ALL 6 HITTERS FACED AFTER BARCO TOSSED 5 SCORELESS
4/20 VS SOM	W (2-0)	2.0, 0, 0/0, 0/2	16/10	4.0	SET DOWN ALL 6 HITTERS FACED, EARNED WIN AFTER 9-RUN 7TH BY CURVE IN 9-3 W OVER SOMERSET
4/22 @ CHE	W (3-0)	1.0, 1, 0/0, 0/2	17/12	5.0	ALLOWED 2B TO START 6TH, K'D NEXT 2 MEN - RAMOS FINISHED INNING TO PROTECT 1-0 LEAD

#### #47 Justin Meis

FB (93-96), CH, SL, Sweep, CT Pitch Selection: Hometown: Acauired: Vitals: Curve Record:

In ALT career: 7-4, 5.22 ERA in 72G/10 starts, 157.0 IP, 153 H, 87 BB, 162 K (1.53 WHIP)

Picked up at least 2 K's in 5-of-6 outings this year

2024: Spent the entire season working out of the Altoona bullpen... Finished the season second on the team in appearances (37),

Bethel Park, PA

10th Round, 2021 (Eastern Mich.)

6-2, 175, 11/23/99 (25)

6-1

Trending:

10th Round, 2021 (Eastern Mich.)

10th Round, 2021 played four years at Division-II Seton Hill University... Helped Pirates minor leaguer Nick Dombkowski develop his slider, and in return learned how to throw his changeup from Dombkowski (Rob Biertempfel, The Athletic) - the two have been throwing partners for their ntire professional career... Meis learned how to throw his slider playing Little League at Bethal Park in Pittsburgh.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC.	IP, H, R/ER, BB	K PITCHES/STRIKES	SCORELESS STREAK	NOTES
4/10 @ AKR	Н	2.0, 1, 0/0, 1/3	38/25	3.0	STRANDED 2 IN 6TH, RETIRED SIDE IN ORDER IN 7TH TO PROTECT 2-0 LEAD
4/13 @ AKR		1.2, 2, 2/2, 1/3	35/22	-	STRANDED 2 OF 3 RUNNERS INHERITED IN 5TH, ALLOWED 2R IN 6TH OF 13-1 LOSS
4/17 VS SOM	Н	2.0, 4, 0/0, 1/2	29/18	2.0	INDUCED 2 DP'S TO PROTECT 6-4 WIN OVER SOMERSET
4/20 VS SOM		1.0, 1, 1/1, 0/1	11/7	-	ALLOWED SOLO HR TO S. JONES TO START 9TH INNING
7/23 @ CHE	S (1)	2 0 1 0/0 0/2	38/23	2.0	WORKED AROUND 2-OUT 1R IN 9TH TO EARN SAVE

#### #53 Cy Nielson

Pitch Selection: FB (92-95), SL, CH Hometown: Spanish Fork, UT 8th Round, 2022 (BYU) Acquired: Vitals: 6-3, 210, 2/25/01 (24) Curve Record:

Trending:

Has thrown 1.0 IP+ in 16-of-18 games in a Curve uniform

2024: Split the season between High-A Greensboro and Double-A Altoona... Was named a postseason All-Star in the South Atlantic

LHP

RHP

- 2024: Split the season between High-A Greensboro and Double-A Altoona... Was named a postseason All-Star in the South Atlantic League alongside Greensboro teammates LHP Dominic Perachi and INF Charles McAdoo... Went 3-1 with a 6.55 ERA (16 ER / 22.0 IP) in 13 appearances for the Curve... Struck out 28 batters and walked 14... Went 1.0 IP+ in 11-of-13 games for the Curve... Tossed 2.0 innings in each of his final five outings in September (2.70 ERA)... Made 44 total appearances, 4th-most by a PIT MiLB pitcher... Totaled 78 strikeouts, 7th-most by a PIT MiLB reliever... Also earned 7 saves, tied for 3rd-most among PIT MiLB...
- CURVE CUTS: Cy Ballard Nielson... Named the 2019 Gatorade Utah Player of the Year as a senior at Spanish Fork High School... Spanish Fork is part of the Orem-Provo metro area, about 50 minutes south of Salt Lake City... Father, Damian, played baseball at Southern Utah... Became the second BYU Cougar to be selected by the Pirates, joining INF Vance Law, who was taken in the 1978 MLB Draft by the Pirates and played in 11 Major League seasons... Married his wife, Lo, in the '24-25 off-season, the two have a golden retriever named Gibby... Lo was a left-handed pitcher on BYU's Softball team... The highlight of the wedding was a fountain tower of ranch which quests enjoyed with Chick-Fil-A chicken nuggets... Also enjoys hunting in the off-season... ranch which quests enioved with Chick-Fil-A chicken nuggets... Also eniovs hunting in the off-season.

#### RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC.	IP, H, R/ER, BB/	K PITCHES/STRIKES	SCORELESS STREAK	NOTES
4/9 @ AKR		1.1, 2, 2/2, 1/3	31/19		SURRENDERED 2R HR ON 1ST PITCH THROWN TO CJ KAYFUS, ALLOWED ANOTHER RUN IN 3RD
4/12 @ AKR		1.1, 0, 0/0, 2/1	29/14		HIT 2 BATTERS, ALLOWED BOTH INHERITED RUNNERS FROM CHAPMAN TO SCORE IN 7TH
4/15 VS SOM		2.0, 2, 1/1, 0/4	34/21		K'D 3 HITTERS IN 9TH AROUND HBP AND 2B IN 10-1 WIN FOR ALT
4/19 VS SOM	W (1-1)	1.1, 0, 0/0, 0/3	12/10	1.1	K'D 3 OF 4 HITTERS FACED, INCLUDING S. JONES TO START 9TH INNING IN 2-1 WIN

### #37 Wilkin Ramos

Pitch Selection: FB (94-97), SINK, SL, CB Santo Domingo Centro, D.R. MiLB FA (2025) Hometown: Acquired: 6-5, 192, 10/31/00 (24) Vitals: Curve Record:

Trending:

IP. H. R/ER. BB/K PITCHES/STRIKES

Holds a 1.59 ERA and saved 11 games in 35 EL apps with Binghamton ('22-'23): 51.0 IP, 35 H, 27 BB, 55 K (.197 BAA) 9.1 IP, 1 H, 2 BB, 5 K in 6 outings to start the year

- 2024: Split the season between Binghamton and Syracuse with the New York Mets... Led all Mets farmhands with 11 saves and ranked among leaders in appearances (41, 3rd) and wins (6, T4th)... His nine saves for Binghamton were 4th-most in the Eastern

League... Recorded a 1.65 ERA with Binghamton, 5.40 ERA with Syracuse... - **2023:** Recorded a 2.50 ERA between Brooklyn (21G) and Binghamton (12G).

CURVE CUTS: Wilkin Dariel Ramos... Was selected by the Mets from the Pirates in the minor league phase of the Rule 5 Draft following the 2022 season... According to FanGraphs, he started throwing from a much lower arm slot when arrived with the Mets... His fastball began sitting in the low- to mid-90s with a great deal of tailing action, and he also threw a sweeping slider. The new motion left him very wild at times, but hitters didn't have much success getting the ball in the air against him; in 251.1 career IP, he's allowed only eight home runs... His 37 appearances were 2nd-most in the Florida State League in 2022 with Bradenton... In 2018, was acquired by Pittsburgh, from Oakland, to complete the trade of pitcher Tanner Anderson from 11/20... In 2017, was signed by Oakland as a nondrafted free agent

#### RECENT APPEARANCES SCORELESS STREAK

4/9 @ AKR		2.0, 1, 0/0, 0/0	25/19	3.0	ALL 6 OUTS RECORDED WERE ON GROUND BALLS, CURVE TRAILED 13-1 WHEN HE ENTERED
4/12 @ AKR		0.2, 0, 0/0, 0/1	7/5	3.2	STRANDED RUNNER ON 3RD WITH 5-3 AND K TO CLEAN UP 8TH INNING FOR NIELSON
4/15 VS SOM		2.0, 0, 0/0, 0/3	19/15	5.2	SET DOWN ALL 6 HITTERS FACED, FACING T-6 IN SOMERSET BATTING ORDER
4/18 VS SOM		1.1, 0, 0/0, 0/1	17/12	7.0	RETIRED ALL 4 BATTERS FACED IN 12-1 LOSS TO SOMERSET
4/22 @ CHE	Н	2.1, 0, 0/0, 0/0	23/13	9.1	HAD RUN OF 15 STRAIGHT BATTERS RETIRED END W/HBP, INDUCED DP BALL 3 PITCHES LATER TO END 8TH

