



# AKRON RUBBERDUCKS GAME NOTES

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**Akron RubberDucks (13-5, 50-37) vs Richmond Flying Squirrels (7-11, 41-46)**  
*Cleveland Guardians Double-A* vs *San Francisco Giants Double-A*  
RHP Austin Peterson (3-0, 1.93 ERA) vs LHP John Michael Bertrand (5-4, 3.33 ERA)

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Game 88, 2nd Half Game 19, Home Game 37, Night Game 71, Divisional Game 58

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**July 14: Fightin Phils 7, RubberDucks 6:** Akron rallied back twice and took leads on a **Kody Huff** two-run home run and **Aaron Bracho** three-run home run. But Reading rallied back in the ninth to win.

**Today's starting pitcher:** **Austin Peterson** makes his fourth start of the season with Akron. In his last start, Peterson struck out five over 5.2 innings while allowing just one hit. He is the only pitcher in baseball with 100+ strikeouts and 10 or fewer walks this season. He ranks top 10 in the Guardians organization in ERA (fourth), wins (first), strikeouts (tied second), starts (first), innings (first), average against (third), WHIP (first) and winning percentage (tied fourth).

**Road Warriors:** The RubberDucks went 5-4 on the recent nine game trip to Erie and Reading. Akron's offense was red hot on the trip scoring 56 runs while picking up 93 hits including 14 home runs. Overall this season, Akron is batting .246 away from Canal Park and have 29 road victories (tied most in the Eastern League).

**The Best Day:** The RubberDucks offense had one of the best days in franchise history in the series opener against Reading. Akron scored 19 runs on 26 hits. These 19 runs were the third most runs scored in a game by a Guardians affiliate this season (Columbus-23; Lake County 20) and the most runs scored in a game by an Akron team in seven years. The 26 hits were the most in a game by a Guardians affiliate this season, most in an Eastern League game in five years and the second most hits in a game in Akron franchise history (27 hits on May 25, 1999). Nine of the 10 RubberDucks batters had multiple hits.

**Sparks (and homers) Fly:** The RubberDucks offense has started to swing for more power as the weather has warmed up. After hitting 28 home runs combined between April and May, the RubberDucks slugged 23 home runs in June and 18 home runs in July. In the last two months, **CJ Kayfus** (eight homers), **Kahlil Watson** (seven homers) and **Alexfri Planez** (six homers) are leading Akron's power surge.

**I'm the problem, it's me:** **CJ Kayfus** has been a problem for opposing pitchers in 2024. Since joining the Eastern League, Kayfus ranks top 10 in homers (third, 8), RBI (first, 37), OBP (second, .430), slugging (fourth, .607), OPS (fourth, 1.037), extra base hits (tied fourth, 17) and total bases (tied second, 74). His 37 RBI are most on the RubberDucks despite making his Akron debut on June 4. During his time in Akron (31 games), Kayfus has three multi-home runs games (the first three of his professional career). His numbers between Akron and Lake County have him top in the Guardians organization in RBI (74), slugging percentage (.591), OPS (1.025), extra base hits (38) and total bases (163).

## UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS (ALL TIMES EASTERN) – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Saturday, July 20 7:05 p.m. LHP Parker Messick (2-1, 3.44 ERA)

Sunday, July 21 1:05 p.m. LHP Ryan Webb (3-6, 2.88 ERA)

Tues, July 23 12:05 p.m. TBA

**RubberDucks host Flying Squirrels:** Akron and Richmond will face off for the third of four series this season and the second series at Canal Park. Akron is 8-4 against Richmond this season and 5-1 at Canal Park. Top prospects in this series include:

**Guardians (MLB.com):** #15 OF **Petey Halpin**, #21 LHP **Parker Messick**, #27 IF **CJ Kayfus**, #28 IF **Dayan Frias**

**Giants (MLB.com):** #12 RHP **Trevor McDonald**, #19 OF **Victor Bericoto**, #26 OF **Jairo Pomares**

**Why White French?:** The Akron RubberDucks will become the Akron White French for one-night only on July 19. White French salad dressing is believed to be invented in Akron and is the Rubber City's favorite lettuce leaves topper. Papa Joe's restaurant (owned and operated by the Iacomini family for generations) sells the iconic dressing in their restaurant and store.

**Start me up:** The RubberDucks starting pitchers have been some of the best in the Eastern League this season. Ducks starters have struck out 405 (third most in EL) while working to a 3.08 ERA (best in EL).

**Bracho's best:** **Aaron Bracho** has been on fire since coming off the injured list. Bracho has played in 13 games batting .382/.414/.564 with five doubles, one triple, one home run and eight RBI. His 21 hits are most on the RubberDucks during the second half of the season.

**End Game:** **Lenny Torres Jr.** and **Jack Leftwich** have been two of the best in the Eastern League at closing games. Torres Jr. is tied fourth in the Eastern League with seven saves while Leftwich has picked up seven in his first season as a reliever. Combined the two are 14 of 17 in save opportunities this season.

**Former RubberDucks make MLB debuts:** **Rouglas Odor** (Akron manager 2019-2023) and **Brad Goldberg** (Akron pitching coach 2023) each made their MLB coaching debuts on Opening Day 2024. **Cade Smith** (2022-23) made his MLB debut on March 30 for the Guardians striking out five over two scoreless innings against the A's. **Chris Roller** (2021-22) made his MLB debut for the Milwaukee Brewers on May 15. **Johnathan Rodriguez** (2022-23) made his MLB debut for the Guardians on May 21 against the Mets. **Trenton Brooks** (2019, 2021) made his MLB debut for the San Francisco Giants on May 28. **Daniel Schneemann** (2021-22) made his MLB debut for the Guardians on June 2 against the Nationals. **Angel Martinez** (2022-23) made his MLB debut for Guardians on June 22 against the Blue Jays. **Jhonkensy Noel** (2022) made his MLB for Cleveland on June 27 against Baltimore.

vs Richmond RHP Will Bednar (0-0, 3.60 ERA)

vs Richmond RHP Trevor McDonald (0-2, 4.00 ERA)

vs Bowie TBA



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# RUBBERDUCKS STARTING PITCHER

## #47 Austin Peterson...RHP, 6-6, 234, Age 24 (9/19/99), Resides: Chesterton, IN

Acquired: 9th Round selection (271 overall) in 2022 MLB Draft out of the University of Connecticut

Twitter: @APetey19

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Throws: Fastball, Slider, Curveball, Changeup

Opened the season with High-A Lake County going 7-2 with a 2.44 ERA and 87 strikeouts over 85 innings pitched (14 starts) before being promoted to Akron on June 24.

Last start with the Captains, the Indiana native went 8.2 innings in South Bend (third longest outing by a Lake County pitcher since 2005).

Led the Midwest League in strikeouts, innings pitched, WHIP, wins and starts at the time of his promotion. Only pitcher in MiLB or MLB with 85+ strikeouts and 6 or less walks when promoted.

Tied Captains' single-game record with 13 strikeouts at Cedar Rapids on May 29.

### 2023

- Spent the entire season with Single-A Lynchburg
- Made 24 starts going 8-8 with a 4.54 ERA and 102 strikeouts over 117.0 innings pitched.
- Ranked among the top Carolina League pitchers in starts (T1st), quality starts (4, T3rd) and innings (4th).
- Earned Carolina League Pitcher of the Week honors for the week of July 31-Aug 6 after tossing six shutout innings allowing one hit while striking out six against Delmarva.

### College:

- Pitched two years for UConn going 18-4 with a 3.30 ERA and 229 strikeouts (46 walks) over 190.2 innings pitched.
- Finished Huskies career fifth all time with 10.83 strikeouts per nine.
- Team Captain in 2022, won 11 games (tied for second most in school history) and struck out 147 (set single-season record).
- Outdueled ACC Pitcher of the Year Rhett Lowder to beat Wake Forest in College Park Regional and tossed 2.1 innings of relief three days later to beat Maryland and win the regional.
- Earned First Team NCBWA All-American, First Team All-Big East, First Team All-New England and Big East All-Tournament team in 2022.
- In 2021, ranked top in the Big East in ERA (2.58, 4th), innings pitched (80.1, 3rd), batting average against (.201, 5th), wins (7, 3rd) and strikeouts looking (33, 1st).
- Pitched in five games (two starts) for Wabash Valley Community College (Mount Carmel, IL) during the 2020 COVID shortened season. Struck out 29 in 20.2 innings.
- Started college career at Purdue in 2019 pitching in 25 games (one start against Ball State).
- Led Purdue freshman pitchers in strikeouts (49), innings pitched (48.0) and appearances.
- 12th in Boilermakers history with 9.19 strikeouts per nine.

### High School:

- Played high school baseball and basketball at Chesterton High School in Chesterton, IN.
- Finished high school career with a 0.80 ERA and 277 strikeouts.
- CHS Male Athlete of the Year as a senior, Region Player of the Year as a sophomore, three-year all conference, all area and team MVP.
- Two-time Duneland Athletic Conference Pitcher of the Year.
- On the basketball court, was a two-time all-conference, all-area and team MVP.
- Won a Marucci World Series championship with Indiana Prospect travel ball team and helped CHS win a pair of regional titles plus the 2017 Duneland Athletic conference.

### Austin Peterson-- 2024 Game Log

Date	GM #	Team	Opp	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S	Akron Result
4/6/24	2	LC	WM	1	0	1.80	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	9	0.80	.167	18	1	0	0	19	69 - 49	
4/13/24	2	LC	@FW	0	1	2.70	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	6	2	2	0	0	0	0	8	1.00	.231	21	0	0	0	21	76 - 54	
4/18/24		LC	LAN	1	0	3.60	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0	6	3	3	1	0	0	0	3	1.07	.254	20	0	0	1	20	82 - 56	
4/24/24		LC	@WM	1	0	3.43	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	5	2	2	0	0	1	0	7	1.05	.247	22	0	0	1	23	80 - 57	
4/30/24		LC	FW	0	0	2.51	1	1	0	0	0	0	7.2	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	6	0.94	.229	24	0	0	2	26	86 - 67	
April		LC		3	1	2.51	5	5	0	0	0	0	28.2	24	8	8	1	1	3	0	33	0.94	.229	105	1	0	4	109	393 - 283	
5/5/24		LC	FW	1	0	2.08	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.87	.216	20	0	0	1	20	64 - 48	
5/11/24		LC	DAY	1	0	2.38	1	1	0	0	0	0	7.0	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	5	0.82	.207	25	1	0	0	25	89 - 64	
5/17/24		LC	@LAN	0	1	3.65	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.2	10	7	7	0	0	0	0	1	0.99	.244	18	0	0	0	18	57 - 44	
5/23/24		LC	WM	0	0	3.12	1	1	0	0	0	0	7.2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0.90	.227	26	1	0	0	26	87 - 60	
5/29/24		LC	@CR	1	0	3.05	1	1	0	0	0	0	7.0	4	2	2	1	0	0	0	13	0.86	.219	25	0	0	0	25	92 - 69	
May		LC		3	1	3.56	5	5	0	0	0	0	30.1	24	12	12	1	0	0	0	30	0.79	.211	114	2	0	1	114	389 - 285	
6/5/24		LC	@BEL	0	0	2.92	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.2	5	2	1	0	1	3	0	8	0.91	.220	22	0	0	0	26	92 - 58	
6/11/24		LC	FW	0	0	2.69	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0.90	.219	19	0	0	0	19	90 - 57	
6/16/24		LC	FW	0	0	2.48	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.88	.216	23	0	0	0	23	79 - 53	
6/22/24		LC	@SB	1	0	2.44	1	1	0	0	0	0	8.2	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	5	0.84	.208	29	0	0	0	30	94 - 64	
6/28/24		AKR	@ALT	1	0	3.00	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	10	0.50	.143	21	0	0	0	21	82 - 56	W, 4-2
June		AKR		1	0	3.00	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	10	0.50	.143	21	0	0	0	21	82 - 56	
June		LC		1	0	1.04	4	4	0	0	0	0	26.0	17	6	3	1	2	3	0	24	0.77	.183	93	0	0	0	98	355 - 232	
7/3/24		AKR	ERI	1	0	1.38	1	1	0	0	0	0	7.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.31	.095	21	0	0	1	21	79 - 54	W, 9-1
7/10/24		AKR	@REA	1	0	1.93	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.2	1	2	2	0	1	3	0	5	0.43	.083	18	0	0	0	22	83 - 50	W, 6-3
July		AKR		2	0	1.42	2	2	0	0	0	0	12.2	2	2	2	0	1	3	0	10	0.39	.051	39	0	0	1	43	162 - 104	
Total		AKR	AA	3	0	1.93	3	3	0	0	0	0	18.2	5	4	4	1	1	3	0	20	0.43	.083	60	0	0	1	64	244 - 160	
Total		LC	A+	7	2	2.44	14	14	0	0	0	0	85.0	65	26	23	3	3	6	0	87	0.84	.208	312	3	0	5	321	1137 - 800	
Total		2 Teams	Minors	10	2	2.34	17	17	0	0	0	0	103.2	70	30	27	4	4	9	0	107	0.76	.188	372	3	0	6	385	1381 - 960	

