



# GAME NOTES



Midwest League Champions '88, '92, '94, '23

Sunday, June 9, 2024 - 12:05 CDT - Dow Diamond - Midland, Michigan - Game 56 of 131



## Cedar Rapids KERNELS (31-24)

High-A Affiliate Minnesota Twins

Jordan Carr (2-1, 3.67 ERA)

vs

## Great Lakes LOONS (31-25)

High-A Affiliate Los Angeles Dodgers

Jacob Meador (0-2, 6.82 ERA)



TUE (6/11) vs LAN 6:05 CDT  
WED (6/12) vs LAN 6:05 CDT

TBD (CR) vs TBD (LAN)  
TBD (CR) vs TBD (LAN)

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### CEDAR RAPIDS

OVERALL RECORD.....	31-24
EXPECTED RECORD.....	27-28
HOME RECORD.....	21-8
ROAD RECORD.....	10-16
CURRENT STREAK.....	L4
LAST 10.....	3-7
RUN DIFFERENTIAL.....	-3
AVG.....	.239
OBP.....	.322
SLG.....	.391
OPS.....	.713
HR.....	51
SB.....	60
R/G.....	4.7
STARTER ERA.....	3.97
BULLPEN ERA.....	4.35
BAA.....	.244
FLD%.....	.972

**BOLD** = BEST IN MWL

\* = LAST IN THE MWL

MANAGER: Brian Dinkelman (5th)

### GREAT LAKES

OVERALL RECORD.....	31-25
EXPECTED RECORD.....	32-24
HOME RECORD.....	14-12
ROAD RECORD.....	17-13
CURRENT STREAK.....	W4
LAST 10.....	5-5
RUN DIFFERENTIAL.....	+49
AVG.....	.238
OBP.....	.341
SLG.....	.376
OPS.....	.717
HR.....	50
SB.....	81
R/G.....	5.4
STARTER ERA.....	3.67
BULLPEN ERA.....	4.37
BAA.....	.214
FLD%.....	.979

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MANAGER: Jair Fernandez (1st)

- LAST TIME OUT - Great Lakes 6, Cedar Rapids 0:** Great Lakes scored nine unanswered runs en route to its fourth straight win over Cedar Rapids Saturday night. After a 1:29 minute rain delay, the KERNELS took a 3-2 lead in the fifth, but the LOONS scored the final nine runs of the game in the win. **Agustin Ruiz** (2-4, R) and **Misael Urbina** (2-3, RBI) both posted multi-hit games in the loss. The KERNELS struck out 16 times in the defeat, the eighth consecutive game CR has struck out more than 10 times. The total game time of 3:10 is also the second-longest game the KERNELS have played his year (3:11 on 5/7 vs South Bend).
- WHAT'S AT STAKE:** A win improve Cedar Rapids to 32-24, improve CR to 11-16 on the road, 2-6 in June and snap the KERNELS' four game losing streak.
- THE SERIES:** For the first time ever, Cedar Rapids and Great Lakes open up a six-game series. The two teams last met in the 2023 Midwest League Championship when the KERNELS beat the LOONS 2-1 to win their first MWL title since 1994. Cedar Rapids won the lone game at Dow Dimond in the set, 10-6, thanks to a five-run ninth inning. For the first time since 2019, the two teams meet in the regular season and for the first time since 2018, they meet for a series in Midland. The two sides will meet for a six-game series in CR in August.
- BY THE WAY OF THE K:** After striking out 16 times in the loss on Saturday, the KERNELS have now punched out double-digit times in 8 straight games. Over that stretch, Cedar Rapids has K'd 102 times or 12.8 times per game, more than four times more than its average 8.3 per game over the first 47 contests.
- DOWN EARLY:** After the loss on Saturday, Cedar Rapids fell to 3-8 since the start of the series against Lake County. In all eight losses, the KERNELS have fallen behind by at least four runs at some point before the sixth inning. Across the losses in that stretch, the average of the largest deficit they have faced at any point in the game is 7 runs.
- 2 NICKELS:** For the second time in the six games, the KERNELS committed six errors Saturday night. Prior to the loss vs Lake County on 6/2, the last time the KERNELS committed six errors in a game was 5/26/11 vs Clinton.
- SAD END:** Last series, Lake County won the series at Cedar Rapids 4-2. It's the KERNELS first home series loss since August of 2022, breaking a span of 11 straight home series wins and 17 in a row with at least a split.
- ALL IN OLIVAR:** Despite snapping his 12-game hitting and 21-game on-base streak on Sunday, Ricardo Olivar was named the Twins Minor League hitter of the week after going 8-27 with 3 HR and 5 RBI in the series vs Lake County. The Twins' top catching hit .351 (19-54) during his season-long hitting streak and also hitt .349 (26-77) over his season-long 21-game on-base streak when he raised his batting average 59 points (.246 to .305).
- MAYDAY MAYDAY:** After finishing April with a record of 10-11 and an -8 run differential, Cedar Rapids finished May 20-7 the best record in the entire high-A level. The KERNELS outscored opponents 140-97 (+43 run differential) during the month. CR, however, have started June 1-6 being outscored 56-18 across the first six games.
- RAKIN' RUBEL:** Rubel Cespedes was named MWL Player of the Month for April. Cespedes' 41 RBI are the most in the west and thrid in the league.
- MR. 317:** With the win on 5/9 in South Bend, KERNELS' manager Brian Dinkelman collected his 317th career win on the bench with the KERNELS. The victory makes the KERNELS bench boss the winningest manager in Cedar Rapids' modern franchise history (since 1949) passing Jake Mauer's mark of 316.
- STARS OF TOMORROW:** 7 of the Twins' top 30 prospects currently stand on the KERNELS roster: Gabriel Gonzalez (no. 4 Twins, 86 MLB, Twins top RHH prospect), RHP C.J. Culpepper (8), INF Danny De Andrade (14), Connor Prielipp (17), C Ricardo Olivar (21), RHP Darren Bowen (29) and Rayne Doncon (30).

### GREAT LAKES GAME LOG

DATE	SCORE	W/L
6/4	W, 5-2	Klein/Campos
6/5	L, 10-3	MacLeod/Ferris
6/6	L, 8-3	Rosario/Bowen
6/7	L, 6-0	Rodriguez/Lee
6/8	L, 11-3	Buatisa/Mercedes

### STANDINGS

MWL WEST		
TEAM	W-L	GB
WISCONSIN	35-21	-
CEDAR RAPIDS	31-24	3.5
BELOIT	25-30	9.5
QUAD CITIES	25-31	10.0
SOUTH BEND	25-31	10.0
PEORIA	20-36	15.0

### KERNELS TEAM STREAKS

CURRENT STREAK.....	L3
LAST FIVE GAMES.....	1-4
LAST 10 GAMES.....	3-7
THIS MONTH.....	1-6
LONGEST WIN STREAK.....	8
LONGEST LOSING STREAK.....	3

### KERNELS PLAYER STREAKS

PLAYER	TYPE	GAMES
Gonzalez	on-base	7

### 2024 KERNELS RECORDS

DAY/NIGHT.....	8-9/23-15
HOME/ROAD.....	21-8/10-16
SERIES.....	5-4-1
LEADING AFTER 7/8.....	25-4/25-3
TRAILING AFTER 7/8.....	1-18/0-19
MWL WEST/EAST.....	24-14/7-10
ONE RUN GAMES.....	8-4
CR SCORES FIRST.....	20-8

### KERNELS VS. LOONS

RECORD.....	1-4
AVG/OPP.....	.174/.268
R/G/OPP.....	2.8/7.4
HR/OPP.....	2/9
OPS/OPP.....	.501/.869
SB/OPP.....	6/15
ERA/OPP.....	6.37/2.40



# STARTING PITCHER

## JORDAN CARR - LHP

### #27

**HEIGHT: 6'2"****WEIGHT: 210****B/T: S/L****AGE: 26 (7/17/1997 IN BALTIMORE, MD)****13 G      1 GS      1-1 W-L      3.67 ERA      .240 BAA      31-15 K-BB**

**Last Outing:** 6/4 vs GL, ND, 1.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 K, 1 BB  
**Left:** 13.1 IP, 11 H, 16 K, 1 HR, .224 BAA  
**Right:** 20.2 IP, 20 H, 15 K, 1 HR, .250 BAA  
**June:** 1.2 IP, 0 H, 0.00 ERA, 0 K, 1 BB  
**Home:** 16.2 IP, 9 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 16 K, 9 BB  
**Road:** 1-1, 17.2 IP, 22 H, 10 R, 10 ER, 15 K, 6 BB  
**GL '24:** 1.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 K, 1 BB