#### #6 Cam Sanders

DATE

FB (95-97), Sweep, CH, CT, SINK Pitch Selection: Hometown: Thibodeaux, LA Acquired: MiLB FA, 2025

6-2, 175, 12/9/96 (28) 5-1 Vitals: Curve Record:

Trendina:

12 K, 6 BB in 7.2 IP with ALT, 1 hit allowed (.042 BAA)

Leads MiLB in saves (6)

- 2025: Has converted all 6 of his save opportunites to begin the season...
- 2024: Split the season between Double-A Tennessee and Triple-A Iowa in the Cubs system... Went 2-3 with a 5.83 ERA and six saves. His 49 appearances were tied for the most among all Cubs farmhands, while his six saves were tied for 8th-most... Attended spring training as a non-roster invitee..

CURVE CUTS: Cameron Ronald Sanders (Cam)... Spent six seasons in the Chicago Cubs system, reaching Triple-A lowa in 2022, '23 and '24... In 2018, was selected by Chicago (NL) in the 12th round (368th overall) of the First-Year Player Draft... Struck out 48 batters across 18 appearances (38.2ip) as a junior at Louisiana State after spending two seasons at Northwest Florida State College (Niceville, FL)... In 2017, was selected by San Diego in the 18th round (528th overall), but did not sign... Attended Edward Douglas White Catholic High School (Thibodaux, LA)... In 1990, his father, Scott, was selected by San Diego in the 1st round (32nd overall) and pitched in seven Major League seasons with San Diego, Seattle, Detroit and the Chicago Cubs... His Mom, Linda, was an All-American at Long Beach State University as their starting Shortstop, she plaved in two Women's College World Series...

#### RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC.	IP, H, R/ER, BB/	K PITCHES/STRIKES	SCORELESS STREAK	NOTES
4/13 @ AKR		1.0, 0, 0/0, 2/1	29/14	4.0	WORKED AROUND LEADOFF WALK TO BAZZANA AND 2-OUT WALK TO BURGOS
4/17 VS SOM	S (3)	1.0, 0, 0/0, 2/0	10/9	5.0	K'D FIRST 2 HITTERS ON 6 PITCHES, SNAGGED 110 MPH COMEBACKER FROM S. JONES TO GET FINAL OUT
4/19 VS SOM	S (4)	0.2, 0, 0/0, 0/1	12/9	5.2	WENT K, HBP, 5-3 TO END GAME
4/22 @ CHE	S (5)	1.0, 0, 0/0, 0/1	13/9	6.2	K, F7, 6-3 TO CLOSE OUT 2-0 WIN
4/24 @ CHE	S (6)	1.0, 0, 0/0, 1/2	17/9	7.2 (SINCE START OF SZN)	WORKED AROUND 2-OUT WALK WITH 2ND K OF TT BOWENS TO FINISH SAVE

## **ALTOONA CURVE PITCHER NOTES**

#32 Jaden Woods LHP

Pitch Selection: FB (93-95), SL, CH Hometown: Warner Robins, GA 7th Round, 2023 (Georgia) Acquired: Vitals: 6-2, 205, 2/1/02 (23) Curve Record:

Trending:

2024: Went 3-3 with a 4.93 ERA in 20 games, 1 start with the Curve... Struck out 43 batters in 34.2 IP with the Curve... Ranked 7th among Eastern League relievers in strikeouts (42) from his debut on June 21 through the end of the season... Went 1-0 with a 2.13 FRA. 1 save in 20G with Greenshoro to start the season...

CURVE CUTS: Jaden Chance Woods... Signed with the Pirates for a bonus of \$271,300... Born in Macon, GA, raised in Alpharetta, GA and moved to Warner Robins, GA when he was in 8th grade... Told Andrew Destin of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette that he didn't begin playing baseball until he was in 8th grade after he moved to Warner Robins, GA and they didn't have a lacrosse team he could join so he had to find a new sport to play. Played football, basketball, soccer and baseball and liked baseball the most and stuck with it... Was convinced by a friend of his, Jeremy White, to pick up a baseball after noticing how strong his arm was playing quarterback... Began playing travel ball as a sophomore in high school and earned a scholorship offer from Georgia State where he was committed to until his junior year when he committed to Georgia... Earned a degree in Sport Management in just three years, an area that his parents harped on while he was growing up: to be a good student.

**RECENT APPEARANCES** 

DATE 4/11 @ AKR 4/13 @ AKR 4/17 VS SOM 4/20 VS SOM 4/23 @ CHE IP, H, R/ER, BB/K PITCHES/STRIKES
1.1, 1, 0/0, 1/1 23/15
0.2, 4, 3/3, 1/0 30/17 SCORELESS STREAK 1.1, 1, 0/0, 1/1 0.2, 4, 3/3, 1/0 1.2, 1, 0/0, 1/3 1.0, 0, 0/0, 0/0

NOTES
SET DOWN SIDE IN ORDER IN 5TH
HIT HARD PITCH LIMIT FOR AN INNING IN 13-1 LOSS
SET DOWN FIRST 4 HITTERS, KD VARGAS TO END 6TH W/ 94 MPH FB
ALL 3 AT-BATS TOOK 3 PITCHERS OR FEWER
ALLOWED GAME-TYING 2R HR TO S. ARDOIN 30/18 8/6 25/19 W (2-1) W (3-1) 2.0, 3, 2/2, 0/1

## **ALTOONA CURVE POSTION PLAYER NOTES**

#10 Jase Bowen OF

Hometown: Northwood, OH Acquired: 11th Round, 2019 (Toledo Central Catholic, OH) Vitals:

6-1, 205, 9/2/00 (24) Bat/Throw

Multi-Hit Games (ALT) Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

NOTES
PICKED UP 2 SB AND LED 9TH INNING RALLY THAT LED TO 6 RUNS IN 8-1 WIN
SMACKED 1ST HR OF SEASON TO LCF IN 9TH INNING OF 4-3 LOSS
2R HR WAS 2ND HR OF INNING FOR CURVE - BECAME 1ST CURVE PLAYER WITH 2 HR ON SEASON DATE 4/11 @ AKR 4/12 @ AKR 4/16 VS SOM 3-4, 2B, BB, RBI 1-4, HR, RBI 1-4, HR, RBI, BB

RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES

Trending: vs LHP: 1-for-3, BB in 3 PA ... 10-45 (.225), 2B, 6 BB, HBP, 20 K vs RHP

2024: Named to the Pirates Spring Breakout roster, where he led the team with a 2-for-3 performance... Spent the entire season with Altoona and finished the season second on the team in games played (110), HR (10), 2B (17), and 3rd in RBI (43), led the team with 22 stolen bases... Batted .241/.298/.366 with 17 2B, 2 3B, 10 HR, 43 RBI and 22-30 SB... Was 1 of 23 in PIT MiLB to hit 10+ HR... Made a sliding catch and threw out a runner at home for a game-ending Double Play on July 13 against Bowie, earned SportsCenter's #6 Top Play on July 14...

- CURVE CUTS: Jase Callaway Bowen... Signed with the Pirates for a bonus of \$395,000... Was committed to play Baseball and Football at Michigan State University... Was the first player drafted out of Toledo Central Catholic HS (Toledo, OH) since Clayton Stidham in 1982 (36th round, New York Yankees)... Toledo Central Catholic is just a 7 minute drive from Fifth Third Park, home of the Toledo Mud Hens (Detroit Tigers, AAA)... Started collecting baseball cards growing up in Northwood, Ohio, and has owned approximately 100,000 cards in his life... His favorite is a Topps triple threads Dustin Pedroia jersey card autograph... Jase's favorite player growing up was Dustin Pedroia (he has approximately 25-30 different variations of Pedroia's cards and around 100 all together)... Jase also has his own baseball card, which was done by Topps in 2023... The first time signing his cards he actually kept a few and gave them to his parents, brother, fiancee, and kept some for himself... Bowen has been going after his own cards since they have hit eBay... His goal is to get one of every color to show his own kids some day... Is an avid Fantasy Football Player and loves to play Trivia games...