### Austin Peterson - Pitching - Career - Regular Season

Season	Level	League	Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WHIP	AVG	AB	WP	BK	GIDP	TBF	NP-S
2023	A	CAR	LYN	6	8	4.54	24	24	0	0	0	0	117.0	133	68	59	12	6	27	0	102	1.37	.286	465	3	2	7	502	1819 - 1219
2024	A+	MID	LC	7	2	2.44	14	14	0	0	0	0	85.0	65	26	23	3	3	6	0	87	0.84	.208	312	3	0	5	321	1137 - 800
2024	AA	EAS	AKR	3	0	1.93	3	3	0	0	0	0	18.2	5	4	4	1	1	3	0	20	0.43	.083	60	0	0	1	64	244 - 160
2024	Minors	2 Leagues	2 Teams	10	2	2.34	17	17	0	0	0	0	103.2	70	30	27	4	4	9	0	107	0.76	.188	372	3	0	6	385	1381 - 960
Career	AA	EAS	AKR	3	0	1.93	3	3	0	0	0	0	18.2	5	4	4	1	1	3	0	20	0.43	.083	60	0	0	1	64	244 - 160
Career	A+	MID	LC	7	2	2.44	14	14	0	0	0	0	85.0	65	26	23	3	3	6	0	87	0.84	.208	312	3	0	5	321	1137 - 800
Career	A	CAR	LYN	6	8	4.54	24	24	0	0	0	0	117.0	133	68	59	12	6	27	0	102	1.37	.286	465	3	2	7	502	1819 - 1219
Career	Minors	3 Leagues	3 Teams	16	10	3.51	41	41	0	0	0	0	220.2	203	98	86	16	10	36	0	209	1.08	.243	837	6	2	13	887	3200 - 2179

Highs	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	SO	WP	BK	TBF	NP
Season	8.2 (6/22ASB)	10 (5/17@LAN)	7 (5/17@LAN)	7 (5/17@LAN)	1 (multiple)	1 (multiple)	3 (multiple)	0	13 (5/29@CR)	1 (multiple)	0 (multiple)	30 (6/22@SB)	94 (6/22@SB)
Career	8.2 (6/22/24)	12 (6/11/23)	9 (7/15/23)	9 (7/15/23)	2 (multiple)	3 (7/15/23)	3 (multiple)	0	13 (5/29/24)	1 (multiple)	1 (multiple)	30 (6/22/24)	94 (6/22/24)

## 2024 RUBBERDUCKS FIELD STAFF

**#26 Manager Greg DiCenzo** enters his fourth season with the Guardians organization. The 2024 season will be DiCenzo's first as RubberDucks manager, and third as a manager in the Guardians organization. He becomes the 19th manager in Akron franchise history (since 1989).

Prior to becoming Triple-A Columbus' bench coach in 2023, DiCenzo spent the 2021 and 2022 seasons as the manager in High-A Lake County. He guided the Captains to a 141-108 record in his two seasons including a Midwest League finals appearance in 2022.

A native of Duxbury, MA, DiCenzo was the head baseball coach at Holy Cross for 12 seasons prior to joining the Cleveland organization. The Crusaders went 137-109 in Patriot League play during his tenure, including a 2017 Patriot League Championship, and posted 20-win seasons in 10 of those 12 years.

**#38 Hitting Coach Jordan Becker** enters his fifth season with the Guardians and first with the RubberDucks. In 2023, Becker served as the hitting coach for Lake County.

Becker joined the Cleveland organization in 2019 after a collegiate coaching career that saw stops at Riverside Community College and New Mexico State University.

**#50 Assistant Hitting Coach Amanda Kamekona** enters her second year with the Guardians organization and first season with [Akron](#). Kamekona spent 2023 as the hitting development coach on the Arizona Complex Academy staff.

Kamekona is the first female on-the-field coach in RubberDucks history. She played professional softball on the PFX Tour from 2010-2011 and the NPF tour from 2011-2019 where she was a three-time National Champion. Kamekona started her coaching career as an assistant softball coach at Limestone College before becoming the head softball coach at Brevard College. She also has head coaching stops at Bishop Amat High School and CA Bombers Fastpitch.

**Pitching Coach Cody Buckel** enters his sixth season in the Guardians organization and first season with the RubberDucks. Prior to coming to Akron, Buckel was the pitching strategist for the Columbus Clippers for the 2022 and 2023 seasons.

After starting his coaching career as a pitching coach in the Seattle Mariners organization, Buckel has spent time in the both the dugout and front office for Cleveland serving as the pitching resource coordinator and assistant director of pitching development before joining the Clippers field staff in 2022.

**#32 Assistant Pitching Coach Michael Poole** enters his second season in the Guardians organization and first season with the RubberDucks. Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Poole was the pitching development coach on the Arizona Complex Academy staff.

A native of Akron, Poole played at Cuyahoga Community College and Lake Erie College before starting his coaching career at Inspiration Academy (FL) in 2019. Poole was an assistant coach at LSU-Eunice for the Bengals D2 JUCO World Series Championship season in 2021.

**#28 Bench Coach Kyle Lindquist** enters his fifth season in the Guardians organization and first season in Akron. Prior to coming to Akron, Lindquist spent 2023 as the bench coach for Lake County.

A native of Columbus, Lindquist played at Marietta College (Ohio) and was a three-time All-OAC selection, 2012 All-American and member of the back-to-back National Championship teams in 2011 and 2012. After starting his coaching career at Marietta, Lindquist spent five seasons as an assistant coach at Denison University and one season at Davidson before joining the Cleveland organization.

**#45 Bullpen Coach Seth Caddell** enters his first season as a coach in the Guardians organization after spending the last three seasons as a catcher in the Cleveland organization. Signed out of East Carolina, Caddell last played for the RubberDucks in 2023.

**Athletic Trainer Derrik Diaz** enters his seventh season in the Guardians organization and first season with the RubberDucks. Prior to coming to Akron, Diaz served as the head athletic trainer for the Dominican Republic Complex in 2023. Named the 2021 PBATS Athletic Trainer of the Year for the Dominican Summer League. Also serves as the Assistant DR Medical Coordinator.

**Assistant Athletic Trainer Karina Gonzalez** enters her second season in the Guardians organization and first season in [Akron](#). Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Gonzalez served as an athletic trainer at the Arizona Complex. Gonzalez graduated from Sonoma State University (CA) in 2012 with a degree in kinesiology and earned a Master's degree in athletic training from Thomas Jefferson University (PA) in 2020. She earned a doctorate in athletic training from Indiana State University in 2022.

**Strength and Conditioning Coach Mo Cuevas** enters his ninth season with the Guardians organization and second season in Akron. Prior to joining the RubberDucks, Cuevas served as the rehab strength and conditioning coach in 2022. Earned a Bachelors and Master's degree in Exercise Science at East Stroudsburg University.

**Tech Assistant Henry Haracz** enters his first season in Akron after spending last season in Lake County.

### We Are the RubberDucks

On October 29, 2013, team owner **Ken Babby** and general manager **Jim Pfander** stood before a capacity audience at the Akron Civic Theater and announced that the team would be known henceforth as the **Akron RubberDucks**. In addition to being symbolic of the fun, family-friendly brand of entertainment offered by minor league baseball, the name also honors Akron's long history as the "**Rubber Capital of the World.**" Brandiose Marketing of San Diego, California designed the team logo, colors, and various marks and insignias. Please note that for print coverage, *RubberDucks* is spelled as one word with a capital "D." In broadcast coverage, referring to the team as "*the 'Ducks*" is an acceptable variation of the team's nickname.

**#7 AARON BRACHO** IF, L/R **El Tigre, VZ**  
**Twitter:** @aaronbracho3 **IG:** @aaronbracho3 **2017 FA**  
**Last** (7/14@REA) 2-5, 2r, d, hr, 3bi, k **Streak** +10 (16-41,7r,4d,hr,7bi,2bb,5k)  
**Series** 10-25, 5r, 3d, hr, 7bi, bb, 4k **'24 Long Hit** 10 (7/3-14) - active  
**ERI series** 6-20, 2r, d, 2bb, k **'24 Long OBS** 13 (6/28-7/14) - active  
**'24/Career High:** 3/5 H, 2/2 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 3/5 RBI, 1/1 SB

**4-yr MiLB Totals thru '23:** 292 g, .217, 41 hr, 153 rbi, 9 sb, .711 ops

On injured list from June 18-27 with right hamstring strain.

**2023 Highlights:**

- Career highs in games (104), hits (90), doubles (14), homers (18) and RBI (59)... hit .245 with 3 stolen bases and .781 OPS.
- Career switch hitter until early in season...batted only left-handed from April 12 on.
- Eastern League Player of the Week for Week 17 (12-24, 2D, T, HR, 7RBI) vs Erie.
- 2022:** With High-A Lake County, posted then career highs in games (80), hits (48), doubles (13), and RBI (45), while hitting .184 with 8 HR, .605 OPS.
- **2021:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 15 prospect (MLB.com)...Played 70 games for High-A Lake County (.174, 9 doubles, 7 HR, 27 RBI, .568 OPS).
- **2020:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 9 prospect (MLB.com)...Was Cleveland's youngest player (19) participating in the Alternate Training Site at Lake County.
- **2019:** Played 30 games in pro debut with AZL affiliate (.296, 6 HR, 29 RBI, .593 SLG, 1.009 OPS)...Missed a month with an oblique injury...played 8 games with short-season Mahoning Valley (6-for-27, 2 HR, 4 RBI, .825 OPS).
- **2018:** Fractured his right arm in May that postponed his professional debut.
- **2017:** Ranked among top 30 international prospects (MLB.com)...Reportedly received the largest signing bonus in Cleveland's international class (\$1.5 million).