**College:** College of Charleston **Prospect Rank:** NR

- Began 2024 in the Cedar Rapids bullpen, tossing 12.2 innings across 6 relief outings
- In 18 apprences with Cedar Rapids in 2023 went 4-2 record with a 1.48 ERA in 60.2 innings
- Notchd 32 straight scoreless innings, lowered ERA from 2.86 to under 1.40 in that span
- Promoted to double-A Wichita, were he held a 6.10 ERA in 10.1 innings
- Led Fort Myers left-handed pitchers with 61.0 innings in 2022, held a 3.84 ERA in 14 games, 10 starts
- Spent 4 seasons at UNC Asheville before spending two grad seasons at College of Charleston
- Went undrafted in 2021 draft and signed with the Utica Unicorns in United Shore League

## GAME LOG

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
5/5	PEO	ND	4.0	1	0	0	0	2	2
5/10	SB	ND	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	1
5/12	SB	ND	3.2	1	0	0	0	2	2
5/18	QC	ND	4.2	2	0	0	0	1	5
5/24	PEO	W	4.0	8	3	3	0	0	4
5/30	LC	ND	3.0	4	1	1	0	2	3
6/4	GL	ND	1.2	0	0	0	0	1	0

## CAREER STATS

YR/TEAM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WHIP	H9	HR9	BB9	SO9
21 TWI	0	0	3.00	5	0	0	9.0	9	4	3	1	1	11	1.111	9.0	1.0	1.0	11.0
22 FTM	6	2	3.84	14	10	0	61.0	62	29	26	4	11	42	1.197	9.1	0.6	1.6	6.2
23 CR	4	2	1.48	18	6	1	60.2	45	14	10	2	18	61	1.038	6.7	0.3	2.7	9.0
23 WCH	1	1	6.10	4	1	0	10.1	14	8	7	2	4	5	1.742	12.2	1.7	3.5	4.4
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2.94</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>141.0</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>1.163</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>7.6</b>

TWI - FCL Twins (Rk, MIN), FTM - Fort Myers Mighty Mussels (A, MIN), CR - Cedar Rapids Kernels (A+, MIN), WCH - Wichita Wind Surge (AA, MIN)

## 2024 HIGHS

## CAREER HIGHS

## 2024 CR SPLITS

INNINGS:	W	L	G	GS	IP	H
- 4.2 (5/18 QC)	1	0	6	1	20.2	9
HITS: - 8 (5/24 PEO)	1	1	7	0	17.2	22
ER - 3 (four times)	1	0	3	1	10.0	2
Ks: - 5 (5/18 QC)	1	1	10	0	24.1	29
WALKS: - 3 (twice)	0	0	1	0	1.2	0
HOME RUNS: - 2 (4/5 BEL)						
PITCHES: - 59 (5/5 PEO)						

### OPPOSING STARTER: Jacob Meador (0-2, 6.82 ERA)

Makes his 11th appearance and 10th start of the year. Allowed a run on two hits last time out vs West Michigan in his first relief outing of the season. Started game one of that series vs WM and took the loss, allowing three runs on four hits with 5 Ks. Posted a 10.38 ERA in 17.1 innings in May after holding a 2.84 ERA in 12.2 innings in April. Missed all of last season with injury. Pitched 8.2 pro innings in 2022 following his selection in the 12th round of the 2022 draft out of Dallas Baptist. 7-3 with a 5.24 ERA in 68.2 innings in one year at DBU. Spent his first two college seasons at TCU. Drafted by Seattle in the 31st round out of high school, chose to go to TCU.

### GL vs. Meador

**AVG AB HR RBI OPS**

### GL vs. Carr

**AVG AB HR RBI OPS**

Gelof	.000	1	0	0	.000
Miller	.000	0	0	0	1.000
Mongelli	.000	1	0	0	.000
Rodriguez	.000	1	0	0	.000
Vogel	.000	0	0	0	1.000



# KERNELS HITTERS

## NATE BAEZ - C #13

HEIGHT: 5'11" WEIGHT: 191 B/T: R/R AGE: 22 (5/17/2001 IN TUCSON, AZ)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
27	96	85	14	19	1	1	3	7	0	0	8	36	.224	.302	.365	.667

Last Game: 0-3, K (6/7 GL) Last Home Run: 5/26 VS PEO Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 GL Series: 1-7, 2B, RBI, 2 K Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/1 VS PEO (2-4) Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 1-7, 2B, RBI, 2 K LC Series: 3-8, BB, RBI, 5 K Current On-Base: 0 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 7 Games

- Finished the 2023 season on an 8 game hit streak and an 11 games on base streak, including a 0-0, 5 BB game on 8/25 vs Daytona
- Broke a bone in his hand last offseason and didn't fully recover until joining single-A Fort Myers in early August
- In 29 games with the Mussels, slashed .268/.424/.381 for an OPS of .805 with 2 HR, 16 RBI and 25 walks, good for a BB rate of 20%. played 16 games at catcher and 10 at 1B. Closed out the year hitting .407 with a 1.226 OPS in September, adding hits in all eight games in the month
- Spent 3 seasons at Arizona State. In his final yr in 2022, slashed .319/403/.562 with 10 HR and a team-high 48 RBI. Finished 2nd on the team with 21 2B and 118 TB while starting games at C, 1B, 2B, 3B and LF en route to an All Pac-12 selection, No.2 SS in Arizona coming out of HS

## KEONI CAVACO - INF #9

HEIGHT: 6'0" WEIGHT: 195 B/T: R/R AGE: 22 (6/1/2001 IN CHULA VISTA, CA)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
32	108	99	14	15	5	1	4	13	0	0	6	48	.152	.204	.343	.547

Last Game: 0-4, 2 K Last Home Run: 5/9 VS SB Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 GL Series: 0-7, 5 K, BB, R Last Multi-Hit Game: 5/9 VS SB (2-3) Season Long Hit-Streak: 3 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 0-7, 5 K, BB, R LC Series: 1-11, R, 7 K Current On-Base: 0 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 3 Games

- Spent the entire 2023 season with high-A Cedar Rapids. In 59 games, hit .193 with 5 HR and 14 RBI
- Cavaco's first two professional seasons, the former first-round pick played strictly at shortstop; in 2022, he moved to 3rd base, in 2023, he played all 59 games with the KERNELS at 1st base, making a career low two errors on the season
- Slashed .231/.275/.379 for single-A Fort Myers in 2022, led FTM in RBI (59), triples (5), sac flies (4), 2nd in hits (85), TB (146) and HR (11).
- Drafted by the Twins 13th overall in the 2019 draft, signed \$4.05 million, Ranked Twins #7 prospect (MLB Pipeline) during the 2020 season
- Attended Eastlake High School in Chula Vista, CA, MLB star Adrián González and No.3 pick Marcelo Mayer were also 1st RD picks of Eastlake

## RUBEL CESPEDES - INF #22

HEIGHT: 6'0" WEIGHT: 210 B/T: L/R AGE: 23 (8/29/2000 IN AZUA, DR)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
52	221	194	26	57	12	2	7	41	3	1	26	51	.294	.376	.485	.861

Last Game: 1-5, 3 K Last Home Run: 6/4 VS GL Current Hit-Streak: 3 Games  
 GL Series: 4-21, HR, 2 RBI, 9 K Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/1 VS LC (2-3) Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 4-21, HR, 2 RBI, 9 K LC Series: 5-21, 2 2B, 2 RBI, 3 BB, 5 K Current On-Base: 3 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 10 Games

- Named MWL April Player of the Month after slashing .373/.447/.657 with 4 HR, 22 RBI, 7 2B and a 1.104 OPS during the first month of the yr
- Named Twins MiLB Player of the week for the week of 4/9, went 12-24, 3 HR, 2 2B, 5 R, 11 RBI vs Dayton, including a 7 RBI in CR's first win
- No one played in more games for single-A Fort Myers than Cespedes with 115 in 2023, Made 48 appearances at 1B, 39 at 3B, and 16 at 2B
- Slashed .233/.313/.398 (.711 OPS), led the Mussels with 13 HR and 41 XBH, a mark that ranked 2nd in the league, led the FSL with 74 RBI
- Spent the entire 2022 season with Fort Myers, hitting .290 in 74 games. held a 290/.341/.396 slash line with 4 HR and 28 RBI
- Signed with Twins as international free agent in 2019, from Azua, Dominican Republic same hometown as Maikel Franco and Franchy Cordero