#28 Jack Brannigan INF

Hometown: Chicago, IL RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES 3rd Round, 2022 (Notre Dame) 6-0, 190, 3/11/01 (24) Acquired: Vitals:

LINE 1-3, BB, 2 R, SB 3-4, HR, 4 RBI 2-4, 2 RBI 3-5, 2B, SB DATE 4/10 @ AKR 4/16 VS SOM 4/19 VS SOM 4/23 @ CHE NOTES
SCORED BOTH RUNS ON SAC FLY'S IN 2-0 WIN
ALSO DREW A WALK AND HBP, REACHED IN FINAL 5 PA'S
HAD GO-AHEAD RBI 1B IN 87H INNING OF 2-1 WIN OVER SOMERSET
STRANDED TWICE IN SCORING POSITION IN 3-2 WIN OVER CHESAPEAKE Bat/Throw Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

Trending: Has reached base in 13-of-17 games played this season... Started the first 8G of the season at SS... Has 3 3-hit games in 16G to begin the year, 3 in 77G last year w/ GBO

**2024:** Was a non-roster invite to Pirates Spring Training and made 16 appearances in the field... Spent the entire season at High-A Greensboro and batted .238/.344/.490 with 15 2B, 2 3B, 18 HR, 53 RBI and 12-15 SB in 77G... Had two stints on the injured list to nurse an injured left shoulder... Implemented some mechanical changes to his swing that saw his strikeout rate dip from 33.5% to 26.1% and a rise in line drives and fly balls (35.2% groundball rate with Brandeton in '23 to 25.6% with Greensboro).

- CURVE CUTS: Jack Thomas Brannigan... Was ranked No. 164 among the Top 250 draft prospects by MLB Pipeline (No. 168 by Baseball America)... Attended Marist HS (IL), same high school as former Pirate/Curve LHP Tom Gorzelanny... His father ('90), grandfather ('61) and uncle ('86) all attended Notre Dame, his father (track & field) and grandfather (baseball) competing athletically... Three times in his career at Notre Dame he successfully stole home... Was also an occasional pitcher during his collegiate career totaling a 6.94 ERA (18 ER / 23.1 IP) in his three seasons with the Irish, struck out 28 batters in 14.2 IP during his junior campaign... Had his fastball clocked at 100 mph on more than one occasion as a pitcher in college... Played mostly SS as an amateur but settled in at 3B during his freshman season at Notre Dame due to team needs... Finished his degree in Finance after the 2022 season at Notre Dame... Told Jason Mackey of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette that he would likely work as a Financial Advisor if he wasn't playing baseball professionally... Was named an Organizational All-Star by MiLB.com after the 2023 season which he split between Bradenton and Greensboro...

**INF** #22 Nick Cimillo

Hometown: Suffern, NY RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES Acquired: 16th Round, 2022 (Rutgers)

**DATE** 4/16 VS SOM 4/20 VS SOM NOTES
SCORED 1ST RUN OF 10-1 WIN OVER SOMERSET
WALKED AND SINGLED IN A RUN IN 9-RUN 7TH INNING 6-3, 220, 2/23/00 (25) Vitals: 2-5, 2B, RBI 1-3, BB, RBI Bat/Throw Multi-Hit Games (ALT):

Trending: vs RHP: 10-48 (.208), 3 2B, 3 RBI, 4 BB, 17 K

Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

- 2024: Split the season between Greensboro and Altoona... Finished the season tied for third-most in HR (21) and second in RBI (71) among Pirates minor leaguers... Began the season on the Development List with High-A Greensboro and batted .293/.419/.619 with 8 2B, 17 HR, 48 RBI in 52G... Made his team debut on 7/19 at Somerset, went 0-for-3... Somerset's TD Bank Barkpark is just 15 miles from Bainton Field, Rutgers' home ballpark..

- CURVE CUTS: Nicholas William Cimillo... Signed with the Pirates for bonus of \$100,000... Grew up playing catcher and moved to first base full-time during the 2024 season... Has drawn attention for his 106 mpg average exit velocity, a mark that ranked him in the 90th percentile among professional players and one of the top hitters in the Pirates system... His father, William, went to St. John's University, where he played football and was named to the school's hall-of-fame in 2020... William was a firefighter in the Bronx while Nick was growing up and the two would regularly attend Yankee games after his shift at the firehouse... Attended Suffern HS in Suffern, NY... Began his collegiate career at Manahattan University where he was named the 2019 MAAC Rookie-of-the-Year... Was a Second-Team All-Big 10 Selection in 2022 in his lone season at Rutgers... Led the Big 10 in batting average (.385), slugging percentage (.707) and OPS (1.199) in 2022...

## **ALTOONA CURVE POSTION PLAYER NOTES**

#5 Brenden Dixon INF

Hometown: Weatherford, TX RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES 20th Round, 2021 (Weatherford JC) Acquired:

**DATE** 4/4 VS CHE 4/20 VS SOM NOTES
SWATTED ALTOONA'S FIRST HR OF THE SEASON ON OPENING DAY
WALKED AND SINGLED IN A RUN IN 9-RUN 7TH INNING Vitals: 5-11, 205, 11/20/00 (24) 2-4, HR, RBI, SB 1-3, RBI, BB Bat/Throw

Multi-Hit Games (ALT): 0 Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

Trending: Picked up an extra base hit in 3-of-4 games to start the season...

2024: Spent the majority of the season with Altoona, with a short stint at Triple-A Indianapolis... Batted .188 with 6 2B, 8 HR, 30 RBI and 6 SB in 64G with the Curve... Recorded 2 walk-off hits and finished the season T-3rd on the team with 8 HR... <u>Underwent surgery to repair an injured hamate bone</u> after the season..

- CURVE CUTS: Brenden Reese Dixon... Hit .335 with 12 doubles, 10 home runs, 39 RBI and seven stolen bases in 2021 at Weatherford College... Played in 14 games for the University of Texas during the abbreviated 2020 season... Hit .353 and recorded 48 RBI while being named a second-team all-state selection in 2019 for Argyle (TX) High School... Helped Argyle to back-to-back state and national championships in 2018 and 2019... Was also a four-year letterman in football where he was named second team All-State as a senior and earned All-District honors in each of his four seasons... Was also named Argyle's Defensive Back of the Year... Is an avid hunter and fisherman in his freetime... One of the highlights of his '24-25 off-season was hunting with Nick Gonzales and Rowdy Tellez...

**OF** #3 Tres Gonzalez

Atlanta, GA Hometown:

5th Round, 2022 (Georgia Tech) 5-11, 185, 10/4/00 (24) Acquired: Vitals:

L/L Bat/Throw

Multi-Hit Games (ALT): n Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES NOTES DATE LINE 4/11 @ AKR 4/24 @ CHE 3-3, RBI, BB, CS 2B IN INSURANCE RUN IN 6TH, WALKED IN 8TH INNING OF 8-5 WIN

Trending: Started season 7-for-20, 3 2B, 1 RBI, 3 BB, 1 K, went 1-for-15 (.068) with 2 BB and 6K in 5G vs. Somerset last week

- 2025: Made his first career appearance on the mound (pro or college) in the 8th inning of a 13-1 loss at Akron on 4/9, allowed an infield single and tossed a scoreless inning on just 7 pitches, 6 strikes... Tossed another scoreless inning on 4/18 vs Somerset in a 12-1 loss.

- 2024: Spent the entire season with Altoona... Earned one of eight walk-off RBI's for Altoona on the season... Batted .239/.313/.273 with 9 2B, 1 3B, 24 RBI and 10-18 SB in 95 games for Altoona... Named to the Pirates Spring Breakout roster, where he went 0-for-2 as the starting left fielder against the Orioles.. Had 6 multi-hit games in the first three months of the season, recorded 7 in the month of July (.357 BA)...