**#29 JOE DONOVAN** C, R/R **Michigan**  
**Twitter:** @yoyodanovan **IG:** @yoyodanovan **2020 FA**  
**Last** (7/12@REA) 1-5, r, 3k **Streak** +2 (2-9, 2r, d, 5k)  
**Series** 2-9, 2r, d, 5k **'24 Long Hit** 2 (7/10-12) - active  
**ERI series** 1-7, 2k **'24 Long OBS** 2 (7/10-12) - active  
**'24/Career High:** 1/4 H, 1/4 R, 1/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 0/1 HR, 0/4 RBI, 0/1 SB

**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23:** 166 g, .214, 15 hr, 64 rbi, 5 sb, .669 ops

- Opened the season with Triple-A Columbus playing in one game...Transferred to Akron on 7/1.
- **2023:** Opened season with High-A Lake County...Transferred to Triple-A Columbus in mid-April appeared in one game for Clippers going 2-5 with a run... Transferred back to Lake County where he played in a total of 51 games (.241, 10D, 5HR, 24RBI)... Transferred to Akron on Aug. 8....Played in 13 games with Akron batting .289 with three doubles, a triple and five RBI.
- **2022:** Played 58 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.200, 10D, 6HR, 33RBI, 2SB).
- **2021:** Played 43 games for High-A Lake County (.165, 3D, 4HR, 7RBI, 3SB).
- **2020:** Signed as a Non-Drafted Free Agent with Cleveland out of Michigan.
- **College:** Attended Michigan...Started 14 of 15 games behind the plate during COVID shortened 2020 season...All-Big Ten Third Team selection as a sophomore after playing 63 games with a .421 slugging average and .314 on-base percentage...Homered and scored twice in the CWS Finals opener against Vanderbilt in 2019...Played in 14 games as a freshman batting .250 with .333 on-base percentage.
- **High School/Family:** Drafted by the Cubs in the 2017 MLB Draft (did not sign)...Attended Westmont High School (IL). Holds 47 career and singles season records at Westmont. Ranks top five Illinois High School baseball history in hits, doubles, runs scored; tied 10<sup>th</sup> in homers; 13<sup>th</sup> in RBI...Rawlings-Perfect Game Honorable mention All-American Central-All Region 1<sup>st</sup> Team...Won DuPage County Triple Crown in 2017 with 16HR, .523 BA and 49 RBI...Winningest Player in Westmont High School History...Father Jim played baseball at University of Illinois...Mother Karen swam for Northern Illinois University...Older brother Charlie was a star baseball recruit who committed to Michigan but passed away before enrolling ([Joe wore 0 in high school and college to honor Charlie](#)).

**#13 DAYAN FRÍAS** IF, S/R **Cartagena, Colombia**  
**Twitter:** @FriasDayan **IG:** @dayanfrías\_77 **2018 (FA)**  
**Last** (7/14@REA) 0-1, k **Streak** -2 (0-4, 2k)  
**Series** 5-23, 3r, d, 3bi, 6k, sb, cs **'24 Long Hit** 8 (5/17-28)  
**ERI series** 3-16, 2r, 2d, 4bb, 7k, hp **'24 Long OBS** 12 (5/17-6/1)  
**'24/Career High:** 3/4 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 4/4 RBI, 1/3 SB

**4-yr MiLB Totals thru '23:** 302 g, .255, 21 hr, 134 rbi, 29 sb, .746 ops

- Enters the season ranked as the Guardians #19/#30 prospect (Keith Law/MLB.com).
- First RubberDucks batter since Bo Naylor in 2021 to have multiple grand slams in a season.
- 2023 Highlights:**
- Spent season with High-A Lake County batting .260/.356/.426 with a career-high 11 home runs and 49 RBI...Earned Midwest League Player of the Week honors after recording 10 hits, one home run and seven RBI during the Week of 7/18-23
- Played in all four games for Team Colombia in the World Baseball Classic going 3-for-13 with two RBI.
- 2022:** Played a career-high 120 games for Single-A Lynchburg batting .239/.344/.330 with six home runs and 46 RBI. Recorded a career-high 106 hits.
- **2021:** Played 42 games with ACL affiliate batting .322/.420/.520 with four home runs and 28 RBI...Named ACL Post-Season All-Star.
- **2019:** Played 40 games for DSL affiliate batting .216 with 15 RBI, 37 walks and 10 steals.
- **2018:** Signed by Cleveland during the 2018-19 International Signing Period on 7/2/18) in the same class as former RubberDucks Angel Martinez and Gabriel Rodriguez.
- Personal:** [Trained](#) by his father David and former MLB infielder Orlando Cabrera.

**#16 PETEY HALPIN** OF, L/R **Mira Costa (CA) HS**  
**Twitter:** @peteyhalpin **IG:** @peteyhalpin **2020 (3rd round)**  
**Last** (7/14@REA) 0-4, r, bb, 3k **Streak** -2 (0-8, r, bb, 4k)  
**Series** 6-21, 5r, 2hr, 4bi, 4bb, 7k, cs **'24 Long Hit** 11 (4/30-5/14)  
**ERI series** 5-20,3r,d,hr,5bi,8k,sac,2sf **'24 Long OBS** 17 (4/30-6/5)  
**'24/Career High:** 3/4 H, 3/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 3/3 RBI, 1/2 SB

**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23:** 272 g, .261, 16 hr, 92 rbi, 39 sb, .723 ops

- Entered the season ranked as Cleveland's No. 16 prospect (MLB.com).
- Played in 14 Guardians Spring Training games (3-for-19 with a triple).
- Started in center for the Guardians Spring Breakout team going 1-for-3 with a run scored, RBI, stolen base and sac-fly in Cleveland's 6-2 win.
- 2023 Highlights:**
- Played in 113 games for Akron batting .243/.312/.372 with nine home runs and 38 RBI...Lead the team in games played (113), hits (110), doubles (23), and tied for the team lead in runs scored (55) and triples (4).
- Entered the season ranked as Cleveland's No. 17 prospect (MLB.com).
- Played in six Guardians Spring Training games (2-for-10, double, 2 R, 3 RBI, 3 BB).
- **2022:** Played 105 games with High-A Lake County...hit .262, 6 HR, 36 RBI, .346 OBP, .385 SLG, 68 runs (T-6th in MWL)...Led team with 4 triples, tied team leads with 100 hits and 21 doubles...One of the youngest regulars in the Midwest League (turned 20 in May)...Reached base in 30 straight games June 24-Aug. 10, second-longest in the league...Played 60 straight errorless games April 14-July 4
- **2021:** Made pro debut with 54 games for Single-A Lynchburg...Hit .294 with 1 HR, 18 RBI, 34 runs, 14 doubles, six triples (T-4th in Low-A East), .363 OBP, .425 SLG.
- **2020:** Signed with Cleveland...had been committed to Texas for college.
- **High School:** Attended Mira Costa High School (Manhattan Beach, CA)...Played in the inaugural Prospect Development Pipeline League in 2019, leading the showcase with eight runs and six steals in nine games...Competed in the inaugural High School MLB All-Star Game in Cleveland in 2019...Native of San Mateo, CA.

**#9 KODY HUFF** C, R/R **Stanford**  
**Twitter:** @kodyhuff2 **IG:** @kodyhuff2 **2023 (Trade)**  
**Last** (7/14@REA) 1-3, r, hr, 2bi, bb **Streak** +3 (4-9, r, 2d, hr, 3bi, 4bb, k)  
**Series** 8-15, 2r, 3d, hr, 4bi, 4bb, k, 2sb **'24 Long Hit** 4 (multiple)  
**ERI series** 5-17, 2r, t, bi, 3bb, 6k, sf **'24 Long OBS** 4 (multiple)  
**'24/Career High:** 4/5 H, 1/3 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/1 HR, 2/5 RBI, 1/1 SB

**2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23:** 95 g, .254, 5 hr, 41 rbi, 3 sb, .716 ops

- 2023 Highlights:**
- Acquired by Cleveland on 11/17/23 from Colorado in exchange for RHP Cal Quantrill.
- Played in 86 games for High-A Fresno batting .262 with five home runs, 14 doubles, 36 RBI...Committed just four errors and caught 29 runners stealing (third most among California League catchers) in 82 games (76 starts)...Went 5-for-6 with a run scored and two RBI on 4/7/23 against San Jose...Named 2023 California League Defensive Catcher of the Year by Baseball America.
- **2022:** Made professional debut playing nine games for Rockies ACL affiliate going 4-for-25 with five RBI...Selected by the Rockies in the seventh round (206 overall) out of Stanford after batting .284 with 18 home runs and 88 RBI in three seasons for the Cardinal.
- **College:** Member of the 2022 PAC-12 championship team...All PAC-12 First Team in 2022 after batting .315 with 21 doubles, 13 home runs and 51 RBI in 65 games (started 64 at catcher)...Two-time CoSIDA Academic All-District (2021-22)...Two-time PAC-12 Academic Honor Roll (2021-22)...Went 3-for-4 with a grand slam, double and five RBI in Stanford's Super Regional clinching win over UConn (6/13/22)...Hit .333 with nine runs scored, two homers and 10 RBI in the 2022 postseason...Hit a pair of grand slams vs UC Irvine on 6/5/21.
- **High School:** Drafted in 32nd round out of high school in 2019 by the Tampa Bay Rays (did not sign)...Attended Horizon High School in Scottsdale, Arizona...Member of the 2019 5A State Champions and 2019 Arizona Central/Arizona Republic Team of the Year...2019 Arizona Central/Arizona Republic Player of the Year
- **Family:** Father, Tim Huff, pitched in the Toronto Blue Jays organization for two seasons. Uncle, Ken Huff, played two seasons in the Minnesota Twins and Arizona Diamondbacks organizations. Uncle, Kevin Huff, played college baseball at the University of Arizona. Aunt, Laura Huff, played college volleyball and softball at Grand Canyon.

**#12 CJ KAYFUS** 1B, L/L Miami (FL)  
 Twitter: @CJK\_3121 IG: @cckayfus 2023 (3rd round)  
 Last (7/14@REA) 2-5, r, d, 2k **Streak +2** (3-9, r, d, 3k)  
 Series 8-27, 8r, d, t, 2hr, 9bi,4bb,9k,hp **'24 Long Hit** 8 (5/21-30)  
 ERI series 5-20, 3r, t, 5bi, 6bb, 6k, hp **'24 Long OBS** 20 (5/17-6/12)  
**'24/Career High: 4/4 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 2/2 HR, 6/6 RBI, 1/1 SB**

**1-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 17 g, .271, 4 hr, 19 rbi, 5 sb, .971 ops**  
 • Promoted to Akron on June 3...Played in 40 games for Lake County batting .338 with seven home runs, 12 doubles and 37 RBI.

• Tied an Akron single-game record by walking four times on 7/1 against Erie.

**2023 Highlights:**

- Made professional debut playing in 17 games for Single-A Lynchburg batting .271 with four doubles, four home runs and 19 RBI.
- Reached base in 14 of 17 games.
- Recorded a hit in four of his last five games (.533 with two home runs, 11 RBI, four runs scored and five walks).
- Drafted in the 3rd round (93 overall) in the 2023 MLB Draft out of Miami (FL).
- **College:** College teammate at Miami of former RubberDucks pitcher Andrew Walters...Batted .350 with 24 home runs and 98 RBI in 162 games for the Hurricanes...Earned Second Team All-ACC honors in final two years at Miami...In 2023, finished 13<sup>th</sup> in the ACC in OBP (.464), 14<sup>th</sup> in runs scored (61) and 17<sup>th</sup> in batting average (.347)...Hurricanes Team MVP and All-ACC academic team in 2022...Reached base in 60 of 62 games for Miami...Played in 29 games for the Cotuit Kettleers of the Cape Cod league in 2022 batting .302 with one home run, two doubles and 14 RBI...Named CCBL All-Star in 2022
- **High School:** Four-year varsity letterman playing final three seasons at Palm Beach Central after beginning high school career at Cherry Creek...Batted .556 as a senior.

**#10 CONNOR KOKX** OF, R/R Long Beach State  
 Twitter: @connorkokx IG: @connorkokx 2021 (12th round)

Last (7/13@REA) 0-2 **Streak -1** (0-2)  
 Series 4-10, 2r, cs **'24 Long Hit** 2 (5/10-15)  
 ERI series 2-8, 3r, bi, bb, 3k, 3sb **'24 Long OBS** 5 (5/7-15)  
**'24/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/3 R, 1/1 2B, 0/1 3B, 0/1 HR, 2/3 RBI, 2/5 SB**

**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 207 g, .231, 11 hr, 54 rbi, 46 sb, .693 ops**  
 • Opened the season on the Development List until May 2.