## DANNY DE ANDRADE - INF #18

HEIGHT: 5'11" WEIGHT: 190 B/T: R/R AGE: 20 (4/10/2004 IN VALENCIA, VEN)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
29	116	102	13	25	6	0	2	19	5	2	8	20	.243	.333	.359	.692

Last Game: DNP Last Home Run: 5/5 VS PEO Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 GL Series: Last Multi-Hit Game: 5/11 VS SB (3-5) Season Long Hit-Streak: 9 Games  
 vs GL 2024: LC Series: 0-0 Current On-Base: 0 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 9 Games

- Enters the 2024 season ranked as the Twins #14 Prospect (MLB Pipeline)
- Only Rubel Cespedes played in more games for single-A Fort Myers than De Andrade's 105 in 2023 in his first season at a full-season affiliate
- The Mussels' everyday shortstop (90 starts), finished with a final slash line of .242/.354/.396 and was second on the team, only trailing Cespedes with 11 HR and 67 RBI, one of three Mussels to steal 20 bags on the season, finishing 20-24 on the bases
- One of the top international prospects in the 2021 international FA class and signed with the Twins for \$2.2 million. Born in Valencia, Venezuela, same hometown as teammate Misael Urbina, and MLB standouts Félix Hernández, Salvador Pérez, David Peralta and Eduardo Rodríguez

## RAYNE DONCON - INF #23

HEIGHT: 6'1" WEIGHT: 176 B/T: R/R AGE: 20 (9/22/2003 IN SAN PEDRO DE MACORIS, DR)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
15	65	59	6	11	2	0	1	4	1	0	6	15	.186	.262	.271	.533

Last Game: 0-4, 2 K (6/7 GL) Last Home Run: 5/30 VS LC Current Hit-Streak: 2 Games  
 GL Series: 1-14, 2 BB, SB, R, 6 K Last Multi-Hit Game: 5/23 VS PEO (3-5) Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 1-14, 2 BB, SB, R, 6 K LC Series: 4-22, HR, 2B, 2 RBI, 3 K, 3 BB Current On-Base: 2 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 9 Games

- Enters the 2024 season ranked as the Twins #30 Prospect (MLB Pipeline)
- Aquired in a trade from the Dodgers prior to the 2024 season along with OF Manuel Margot in exchange for former KERNELS IF Noah Miller
- Began 2024 with single-A Fort Myers hitting .283 with 4 HR, 19 RBI, 3-4 SB and a .838 OPS in 38 games, promoted to Cedar Rapids on 5/20
- At the time of his promotion, led the FSL with 13 2B while ranking top-10 in the league in XBH (17), TB (64), hits (39), SLG (.464), OPS (.838)
- Spent the entire 2023 season with single-A Rancho Cucamonga (LAD) hit .216 in 107 games, 2nd on the team with 92, 14 HR 52 RBI and 62 R
- Signed with the Dodgers for 497.5 K in 2021, split 2022 between the ACL Dodgers (51 games) and single-A Rancho Cucamonga (11 games)



# KERNELS HITTERS

## GABRIEL GONZALEZ - OF

### #21

**HEIGHT: 5'10"      WEIGHT: 165      B/T: R/R      AGE: 20 (1/4/2004 IN CARUPANO, VEN)**

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
19	73	68	11	18	8	1	1	11	2	0	5	8	.265	.315	.456	.711

Last Game: DNP  
 GL Series:  
 vs GL 2024:

Last Home Run: 4/25 VS BEL  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 4/24 VS BEL (3-4)  
 LC Series: 0-0

Current Hit-Streak: 2 Games  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 Current On-Base: 7 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 7 Games (active)

- Enters 2024 ranked as the Twins #4 Prospect and #76 in MLB (Pipeline), Acquired by the Twins in the trade that sent Jorge Polanco to Seattle
- Named Twins MiLB hitter for the week of 4/23 to 4/28, went 7-19 vs Beloit with 4 2B, 3B, 6 RBI and his first HR in the Twins Org
- Began '23 with single-A Modesto, ranked 1st in Cali League in BA (.348), H (103), TB (157), ranked top 5 in RBI, OBP, SLG, OPS, XBH in 73 gm
- Promoted to high-A Everett in mid-July, Matched his home run mark of 9 in 30 fewer games and slashed .216/.290/.387 in 43 games with 30 RBI in 181 at-bats. Named a Mariners organizational all-star, a California league all-star and a Baseball America Low A all-star.
- Signed with Seattle for 1.5 million as an IFA out of Carupano, Venezuela in 2021. His arm, rated 65 by MLB pipeline, is his highest-rated tool.

## JAY HARRY - INF

### #5

**HEIGHT: 6'0"      WEIGHT: 190      B/T: L/R      AGE: 21 (7/18/2002 IN NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ)**

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
47	192	176	16	39	11	0	4	23	4	2	14	36	.222	.281	.352	.633

Last Game: 0-3, 2 BB, 2 K, R  
 GL Series: 3-16, HR, 2B, 2 RBI, 6 BB, 6 K  
 vs GL 2024: 3-16, HR, 2B, 2 RBI, 6 BB, 6 K

Last Home Run: 6/5 VS GL  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/5 VS GL (2-3)  
 LC Series: 4-20, HR, RBI, 3 R, 6 K

Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 8 Games  
 Current On-Base: 5 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 9 Games

- Just one of two college position players taken by the Twins in the 2023 draft (Luke Keaschall) taken in sixth round, 177th overall out of Penn St.
- After three games in the Florida Complex League, spent the rest 2023 with single-A Fort Myers. In 27 games with the Mussels, Harry slashed .337/.419/.465 (.884 OPS) with 1 HR, 9 RBI, and 11 walks compared to just 8 strikeouts in 101 at-bats, started games at 2nd 3rd, SS and LF
- A three-year standout at PSU, started all 50 games at SS in 2023 batting .299 with a team-best 60 hits and 13 2B. Notched 6 HR and 37 RBI, walked 20 times compared to 21 strikeouts; his rate of a K per 9.6 at-bats ranked 3rd in the Big 10. Started all but 1 game (146 of 147) at PSU
- Ranked the No. 2 SS and No. 7 player in New Jersey by Prep Baseball Report in High School, Father, George played baseball at Wake Forest

## KYLE HESS - OF

### #44

**HEIGHT: 6'0"      WEIGHT: 210      B/T: L/R      AGE: 25 (5/20/1999 IN HERSHEY, PA)**

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
5	18	18	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	9	.111	.111	.111	.222

Last Game: 1-3, SB, 2 K (6/7 GL)  
 GL Series: 1-7, SB, 5 K  
 vs GL 2024: 1-7, SB, 5 K

Last Home Run: 5/25 VS DBT  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 5/25 VS DBT (2-5)  
 LC Series: 1-11, RBI, R, 4 K

Current Hit-Streak: 1 Game  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 1 Game (active)  
 Current On-Base: 1 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 1 Game (active)

- Received promotion from single-A Fort Myers on 5/27 after slashing .381/.447/.738, 1.185 OPS, 2 HR, 5 2B, 2 3B, 11 RBI, 4 SB in 12 games
- Signed with Twins as NDFAs on 5/13, began 2024 with the Lancaster Stormers in Atlantic League, hit .433, 1.267 OPS, 3 HR, 10 RBI in 9 games
- Played 173 career games with 166 starts across his illustrious 5 year career at Pitt, hit a career .301 with 195 H, 42 2B, 27 HR, 104 R, 152 RBI
- Left Pittsburgh top 10 all-time in 3B (13), HR (27), TB (344), RBI (152), HBP (24) and top 20 in GP (173), GS (166), AB (651), H (195), 2B (42)
- 3rd Team All-ACC in his final college season; hit a team-high .327 with 10 HR, 9 2B, 42 RBI, 1.041 OPS also led team in 3B (6), and SLG (.626)
- First cousins with Chris Heisey who was drafted by Reds in 2006, played in Dayton in 2007 and played eight years in MLB with CIN, LAD, WSH