- CURVE CUTS: Eduardo Alberto "Tres" Gonzalez... Older sister, Gabriela, played tennis at Georgia Tech... Father, Eddie, once captained the tennis team at ACC rival North Carolina State... Ranked the No. 3 outfielder in Georgia and a top-50 outfielder in the nation by Perfect Game... 2019 Perfect Game First-Team Preseason All-Region for the southeast... Four-year letterwinner at Mount Vernon Presbyterian, named captain in final two seasons... Also lettered for three seasons in tennis... Recently celebrated 6 years with his girfriend, Mary, who attended the University of Georgia while he attended Georgia Tech...

**OF** #46 Hudson Head

Hometown: San Antonio, TX Trade - SD (2021) RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES .. Jule - SU (2021) 6-2, 180, 4/8/01 (23) L/L LINE 1-4, RBI 0-0, 2 BB Acquired: DATE 4/9 @ AKR 4/20 VS SOM NOTES
PICKED UP 1ST AA RBI WHEN HE REACHED ON AN INFIELD 1B IN 2ND VS LHP RODNEY BOONE Vitals: Bat/Throw WALKED IN BOTH PLATE APPEARANCES Multi-Hit Games (ALT): 0

Trending: 1-14, RBI, 8 K, 2 BB, 0-1 SB, HBP

Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

2025: Assigned to Altoona to begin the season... Made his first career pitching performance on April 13 at Akron...

2024: Made several appearances in Pirates Major League Spring Training games as a minor league reserve... Spent the season with High-A Greensboro... Batted .208/.303/.383 with 12 2B, 6 3B, 13 HR, 49 RBI and 9-13 SB in 102G... Batted over .200 twice in a calendar month (May .267, July .242)... - CURVE CUTS: John Hudson Head... Was originally selected by San Diego in the 3rd round of the 2019 First-Year Player Draft and signed for a bonus of \$3,000,000... His bonus was a record for a 3rd round draft selection according to MLB.com's Jim Callis... Was committed to play collegiately at the University of Oklahoma where he would've been teammates with Washington's 2020 1st round selection Cade Cavalli... Hit .615 with 13 home runs and 54 RBI during his senior year of high school... Was a two-sport athlete until his senior of high school, when he gave up football (was a quarterback)... Throws a football right-handed but a baseball left-handed... Attended Winston Churchill HS in San Antonio, TX, same high school as former LHP Randy Coate who pitched 15 major league seasons with the New York Yankees (2000 World Series Champion), Arizona Diamondbacks, Tampa Bay Rays, Florida Marlins, LA Dodgers and St. Louis Cardinals - appeared in 672 career games and recorded a 3.90 ERA... High school teammate Jack Neely (1 year older) pitched collegiatelly at Iowa Western CC and Ohio State and was drafted in the 11th round in 2021 by the New York Yankees... Is a Houston Texans fan.

#54 Mike Jarvis INF/OF

San Diego, CA Hometown: RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES Acquired: 6th Round, 2021 (San Diego St.)

Vitals:

NOTES SINGLED AS PINCH-HITTER IN 9-RUN 7TH, ADDED RBI 2B LATER IN SAME INNING DATE 4/20 VS SOM 4/24 @ CHE 2-2, 2B, RBI, 2 R 1-4, RBI, 2 SB 5-10, 180, 5/12/98 (26) R/R Bat/Throw

Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT): 0

2025: Opened the season with Indy, went 1-for-4 with a stolen base in his lone game, was placed on Development List on 4/12... Transferred to ALT on 4/15... Picked up an RBI 1B in his first AB with Curve on 4/16 vs Somerset...

2024: Spent the season shuttling between Altoona and Indianapolis... Batted .103 (9-for-99)/.194/.172 in 27G with Altoona, stole 4 bases in 5 tries... Opened the season on L with a shoulder injury... Activated on 4/18 and went 1-for-3 with a 2B... Transferred to Indy on 5/7... Batted .210/.296/.355 in 30 games with the Indians, 1 2B, 1 3B, 1 HR, 7 RBI, 4-6 SB... Transferred to ALT on 7/31...

- CURVE CUTS: Michael Robert Jarvis (Mike)... Is known as one of the fastest baserunners in the Pirates minor league system... Hit .367 with 17 doubles, five home runs, 32 RBI and 16 stolen bases in 46 games as a red-shirt senior at San Diego State in 2021... Majored in Economics... Was the first of 5 Aztecs drafted in 2021, collegiate teammate Wyatt Hendrie was Pittsburgh's 7th round selection in 2021 and shared the field with Jarvis at Greensboro in 2023... Collegiate teammate Matt Rudick was a 13th round selection by the New York Mets in 2021 and suited up against Altoona with Binghamton... Was a second-team All-Mountain West Conference selection in 2021 while leading the Mountain West in hits (79); also ranked second in runs scored (58) and stolen bases (16), fourth in total bases (117) and fifth in doubles (17)... Ranked fifth among NCAA Division I players in hits per game (1.72) in 2021...His brother, Luke, played baseball at Auburn University and was drafted by the Miami Marlins in the 25th round of the 2018 First-Year Player Draft, he played 48 games with short-season Batavia in 2018 and batted .217... His father, Chip, played football at the University of San Diego...

## **ALTOONA CURVE POSTION PLAYER NOTES**

#19 Mitch Jebb INF/OF

Hometown: Saginaw, MI 2nd Round, 2023 (Michigan St.) Acquired: Vitals: 6-1, 185, 5/13/02 (22)

Bat/Throw Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT): RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES

DATE 4/16 VS SOM 4/17 VS SOM 4/22 @ CHE 4/24 @ CHE 2-3, 3 BB, RBI 2-3, BB, 2 RBI 2-3, BB, SB 2-2 SB AS WELL, 7X IN CAREER W/ 3 BB IN A GAME 2-RUN 1B IN 2ND EXTENDED LEAD TO 5-3, ALSO PICKED UP A SB IN 5TH REACHED IN 3-0F-4 PA'S IN 2-0 W OVER CHESAPEAKE STOLE HOME IN 1ST INNING AS SIANI STOLE 2B / HAD INFIELD HITS IN 7TH + 9TH 3-5, 3-3 SB

Trending: 13 BB is most by a Curve hitter, T-3rd in Eastern League... 9-10 SB, 1st in EL in SB

- 2025: Earned 3 BB on 4/16 vs Somerset, matching career-high for 7th time in career...

2024: Spent the entire season with High-A Greensboro... Picked up 25 extra base hits and stole 43 bases in 113G... Led Pirates MiLB in SB, T-18th most among all minor league players... Named to the Pirates Spring Breakout roster, where he went 0-for-2 with an RBI as the designated hitter... Batted .218 through play on June 30 before becoming one the South Atlantic League's most productive hitters, ranking fifth in batting average (.297), and OBP (.383), fourth in hits (57), tied fir first in triples (five) and first in runs scored (35) and stolen bases (27)... Hit .330/.381/.420 with 8 RBI and 12-16 SB in 23 August games...

CURVE CUTS: Mitchell Louis Jebb... Became the earliest Spartan taken in the draft since Mark Mulder went No. 2 overall in 1998 to the Oakland Athletics... Became Michigan State's first selection by the Pirates since LHP Cam Vieaux was selected in the 6th round of the 2016 draft... Signed with the Pirates for an under-slot bonus of \$1,647,500... Has spent the majority of his amateur and collegiate career as an infielder, is playing outfield on a regular basis for the first time in his career with the Curve... Is known as one of the fastest baserunners in the Pirates minor league system... Says music is one of his biggest hobbies off the field...