**2023 Highlights:**

- Finished the season batting .228 with three home runs, 22 RBI and 29 stolen bases (team high) in 104 games for Akron.
- Stole an Akron single-game franchise record five bases on Aug. 6 against Somerset, including swiping second, third and home in the seventh inning.
- Played in eight Guardians Spring Training games (3-for-10, double, 4 R, RBI, BB).
- **2022: Played 88 games with High-A Lake County...hit .234 with 7 HR, 28 RBI, 50 runs, 11 doubles, two triples, .350 OBP, .366 SLG...1 error all season, no errors in last 65 G.**
- Played for Peoria in the Arizona Fall League (18 G, .283, 3 doubles, 0 HR, 6 RBI).
- **2021:** Pro debut with ACL affiliate (15 G, .238, HR, 4 RBI, .429 OBP)
- **College:** Drafted after his third-year redshirt freshman season at Long Beach State (injury-shortened 2019, COVID-shortened 2020)...Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-American who led team in average (.366, program's highest since 2010), OBP (.481, program's highest since 2008), runs (37), hits (59), BB (24), HBP (16) and SB (14), T-1st in total bases (92)... Named a 2021 All-Big West First Team member.
- **High School:** Attended Aliso Niguel High School...Started 120 games over four years, starting at seven positions in high school (all except P & 1B)...Set school records for HBP (20) and SB (23) as a senior.

**#4 JOE LAMPE** OF, L/R Arizona State  
 Twitter: @joelampe5 IG: @joelampe5 2022 (3rd round)

Last (7/19@REA) 0-5, k **Streak -2** (0-8, bb, k)  
 Series 6-22, 4r, t, 2bi, 2bb, 3k, 3sb, cs **'24 Long Hit** 8 (6/15-26)  
 ERI series 4-17,3r,2hr,2bi,4bb,2k,sb **'24 Long OBS** 16 (6/5-26)  
**'24/Career High: 3/4 H, 3/3 R, 2/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 1/2 HR, 2/5 RBI, 1/2 SB**

**2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 114 g, .231, 5 hr, 51 rbi, 21 sb, .658 ops**

**2023 Highlights:**

- Played in 111 games for High-A Lake County batting .235 with five home runs, 17 doubles, 50 RBI and 21 stolen bases...Went 4-for-4 with two home runs and five RBI against West Michigan on 5/23/23.
- **2022:** Made professional debut playing three games for Single-A Lynchburg going 1-for-10 with a RBI...Selected by the Guardians in the third round (92 overall) out of Arizona State after batting .321 with 15 home runs and 68 RBI in two seasons for the Sun Devils.
- **College:** Earned Perfect Game Third-Team All-American honors for the 2022 season after batting .340 with 37 extra-base hits and 41 RBI...Earned Pac-12 All-Defensive Team honors in 2021 after not committing an error in PAC-12 games all season in center field...Sun Devils best hitter with a runner on third and less than two outs in 2021 with 13 RBI and a .684 average in 19 chances...Teammate at Arizona State with RubberDucks pitcher Tyler Thornton...Started college career at San Rosa College batting .424 with eight triples, seven doubles, a home run, 25 RBI and 17 steals.
- **High School:** Played 65 games for Casa Grande High School in California batting .342 with 44 RBI and 57 runs scored...Recorded more walks than strikeouts each year.

**#33 ALEXFRI PLANEZ** OF, R/R Caracas, VZ  
 Twitter: IG: @ajplanez33 2017 FA

Last (7/14@REA) 1-5, r, bi, k **Streak +1** (1-5, r, bi, k)  
 Series 9-28, 6r, 2d, hr, 5bi, bb, 7k, hp **'24 Long Hit** 9 (6/1-12)  
 ERI series 3-21, r, 2d, hr, 4bi, 10k **'24 Long OBS** 9 (6/1-12)  
**'24/Career High: 4/4 H, 3/4 R, 2/2 2B, 1/2 3B, 2/2 HR, 4/5 RBI, 2/2 SB**

**5-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 266 g, .265, 45 hr, 160 rbi, 23 sb, .771 ops**

**2023 Highlights:**

- Played 23 games for Leones Del Caracas in winter ball going 3-for-31 with one home run, one double and three RBI.
- Opened season on injured list with ankle injury...Activated on June 2...Played seven games for Akron batting .261 with two doubles and one RBI...Placed on injured list on July 1 with a season ending foot fracture.
- **2022:** Played in 89 games with Lake County (High-A) batting .251 with 19 HR, 63 RBI and .766 OPS...5th in Midwest League in HR (19; 5th most in organization as well), slugging percentage (.477), T6th in extra base hits (40).
- **2021:** Played in a career-high 103 games with Low-A Lynchburg (.264, 16 HR, 53 RBI, .755 OPS)...Finished T5th in Low-A East in HR (16), 7<sup>th</sup> in slugging percentage (.462), T6th in hits (103), 2<sup>nd</sup> in total bases (180) and T5th in extra base hits (40)...16 homers and 180 total bases each ranked fifth in the system.
- **2019:** Played in six games with AZL Cleveland Blue (.333, 1 HR, 3 RBI).
- **2018:** Made pro debut with DSL Cleveland. Appeared in 61 games batting .279 with 9 HR and 40 RBI.

**#49 GABRIEL RODRÍGUEZ** IF, R/R El Tejero, Monagas, VZ  
 Twitter: @Eldetejero IG: @gabrielrodriguez\_oficial 2018 FA

Last (7/14@REA) 0-3, k **Streak -5** (0-15, r, 6k)  
 Series 0-7, r, 3k **'24 Long Hit** 2 (6/23-25)  
 ERI series 0-4, 2k **'24 Long OBS** 2 (6/23-25)  
**'24/Career High: 2/4 H, 0/4 R, 1/2 2B, 0/1 3B, 0/1 HR, 1/4 RBI, 0/2 SB**

**4-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 325 g, .235, 19 hr, 134 rbi, 13 sb, .660 ops**

Opened the season in Extended Spring before being transferred to Akron and being placed on development list on May 6...Activated from Dev. List on June 19.

- **2023:** Played in 78 games with Akron batting .194 with eight doubles, four homers, two triples and 23 RBI.

**2022 Highlights:**

- Entered season ranked as Cleveland's No. 21/30 prospect (*Baseball America*/MLB.com)
- In 94 games for High-A Lake County, had career highs in average (.272, fifth in Midwest League), HR (9), SLG (.416, second on team), runs (45), and OPS (.759)...had 15 doubles, 2 triples, 38 RBI, .343 OBP.
- Did not play after Aug. 27 (shoulder surgery for a torn right labrum).
- **2021:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 15 prospect (MLB.com)...Played 97 games for Single-A Lynchburg (.236, 3 HR, 34 RBI, 18 doubles, .602 OPS).
- **2019:** Ranked Cleveland's No. 10 prospect (MLB.com & *Baseball America*)...Played 56 games for rookie affiliates (38 G in DSL, 18 G in AZL), totaling .231 average, 3 HR, 39 RBI, .682 OPS.
- **2018:** Signed with Cleveland as a 16-year-old in July, reportedly for franchise-record bonus for an international position player (\$2.1 million).

**#11 MILAN TOLENTINO** IF, L/R Santa Margarita Catholic (CA) HS  
 Twitter: @milantolentino IG: @milantolentino 2020 (4th round)

Last (7/14@REA) 2-2, 2bb, cs **Streak +1** (2-2, 2bb)  
 Series 6-18, 3r, 2d, 2hr, 3bi, 3bb,4k,cs **'24 Long Hit** 8 (5/12-24)  
 ERI series 7-19,3r,d,2hr,5bi,bb,4k,2sf,sb **'24 Long OBS** 8 (5/12-5/24)  
**'24/Career High: 3/4 H, 2/4 R, 2/3 2B, 1/1 3B, 2/2 HR, 2/5 RBI, 1/2 SB**

**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 260 g, .258, 16 hr, 125 rbi, 46 sb, .726 ops**

Earned MiLB Play of the Week and Play of the Month [honors](#) for sliding grab on April 23.

**2023 highlights:**

- Played 18 games for Aguilas De Mexicali in winter ball batting .357 with four doubles and one RBI.
- Promoted from Lake County to Akron on Aug. 4...Played 32 games for the RubberDucks batting .207 with four doubles, 15 runs scored and six RBI.
- Played in 67 games with the Captains (High-A) batting .260 with five home runs, 16 doubles, 25 RBI and 12 walks...Earned Midwest League Player of the Month honors for July batting .376/.398/.570 leading the league in runs (20), hits (35), total bases (53) and sac-fly (4).
- **2022:** Opened the season with Single-A Lynchburg batting .333 with one home run, 12 doubles and 26 RBI...Transferred to High-A Lake County batting .221 with three home runs, 28 RBI and 21 stolen bases in 66 games...Ranked second in the PD system in steals (29), doubles (30), fourth in OBP (.381) and walks (76).
- **2021:** Made professional debut for ACL Cleveland (32 games, .301, six HR, 31 RBI)...Finished the season with Single-A Lynchburg batting .206 with one home run, nine RBI.
- **2020:** Drafted by Cleveland in the fourth round (124th selection)...had been committed to UCLA.
- **High School:** Ranked 45<sup>th</sup> overall player in the country and sixth in CA...Attended Santa Margarita Catholic High School (CA)...Started at short in all nine games of the 2019 WBSC U-18 Baseball World Cup for Team USA finishing the tournament with eight hits, five runs scored and four RBI.
- **Personal:** Son of Jose Tolentino, who is an Angels broadcaster and was on the 1983 CWS champion Texas Longhorns before playing 15-year professional career including one year in the big leagues (1991 Houston)...Jose managed Team Mexico in the 2008 Beijing Olympics and was the first base coach and bench coach for Team Mexico in the 2006 and 2009 World Baseball Classic...Brother Patric played nine games for the Akron Aeros in 2012.

# RUBBERDUCKS HITTERS

Hitters	Pinch Hitting	Multi-Hit Games					Multi-RBI Games						Home Runs												
		T	2	3	4	5	Last	T	2	3	4	5	6	Last	T	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Leadoff	Tying	Go-ahead	Walk-off	Last	
Bracho	1-1	16	14	2			7/14@REA	10	6	4				7/14@REA	4		3	1					4		7/14@REA
Cairo	1-1	9	8	1			6/2vNH	3	3					5/28vNH	2	2									4/26@ALT
DeLauter		2	2				4/18vERI	1	1					4/16vERI	1	1									4/16vERI
Frias	0-1	8	6	2			7/11@REA	6	3		3			7/11@REA	4	1	1		2		1		2		6/22vBNG
Furman		1	1				6/9@POR	1		1				6/9@POR											
Halpin		13	9	4			7/10@REA	8	4	4				7/10@REA	8	6		2		1			4		7/10@REA
Huff	2-2	9	8		1		7/12@REA	3	3					7/14@REA	5	3	2						2		7/14@REA
Lampe	0-1, bb	13	8	4	1		7/9@REA	5	4		1			7/9@REA	4	3	1				2				7/6@ERI
Kayfus	0-1	12	9	3			7/14@REA	9	2	4	1	1	1	7/9@REA	8	2	2	3	1		1		2		7/9@REA (2)
Kokx		6	5	1			7/12@REA	1	1					5/8@BOW											
Naranjo		6	5	1			6/2vNH	2	1		1			5/29vNH	1			1					1		5/1vRIC
Planez	0-1, sf	16	10	4	2		7/12@REA	12	10	1	1			7/12@REA	11	6	4	1					4		7/9@REA
Ramirez		11	11				6/27@ALT	3	1	2				6/25@ALT	2	1		1			1				6/25@ALT
Rodriguez		1	1				6/25@ALT																		
Tolentino		18	16	2			7/14@REA	7	6	1				7/10@REA	7	4	3	1							7/10@REA
Valdes		14	11	3			7/9@REA	7	6	1				7/9@REA	1	1									7/6@ERI
Watson		11	8	3			7/9@REA	6	5	1				7/6@ERI	13	9	3	1					5		7/6@ERI
<b>Total</b>	<b>4-8,bb,sf</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>7/14@REA (3)</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7/14@REA (2)</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>24</b>		<b>7/14@REA (2)</b>	

## #1 YORDYS VALDÉS IF, S/R McArthur (FL) HS

Twitter: IG: @yordysvaldes\_7 2019 (2nd round)

Last (7/14@REA) 1-4, k Streak +6 (7-24, 4r, 2d, hr,4bi,3bb,6k)

Series 6-19, 2r, 2d, 3bi, 3bb, 5k, 2sb '24 Long Hit 10 (6/21-7/3)

ERI series 4-20, 3r, hr, 3bi, 6k, sac '24 Long OBS 13 (6/18-7/3)

'24/Career High: 3/3 H, 3/3 R, 1/2 2B, 1/1 3B, 0/1 HR, 2/3 RBI, 1/5 SB

4-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 327 g, .224, 8 hr, 121 rbi, 60 sb, .565 ops

### 2023 Highlights:

- Played in 79 games for High-A Lake County batting .236 with three home runs,15 doubles (career-high),30 RBI and 16 stolen bases.
- **2022:** Started the season with Single-A Lynchburg playing 101 games batting .243 with three home runs, 56 RBI and 13 stolen bases...Finished the season playing 11 games for High-A Lake County batting .243 with two RBI.
- **2021:** Played 93 games for Lynchburg batting .212 with 12 doubles, 22 RBI and 16 stolen bases.
- **2019:** Played 43 games for ACL affiliate batting .179 with two home runs, 11 RBI and 15 stolen bases.
- Drafted by Cleveland in the second round (63 overall) out of McArthur High School in Hollywood, FL...Played for former Major Leaguer Oddibe McDowell at McArthur High School...Born in La Habana, Cuba...Father, Oscar, played outfield for the Cuban National Team...Given the [nickname](#) "Mr. Hands" by a high school teammate because of his defensive ability.