## KEVIN MAITAN - INF

### #31

**HEIGHT: 6'2"      WEIGHT: 190      B/T: S/R      AGE: 24 (2/12/2000 IN PUERTO CABELLO, VEN)**

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
16	66	63	5	14	1	1	2	9	1	0	3	22	.222	.258	.365	.623

Last Game: 0-3, BB, RBI, 2 K  
 GL Series: 4-13, 3 BB, RBI, SB, 6 K  
 vs GL 2024: 4-13, 3 BB, RBI, SB, 6 K

Last Home Run: 5/24 VS PEO  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/5 VS GL (2-3)  
 LC Series: 1-16, R, 9 K

Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 Current On-Base: 5 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 5 Games (active)

- Signed by the Twins on 5/14/24 as a Minor League Free Agent
- Started the 2024 season Charleston Dirty Birds (Atlantic League) hit .333 with 3 HR, 14 RBI and a 1.021 OPS in 14 games with the Dirty Birds
- Signed by the Braves and an IFA in 2016 for 4.25 Million, rated at the time as the top international prospect in the signing class
- Began 2017 the #3 prospect in the Braves org behind Dansby Swanson and Ozzie Albies, #32 in MLB ahead of Vlad Guerrero Jr. and Aaron Judge
- After one yr in the Braves org MLB levied sanctions on ATL for signing IFAs when they were too young, became a FA and signed with the Angels
- Spent six yrs in the LAA org, including one in Burlington in '19, spent the last two in AA Rocket City hitting .192, 1 HR & 15 RBI in 53 G last yr

## RICARDO OLIVAR - C/OF

### #11

**HEIGHT: 5'10"      WEIGHT: 176      B/T: R/R      AGE: 22 (8/10/2001 IN BARQUISIMETO, VEN)**

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
45	195	171	32	47	9	1	8	24	1	0	23	41	.275	.364	.480	.844

Last Game: 0-4, 3 K (6/7 GL)  
 GL Series: 1-16, RBI, 7 K, BB  
 vs GL 2024: 1-16, RBI, 7 K, BB

Last Home Run: 5/31 VS LC  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 5/31 VS LC (3-4)  
 LC Series: 8-27, 3 HR, 5 RBI, 5 K

Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 12 Games  
 Current On-Base: 0 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 21 Games

- Enters the 2024 season ranked as the Twins #22 Prospect (MLB Pipeline) and top catching prospect
- In his first season with a full-season affiliate, Olivar led the Mighty Mussels hitting .285, slashing .285/.403/.452 in 2023
- One of three Mussels to hit double-digit home runs, finishing with 10, his 59 walks led the team, as did his 106 H, 168 TB, 28 2B, and 16 HB
- Stole 12 bases in 13 attempts, slashed .313/.458/.494 vs LHP 2 with 2 HR and 15 RBI in 83 at-bats. Played 37 games at catcher and 39 the OF
- Named a Twins organization all-star as a catcher as well as a Florida State League all-star
- Named the MVP of the Florida Coast League in 2022, hit .341 with a 1.013 OPS, 5 HR and 24 RBI in 43 gms, singled as an IFA in 2019 for 20K



# KERNELS HITTERS

## AGUSTIN RUIZ - OF

### #50

HEIGHT: 6'2" WEIGHT: 215 B/T: L/R AGE: 24 (9/23/1999 IN VILLAHERMOSA, MEX)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
43	166	145	23	34	11	0	2	19	2	3	13	35	.234	.325	.352	.677

Last Game: 2-4, R  
 Last Home Run: 5/4 VS PEO  
 Current Hit-Streak: 2 Games  
 GL Series: 5-18, 2 BB, 3 R, 3 K  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/8 VS GL (2-4)  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 6 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 5-18, 2 BB, 3 R, 3 K  
 LC Series: 4-18, 2 2B, RBI, R, 6 K  
 Current On-Base: 2 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 23 Games

- Signed with the Twins as a MiLB free agent this offseason, originally signed with the Padres as an international FA in 2016
- Spent all of 2023 with double-A Binghamton in the Mets system, played 105 games (2nd on the team), led the Rumble Ponies with 18 HR and finished the season with 203/.300/.401 slash (.701 OPS), hit 17 of his 18 home runs against righties, led the team with 134 Ks (31.7% K-rate)
- Spent his first 6 pro years in the Padres system, making it as high as double-A San Antonio played 58 games with the Missions across 2021-22
- Has played in the Mexican Pacific Winter League the last 4 offseasons. Comes to CR having played 6 full MiLB seasons, 495 career games (222 in the Midwest League), 54 HR, 89 2B and 264 RBI. Has played two series vs CR, 2019 in single-A, and 2021 in high-A, both in Fort Wayne.

## JOSE SALAS - INF

### #1

HEIGHT: 6'0" WEIGHT: 191 B/T: S/R AGE: 20 (4/26/2003 IN KISSIMMEE, FL)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
43	157	141	19	32	5	0	2	15	9	3	13	36	.227	.301	.305	.606

Last Game: 1-3, RBI, BB, K  
 Last Home Run: 5/23 VS PEO  
 Current Hit-Streak: 2 Games  
 GL Series: 3-14, 3 RBI, 5 K, 2 BB, 2 R  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/2 VS LC (2-3)  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 5 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 3-14, 3 RBI, 5 K, 2 BB, 2 R  
 LC Series: 3-13, 2B, RBI, 5 K, BB  
 Current On-Base: 2 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 9 Games

- Spent the entirety of 2023 in Cedar Rapids, playing 93 games in his first season in the Twins system, Salas led CR with 52 starts at 2B
- Slashed .190/.265/.272 with 4 HR and 33 RBI, led the KERNELS with 22 stolen bases, going 22-31 swapping bags on the season
- Hit .300 (12-40) in the final two regular-season series, hit his first HR as a right-handed hitter vs Great Lakes in game 1
- Acquired with Pablo Lopez in a trade with the Marlins last offseason that send Luis Arraez to Miami
- Older brother to Ethan Salas, who was signed to a \$5.6 million signing bonus as an international free agent at 16 by the San Diego Padres, is currently listed as the top prospect in the Padres System and #8 overall in MLB ... Father Jose Antonio Salas played six seasons in the Braves

## DALTON SHUFFIELD - INF

### #19

HEIGHT: 5'9" WEIGHT: 170 B/T: R/R AGE: 25 (3/31/1999 IN SAN ANTONIO, TX)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
11	43	39	3	8	2	1	1	8	2	1	4	14	.205	.279	.385	.664

Last Game: 0-4, 3 K  
 Last Home Run: 5/21 VS PEO  
 Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 GL Series: 2-15, 3B, 2 RBI, 8 K  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 5/21 VS PEO (3-4)  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 3 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 2-15, 3B, 2 RBI, 8 K  
 LC Series: 2-9, RBI, 2 BB, 3 K  
 Current On-Base: 0 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 8 Games

- Joined Cedar Rapids on 5/19 after starting 2024 with AAA St. Paul and AA Wichita hit .148 with 3 2B in 10 G with St. Paul, 0-3 in 1 G Wichita
- Played across four teams in the Twins system in 2023 mostly with A Fort Myers (.261/2/17 in 34 G) and AA Wichita (.241/4/10 in 26 G)
- Played eight games in Cedar Rapids in 2022 going 7-24 with 1 HR and 2 RBI, and in three last year going 1-7 with 4 Ks
- His lone hit, a single, with the KERNELS in 2023 came on July 30, breaking up Wisconsin's Edwin Jimenez's no-hit bit with one out in the 8th
- Sun Belt POTY slashing .378 (3rd SB)/.444/.668 in 2022 before his selection in the 10th round of the 2022 Draft out of Texas State
- Earliest Texas State fielder drafted since Jeff McVane (8th round Tigers 2012); Dad, Jack, drafted by the Royals in the 4th round in 1982

## DILLON TATUM - C

### #15

HEIGHT: 5'11" WEIGHT: 220 B/T: R/R AGE: 23 (5/24/2000 IN STOCKTON, CA)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
13	46	40	5	8	2	0	2	3	0	1	5	23	.200	.304	.400	.704

Last Game: 0-3, BB, 3 K  
 Last Home Run: 5/29 VS LC  
 Current Hit-Streak: 0 Games  
 GL Series: 0-3, BB, 3 K  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/2 VS LC (2-3)  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 0-3, BB, 3 K  
 LC Series: 3-7, HR, 2 2B, 2 RBI, 2 K  
 Current On-Base: 0 Games  
 Season Long On-Base: 4 Games