INF #2 Termarr Johnson

Hometown: Atlanta, GA

1st Round, 2022 (Mays HS (GA)) Acquired: 5-8, 175, 6/11/04 (20)

Bat/Throw Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES NOTES
3R HR IN 4TH HAD EXIT VELO OF 108, ESTIMATED 392 FEET
1ST MULTI-HIT GAME OF THE SEASON
SINGLED DURING 9-RUN 7TH INNING 4/8 @ AKR 4/12 @ AKR 4/20 VS SOM 1-4, HR, 3 RBI, BB 2-5, RBI 2-5, 2B

Trending: Has reached base safely in 22-of-29 G with ALT... Had a 7 straight games to start the year... 4G Hit (4/20 - Present): 6-17, 2B, HR, RBI, 2 BB, 6 K, 1.009 OPS

- 2025: Enters the season ranked as the No. 81 prospect in baseball according to MLB Pipeline...

2024: Split the season between Greensboro and Altoona... Became the 3rd-youngest player to suit up for Altoona in team history at 20 years, 2 months and 16 days... Among PIT MiLB, ranked 4th in SB (22) and games played (124)... Entered the season as the No. 1 2B prospect in the game according to MLB Pipeline..

- CURVE CUTS: Termarr Johnson... Was rated as the No. 4 prospect in the 2022 MLB Draft according to MLB Pipeline and the "Best Hitter" in the draft class... Was committed to play collegiatelly at Arizona State... Drafted by the Pirates in the 1st round (4th overall) of the 2022 First-Year Player Draft out of Mays High School (GA)... Signed on July 29, 2022 and received a bonus of \$7,219,000... Is the youngest of four brothers, each of whom have baseball backgrounds... His brother Tervell played baseball at Georgia Tech (21-22), Arizona State (2022), and Compton (Junior) College in 2023 for the Frederick Keys in the MLB Draft League where he posted a .356/.443/.525 batting line with one homer and seven doubles in 16 games... Tervell has since played for UT-Rio Grand Valley and is slated to play the 2025 season at Seattle University... His older brother, Terrenz, composed the song Twin Time (performed under the artist name Levels) which Termarr used as his walk-up song while playing for Single-A Bradenton in 2023... His oldest brother, Tervont, played collegiatelly at Eastern Kentucky, Georgia State and Georgia Tech and coached for the Frederick Keys of the MLB Draft league in 2023...
His mother, Kim, was a track & field athlete at Georgia Tech, running the 200-meter dash...

#13 Aaron McKeithan C

Hometown: Ashville, NC MiLB Rule 5 2024 (STL) Acquired: Vitals: 6-1, 225, 12/13/99 (25)

Bat/Throv R/Ŕ Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES

LINE 2-3, RBI, BB NOTES
PICKED UP GO-AHEAD RBI 1B IN 8TH INNING OF 3-2 WIN OVER CHESAPEAKE DATE 4/23 @ CHE

Trending:

- 2024: Spent the entire season at Double-A Springfield as their second catcher... Springfield won a franchise record 78 games and struck out a franchise record 1,279 batters... Caught a combined no-hitter on June 20 at Corpus Christi, the first in franchise history... Batted .264 with 5 2B, 1 3B, 1 HR, 16 RBI, .356 OBP in 55G...

- CURVE CUTS: Aaron McKeithan... Drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 16th round (481st overall) of the 2021 First-Year Player Draft out of Charlotte... Selected by the Pirates in the minor league phase of the Rule 5 draft... Attended TC Roberson HS in Asheville, NC... Began his collegiate career at Tulane in 2019, spent one season at State College of Florida and was named 2nd Team All Conference USA in his lone season at UNC Charlotte in 2021... His college teammate at Charlotte, Nate Furman was a 4th round selection of the Cleveland Guardians in 2022 and later was traded to San Francisco in a deal for RHP Alex Cobb, Furman played 13 Eastern League Games for Akron before the trade... Has three older siblings, Joel, Tim and Lydia... His older brother, Joel McKeithan, is the Assistant Hitting Coach for the Chicago White Sox after spending four seasons on staff for the Cincinnati Reds - Joel played at Vanderbilt and NC State, began his coaching career with the Phillies in 2019 and was named the Detroit Tigers Hitting Coordinator for the 2021 season... His older brother, Tim, works for Pirates Player Development beginning in 2017, and is currently the team's Assistant Director of Hitting for a second season after five seasons as a Major League Staff Assistant... His Grandfather, Jerry Sr. played in the minor leagues for the Cardinals from 1951-58... Aaron's Great Uncle, Tim McKeithan, pitched two seasons for the Philadelphia Athletics from 1932-34... Is engaged to his fiance Erin, popped the question in the 2024-25 baseball off-season...

INF #15 Kervin Pichardo

Hometown: Bronx, NY/Santo Domingo Norte, D.R. Acquired:

Trade - SD (2024) 5-11, 195, 10/15/01 (23) Vitals:

Bat/Throw Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT): RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES

NOTES HOMERED OFF ORIOLES REHAB LHP TREVOR ROGERS IN 1ST AB BACK FROM IL LINE 1-3. HR. 2 RBI

Trending: Went 1-for-3, 2B, BB on Opening Day, rocked a 2R HR in 1st AB back from IL on 4/23 at Chesapeake...

- 2025: Placed on 7-Day IL with a right thumb sprain on 4/9... It is the first time in his career that he has missed time with an injury... Activated on 4/23, homered in his first at-bat off Orioles LHP Trevor Rogers...

2024: Spent the entire season with Altoona and was named the Team's Most Valuable Player... Led the club with 11 HR (tied with Tsung-Che Cheng) and 106 hits... Recorded career-highs in every major offensive category... Finished the season 5th among PIT MiLB in hits (105), was 1 of 23 players to hit at least 10 HR... Batted .252/.306/.373 with 14 2B, 2 3B, 11 HR, 49 RBI with 8-12 SB...

· CURVE CUTS: Kervin Francisco Pichardo... Last name pronounced peach-are-doe... Signed with the Philadelphia Phillies as a non-drafted free agent on June 24, 2019... Traded by the Philadelphia Phillies to the San Diego Padres on March 30, 2022 in exchange for RHP James Norwood... <u>Traded by the San Diego Padres to the Pittsburgh Pirates on March 30, 2024 in exchange for LHP Jackson Wolf.</u>.. Was born in the Bronx, NY and attended Monroe HS, who's alumni list includes Hall of Famer Hank Greenberg '29 (2x AL MVP)... Also played for the Long Island Tigers travel ball program... Moved to the Dominican Republic at age 15 and trained at the Mejia y Neno Baseball Academy... Has a supreme handle on the english language after growing up in the U.S... Was known for having one of the strongest infield arms in the Padres minor league system..

## **ALTOONA CURVE POSTION PLAYER NOTES**

C/INF #25 Shawn Ross

Hometown: Santurce, Puerto Rico Acquired: Vitals: Bat/Throw

MiLB FA (2022) 6-0, 226, 9/30/99 (25) R/R

DATE 4/11 @ AKR 4/16 VS TOL 4/20 VS SOM UNE 0-2, 3 BB, 2 RBI 2-5, RBI 1-2, HR, 4 RBI NOTES
DREW 2 BASES LOADED WALKS / MATCHED CAREER-HIGH WITH 3 BB
HAD WALK-OFF RBI 1B IN 12TH INNING OF 5-4 WIN FOR INDY
KNOCKED PINCH-HIT GRAND SLAM TO TURN 2-0 DEFICIT INTO 4-2 IN 9-RUN 7TH INNING

RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES

4/24 @ CHE 1-4, HR, 3 RBI, BB TOOK 5-3 LEAD FOR ALT W/3R HR IN 3RD INNING OFF T. BRIGHT

Trending: Has reached base safely in 9-of-11 games played with ALT...

- 2025: Opened the season with Altoona, reached base safely in 5-of-6 games played... Transferred to Indy on 4/15... Went 2-for-9... Transferred to ALT on 4/18... Hit the first Pinch-Hit Grand Slam by a Curve batter at PNG Field on 4/20 vs Somerset...
- 2024: Spent the entire season with High-A Greensboro... Batted .193 with 10 2B, 1 3B, 23 HR, 58 RBI and 12 SB, also K'd 132 times in 92G... Tied for the lead in home runs among all Pirates farmhands, while also ranking among leaders in walks (6th), RBI (T-7th), slugging (8th) and extra-base hits (34, 9th)... Also led the South Atlantic League in home runs and ranked among league leaders in slugging (6th), OPS (.793, 6th), RBI (T-8th) and walks (T-8th)... Was Greensboro's catcher on a near-everyday basis... Threw out 28% of base stealers... Hit 11 of his 23 home runs in road games, away from Greensboro's hitter-friendly ballpark... After the season, played two games with Indios de Mayaguez in the Puerto Rican Winter League, suited up with major league veterans Isan Diaz, Shed Long Jr., Martin Maldonado and Eddie Rosation... 2022 Curve staff member Stephen Morales has served as the Bench Coach for Indios for several seasons...