# RUBBERDUCKS RELIEVERS 1<sup>ST</sup> BATTER 40-198 (.202), 4HR, 24BB, 57K, 2HP, 3SF 98-37 (37.8%) INH. RUNNERS SCORED

## #35 ALASKA ABNEY Twitter: @the\_knight\_30 IG: @alaskaabney\_8

RHP: FB, SL, SI vs. 1st Batter (EL): 2-6 (.333), bb, 2k, hp, sf Inherited Runners-Scored: 4-1 (25%)  
**Acquired: 15th round selection in 2021 MLB Draft out of Coastal Carolina**  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 90/0 g/gs, 8-3, 3.96 ERA, 6/10 sv, 116.0 ip, 97 k, .189, 1.17 whip**  
 Promoted to Akron on May 28...Opened season with Lake County tossing 14 games going 2-0 with a 1.08 ERA, 18 K, 1.08 WHIP over 16.2 innings.  
**2023:** Appeared in 36 games for the Captains going 1-1 with a 5.77 ERA, 57 K, 28 BB, 1.24 WHIP in 53.0 innings pitched.  
**2022:** Spent the season High-A Lake County (42 G, 7-2, 3/5 saves, 2.54 ERA, 49.2 IP, 28 BB, 58 K, 1.01 WHIP, .135 avg).  
**2021:** Made professional debut for ACL Cleveland pitching in four games (5.0 IP, 0 R, 6 K)...finished the season appearing in eight games for Single-A Lynchburg (0.82 ERA, 16 K, 11.0 IP).  
**Amateur:** Drafted in 15th round (456 overall pick) by Cleveland out of Coastal Carolina in 2021...Held opponents to a .249 batting average for his career (16th best in CCU history) and his career average of 10.98 strikeouts per 9 is third all-time in CCU history...Pitched 59 games (3 starts) at Coastal Carolina (2019-21)...Was 8-6 with a 4.86 ERA and 131 strikeouts over 107.1 innings pitched...Attended Mill Creek (GA) High School.

Recent EL Outings (3 scoreless of 9 overall) 1 straight scoreless outings (2.0 innings)									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/9	@REA	2.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
7/4	@ERI	1.2	1	1	1	2	3	0	0-0
7/1	ERI	W 2.0	1	1	0	0	3	0	0-0
6/27	@ALT	1.1	0	0	0	0	2	0	3-0
6/21	BNG	2.0	4	2	2	1	2	0	0-0

## #24 TREY BENTON Twitter: @TreyBenton12 IG: @treybenton

RHP: FB, SL, CB vs. 1st Batter (EL): 2-18 (.111), 4bb, 4k, sf Inherited Runners-Scored: 9-7 (77.8%)  
**Acquired: 15th round selection in 2019 MLB Draft out of East Carolina**  
**3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 99/0 g/gs, 4-9, 3.69 ERA, 13/19 sv, 107.1 ip, 141 k, .227, 1.64 whip**  
**2023:** Appeared in 42 games for Akron going 1-4 with a 3.83 ERA, 65 K, 30 BB, 1.70 WHIP, .267 avg in 47.0 innings pitched.  
**2022:** Split the season between Single-A Lynchburg (13 G, 1-2, 4/6 saves, 1.13 ERA, 16 IP, 6 BB, 27 K, 0.69 WHIP, .094 avg) and High-A Lake County (26 G, 2-1, 8/11 saves, 2.63 ERA, 27.1 IP, 20 BB, 25 K, 1.61 WHIP, .231 avg).  
**2021:** Appeared in 18 games for Lynchburg going 0-2 with a 7.41 ERA, 1/1 saves, 29BB, 24 K over 17 innings pitched.  
**2019:** Had reconstructive surgery on right elbow (Tommy John surgery) during junior collegiate season, before being drafted by Cleveland in the 15th round out of East Carolina...Rehabbed with the Guardians organization.  
**Amateur:** Pitched 49 games (26 starts) at East Carolina (2017-19)...Was 11-9 with a 3.72 ERA and 170 strikeouts over 164.2 innings pitched...Teammate with Gavin Williams at East Carolina (2018-19) and in summer of 2018 for the Bourne Braves in the Cape Cod League...Also a college teammate with Seth Caddell...Attended West Columbus (NC) High School.

Recent EL Outings (15 scoreless of 22 overall) 7 straight scoreless outings (10.0 innings)									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/4	@ERI	2.1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2-0
6/29	@ALT	H 1.2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
6/26	@ALT	W 2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
6/22	BNG	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0-0
6/19	BNG	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0-0

## #17 ROSS CARVER Twitter: @RossCarver11 IG: @rosscarver26

RHP: FB, CB, SL, CH vs. 1st Batter (EL): 4-17 (.235), 2bb, 4k Inherited Runners-Scored: 2-0 (0%)  
**Acquired: 2022 offseason trade**  
**2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 53/41 g/gs, 5-17, 5.49 ERA, 1 sv, 214.2 ip, 249 k, .243, 1.35 WHIP**  
 Appeared in six games (five starts) in the Arizona Fall League going 2-0 with a 4.50 ERA and 21 strikeouts over 18 innings pitched.  
**2023:** Pitched in 19 games (15 starts) for Akron going 1-5 with a 6.15 ERA, 81 K, 34 BB, 1.42 WHIP, .248 avg over 71.2 innings pitched...Struck out 12 against Erie in a start on Aug. 19.  
**2022:** Recorded 128 strikeouts in 117.1 ip, tied for the sixth most strikeouts in Arizona system...Pitched at least five innings in 12 of 15 starts for the High-A Hillsboro Hops...Named Northwest League Pitcher of the Week for his five no-hit innings for Hillsboro at Eugene on May 6...Made his Double-A debut July 31 for the Amarillo Sod Poodles vs. Corpus Christi and allowed eight runs (three home runs) in 3.1 IP...Earned wins for Amarillo on Aug. 18 at Midland (6IP, 6H, 1ER, 2BB, 2K) and Sept. 11 vs Arkansas (6IP, 3H, 1R, 1BB, 5K).  
**2021:** Began the summer with the Eau Claire of the Northwoods League (5 games) before signing with the Diamondbacks. After being drafted appeared with Single-A Visalia.  
**College:** Pitched first two seasons for Crowder (MO College)...Earned first-team All-Region honors as a sophomore when he was 8-2 in 12 starts (64.1IP, 113K). Drafted by the Texas Rangers in the 23rd round of the 2019 draft but did not sign...Pitched in 2020 and 2021 for Dallas Baptist University combined 17 relief outings (19 IP, 2-1, 4.74 ERA, 10BB, 20K, .217 avg).  
**High School:** Graduated from Benton High School (AR). Named the No. 17 overall prospect in 2017 class in the state of Arkansas by Perfect Game.

Recent EL Outings (12 scoreless of 20 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/12	@REA	2.0	3	1	0	0	3	0	0-0
7/6	@ERI	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
7/1	ERI	3.0	2	0	0	1	3	0	0-0
6/27	@ALT	2.0	1	1	1	0	3	1	0-0
6/21	BNG	2.0	3	1	1	1	1	0	0-0

## #34 BRADLEY HANNER Twitter: @Bradleyhanner3 IG: @bhanner99

RHP: FB, SI, CH, CT, SW vs. 1st Batter (EL): 3-24 (.125), d, 3bb, 4k Inherited Runners-Scored: 17-2 (11.8%)  
**Acquired: 2022 Rule 5 selection**  
**4-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 117/2 g/gs, 19-14, 4.51 ERA, 13/17 sv, 191.2 ip, 214 k, .223, 1.37 whip**  
 Appeared in 10 games in the Arizona Fall League allowing just two runs and recording two saves while striking out 16 over 11.1 innings.  
**2023:** Pitching in 41 games for Akron winning a team-best 8 games with a 2.78 ERA, 8 saves (second most), 70 K, 34 BB, .207 avg, 1.27 WHIP...Acquired by Cleveland during the Triple-A Phase of the Rule 5 Draft on 12/7/22...Appeared in 3 games during MLB Spring Training, tossing 3.1 IP with a 5.40 ERA and 4 K.  
**2022:** Pitched for Cedar Rapids (High-A)...Went 7-4 with a 4.60 ERA, 2/2 saves, 27 BB, 65 K, .216 avg, 1.24 WHIP in 39 games (1 start)...Won the Harmon Killebrew Award for outstanding minor league community service (Cedar Rapids club award) after being nominated by Cedar Rapids' general manager. Hanner participated in the Twins' organization wide Week of Service, going to a local Meals on Wheels location to assemble boxes for meals. Alongside his host family, he also brought breakfast to the elderly. The Kernels' front office also recognized he spent extra time talking to fans and signing autographs.  
**2021:** Pitched 26 games (1 start), 41.2 IP, 2-1, 7.13 ERA, 2/4 saves, 34 BB, 49 K, .278 avg, 1.90 WHIP for Single-A Fort Myers.  
**2019:** Drafted by Minnesota in the 21st round...11 games (26.2 IP) in GCL (rookie), 2-3, 1 save, 4.39 ERA, 27 BB, 30 K.  
**Amateur:** Pitched two seasons for Patrick & Henry Community College...Went 9-6 with a 3.53 ERA, 73 BB, 176 K in 27 games (24 starts) over 140.1 IP...Attended Orange County (VA) High School.

Recent EL Outings (20 scoreless of 27 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/14	@REA	L,BS 0.0	4	2	2	0	0	0	0-0
7/11	@REA	H 2.0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0-0
7/6	@ERI	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
7/2	ERI	W 2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0-0
6/29	@ALT	W 1.1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0-0

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## #48 MASON HICKMAN Twitter: @HickmanMason IG: @masonhickman

RHP: FB, CB, SL, CH vs. 1st Batter (EL) 1-2 (.500) Inherited Runners-Scored: 0-0 (-%)

Acquired: 5th round pick in 2020 MLB Draft out of Vanderbilt

3-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 84/30 g/gs, 15-18, 4.41 ERA, 6/6 sv, 224.2 ip, 284 k, .233, 1.35 whip

Spring Invitee to MLB camp appearing in four games striking out six and allowing just three home solo home runs over four innings pitched...Opened the season with Columbus appearing in 25 games going 1-4 with a 6.75 ERA, two saves and 43 K over 32 IP...Transferred to Akron on July 9.