- No one played more games at catcher for single-A Fort Myers than Dillon Tatum did with 40 last season. Playing in 13 games as well at first base, Tatum slashed .173/.358/.263 for an OPS of .622 with 1 home run and 15 RBI in 53 games played.
- Caught a combined no-hitter with single-A Fort Myers in 2022, the first 9-inning no hitter in Fort Myers franchise history
- Drafted in the 20th round in the 2021 draft out of UC Irvine, drafted while playing for the Anchorage Bucs in the Alaskan baseball league
- Played one season at UC Irvine, slashing .278/.401/.684 (1.085 OPS) with 15 HR and 36 RBI across 40 games. His .684 slg% led the team and would have been 2nd in the Big West if he had enough at-bats to qualify. Spent two seasons at San Joaquin Delta Junior College in Stockton, CA

## MISAEEL URBINA - OF

### #2

HEIGHT: 5'10" WEIGHT: 190 B/T: R/R AGE: 21 (4/26/2002 IN VALENCIA, VEN)

G	PA	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO	BA	OBP%	SLG	OPS
41	159	138	23	31	9	1	3	15	11	2	20	49	.225	.321	.370	.691

Last Game: 2-3, RBI, BB  
 Last Home Run: 5/31 VS LC  
 Current Hit-Streak: 1 Game  
 GL Series: 3-10, RBI, R, 3 K  
 Last Multi-Hit Game: 6/8 VS GL (2-3)  
 Season Long Hit-Streak: 4 Games  
 vs GL 2024: 3-10, RBI, R, 3 K  
 LC Series: 4-12, HR, 2 2B, 4 BB, 7 R, 4 K  
 Current On-Base: 1 Game  
 Season Long On-Base: 7 Games

- One of four KERNELS to play in over 100 games in 2023, led the KERNELS with 77 starts in LF, Slashed .180/.289/.282 with 4 HR and 40 RBI
- Smashed a double off of rehabbing two-time all-star Brandon Woodruff vs Wisconsin in late July
- After not arriving to site until mid-June, Urbina played in 50 games with Fort Myers in 2022, slashing .246/.323/.419 (741 OPS) with 16 2B
- Signed July 2, 2019 for \$2.75 million with \$300,000 more applied to college fund for total of \$3.05, the 4th largest ever for Venezuelan player
- Was ranked as high as the Twins #8 prospect in 2022, entered last season as the #19 prospect in the Twins system
- From Valencia, Venezuela, same hometown as Danny De Andrade, and MLB stars Félix Hernández, Salvador Pérez and Eduardo Rodríguez







# KERNELS PITCHERS

## KYLE BISCHOFF - RHP

### #35

HEIGHT: 6'2" WEIGHT: 210 B/T: R/R AGE: 24 (7/29/1999 IN MACOMB, MI)

17 G 0 GS 2-2 W-L 5.40 ERA .284 BAA 25-10 K-BB

Last Outing: 6/7 vs GL, ND, 1.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 2 K, 1 BB vs Left: 7.0 IP, 14 H, 6 K, 0 HR, 6 BB, .400 BAA  
Right: 14.1 IP, 11 H, 19 K, 0 HR, 4 BB, .208 BAA June: 0-0, 2.2 IP, 3 H, 6.75 ERA, 1 K, 4 BB  
Home: 2-0, 3 SV, 12.1 IP, 11 H, 3 R, 3 ER, 14 K, 4 BB Road: 0-2, 9.1 IP, 14 H, 10 R, 10 ER, 11 K, 6 BB  
GL '24: 1.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 2 K, 1 BB

- Signed with the Twins as an undrafted free agent in late May and was assigned to the FCL Twins held a 3.18 ERA in 22.2 innings across 9 outings
- Batters hit just .181 of the reliever, who collected 33 strikeouts for a K/9 of 13.1.
- Undrafted in 2022, signed with the Westside Woolly Mammoths in United Shore League
- Named 3rd-team Big 10, in his lone season at Michigan State in 2022. After four-years at Toledo, led the Big 10 with 12 saves, 2nd in MSU history. Held a 3.51 ERA at MSU

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/26 vs PEO	ND	33-21	2	1	1	0	1	0
5/30 vs LC	ND	12-9	0	0	0	0	0	0
6/2 vs LC	ND	24-15	1	1	1	0	0	2
6/7 vs GL	ND	30-15	2	1	1	0	1	2

LAST WIN: 5/5 vs Peoria  
LAST LOSS: 5/22 vs Peoria  
LAST SAVE: 5/19 vs Quad Cities

## MIGUELANGEL BOADAS - RHP

### #17

HEIGHT: 6'1" WEIGHT: 181 B/T: R/R AGE: 21 (12/7/2002 IN PORLAMAR, VEN)

11 G 7 GS 1-4 W-L 6.23 ERA .256 BAA 39-14 K-BB

Last Outing: 6/8 vs GL, ND, 4.0 IP, 4 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 6 K, 0 BB vs Left: 13.1 IP, 17 H, 0 HR, 12 K, .298 BAA  
Right: 16.2 IP, 14 H, 2 HR, 27 K, .219 BAA June: 6.1 IP, 5 H, 5.68 ERA, 7 K, 4 BB  
Home: 16.0 IP, 10 H, 10 R, 7 ER, 20 K, 8 BB Road: 14.1 IP, 21 H, 19 R, 14 ER, 19 K, 6 BB  
GL '24: 4.0 IP, 4 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 6 K, 0 BB

- Spent the entire season with single-A Fort Myers in 2023
- Made 11 appearances, all starts going 0-2 with a 7.75 ERA. Added 35 Ks in 36 innings
- Allowed just 2 HR on the season, threw sinker that hits the upper 90's more than 50%
- Spent the 2022 season with the FCL Twins, 2021 with the DSL Twins
- Has Allowed just 4 HR in the entirety of his 3 yr career (98.1 inn) HR/9 of 0.4.
- Porlamar, Ven is island in Venezuela, flew or ferried the mainland to compete growing up

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/14 vs QC	ND	81-56	5	4	4	0	2	9
5/21 vs PEO	ND	87-56	6	2	2	1	2	6
6/2 vs LC	ND	50-26	1	5	2	0	4	1
6/8 vs GL	ND	64-44	4	2	2	0	0	6

LAST WIN: 4/13 vs Dayton  
LAST LOSS: 6/2 vs Lake County  
LAST SAVE: 8/22/22 vs FCL Orioles

## DARREN BOWEN - RHP

### #4

HEIGHT: 6'3" WEIGHT: 180 B/T: R/R AGE: 23 (2/3/2001 IN NEWTON, MA)

9 G 9 GS 2-3 W-L 5.02 ERA .224 BAA 43-13 K-BB

Last Outing: 6/6 vs GL, L, 5.0 IP, 5 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 4 K, 1 BB vs Left: 21.2 IP, 20 H, 20 K, 2 HR, .247 BAA  
Right: 21.1 IP, 16 H, 23 K, 3 HR, .200 BAA June: 0-1, 5.0 IP, 5 H, 7.20 ERA, 4 K, 1 BB  
Home: 2-1, 22.2 IP, 20 H, 13 R, 13 ER, 22 K, 7 BB Road: 0-2, 20.1 IP, 16 H, 11 R, 11 ER, 21 K, 6 BB  
GL '24: 0-1, 5.0 IP, 5 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 4 K, 1 BB

- Acquired by the Twins in the trade that sent Jorge Polanco to Seattle this offseason
- Went 4-2 with a 3.88 ERA across 19 appearances 15 starts with single-A Modesto in the Mariners System. Batters hit just .188 off the right-hander who struck out 59 batters in 55.2 innings while allowing just two home runs on the entire season (HR/9 rate 0.3)
- Spent three seasons at DII UNC Pembroke, posted a career 5.36 ERA in 122.2 innings, a school that has never produced a major-leaguer, held a 4.2 GPA in HS, 7th in a class of 180

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/19 vs QC	ND	79-55	5	3	3	1	1	5
5/25 vs PEO	ND	82-59	5	2	2	1	0	6
5/31 vs LC	ND	83-58	7	4	4	0	0	3
6/6 vs GL	L	78-50	5	4	4	1	1	4