- CURVE CUTS: Shawn Michael Ross (Shawn)... Played collegiately at Faulkner University (Montgomery, AL) from 2020-22 and at Clarendon College (Clarendon, TX) in 2019... Attended Colegio Héctor Urdaneta (Ceiba, Puerto Rico)... Spent the 2022 season with Grand Junction of the independent Pioneer League following his collegiate season at NAIA Faulkner University... Played mostly shortstop and third base growing up, converted to catching when he signed with the Pirates ahead

of the 2023 season...

Multi-Hit Games (ALT):

Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

#7 Sammy Siani **OF** 

Hometown: Glenside, PA RECENT NOTEABLE PERFORMANCES CB-A Round (2019) Acquired: LINE 1-4, HR, 2 RBI 1-4, RBI 2-4, RBI, BB, SB DATE 4/6 VS CHE 4/22 @ CHE 4/24 @ CHE NOTES
ACCOUNTED FOR ONLY RUNS IN 2-1 W VS CHE - GF JOANNA WAS CELEBRATING B'DAY ON SUN., 4/6
PICKED UP KEY INSURANCE RUN WITH RBI 1B IN 8TH INNING OF 2-0 WIN
RBI SINGLE IN 1ST INNING AB 5-10, 195, 12/14/00 (24) Vitals Bat/Throw Multi-Hit Games (ALT): Multi-RBI Games (ALT):

Trending: Has reached base safely in 12-of-15 games this season, drew 2 BB twice in first 4G...

- 2024: Was named Altoona's Unsung Hero... Batted .254/.325/.368 with 13 2B, 6 3B, 5 HR, 36 RBI and 14-19 SB in 96G with Altoona... Ranked T-2nd in the Eastern League with 6 3B... Finished the season 3rd among PIT MiLB with 112 hits, was also T-6th in the organization with 16 SB... Suited up in the Arizona Fall League after the year... Batted .375 with a 1.007 OPS in 22 games in Fall League play and was named a Fall Star... Faced former high school teammate LHP Brenden Cellucci on 5/30 vs. Portland...

- CURVE CUTS: Samuel James "Sammy" Siani... Was committed to playing baseball at Duke before signing with the Pirates for \$2,150,000... Was ranked by both Baseball America (No. 44) and MLB.com (No. 43) as one of the top draft prospects in the 2019 draft... Was ranked as the No. 1 prospect in the state of Pennsylvania by Baseball America... His older brother Mike was drafted in the 4th round in 2018 by Cincinnati and made his major league debut with the Reds on September 22, 2022 and has since played 141 total games for the Reds and St. Louis Cardinals ... His younger brother, Jake, is an outfielder for Johns Hopkins (Division III)... All three Siani brothers are die-hard fans of the two-time Super Bowl Champion Philadelphia Eagles...

## MISCELLANEOUS TEAM INFORMATION

#### **TRANSACTIONS**

#### April - 14 Moves

April 19

Pirates set 28-man roster RHP **Alessandro Ercolani** activated to Altoona April 4 April 9 INF Kervin Pichardo placed on 7-Day IL

(retro 4/8)

April 15 C Shawn Ross transferred from Altoona

to Indianapolis

INF Mike Jarvis transferred from Indianapolis

to Altoona April 17 RHP Cristofer Melendez placed on 7-Day IL April 18

LHP **Anthony Solometo** placed on 7-Day IL C **Shawn Ross** transferred from Indianapolis to

RHP J.C. Flowers transferred from FCL Pirates

to Altoona

INF Imanol Vargas placed on Development List

RHP Fineas Del Bonta-Smith transferred from FCL Pirates to Altoona

April 23 C Wyatt Hendrie placed on Development List

INF Kervin Pichardo activated from 7-Day IL April 24 RHP Jarod Bayless transferred from Greensboro

to Altoona

LHP Nick Dombkowski transferred from Altoona

to Indianapolis

UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY ORTHOPEDICS INJURY REPORT										
Player	Injury	Placed (Retro)	Reinstated	Player	Injury	Placed (Retro)	Reinstated				
Dominic Perachi	Oblique	April 4		-							
Tyler Samaniego	Elbow	April 4									
Sean Sullivan	Shoulder	April 4	<del></del>								
Kervin Pichardo	Thumb	April 9 (April 8)	April 23								
Cristofer Melendez	R. Elbow	April 17 (April 16)	·								
Anthony Solometo	L. Shoulder	April 18 (April 16)									

#### **ALTOONA CURVE COACHING STAFF**

Andy Fox Manager (1st Season) Career Record: 45-94

Andy Fox is the 16th manager in Curve history. Fox's coaching ca-reer has seen him serve in several roles, including time with the Rang-ers, Mariners, Marlins, and Red Sox. He spent the last 14 years in Boston's system, serving as the team's infield coordinator and first base coach. Prior to his time in Boston, Fox served as a first base coach for the Marlins and managed the Rangers Single-A Clinton team in 2006. Fox was drafted in the 2nd round of the 1989 Draft by the Yankees and won two World Series in his nineyear Major League career with New York (1996) and the Florida Marlins (2003) as an infielder.

#### Matt Ford **Pitching Coach** 1st season/12th overall

Ford joins the Curve in 2025 after serving as the Pitching Coach for Low-A Bradenton in 2024. This is his 12th season serving as an in-structor in the Pirates system, pre-viously serving in the FCL (2022), Greensboro (2021), as the team's Rehab Pitching Coordinator (2019-20), Bradenton (2017-18), both West Virginia clubs (2015-2016) as well as with Bristol (2014). Ford was Toronto's third round pick in 1999 and made his Major League debut with the Brewers in 2003. He pitched in 25 games and made four starts in his lone Major League season. He began his coaching career at the University of Akron in 2012.

#### Scott Seabol Hitting Coach 1st season/10th overall

Seabol comes to Altoona after spending the 2024 season as the Hitting Coach in Bradenton. This is his second season as a Pirates minor league instructor. He joined the Pirates after four seasons as a hitting instructor in the Miami Marlins system (2020-2023) and the New York Yankees (2016-2019). Seabol was drafted by the Yankees in 1996 out of West Virginia University and played 60 Major League games with New York (2001) and the St. Louis Cardinals (2005). His 14-year playing career wrapped up in 2009 after a season in Korea and two seasons in Japan. He is a native of McKeesport, PA.

#### Casey Harms Hitting Coach 1st season/11th overall

Harms begins his fifth season as a Pirates instructor in 2025 and ioins Altoona after serving as Greensboro's Bench Coach in 2024. Harms joined the Pirates in 2021 as the Hitting Coach in the FCL. He played outfield at Division III Occidental College in Los Angeles and went on to coach in the collegiate ranks at UC Santa Barbara (2013-2018) and Santa Barbara City College (2019-2021). He also spent two seasons as the Manager for the Waterloo Bucks in the Northwoods League (2019-20) and led the team to a 28-13 record and a league championship in 2020.

#### Gary Green Bench Coach 4th season/20th overall

Green returns for a fourth season in Altoona and his 20th season as a minor league instructor with the Pirates. He has previously served as the Bench Coach in Indianapolis (2022) as well as the Minor League Infield Coordinator/Roving Field Instructor for the Pirates (2011-2021). A Pittsburgh native, Green's father, Fred, won a World Series with the Pirates in 1960. Green spent 11 seasons managing in the Tigers minor league system (99-10). A former Major League infielder for parts of five seasons, Green was drafted 27th overall by the Padres in 1984 and played on Team USA in the 1984 Olympic Games.