2023: Spent entire season with Akron pitching in 35 games (career-high) out of the pen going 4-4 with a 3.95 ERA and 71 K over 54.2 IP...Finished the season on the Injured List with a right elbow strain (did not pitch after Aug. 26)...Recorded at least four outs in 22 of 35 appearances...His 11.7 SO/9.0 IP led Akron and ranked eighth in Eastern League.

2022: Pitched 19 games (10 starts) for 59.1 IP, 2-5, 2/2 saves, 4.40 ERA, 28 BB, 87 K, .235 avg, 1.37 WHIP for High-A Lake County...Transferred to Akron Aug. 16. Pitched 10 games (13.0 IP, 1-1, 4/4 saves, 2.77 ERA, 9 BB, 16 K, .196 avg, 1.38 WHIP)...Pitched 8 games (1-0, 9.2 IP, 5 ER, 6 BB, 15 K) for Peoria Javelinas (AZ Fall League) and named to Fall Stars Game.

2021: Made 20 starts for High-A Lake County...Finished T-2nd in the High-A Central in wins (8), fifth in opponents' avg (.237), eighth in IP (97.2), WHIP (1.29) and strikeouts (110)...Ranked fifth among qualifying Cleveland minor leaguers in ERA (4.88).

2020: Drafted by Cleveland in the fifth and final round of the 2020 MLB Draft.

College: Career record of 19-2 with a 3.13 ERA at Vanderbilt over 29 starts and 189.2 innings (221 SO, 10.5 SO/9.0IP, 2.9 BB/9.0IP)...Went 9-0 with a 2.05 ERA in 20 games (13 starts) as a sophomore in 2019 earned the College World Series-clinching victory over Michigan (6 IP, 1 R, 10 K)...In pandemic-shortened 2020 season, he was 2-0 with a 0.48 ERA in 3 starts (1ER/18.2IP), posting a 26-to-3 strikeout-to-walk ratio...First Team Preseason All-America by Collegiate Baseball.

High School: Attended Pope John Paul II High School (Hendersonville, TN)...2017 Tennessee Mr. Baseball finalist...Also lettered two years in basketball.

Personal: Born in Salt Lake City, UT...Hometown is Hendersonville, TN.

Recent EL Outings (1 scoreless of 2 overall) 1 straight scoreless outings (1.0 innings)									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/14	@REA	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
7/10	@REA	1.0	2	1	1	1	0	1	0-0

## #15 JACK LEFTWICH Twitter: @Jacklefty21 IG: @Jacklefty21

RHP: FB, SL, CH, CT vs. First Batter: 6-23 (.261), hr, 2bb, 10k Inherited Runners-Scored: 12-6 (50%)

Acquired: 7th round pick in 2021 MLB Draft out of Florida

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 47/29 g/gs, 14-9, 3.75, 0/0 sv, 187.1 ip, 210 k, .215, 1.05 whip

Spring Invitee to MLB camp, appeared in seven games for the Guardians during Spring Training recording a save and not allowing a run over 5.2 innings while striking out five.

2023: Pitched in 23 games (14 starts) for Akron going 6-7 with a 5.19 ERA, 70 K, 25 BB, 1.23 WHIP, .243 avg over 78 innings pitched...Earned Eastern League Pitcher of the Week honors after tossing six hitless innings against Hartford on June 3.

2022: Led Guardians minor league system in WHIP (0.91), was second in opposing average (.194), fourth in ERA (2.72) and sixth in strikeouts (140)...was one of six pitchers in MiLB with a strikeout percentage over 30% (33%) and a walk rate below 6% (5.7%). Made eight relief appearances to the start the year before his first start on May 31...Was a Full-time starter from June 11 until end of the season...Was unbeaten in his final 10 starts (July-Sept.) 49 IP, 4-0, 3.12 ERA, 14 BB, 56 K.

College: Attended University of Florida...ranked No. 86 on Baseball America's Preseason Top 150 players list in 2021...As a fourth-year junior in 2021, he ranked seventh in the SEC in opposing batting average (.208), tied ninth in ERA (3.36), and T-10 in saves (team-high five)...He went 7-4 with a 3.36 ERA in 24 games/6 starts (69.2 UP, 54H, 26ER), 22BB, 78SO)...Posted a career record of 20-14 with seven saves and a 4.25 ERA in 65 games (35 starts), 235.1 IP, 247K, 9.4K/9 IP, .233 opposing average, one career shutout...three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll, 2019-2021

Amateur: Attended TNXL Academy, a baseball academy in Ocoee, FL for his junior and senior years...As a senior, had a 0.63 ERA (45.1 IP) with just 17 hits allowed while striking out 76 batters. Ranked No. 45 in class of 2017 by Perfect Game and the No. 13 right-handed pitcher, ranked No. 7 overall in Florida and the No. 1 right-handed pitcher in Florida. Selected by the Detroit Tigers in the 39th round of the 2017 MLB Draft. Played at Winter Park HS through his 2015 sophomore season (8 games, 1.31 ERA, 32.0 IP, 31 K, 8 BB)

Recent EL Outings (15 scoreless of 26 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings)									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/14	@REA	1.1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0-0
7/10	@REA	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
7/5	@ERI	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0-0
6/30	@ALT	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2-0
6/28	@ALT	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0-0

## #30 DAVIS SHARPE Twitter: @Dsharpe3 IG: @Davissharpe

RHP: FB, CT, SL, CH vs. First Batter: 4-24 (.167), d, hr, 4k Inherited Runners-Scored: 18-5 (27.8%)

Acquired: 13th round pick in 2021 MLB Draft out of Clemson

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 79/0 g/gs, 15-8, 3.07, 7/17 sv, 132.0 ip, 151 k, .241, 1.12 whip

2023: Pitched in 41 games for Akron going 7-5 with a 4.30 ERA, three saves, 64 K, 16 BB, 1.37 WHIP, .276 avg over 60.2 innings pitched...Pitched in four 2023 Major League Spring Training games in relief (1-0, 3 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 3 BB, 2 K).

2022: Pitched 15 games for Single-A Lynchburg (25.1 IP, 3-2, 1/1 save, 1.42 ERA, 5 BB, 39 K, 0.95 WHIP, .207 avg)...Promoted to High-A June 7...Pitched 23 games for Lake County (46 IP, 5-1, 3/5 saves, 2.35 ERA, 7 BB, 48 K, 0.89 WHIP, .209 avg).

2021: Drafted in the 13th round by Cleveland out of Clemson.

Amateur: Attended Clemson as a two-way player...Two-time ACC Academic Honor Roll member...In three seasons appeared in 29 games (24 starts) on the mound going 12-6 with a 3.89 ERA, .232 avg, 54 BB, 152 K...At the plate he appeared in 74 games (66 starts) with .256/.424/.369, 12 doubles, 10 HR, 40 RBI, 44 runs, 35 BB...Eighth in Clemson history in career strikeouts per nine innings pitched (9.87)...John Olerud Two-Way Player-of-the-Year award finalist as a freshman...Drafted in the 34th round by Pittsburgh out of high school...attended Mill Creek (GA) High School.

Recent EL Outings (16 scoreless of 23 overall) 2 straight scoreless outings (3.1 innings)									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/13	@REA	2.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
7/10	@REA	1.1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1-0
7/5	@ERI	2.0	3	1	0	0	4	0	2-1
7/1	ERI	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0-0
6/28	@ALT	2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0-0

## #31 HUNTER STANLEY Twitter: @Hunter\_Stanley2 IG: @hstanley

RHP: FB, SL, CH, CB vs. First Batter (relief): 0-2 (.000), k Inherited Runners-Scored: 0-0 (-%)

Acquired: 11th round pick in 2021 MLB Draft out of Southern Miss.

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 30/24 g/gs, 6-12, 4.58, 0/1 sv, 133.2 ip, 122 k, .245, 1.36 whip

2024: Opened the season with Triple-A Columbus appearing in 13 games (four starts) going 2-1 with a 5.97 ERA, one save and 31 strikeouts over 28.2 innings pitched...On 7-day injured list from May 9-June 11...Transferred to Akron on July 6.

2023: Pitched the entire season with Akron going 4-11 with a 4.92 ERA and 108 strikeouts over 119.0 innings in 26 games (24 starts).

2022: Missed most of the season with a right elbow strain. Appeared in four games (14.2 IP) for High-A Lake County going 2-1 with a 1.84 ERA, 5 BB, 14 K, .212 avg, 1.09 WHIP. Participated in the Arizona Fall League where he was named Fall Stars Game after going 2-2 with a 4.43 ERA in 6 starts (20.1IP, 16H, 10ER, 24SO)

2021: Drafted in the 11th round by Cleveland out of Southern Mississippi.

Amateur: Attended Southern Mississippi...Earned second-team All-American honor by Collegiate Baseball and third-team by ABCA/Rawlings and D1Baseball.com as a COVID-SR in 2021 after going 6-4 with a 2.31 ERA and 127 strikeouts in 16 appearances/15 starts...Appeared in 29 relief appearances as a junior in 2019 going 5-2 with four saves, 3.07 ERA and 36 strikeouts over 41 innings...Spent first two collegiate seasons at Meridian Community College (MS)...Went 9-1 with two saves and 101 strikeouts and 4.12 ERA over 74.1 innings in 20 appearances...Also played infield at MCC garnering a Rawlings Gold Glove at NJCAA Division II level at second base...attended St. Thomas Aquinas High School (LA).

Recent EL Outings (1 scoreless of 2 overall) 0 straight scoreless outings (0.0 innings) *start									
Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/12	@REA	1.0	2	2	2	0	2	1	0-0
7/6	@ERI	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0-0



**#37 TYLER THORNTON Twitter: @tylrthorntn IG: @ tylerthornton**

RHP: FB, SL, CT vs. 1st Batter (EL): 4-21 (.190), d, 2bb, 3k Inherited Runners-Scored: 3-2 (66.7%)

Acquired: 17th round pick in 2021 MLB Draft out of Arizona State

2-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 70/0 g/gs, 9-2, 3.06 ERA, 12/14 sv, 85.1 ip, 137 k, .134, 1.07 whip

2023: Pitched in 11 games for Akron allowing just four runs over 16.1 innings pitched while striking out 18...Promoted to Akron on Aug. 8...Pitched in 29 games with Lake County going 5-1 with 2.88 ERA, 10 saves and 61 strikeouts.

2022: Went 4-1 with a 3.63 ERA in 30 games for Lynchburg (34.2 IP, 21BB, 58SO).

2021: Drafted in 17<sup>th</sup> round out of Arizona State.College: Tossed 76.1 innings in 2021 with Arizona State going 2-4 with a save, 5.54 ERA and 78 strikeouts...Transferred to Arizona State going 2-0 with a 3.48 ERA and 25 strikeouts (11<sup>th</sup> in Pac-12) over 24.0 innings pitched (tied for 6<sup>th</sup> in Pac-12)...Teammate at Arizona State with RubberDucks outfielder Joe Lampe...Started college career at Saint Mary's earning Freshman of the Year (WCC), National Freshman of the Year (Collegiate Baseball) and National Freshman Pitcher of the Year (NCWBA) honors after going 10-2 with a 2.71 ERA in 13 starts...Tyler and teammate Carlos Lomeli collected the most wins in a single season by any Gael pitcher since 1991 with each winning 10 games...Attended Santa Fe Christian High School (CA).**Recent EL Outings (12 scoreless of 22 overall)  
1 straight scoreless outings (1.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/13	@REA	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0
7/9	@REA	1.0	2	2	2	1	3	0	0-0
7/4	@ERI	1.1	0	0	0	2	2	0	1-0
6/30	@ALT	1.1	2	1	1	0	1	1	0-0
6/25	@ALT H	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0-0

**#41 LENNY TORRES JR Twitter: @LennyTorresJr02 IG: @lenny2jr**

RHP: FB, SL, CH vs. 1st Batter (EL): 5-21 (.238), hr, 4bb, 4k, hp Inherited Runners-Scored: 8-4 (50%)

Acquired: CB-A round pick in 2018 MLB Draft out of Beacon High School

4-yr MiLB Totals thru '23: 75/28 g/gs, 8-13, 5.57 ERA, 8/11 sv, 156.2 ip, 185 k, .254, 1.72 whip

Opened the season not allowing a run through his first 16.1 innings (13 games).