LAST WIN: 5/4 vs Peoria  
LAST LOSS: 6/6 vs Great Lakes  
LAST SAVE: N/A

## JORDAN CARR - LHP

### #27

HEIGHT: 6'2" WEIGHT: 210 B/T: S/L AGE: 26 (7/17/1997 IN BALTIMORE, MD)

13 G 1 GS 1-1 W-L 3.67 ERA .240 BAA 31-15 K-BB

Last Outing: 6/4 vs GL, ND, 1.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 K, 1 BB vs Left: 13.1 IP, 11 H, 16 K, 1 HR, .224 BAA  
Right: 20.2 IP, 20 H, 15 K, 1 HR, .250 BAA June: 1.2 IP, 0 H, 0.00 ERA, 0 K, 1 BB  
Home: 16.2 IP, 9 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 16 K, 9 BB Road: 1-1, 17.2 IP, 22 H, 10 R, 10 ER, 15 K, 6 BB  
GL '24: 1.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 K, 1 BB

- In 18 apprences with CR in 2023 went 4-2 record with a 1.48 ERA in 60.2 innings
- Notchd 32 straight scoreless innings, lowered ERA from 2.86 to under 1.40 in that span
- Promoted to double-A Wichita, were he held a 6.10 ERA in 10.1 innings
- Led Fort Myers left-handed pitchers with 61.0 innings in 2022, held a 3.84 ERA in 14
- Spent 4 seasons at UNC Asheville before spending two grad seasons at C of Charleston
- Went undrafted in 2021 draft and signed with the Utica Unicorns in United Shore League

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/17 vs QC	ND	56-36	2	0	0	0	1	5
5/24 vs PEO	ND	54-42	8	3	3	0	0	4
5/30 vs LC	ND	52-34	4	1	1	0	2	3
6/4 vs LC	ND	16-8	0	0	0	0	1	0

LAST WIN: 4/14 vs Dayton  
LAST LOSS: 4/5 vs Beloit  
LAST SAVE: 8/2 vs Lansing

## C.J. CULPEPPER - RHP

### #30

HEIGHT: 6'3" WEIGHT: 193 B/T: R/R AGE: 22 (11/2/2001 IN UPLAND, CA)

7 G 7 GS 2-1 W-L 3.26 ERA .234 BAA 33-11 K-BB

Last Outing: 5/29 vs LC, L, 3.0 IP, 5 H, 5 R, 3 ER, 5 K, 1 BB vs Left: 14.0 IP, 13 H, 18 K, 0 HR, .236 BAA  
Right: 15.2 IP, 13 H, 15 K, 0 HR, .232 BAA May: 18.0 IP, 17 H, 3.00 ERA, 22 K, 3 BB  
Home: 1-1, 17.0 IP, 16 H, 10 R, 8 ER, 17 K, 5 BB Road: 13.1 IP, 10 H, 6 R, 3 ER, 16 K, 6 BB  
GL '24:

- Enters the 2024 season ranked as the Twins #8 Prospect (MLB Pipeline)
- Started 2023 with single-A Fort Myers, posted a team-high 4 wins in a team-high 11 starts held a 2.33 ERA, the best among FTM starter, Promoted Cedar Rapids in June and finished the season with CR going 2-2 with a 4.99 ERA in 39.2 inn
- Began college career at Cal Baptist as a reliever setting school record with 13 saves in 2021
- Transitioned to a starter in his final season and went 5-3 with a 3.26 ERA in 2022 at CBU

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/11 vs SB	ND	76-47	5	1	1	0	2	5
5/17 vs QC	W	70-49	7	2	2	1	0	4
5/23 vs PEO	W	66-50	0	0	0	0	0	8
5/29 vs LC	L	53-39	5	5	3	0	1	5

LAST WIN: 5/17 vs Quad Cities  
LAST LOSS: 5/29 vs Lake County  
LAST SAVE: N/A







# KERNELS PITCHERS

## JUAN MENDEZ - RHP #46

HEIGHT: 6'4"      WEIGHT: 240      B/T: R/R      AGE: 25 (10/18/1998 IN SANTO DOMINGO, DR)

**15 G**      **0 GS**      **0-0 W-L**      **5.40 ERA**      **.338 BAA**      **26-9 K-BB**

**Last Outing:** 6/8 vs GL, ND, 0.2 IP, 2 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 1 K, 2 BB      **vs Left:** 9.2 IP, 14 H, 0 HR, 14 K, .364 BAA  
**Right:** 9.2 IP, 14 H, 1 HR, 14 K, .318 BAA      **June:** 5.0 IP, 6 H, 3.60 ERA, 10 K, 4 BB  
**Home:** 9.0 IP, 17 H, 10 R, 7 ER, 14 K, 4 BB      **Road:** 7.2 IP, 9 H, 5 R, 3 ER, 11 K, 4 BB  
**GL '24:** 3.0 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 6 K, 3 BB

- Spent all of 2023 with single-A Fort Myers, posting a 4.89 ERA in 34 appearances
- Struck out 66 batters in 46.0 innings, for a 1.43 K/inn rate and a 12.9 K/9 rate, good for best on the team among pitchers who threw 10+ innings. Held batters .189 BAA
- Spent 2022 with Fort Myers holding a 5.05 ERA in 32 appearances and 46.1 relief innings
- Struck out 37 batters in 27.2 innings with the FCL Twins in 2021
- Did not sign as an INFA until he was 21, throws a fastball that reaches the upper 90's

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/28 vs LC	ND	23-13	0	0	0	0	1	1
6/1 vs LC	ND	42-22	2	0	0	0	1	4
6/5 vs GL	ND	37-26	2	0	0	0	1	5
6/8 vs GL	ND	29-14	2	3	2	0	2	1

LAST WIN: 6/11 vs Clearwater  
 LAST LOSS: 9/9 vs Bradenton  
 LAST SAVE: 4/7 vs Dunedin

## JUAN MERCEDES - RHP #24

HEIGHT: 5'10"      WEIGHT: 181      B/T: R/R      AGE: 22 (1/7/2002 IN LA ROMANA, DR)

**14 G**      **0 GS**      **1-3 W-L**      **8.18 ERA**      **.316 BAA**      **20-7 K-BB**

**Last Outing:** 6/8 vs GL, L, 0.2 IP, 4 H, 5 R, 3 ER, 1 K, 0 BB      **vs Left:** 11.0 IP, 15 H, 11 K, 3 HR, .326 BAA  
**Right:** 11.0 IP, 15 H, 9 K, 3 HR, .306 BAA      **June:** 1.2 IP, 8 H, 32.40 ERA, 3 K, 0 BB  
**Home:** 14.2 IP, 15 H, 10 R, 9 ER, 12 K, 5 BB      **Road:** 7.1 IP, 15 H, 15 R, 11 ER, 12 K, 5 BB  
**GL '24:** 0-1, 0.2 IP, 4 H, 5 R, 3 ER, 1 K, 0 BB

- Began 2023 with the FCL Twins, in 15.1 innings, held a 1.17 ERA 25K and 4 BB
- His 6.25 K/BB rate led the Twins and his WHIP of 0.783 and his K/9 of 14.7 led the team
- Earned promotion to single-A Fort Myers in mid-July and finished the season with the Mighty Mussels, going 2-1 with a 5.61 ERA in his 25.2 innings
- Spent 2021 with FCL Twins, held a 5.51 ERA across 16.1 innings
- Did not sign with the Twins until he was 20 years old, known for his sweeping slider

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/26 vs PEO	W	14-8	0	0	0	0	0	0
5/28 vs LC	ND	32-19	2	1	1	1	2	0
6/1 vs LC	ND	31-19	4	3	3	1	0	2
6/8 vs GL	L	23-17	4	5	3	1	0	1

LAST WIN: 5/26 vs Peoria  
 LAST LOSS: 6/8 vs Great Lakes  
 LAST SAVE: 7/7/22 vs FCL Phillies Red

## MIKE PAREDES - RHP #26

HEIGHT: 5'11"      WEIGHT: 185      B/T: R/R      AGE: 23 (7/27/2000 IN SAN DIEGO, CA)

**1 G**      **0 GS**      **0-0 W-L**      **10.80 ERA**      **.167 BAA**      **1-2 K-BB**

**Last Outing:** 6/6 vs GL, ND, 1.2 IP, 1 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 1 K, 2 BB      **vs Left:** 0.2 IP, 0 H, 0 K, 0 HR, .000 BAA  
**Right:** 1.0 IP, 1 H, 1 K, 0 HR, .250 BAA      **June:** 1.2 IP, 1 H, 10.80 ERA, 1 K, 2 BB  
**Home:**      **Road:** 1.2 IP, 1 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 1 K, 2 BB  
**GL '24:** 1.2 IP, 1 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 1 K, 2 BB