#### PIRATES ORGANIZATIONAL REPORT



### MLB/PITTSBURGH

Record/Place: 10-16/5th NL Central Yesterday: 4-3 L @ Los Angeles (AL) Today: @ Los Angeles (NL) at 10:10 p.m. - RHP Paul Sker

- Matt Gorski made his Major League debut and homered in his first at-bat, finishing 1-for-4.
- Oneil Cruz hit his seventh home run of the season in the first at-bat of the game. Cruz has 5 HR in his last 8 games
- Carmen Mlodzinski allowed three runs on five hits over five innings with four strikeouts.
- Chase Shugart took the loss in relief.



#### AAA/INDIANAPOLIS

Record/Place: 11-10 /6th IL West Yesterday: PPD @ St. Paul Today: DH @ St. Paul at 5:05 p.m. - TBD

- Indy split a doubleheader Wednesday with St. Paul, falling in game one and winning game two.
- Thomas Harrington allowed five runs on six hits in four innings in the loss. - DJ Stewart and Abrahan Gutierrez
- each hit home runs in the game two win. Drake Fellows earned the win, tossing three scoreless innings of relief with five strikeouts.



### HIGH-A/GREENSBORO

Record/Place: 14-4 /1st SAL North Yesterday: 2-0 W @ Bowling Green Today: @ Bowling Green at 7:35 p.m. - LHP Connor Wietgrefe

- Esmerlyn Valdez went 3-for-4 in a 2-0 win for Greensboro last night.
- Duce Gourson hit his first home run of the season in the win.
- Khristian Curtis tossed four scoreless innings with three strikeouts and three hits allowed.
- Blake Townsend, Landon Tomkins, and Michael Walsh were unscored upon to end the game.



#### LOW-A/BRADENTON

Record/Place: 6-12 /6th FSL West Yesterday: 8-6 W @ Lakeland (11) Today: @ Lakeland at 6:30 p.m. - RHP Peyton Stumbo

- Jhonny Severino and Ethan Lege each had two hits in an 11-inning win for the Marauders.
- Matt Ager tossed 3.2 innings in the start, allowing one run on two hits with five strikeouts.
- Inmer Lobo earned the win, tossing two scoreless innings of relief in extras with two strikeouts.

# MISCEL LANEOUS STATS

2025 STAR	2025 STARTS BY POSITION									
Player	С	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH	
Bowen						1	5	7		
Brannigan				1	16					
Cimillo		10							5	
Dixon		4		11					1	
Gonzalez						10		1	2	
Head						2		1	2	
Hendrie	5								1	
Jarvis			1	2	1	1				
Jebb			4				10		1	
Johnson			13						2	
McKeithan	8								1	
Pichardo				2						
Ross	5			2	1					
Siani						4	3	9		
Vargas		4							3	

2025 STAR	TS B	Y BA	TTING	ORE	DER				
Player	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Bowen		4			1	1	5		2
Brannigan		1	1	8	5	2			
Cimillo			3	5	6		1		
Dixon				2	1	2	7	2	2
Gonzalez						4	2	7	
Head							1	4	
Hendrie								1	5
Jarvis	1				1		1	1	1
Jebb	2	11							2
Johnson	15								
McKeithan							1	3	5
Pichardo		1				1			
Ross				2	2	3			1
Siani		1	14			1			
Vargas				1	2	4			

OUTFIELD ASSISTS					
Player	Total	Last Assist			

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THE LAST TIME
Altoona scored 10 or more runs (game)
Altoona scored 10 or more runs (inning)
Altoona scored 15 or more runs (game)
Opponent scored 10 or more runs (game)
Opponent scored 15 or more runs (game)10, 601 infining, 8/10/24 at Portland
opponent scored 13 or more runs (game)
Altoona collected 15+ hits in a game
Altoona collected 20+ hits in a game
Opponent collected 15+ hits in a game
Opponent collected 20+ hits in a game
Altoona hits an inside-the-park HRCarter Bins 4/23/22 vs. New Hampshire
Altoona hits a walk-off HR Matt Fraizer, 3-run home run, 8/30/24 vs. New Hampshire
Altoona hits a pinch-hit HRShawn Ross, Grand Slam, 4/20/25 vs. Somerset
Altoona hits a grand slamShawn Ross, 4/20/25 vs. Somerset
Altoona hits back-to-back HRsJase Bowen/Eli Wilson, 9/15/24 vs Richmond
Altoona hits HRs from both sides of plate Endy Rodriguez, 9/1/22 vs Akron
Altoona hits leadoff HR to start gameTsung-Che Cheng, $6/6/24$ at Richmond
Altoona pitcher hits a HRBeau Sulser, 5/14/19 at Binghamton (2)
Altoona hits Multi-HRDustin Peterson (2), 6/9/24 at Richmond
Opponent hits an inside-the-park HR Daniel Cabrera / Eric De La Rosa, 9/10/21 vs. Erie
Opponent hits a walk-off HRBrady House, Solo HR in 9th, 5/1/24 at Harrisburg
Opponent hits a pinch-hit HRArt Charles, 6/11/15 at Reading
Opponent hits a grand slam
Opponent hits back-to-back HRs
Opponent hits leadoff HR to start game
Opponent hits Multi-HRSpencer Jones (2), 4/17/25 vs. Somerset
Altoona batter hits for the cycle
Altoona batter records 5+ hits in a game5, 16x, last - Cal Mitchell, 8/24/21 vs.Richmond
Altoona batter has 5+ RBI in a game 5, Kervin Pichardo, 8/11/24 at Portland
Opponent batter hits for the cycleLou Montanez, 8/1/08 vs. Bowie
Opponent batter records 5+ hits in a game
Opponent batter has 5+ RBI in a game
Altoona threw a no-hitter (9 IP) (one pitcher)N/A
Altoona threw a no-hitter (9 IP) (combined)
E. Hollingsworth/J. Townsend/J. Ramos/R. Beckman, 7/25/13 at New Hampshire Altoona threw a no-hitter (7 IP) (combined)N/A
Attoona threw a no-nitter (7 P) (combined)
Opponent threw a no-hitter (9 IP)
Opponent threw a no hitter (9 IP) (combined)
Opponent threw a no-hitter (7 IP)Brian Keller, 8/1/19 at Trenton (1)
Opponent threw a no-hitter (7 IP) (combined)
Altoona threw a complete-game shutout (9 IP)
Altoona threw a complete-game shutout (7 IP) Domingo Robles, 6/8/19 vs. Akron (1)
Altoona threw back-to-back shutouts (team)7/3/24 - 7/4/24 vs. Harrisburg
Opponent threw a complete-game shutout (9 IP)
Opponent threw a complete-game shutout (7 IP) Juan Hillman, 8/6/21 at Akron (2) Opponent threw back-to-back shutouts (team)
opponent threw back-to-back shutouts (team)
Altoona wins in last at batMatt Fraizer Three-Run HR, 10th inning, 8/30/24 vs New Hampshire
Opponent wins in last at bat Jeremiah Jackson Solo HR, 9th inning, 4/4/25 vs Chesapeake
Altoona swept doubleheader6/21/23 vs. Bowie
Opponent swept doubleheader
opponent swept doubteneader
Altoona pitcher strikes out:
10Thomas Harrington, 7/20/24 at Somerset
11Thomas Harrington, 7/10/24 vs Bowie
12+12, Braxton Ashcraft, 6/6/24 at Richmond
Opponent pitcher strikes out:
10Parker Messick, 6/29/24 vs Akron
11
12+12, Cade Cavalli, 7/30/21 vs. Harrisburg
Altoona turns a triple playCharles McAdoo/Kervin Pichardo/Nick Cimillo (5-4-3), 7/24/24 at Erie
Opponent turns a triple playKellin Deglan/Kyle Holder (2-6), 7/15/19 vs. Trenton