2023: Pitched in 34 games for High-A Lake County going 5-2 with a 5.03 ERA, eight saves, 53 K, 34 BB, .247 avg, 1.81 WHIP over 39.1 innings pitched.

2022: Appeared in 14 games for Lake County going 1-3 with a 6.00 ERA, 36 K, 28 BB, .260 avg and 1.88 WHIP over 33.0 innings pitched.

2021: Pitched in 20 games (19 starts) for Single-A Lynchburg going 2-7 with a 6.29 ERA and 73 K over 68.2 innings pitched.

2019: Underwent Tommy John surgery in [May](#).

2018: Made professional debut for ACL affiliate pitching in six games (five starts) allowing three runs over 15.1 innings pitched while striking out 22.

High School: Drafted by Cleveland in the CB-A round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Beacon High School (NY)...Had been committed to St. John's...#33 ranked overall player in the class, #12 ranked pitcher and #1 ranked pitcher and player in state of NY according to Perfect Game.

**Recent EL Outings (21 scoreless of 26 overall)  
1 straight scoreless outings (1.0 innings)**

Date	Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	IR-Sc
7/11	@REA	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0-0
7/5	@ERI L	0.1	4	4	4	2	0	1	2-1
7/2	ERI	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
6/29	@ALT S	1.1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1-0
6/25	@ALT H	1.0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0-0

**RUBBERDUCKS 2024 TRANSACTIONS 19 PLAYERS USED 25 PITCHERS USED (2 REHAB, 1 POS. PLAYER)**2024 Opening Day Roster (\* returning RubberDuck, *Injured List*, [Cleveland Guardians 40-man roster](#))P (15): RH Trey Benton\*, LH Rodney Boone, RH Ross Carver\*, RH Aaron Davenport, RH Ethan Hankins, RH Bradley Hanner\*, RH Jordan Jones\*, RH Jack Leftwich\*, RH Tommy Mace\*, LH Doug Nikhazy\*, RH Davis Sharpe\*, RH Tyler Thornton\*, RH Lenny Torres Jr., RH Andrew Walters, LH Ryan Webb  
C (2): Kody Huff, Micael Ramirez\*

IF (7): Aaron Bracho\*, Christian Cairo, Dayan Frias, Joe Naranjo\*, Milan Tolentino\*, Yordys Valdez, Kahlil Watson

OF (4): Chase DeLauter\*, Petey Halpin\*, Joe Lampe, Alexfri Planez\*

#	DATE	PLAYER	POS.	FROM	TO	#	DATE	PLAYER	POS.	FROM	TO
1	4/5	Connor Kokx	OF	Spring Training	Development List	38	7/9	Jordan Jones	RHP	Akron	Released
2	4/10	Ethan Hankins	RHP	Akron	Injured List	39	7/9	Mason Hickman	RHP	Columbus (Triple-A)	Akron
3	4/11	Jaime Arias	LHP	Columbus (Triple-A)	Akron	40	7/10	Kahlil Watson	INF	Akron	Injured List
4	4/17	Doug Nikhazy	LHP	Akron	Injured List						
5	4/17	Erik Sabrowski	LHP	Columbus (Triple-A)	Akron						
6	4/19	Sam Hentges	LHP	Cleveland (Injured List)	Akron (Rehab)						
7	4/23	Sam Hentges	LHP	Akron (Rehab)	Columbus (Rehab)						
8	5/1	Chase DeLauter	OF	Akron	Injured List						
9	5/2	Connor Kokx	OF	Development List	Akron						
10	5/5	Doug Nikhazy	LHP	Injured List	Akron						
11	5/5	Jaime Arias	LHP	Akron	Development List						
12	5/6	Gabriel Rodriguez	INF	Arizona Complex League	Development List						
13	5/9	Jaime Arias	LHP	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)						
14	5/24	Erik Sabrowski	LHP	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)						
15	5/28	Chase DeLauter	OF	Injured List	Akron						
16	5/28	Andrew Walters	RHP	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)						
17	5/28	Alaska Abney	RHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
18	6/2	Joe Naranjo	INF	Akron	Released						
19	6/3	Christian Cairo	INF	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)						
20	6/3	Nate Furman	INF	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
21	6/3	CJ Kayfus	INF	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
22	6/5	Jaime Arias	LHP	Columbus (Triple-A)	Akron						
23	6/5	Rodney Boone	LHP	Akron	Injured List						
24	6/10	Chase DeLauter	OF	Akron	Injured List						
25	6/19	Aaron Bracho	INF	Akron	Injured List						
26	6/19	Gabriel Rodriguez	INF	Development List	Akron						
27	6/20	Jaime Arias	LHP	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)						
28	6/21	Gavin Williams	RHP	Columbus (Rehab)	Akron (Rehab)						
29	6/22	Parker Messick	LHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
30	6/24	Doug Nikhazy	LHP	Akron	Columbus (Triple-A)						
31	6/24	Austin Peterson	RHP	Lake County (High-A)	Akron						
32	6/26	Gavin Williams	RHP	Akron (Rehab)	Columbus (Rehab)						
33	6/28	Aaron Bracho	INF	Injured List	Akron						
34	6/28	Nate Furman	INF	Akron	Injured List						
35	7/1	Joe Donovan	C	Columbus (Triple-A)	Akron						
36	7/1	Micael Ramirez	C	Akron	Injured List						
37	7/6	Hunter Stanley	RHP	Columbus (Triple-A)	Akron						

# RUBBERDUCKS 2024 FIRST HALF DAY-BY-DAY

Record: Sunday (7-8), Monday (1-0), Tuesday (8-6), Wednesday (11-3), Thursday (5-9), Friday (9-6), Saturday (9-5)