- Joined CR on 6/4, started 2024 in AA Wichita, holding a 7.59 ERA across 10.2 inn in 8 app
- Began 2024 on the 7-day IL with a Right shoulder impingement, joined Wichita on 4/26
- Spent all of 2023 with Cedar Rapids, finishing third among relievers with 63 innings
- Tied for the team-high with 7 wins going 7-1 with a 3.14 ERA in 28 outings, 58/28 K/BB
- 2nd on Fort Myers with 85.1 innings in 2022, going 7-4 with a 3.27 ERA in 24 outings
- Drafted in the 18th round, 549 overall in the 2021 draft out of San Diego St

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
6/6 vs GL	ND	29-14	1	2	2	0	2	1

LAST WIN: 8/24 vs South Bend  
 LAST LOSS: 4/24 vs Palm Beach  
 LAST SAVE: 8/5 vs Lansing

## SHELDON REED - RHP #16

HEIGHT: 6'2"      WEIGHT: 205      B/T: L/R      AGE: 26 (7/30/1997 IN BRADLEY, SC)

**9 G**      **0 GS**      **0-0 W-L**      **8.49 ERA**      **.295 BAA**      **12-10 K-BB**

**Last Outing:** 6/8 vs GL, ND, 1.1 IP, 1 H, 1 R, 0 ER, 0 K, 2 BB      **vs Left:** 5.0 IP, 8 H, 1 HR, 6 K, .333 BAA  
**Right:** 6.2 IP, 5 H, 2 HR, 6 K, .250 BAA      **June:** 5.1 IP, 3 H, 3.38 ERA, 4 K, 5 BB  
**Home:** 4.1 IP, 9 H, 8 R, 8 ER, 3 K, 3 BB      **Road:** 7.1 IP, 4 H, 5 R, 3 ER, 9 K, 7 BB  
**GL '24:** 3.1 IP, 2 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 2 K, 4 BB

- Joined CR on 4/26, started in AA Wichita, 1-0 with a 6.75 ERA in 4 outings, 6.2 innings
- Selected by the Twins in the 4th round of the 2023 Rule 5 draft minor league phase
- Spent his first three pro seasons in the Cubs system after signing as an UDFA in 2020
- Went 6-3 in high-A South Bend last season holding a 3.38 ERA across 40 outings, 53.1 inn
- Spent three seasons at Clemson after starting his college career at Spartanburg Methodist
- Converted outfielder, His father, Brandon, is the original Rough N' Rowdy champion

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/28 vs LC	ND	26-13	3	2	2	0	1	1
6/1 vs LC	ND	34-22	1	0	0	0	1	2
6/5 vs GL	ND	39-22	1	2	2	1	2	2
6/8 vs GL	ND	31-15	1	1	0	0	2	0

LAST WIN: 4/18 vs Tulsa  
 LAST LOSS: 7/30 vs Peoria  
 LAST SAVE: 9/8 vs Quad Cities

## RICARDO VELEZ - RHP #20

HEIGHT: 5'11"      WEIGHT: 185      B/T: R/R      AGE: 25 (8/21/1998 IN LAJAS, PR)

**19 G**      **0 GS**      **5-0 W-L**      **0.98 ERA**      **.152 BAA**      **36-8 K-BB**

**Last Outing:** 6/7 vs GL, ND, 2.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 K, 1 BB      **vs Left:** 13.1 IP, 9 H, 0 HR, 15 K, .180 BAA  
**Right:** 14.1 IP, 6 H, 1 HR, 21 K, .122 BAA      **June:** 0-0, 4.2 IP, 1 H, 0.00 ERA, 5 K, 2 BB  
**Home:** 3-0 15.0 IP, 5 SV, 12 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 22 K, 5 BB      **Road:** 12.2 IP, 1 SV, 3 H, 6 R, 1 ER, 14 K, 3 BB  
**GL '24:** 2.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 K, 1 BB

- Promoted to CR on 8/28 last season, went 1-1 with a 2.84 ERA in 6.1 inn with the Kernels
- Began 2023 in the FCL, before going 4-1, 3.49 ERA, 1.16 WHIP with single-A Fort Myers
- Made 18 outings holding a 1.52 ERA for Criollos de Caguas in the Puerto Rican Winter League this offseason, has pitched for team PR in Caribbean series in the last 3 offseasons
- Held a 2.83 ERA with 222 strikeouts over 146.1 inn in 3 yr at OK.Sciences & Arts (NAIA)
- Signed as an UDFA on 7/28/21 after pitching for the East Side Diamond Hoppers in the USL

DATE	DEC	P-S	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
5/23 vs PEO	ND	24-12	2	5	1	0	2	1
5/30 vs LC	W	20-14	1	0	0	0	0	2
6/2 vs LC	ND	37-21	1	0	0	0	1	2
6/7 vs GL	ND	32-19	0	0	0	0	1	3

LAST WIN: 5/30 vs Lake County  
 LAST LOSS: 9/8 vs Wisconsin  
 LAST SAVE: 5/15 vs Quad Cities





# 2024 TEAM SUPERLATIVES

## KERNELS SITUATIONAL RECORDS

	Total	Home	Away	1st Half	2nd Half
vs. BELOIT	4-4	4-2	0-2	4-4	
vs. PEORIA	9-3	5-1	4-2	9-3	
vs. QUAD CITIES	6-0	6-0		6-0	
vs. SOUTH BEND	3-3		3-3	3-3	
vs. WISCONSIN	2-4		2-4	2-4	
vs. WEST DIVISON	24-14	15-3	9-12	24-14	
vs. DAYTON	4-2	4-2		4-2	
vs. FORT WAYNE					
vs. GREAT LAKES	1-4		1-4	1-4	
vs. LAKE COUNTY	2-4	2-4		2-4	
vs. LANSING					
vs. WEST MICHIGAN					
vs. EAST DIVISON	7-10	6-6	1-4	7-10	
vs. RHSP	18-21	13-8	5-13	18-21	
vs. LHSP	13-3	8-1	5-2	13-3	
Kernels Score First	20-8	14-0	5-8	20-8	
Opp Score First	11-16	7-9	4-7	11-16	
SHUTOUTS					
APRIL	10-11	8-5	2-6	10-11	
MAY	20-7	13-2	7-5	20-7	
JUNE	1-6	0-2	1-4	1-6	
JULY					
AUGUST					
SEPTEMBER					
Up After 6th INN	24-4	17-2	7-2	24-4	
Tied After 6th INN	6-3	4-1	2-2	6-3	
Down After 6th INN	1-17	1-6	0-11	1-17	
Up After 7th INN	26-3	19-2	7-1	26-3	
Tied After 7th INN	3-4	1-1	2-3	3-4	
Down After 7th INN	1-18	1-7	0-11	1-18	
Up After 8th INN	26-3	19-1	7-2	26-3	
Tied After 8th INN	4-1	2-0	2-1	4-1	
Down After 8th INN	0-19	0-7	0-12	0-19	
Extra Innings	3-1	1-1	2-0	3-1	
One-Run Games	7-5	6-0	1-5	7-5	
Two-Run Games	9-5	6-2	3-3	9-5	
Three-Run Games	7-1	5-1	2-0	7-1	
Decided by 4+ Runs	8-13	4-6	4-7	8-13	

## RECORD BY RUNS SCORED

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	11+
CR	12-8	12-5	13-6	9-3	10-6	12-6	10-5	4-4	5-5	3-0	0-0	0-0
OPP	14-8	5-6	9-6	4-8	10-5	6-5	6-9	8-3	8-5	0-1	0-0	0-0

## LONGEST HIT STREAK

LENGTH	NAME	START	END
12	Olivar	5/18 VS QC (19-52)	6/2 VS LC
9	De Andrade	5/3 vs PEO (13-36)	5/15 VS QC
8	Keaschall	5/15 vs QC (18-34)	5/24 VS PEO
8	Olivar	5/4 VS PEO (11-28)	5/17 VS QC
8	Harry	4/13 VS BEL (10-29)	4/25 VS BEL