**2025 GAME-BY-GAME** 

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT	REC	PLACE G (+/-)		LOSER	SAVE	TIME	GT TEMP	ATT.
4/4	Chesapeake	3-2 L	0-1	T-4th (-1.0)	Daniel Lloyd (1-0)	Cy Nielson (0-1)	Keegan Gillies (1)	2:58	63, Over.	4,617
4/5 4/6	Chesapeake Chesapeake	2-0 L 2-1 W	0-2 1-2	T-4th (-2.0) T-4th (-2.0)	Peter Van Loon (1-0) Anthony Solometo (1-0)	Derek Diamond (0-1)	Cam Sanders (1)	2:20 2:24	60, Over. 50, Over.	3,664 3,120
4/8	@ Akron	6-5 L	1-3	T-4th (-3.0)	Davis Sharpe (1-0)	Jaden Woods (0-1)	Zane Morehouse (2		36, P.C.	3,579
4/9	@ Akron	13-1 L	1-4	T-4th (-4.0)	Jake Miller (1-0)	A. Ercolani (0-1)	(0)	3:06	47, Over.	1,250
4/10 4/11	@ Akron @ Akron	2-0 W 8-1 W	2-4 3-4	4th (-3.0) 4th (-2.0)	Valentin Linarez (1-0) Jaden Woods (1-1)	Tommy Mace (1-1) Zach Jacobs (0-1)	Cam Sanders (2) N. Dombkowski (1)	2:35	45, Over. 41, Over.	1,292 1,980
4/12	@ Akron	4-3 L	3-5	T-4th (-3.0)	Trenton Denholm (1-0)	E. Chapman (0-1)	(1)	2:29	49. P.C.	1,679
4/13	@ Akron	13-1 L	3-6	5th (-4.0)	Magnus Ellerts (1-0)	Po-Yu Chen (0-1)	(0)	3:20	54, Sunny	3,027
4/15 4/16	Somerset Somerset	6-1 L 10-1 W	3-7 4-7	5th (-4.0) 5th (-4.0)	Brendan Beck (1-0) Hunter Barco (1-0)	A. Ercolani (0-2) Bailey Dees (0-1)	Kelly Austin (2)	2:22 2:38	44, Over. 44, P.C.	2,436 2,587
4/17	Somerset	6-4 W	5-7	5th (-3.0)	Jaden Woods (2-1)	Cam Schlittler (1-1)	Cam Sanders (3)	2:41	66, Clear	3,121
4/18	Somerset	12-1 L	5-8	5th (-4.0)	Luis Pacheco (1-0)	Derek Diamond (0-2)		2:45	82, Clear	3,707
4/19 4/20	Somerset Somerset	2-1 W 9-3 W	6-8 7-8	T-4th (-3.0) T-4th (-3.0)	Cy Nielson (1-1) Valentin Linarez (2-0)	Harrison Cohen (0-1) Ryan Anderson (0-1)		2:01 2:31	86, P.C. 66, Sunny	4,198 3,110
4/22	@ Chesapeake	2-0 W	8-8	4th (-3.0)	Valentin Linarez (3-0)	Alex Pham (0-1)	Cam Sanders (5)	2:25	79, P.C.	1,061
4/23	@ Chesapeake	3-2 W	9-8	T-3rd (-3.0)	Jaden Woods (3-1)	Peter Van Loon (1-1)		2:46	65, Sunny	4,173
4/24 4/25	<ul><li>@ Chesapeake</li><li>@ Chesapeake</li></ul>	8-5 W 7:05 PM	10-8	3rd (-2.0)	Emmanuel Chapman (1-1)	) Trace Bright (1-3)	Cam Sanders (6)	3:05	73, Clear	2,173
4/26	@ Chesapeake	6:35 PM								
4/27 4/29	@ Chesapeake Akron	1:05 PM 6:00 PM								
4/30	Akron	6:00 PM								
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5/3	Akron	4:00 PM								
5/4	Akron	1:00 PM								
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5/9	@ Erie	6:05 PM								
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5/13	Harrisburg	6:00 PM								
5/14	Harrisburg	11:00 AM								
5/15 5/16	Harrisburg Harrisburg	6:00 PM 6:00 PM								
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5/28	Portland	6:00 PM								
5/29 5/30	Portland Portland	6:00 PM 6:30 PM								
5/31	Portland	6:00 PM								
6/1	Portland	1:00 PM	Curve in May	: 0-0, Team BA: .0	<u>00 (T-1st), Team ERA 0.00</u>	) (T-1st)				
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6/4	@ New Hampshire	6:35 PM								
6/5 6/6	@ New Hampshire	6:35 PM 6:35 PM								
6/7	<ul><li>@ New Hampshire</li><li>@ New Hampshire</li></ul>	4:05 PM								
6/8	@ New Hampshire	1:35 PM								
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6/26 6/27	<ul><li>@ Chesapeake</li><li>@ Chesapeake</li></ul>	6:35 PM 7:05 PM								
6/28	@ Chesapeake	6:35 PM								
6/29	@ Chesapeake	1:05 PM				- 4 3				
7/1	Harrisburg	6:00 PM	Curve in Jun	e: U-U, Team BA: .0	000 (T-1st), Team ERA 0.0	U (I-1st)				
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7/23	Chesapeake	12:05 PM								

2025 GAME-BY-GAME										
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7/24	Chesapeake	6:00 PM								
7/25	Chesapeake	6:00 PM								
7/26	Chesapeake	6:30 PM								
7/27 7/29	Chesapeake	1:00 PM								
7/29	@ Portland	6:00 PM								
7/30	@ Portland	6:00 PM								
7/31	@ Portland	12:05 PM								
-/-			Curve in July: 0-0, Team BA: .000 (T-1st),	Team ERA 0.00 (T-1st)						
8/1 8/2	@ Portland	6:00 PM								
8/2	@ Portland	6:00 PM								
8/3 8/5	@ Portland	1:00 PM								
8/5	Hartford	6:30 PM								
8/6	Hartford	6:00 PM								
8/7	Hartford	6:00 PM								
8/8	Hartford	6:00 PM								
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8/10	Hartford	1:00 PM								
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8/13	@ Richmond	6:35 PM								
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8/15	@ Richmond	6:35 PM								
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8/30	@ Harrisburg	6:00 PM								
8/31	@ Harrisburg	1:00 PM	C i. A 0 0 T DA. 000 (T.1.	+) T FDA 0 00 (T 1-+)						
9/2	Richmond	6:00 PM	Curve in August: 0-0, Team BA: .000 (T-1s	tj, ream EKA U.UU (I-1st)						
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9/3		6:00 PM								
9/4	Richmond	6:00 PM								
9/5	Richmond	6:00 PM								
9/6	Richmond	6:00 PM								

## **2025 ALTERNATE IDENTITIES**

Curve in September: 0-0, Team BA: .000 (T-1st), Team ERA 0.00 (T-1st)

## **LOS PECES DORADOS**



Richmond @ Erie @ Erie

@ Erie

@ Erie @ Erie

@ Frie

1:00 PM 6:05 PM

6:05 PM

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BACK in 2025 is the return of our Copa de la Diversión brand, Los Peces Dorados! "Copa de la Diversión™" or "Fun Cup™" is a season-long event series specifically designed to embrace the culture and values that resonate most with Minor League Baseball™ teams' local U.S. Hispanic communities. When deciding on an Altoona Curve Copa de la Diversión identity, "Peces Dorados" made the biggest splash. Translating to "Gold Fish," this rebranded identity pays homage to a fan-favorite mascot in Curve, PA, Al Tuna. Los Peces Dorados will suit up for six home dates in 2025 with our players wearing specialty uniforms as we acknowledge the rich history of Hispanic culture in baseball! The six Tuesday dates include April 15, May 13, June 10, July 1, August 19, and Spetember 2.

## **ALL HAIL THE RAIL KINGS**



The Altoona Rail Kings were a former independent baseball team who played at Veterans Field in Altoona for two seasons from 1996-1997. The team participated in the North Atlantic League in 1996, finishing 36-42, and in the Heartland League in 1997, making the playoffs with an even 36-36 record. The Rail Kings relocated to Huntington, West Virginia when Altoona was awarded the Pirates Double-A affilaite in 1998. We have recreated the brand for the first time with fresh white uniforms and green caps that resemble their original look. The Rail Kings will be in action every Thursday at PNG Field this season!