Doubleheaders: 0-1-0 Home Sellouts: 2

Series: First Half: 3-2-1 Home, 1-2-3 Road, 4-4-4 Overall

Second Half: 1-0-0 Home, 2-1-0 Road, 3-1-0 Overall

Home Dates Lost: 0

#	Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Record	Place	GB/A	Winner	Loser	Save	Time	Att.	Opening / Total (Avg)
1	4/5	ALT	3-4 (10)	L	0-1	T-3rd	-1.0	Mattson (1-0)	Benton (0-1)	-	2:51	4,019	#1 / 4,019 (4,019)
2	4/6	ALT	5-2	W	1-1	T-2nd	-1.0	Mace (1-0)	Sullivan (0-1)	Walters (1)	2:33	1,860	#2 / 5,879 (2,940)
3	4/7	ALT	1-0	W	2-1	T-1st	0.0	Boone (1-0)	Linarez (0-1)	Torres Jr. (1)	2:14	2,036	#3 / 7,915 (2,638)
4	4/9	@RIC	2-1	W	3-1	T-1st	0.0	Davenport (1-0)	Birdsong (0-1)	Walters (2)	2:14	9,810	
5	4/10	@RIC	6-3	W	4-1	1st	+1.0	Benton (1-1)	Myrick (0-1)	Torres Jr. (2)	3:00	7,502	
6	4/11	@RIC	1-2	L	4-2	1st	+0.5	Gates (1-0)	Jones (0-1)	-	2:26	3,154	
7	4/12	@RIC	2-3	L	4-3	T-1st	0.0	Swiney (1-0)	Leftwich (0-1)	Kiest (1)	2:27	7,298	
8	4/13	@RIC	6-4	W	5-3	1st	+0.5	Walters (1-0)	Myrick (0-2)	Torres Jr. (3)	2:38	9,309	
9	4/14	@RIC	1-5	L	5-4	2nd	-0.5	Silva (1-0)	Hanner (0-1)	Gates (1)	2:51	6,355	
10	4/16	ERI	6-0	W	6-4	1st	+0.5	Webb (1-0)	Melton (0-1)	-	2:22	2,214	#4 / 10,129 (2,532)
11	4/17	ERI	0-4	L	6-5	T-2nd	-0.5	Lockhart (1-0)	Arias (0-1)	-	2:31 (1 :32)	1,306	#5 / 11,435 (2,287)
12	4/18	ERI	3-9	L	6-6	T-2nd	-1.5	Higginbotham (2-0)	Mace (1-1)	-	2:53	1,753	#6 / 13,188 (2,198)
13	4/19	ERI	2-7	L	6-7	4th	-2.5	Reyes (1-0)	Leftwich (0-2)	-	2:41	2,131	#7 / 15,319 (2,188)
14	4/20	ERI	5-6	L	6-8	T-4th	-3.5	Poulin (1-0)	Carver (0-1)	Magno (2)	2:51	1,940	#8 / 17,259 (2,157)
15	4/21	ERI	2-1	W	7-8	T-3rd	-2.5	Walters (2-0)	Petit (0-1)	-	2:36	1,964	#9 / 19,223 (2,136)
16	4/23	@ALT	4-0	W	8-8	T-3rd	-1.5	Sharpe (1-0)	Gau (0-2)	-	2:37	3,329	
17	4/24	@ALT	8-7	W	9-8	T-2nd	-0.5	Mace (2-1)	Chandler (1-1)	Benton (1)	2:52	3,113	
18	4/25	@ALT	4-0	W	10-8	T-2nd	-0.5	Hanner (1-1)	Sullivan (0-3)	-	2:30	2,604	
19	4/26	@ALT	6-2	W	11-8	2nd	-0.5	Davenport (2-0)	Ashcraft (0-1)	-	2:31	3,809	
20	4/27	@ALT	5-4	W	12-8	1st	+0.5	Sharpe (2-0)	Yean (1-1)	Leftwich (1)	2:36	4,204	
21	4/28	@ALT	6-5	W	13-8	1st	+1.0	Jones (1-1)	Dombkowski (1-1)	Torres Jr. (4)	2:39	5,097	
22	4/30	RIC	3-0	W	14-8	1st	+2.0	Mace (3-1)	Murphy (1-2)	Leftwich (2)	1:57	1,701	#10 / 20,924 (2,092)
23	5/1	RIC	7-2	W	15-8	1st	+2.0	Boone (2-0)	Frisbee (0-3)	-	2:20	2,210	#11 / 23,134 (2,103)
24	5/2	RIC	4-3	W	16-8	1st	+2.5	Boone (2-1)	Swiney (2-1)	-	2:53	2,097	#12 / 25,231 (2,103)
25	5/3	RIC	0-4	L	16-9	1st	+1.5	Bertrand (2-0)	Webb (1-1)	-	2:16	3,492	#13 / 28,723 (2,209)
26	5/4	RIC	9-4	W	17-9	1st	+1.5	Arias (1-1)	Cruz (1-1)	-	2:56 (0:41)	4,051	#14 / 32,774 (2,341)
27	5/5	RIC	2-1	W	18-9	1st	+2.5	Hanner (2-1)	Myrick (0-3)	-	2:07 (1:37)	3,048	#15 / 35,822 (2,398)
28	5/7	@BOW	1-17	L	18-10	1st	+1.5	Pham (1-1)	Jones (1-2)	-	2:47	1,173	
29	5/8	@BOW	9-2	W	19-10	1st	+2.5	Davenport (3-0)	Long (0-2)	-	2:57	2,235	
30	5/9	@BOW	0-2	L	19-11	1st	+1.5	Heid (2-0)	Webb (1-2)	Watson (1)	2:21	1,266	
31	5/10	@BOW	4-0	W	20-11	1st	+1.5	Leftwich (1-2)	Young (0-1)	-	2:45	5,839	
32	5/11	@BOW	6-0	W	21-11	1st	+1.5	Mace (4-1)	Johnson (0-4)	-	2:38 (0:30)	8,422	
33	5/12	@BOW	4-5	L	21-12	1st	+0.5	Viritsky (3-1)	Sabrowski (0-1)	Held (1)	2:33	2,331	
34	5/14	ALT	2-1	W	22-12	1st	+1.5	Walters (3-0)	Junker (0-2)	-	2:09	<b>8,031 (S1)</b>	#16 / 43,853 (2,741)
35	5/15	ALT	4-3	W	23-12	1st	+1.5	Hanner (3-1)	Chen (0-3)	Leftwich (3)	2:12	1,828	#17 / 45,681 (2,687)
36	5/16	ALT	1-4	L	23-13	1st	+1.0	Dombkowski (3-1)	Jones (1-3)	-	2:18	2,851	#18 / 48,532 (2,696)
37	5/17	ALT	6-3	W	24-13	1st	+2.0	Mace (5-1)	Chandler (1-3)	-	2:25 (0:48)	3,751	#19 / 52,283 (2,752)
38	5/18	ALT	4-0	W	25-13	1st	+2.0	Carver (1-1)	Solometo (0-3)	-	2:12	5,523	#20 / 57,806 (2,890)
39	5/19	ALT	2-6	L	25-14	1st	+2.0	Carey (1-0)	Sharpe (2-1)	-	2:52	3,289	#21 / 61,095 (2,909)
40	5/21	@HBG	1-2	L	25-15	1st	+1.0	Lord (4-1)	Webb (1-3)	Ribalta (5)	2:13	7,463	
41	5/22	@HBG	5-6	L	25-16	T-1st	0.0	Acosta (2-0)	Carver (1-2)	-	2:43	2,644	
42	5/23	@HBG	3-2 (10)	W	26-16	1st	+1.0	Leftwich (2-2)	Sinclair (1-1)	Hanner (1)	2:29	2,675	
43	5/24	@HBG	10-9 (12)	W	27-16	1st	+2.0	Torres Jr. (1-0)	Knowles (1-3)	-	3:49	4,843	
	5/25	@HBG	PPD		27-16	1st	+2.0	<i>Rain - makeup scheduled for May 26</i>					Road PPD #1
44	5/26-1	@HBG	0-2 (7)	L	27-17	1st	+1.0	Alvarez (3-2)	Webb (1-4)	-	1:31		Road DH #1
45	5/26-2	@HBG	0-1 (7)	L	27-18	T-1st	0.0	Lord (5-1)	Davenport (3-1)	-	1:41	5,482	
46	5/28	NH	2-4 (10)	L	27-19	T-1st	0.0	Burnette (1-1)	Torres Jr. (1-1)	Mendoza (1)	2:52	1,888	#22 / 62,983 (2,863)
47	5/29	NH	5-2	W	28-19	T-1st	0.0	Mace (6-1)	Gregory (3-1)	Thornton (1)	2:16	1,654	#23 / 64,637 (2,810)
48	5/30	NH	1-6	L	28-20	T-1st	0.0	Dominguez (1-0)	Boone (2-1)	-	2:31	4,118	#24 / 68,755 (2,865)
49	5/31	NH	8-3	W	29-20	T-1st	0.0	Davenport (4-1)	Harrison (1-3)	-	2:34	5,622	#25 / 74,377 (2,975)
50	6/1	NH	3-4	L	29-21	2nd	-1.0	Gregory (4-1)	Leftwich (2-3)	Burnette (3)	2:28	6,575	#26 / 80,952 (3,114)
51	6/2	NH	7-6	W	30-21	T-1st	0.0	Thornton (1-0)	Bechtold (0-2)	-	2:46	3,315	#27 / 84,267 (3,121)
52	6/4	@POR	5-12	L	30-22	2nd	-1.0	Coffey (2-2)	Mace (6-2)	Cellucci (1)	2:54	4,094	
53	6/5	@POR	9-1	W	31-22	2nd	-0.5	Arias (2-1)	Bastardo (0-5)	-	2:24 (0:24)	4,251	
54	6/6	@POR	9-7	W	32-22	1st	+0.5	Benton (3-1)	Webb (4-1)	Torres Jr. (5)	3:04	7,154	
55	6/7	@POR	2-4	L	32-23	1st	+0.5	Liu (1-1)	Webb (1-5)	Cepeda (10)	2:30 (0:53)	6,401	
56	6/8	@POR	7-5	W	33-23	1st	+1.0	Hanner (4-1)	Brand (1-2)	Sharpe (1)	3:09	5,781	
57	6/9	@POR	7-9	L	33-24	1st	+1.0	Kwiatkowski (7-0)	Carver (1-3)	Cepeda (11)	2:51 (1:56)	7,368	
58	6/11	@HFD	3-4	L	33-25	T-1st	0.0	Baumgartner (2-0)	Jones (1-4)	-	2:39	5,621	
59	6/12	@HFD	1-0	W	34-25	T-1st	0.0	Davenport (5-1)	Cande (3-4)	Hanner (2)	2:08	5,126	
60	6/13	@HFD	2-3	L	34-26	T-1st	0.0	Hill (2-2)	Leftwich (2-4)	Halvorsen (4)	2:27	6,572	
61	6/14	@HFD	2-1	W	35-26	T-1st	0.0	Hanner (5-1)	Todd (0-1)	Torres Jr. (6)	2:29	6,773	
62	6/15	@HFD	1-2	L	35-27	2nd	-1.0	Halvorsen (2-1)	Leftwich (2-5)	-	2:23	7,113	
63	6/16	@HFD	0-1	L	35-28	2nd	-1.0	Van Scoyoc (4-5)	Arias (2-2)	Mejia (3)	2:04	7,263	
64	6/18	BNG	7-8	L	35-29	2nd	-2.0	Stuart (2-5)	Davenport (5-2)	Ramos (7)	2:47	2,970	#28 / 87,237 (3,116)
65	6/19	BNG	1-4	L	35-30	T-2nd	-2.0	Suarez (4-4)	Webb (1-6)	Gervase (4)	2:35	2,197	#29 / 89,434 (3,084)
66	6/20	BNG	5-9	L	35-31	3rd	-2.0	Sproat (2-0)	Nikhazy (0-1)	-	2:51	4,383	#30 / 93,817 (3,127)
67	6/21	BNG	11-4	W	36-31	3rd	-2.0	Williams (1-0)	McLean (0-4)	-	2:34	<b>7,756 (S2)</b>	#31 / 101,573 (3,277)
68	6/22	BNG	5-6	L	36-32	3rd	-2.0	Montes de Oca (1-0)	Hanner (5-2)	Jarvis (1)	2:50	6,738	#32 / 108,311 (3,385)
69	6/23	BNG	1-0 (5)	W	37-32	3rd	-2.0	Messick (1-0)	Stuart (2-6)	-	1:19 (0:30)	3,715	#33 / 112,026 (3,395)

# RUBBERDUCKS 2024 SECOND HALF DAY-BY-DAY

#	Date	Opp.	Score	W/L	Record	Place	GB/A	Winner	Loser	Save	Time	Att.	Opening / Total (Avg)
70	6/25	@ALT	4-3	W	1-0 (38-32)	T-1st	0.0	Sharpe (3-1)	Fellows (2-1)	Leftwich (4)	2:50	5,772	
71	6/26	@ALT	11-6	W	2-0 (39-32)	1st	+1.0	Benton (4-1)	Yean (5-2)	-	2:47	2,881	
72	6/27	@ALT	4-6	L	2-1 (39-33)	T-1st	0.0	Chandler (4-5)	Mace (6-3)	Carey (5)	2:34	4,770	
73	6/28	@ALT	4-2	W	3-1 (40-33)	T-1st	0.0	Peterson (1-0)	Harrington (0-2)	Leftwich (5)	2:18	4,733	
74	6/29	@ALT	3-0	W	4-1 (41-33)	T-1st	0.0	Hanner (6-2)	Chen (2-7)	Torres Jr. (7)	2:30	4,809	
75	6/30	@ALT	7-4	W	5-1 (42-33)	T-1st	0.0	Webb (2-6)	Gau (0-4)	Leftwich (6)	2:39	5,816	
76	7/1	ERI	4-3 (12)	W	6-1 (43-33)	1st	+1.0	Abney (1-0)	Hill (1-3)	-	3:32	2,873	#34 / 114,899 (3,379)
77	7/2	ERI	7-6	W	7-1 (44-33)	1st	+2.0	Hanner (7-2)	Petit (3-6)	-	2:22	3,396	#35 / 118,295 (3,380)
78	7/3	ERI	9-1	W	8-1 (45-33)	1st	+3.0	Peterson (2-0)	Higginbotham (2-2)	-	2:10	6,472	#36 / 124,767 (3,466)
79	7/4	@ERI	1-6	L	8-2 (45-34)	1st	+2.0	Pena (4-3)	Messick (1-1)	-	2:26	6,503	
80	7/5	@ERI	1-6	L	8-3 (45-35)	1st	+1.0	Hill (2-3)	Torres Jr. (1-2)	-	2:45	6,097	
81	7/6	@ERI	8-2	W	9-3 (46-35)	1st	+2.0	Davenport (6-2)	Hernandez (4-4)	-	2:43	3,864	
82	7/9	@REA	19-3	W	10-3 (47-35)	1st	+2.0	Mace (7-3)	Osterberg (2-6)	-	2:43	4,395	
83	7/10	@REA	6-3	W	11-3 (48-35)	1st	+3.0	Peterson (3-0)	Pina (9-4)	Leftwich (7)	2:26	5,218	
84	7/11	@REA	7-2	W	12-3 (49-35)	1st	+3.0	Messick (2-1)	Cabrera (0-1)	-	2:32	5,331	
85	7/12	@REA	8-3	W	13-3 (50-35)	1st	+3.0	Webb (3-6)	Aldegheri (0-1)	-	2:51	5,206	
86	7/13	@REA	0-1	L	13-4 (50-36)	1st	+3.0	Wells (5-5)	Davenport (6-3)	Schultz (2)	2:10	7,178	
87	7/14	@REA	6-7	L	13-5 (50-37)	1st	+2.0	Harper (1-0)	Hanner (7-3)	-	2:35	5,390	
Mid-Season Break													
88	7/19	RIC											
89	7/20	RIC											
90	7/21	RIC											
91	7/23	BOW											
92	7/24	BOW											
93	7/25	BOW											
94	7/26	BOW											
95	7/27	BOW											
96	7/28	BOW											
97	7/30	@HBG											
98	7/31	@HBG											
99	8/1	@HBG											
100	8/2	@HBG											
101	8/3	@HBG											
102	8/4	@HBG											
103	8/6	REA											
104	8/7	REA											
105	8/8	REA											
106	8/9	REA											
107	8/10	REA											
108	8/11	REA											
109	8/13	@ERI											
110	8/14	@ERI											
111	8/15	@ERI											
112	8/16	@ERI											
113	8/17	@ERI											
114	8/18	@ERI											
115	8/20	HBG											
116	8/21	HBG											
117	8/22	HBG											
118	8/23	HBG											
119	8/24	HBG											
120	8/25	HBG											
121	8/27	BOW											
122	8/28	BOW											
123	8/29	BOW											
124	8/30	BOW											
125	8/31	BOW											
126	9/1	BOW											
127	9/3	@RIC											
128	9/4	@RIC											
129	9/5	@RIC											
130	9/6	@RIC											
131	9/7	@RIC											
132	9/8	@RIC											
133	9/10	HFD											
134	9/11	HFD											
135	9/12	HFD											
136	9/13	HFD											
137	9/14	HFD											
138	9/15	HFD											

### Akron Baseball: A Winning Tradition

This is the 35th season of Double-A baseball in Northeast Ohio, and the 27th in downtown Akron. The franchise began as the **Canton-Akron Indians** in 1989, and then moved to **Canal Park** in Akron as the **Aeros** in 1997, later becoming the **RubberDucks** before the 2014 season. The club has made the Eastern League playoffs 18 times overall, and 11 of the last 20 seasons. The team has captured **six league titles**—2003, 2005, 2009, 2012, 2016 and 2021. Notable alumni of the franchise include Jim Thome, Victor Martinez, CC Sabathia, Grady Sizemore, Charles Nagy, Cliff Lee, Jhonny Peralta, Jaret Wright, Francisco Lindor, José Ramírez, Shane Bieber, Steven Kwan and Tanner Bibee.