## LONGEST ON-BASE STREAK

LENGTH	NAME	START	END
23	Ruiz	4/17 VS WIS (21-73)	5/19 VS QC
21	Olivar	5/4 VS PEO (30-86)	6/2 VS LC
20	Keaschall	5/5 VS PEO (31-78)	Active, promotion
14	Keaschall	4/9 VS DAY (17-50)	4/25 VS BEL
10	Cespedes	5/17 VS QC (13-40)	5/30 VS LC

## LONGEST PLAYING STREAK

LENGTH	NAME	START	END
44	Keaschall	4/5 VS BEL (53-158)	Active, promotion
21	Cespedes	4/30 VS PEO (23-80)	5/24 VS PEO
16	De Andrade	4/27 VS PEO (15-61)	5/16 VS QC
16	Cespedes	4/9 VS DAY (25-62)	4/27 VS BEL
12	Harry	5/7 VS SB (11-43)	5/21 VS PEO

## 2023 SEASON LINE SCORE

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Extras	Total
KERNELS	27	29	37	26	31	36	30	17	18	6	257
OPPONENTS	50	19	33	22	33	23	24	32	23	1	260
Differential	-23	+10	+4	+4	-2	+13	+6	-15	-5	+5	-3

Early Innings (-9) Middle Innings (+15) Late Innings (-9)

April (-8) | May (+43) | June (-38) | July (-) | August (-) | September (-)



# 2024 TEAM SUPERLATIVES

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## GENERAL SUPERLATIVES

### HITTING

#### KERNELS

#### OPPONENTS

Most Runs/Game:	16; 5/7 vs. SB	14; 4/20 vs. WIS
Most Runs/Inning:	6; 9th Inn 5/7 vs. SB	10; 1st Inn 6/1 vs. WIS
Most Hits/Game:	14; 5/7 vs. SB	17; 4/30 vs. PEO
Fewest Hits/Game:	2; 5/1 vs. PEO	2; 5/5 vs. PEO
Most 2B/Game:	5; 4/20 vs. WIS	5; 4/18 vs. WIS
Most 3B/Game:	2; 5/26 vs. PEO	1; 6/1 vs. LC
Most HR/Game:	4; 5/18 vs. QC	3; 6/6 vs. GL
Most XBH/Game:	6; 5/18 vs. QC	6; 4/30 vs. PEO
Most SB/Game:	6; 4/23 vs. BEL	6; 6/7 vs. GL
Most LOB/Game:	13; 5/11 vs. SB	11; 5/29 vs. LC
Most K/Game:	16; 6/8 vs. GL	16; 4/10 vs. DAY

Largest Margin of Victory:	10; (16-6); 5/7 vs. SB
Largest Margin of Defeat:	10; (13-3); 4/19 vs. WIS
Season Shutouts/Last:	4; (1-0); 5/16 vs. QC
Longest Win Streak:	8; 5/12 vs SB to 5/22 vs PEO
Longest Home Win Streak:	11; 5/1 vs PEO to 5/28 vs. LC
Longest Road Win Streak:	2; 5/23 vs PEO to 5/25 PEO
Longest Loss Streak:	4; 6/5 vs GL to ACTIVE
Longest Home Loss Streak:	2; 6/1 vs LC to ACTIVE
Longest Road Loss Streak:	4; 6/5 vs GL to ACTIVE
Biggest Comeback Win:	3; 5/7 vs SB [down 3-0; won 16-6]
Biggest Lead Blown in Loss:	5; 5/10 vs. SB [Up 6-1; lost 7-6]
Longest No-Hit Bid (CR):	0 out 9th inn; 5/23 vs PEO
Longest No-Hit Bid (Opp):	1 out 4th inn; 4/25 vs BEL
Most Batters in Inning (CR):	11, 9th inn; 5/7 vs. SB
Most Batters in Inning (Opp):	14, 1st inn; 6/1 vs. LC
Longest Game (Time, 9 Inn):	3:11; 5/7 vs. SB
Longest Game (Time, Any):	3:11; 5/7 vs. SB
Longest Game (Total Inn):	10.0; 5/12 vs. SB
Shortest Game (Time, 9 Inn):	1:56; 5/16 vs. QC
Largest Home Crowd:	3745; 5/17 vs QC
Largest Road Crowd:	6653; 5/10 vs. SB
Smallest Home Crowd:	511; 4/11 vs DAY
Smallest Road Crowd:	565; 4/6 vs. BEL
Warmest Temperature:	87; 5/21 vs. PEO
Coldest Temperature:	39; 4/20 vs. WIS

### DEFENSE

#### KERNELS

#### OPPONENTS

Most Errors/Game:	6; 6/8 vs. GL	3; 5/10 vs. SB
Most DP's/Game:	2; 4/20 vs. WIS	2; 6/7 vs. GL

### COMBINED

Most Runs/Game:	22; 5/7 vs. SB
Most Hits/Game:	26; 4/20 vs. WIS
Fewest Hits/Game:	6; 4/21 vs. WIS
Most HR/Game:	5; 5/18 vs. QC
Most LOB/Game:	22; 5/11 vs. SB
Most K's/Game:	25; 6/8 vs. GL
Most Errors/Game:	7; 6/8 vs. GL

### PITCHING

#### KERNELS

#### OPPONENTS

Most K's/Game:	16; 4/10 vs. DAY	16; 6/8 vs. GL
Most BB/Game:	8; 5/29 vs. LC	10; 5/7 vs. SB
Most BB/Inning:	4; 4/19 vs. WIS	3; 6/8 vs. GL
Longest Start:	7.0; 5/15 vs. QC	7.0; 5/29 vs. LC
Shortest Start:	0.0; 6/1 vs. LC	2.0; 4/25 vs. BEL
Consecutive Outs:	24; 5/23 vs. PEO (Culpepper/Yanez)	16; 5/29 vs. LC (Peterson)
Scoreless Streak:	20.2 inn; 5/2 PEO 5th- 5/4 PEO 8th	14.2 inn; 4/21 WIS 1st- 4/23 BEL 7th
Best Win Streak:	8; 5/12 vs. SB to 5/22 vs. PEO	
Worst Loss Streak:	4; 6/5 vs. GL to ACTIVE	

## RECORD BY UNIFORM

<b>HOME WHITE</b>	<b>6-4</b>
<b>ROAD GRAY</b>	<b>6-6</b>
<b>RED ALTERNATE</b>	<b>15-14</b>
<b>OTHER ALTERNATES</b>	<b>4-0</b>

## EJECTIONS

DATE	KERNELS	OPPONENT
4/20	CJ Baker (Balls/Strikes)	Wisconsin
5/28	Kevin Maitan (Pitch Clock)	Lake County
5/28	Brain Dinkelman (Pitch Clock)	Lake County
6/1	Dalton Shuffield (Check Swing)	Lake County

## WALK-OFFS

DATE	KERNELS	OPPONENT
5/3	Misael Urbina (E7)	Peoria
5/14	Jay Harry (2B)	Quad Cities
5/18	Kevin Maitan (3B)	Quad Cities
5/30	Rayne Doncon (HR)	Lake County



# 2024 TRANSACTION LOG

<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction</b>
4/11	RHP J. Stankiewicz transferred to AA Wichita
4/12	RHP J. Noble transferred to AA Wichita
4/17	RHP J. Noble transferred from AA Wichita
4/23	LHP C. MacLeod added to the 7-day IL with a middle finger laceration
4/26	RHP S. Reed transferred from AA Wichita
4/30	RHP J. Noble transferred to A Fort Myers
5/6	RHP Z. Matthews transferred to AA Wichita
5/8	LHP R. Marcano transferred from AA Wichita
5/8	OF G. Gonzalez added to the 7-day IL with a low back strain
5/10	LHP C. MacLeod activated from to 7-day IL
5/14	IF K. Maitan signed by Twins and assigned to Cedar Rapids
5/19	IF D. Shuffield transferred from AAA St. Paul
5/20	IF R. Doncon transferred from A Fort Myers
5/20	RHP J. Lee transferred from A Fort Myers
5/20	OF W. Garry Jr. Released
5/21	RHP A. Morris transferred to AA Wichita
5/21	RHP J. Olivares activated off of 7-day IL and transferred to A Fort Myers
5/27	IF L. Keaschall transferred to AA Wichita
5/27	OF K. Hess transferred from A Fort Myers
6/1	RHP C. Culpepper added to the 7-day IL with a right forearm strain
6/4	RHP M. Paredes transferred from AA Wichita



