



Lansing Lugnuts (9-10, 45-40)

High-A Affiliate, Athletics

RH Grant Judkins (83 IP | 4.66 ERA)

at



Great Lakes Loons (10-9, 44-40)

High-A Affiliate, Los Angeles Dodgers

RH Brooks Auger (46 IP | 5.87 ERA)

GAME 85 ♦ DOW DIAMOND ♦ SATURDAY, JULY 12TH, 2025 ♦ 7:05 PM

2025 vs. Great Lakes

The Nuts are 162-164 all-time vs. the Loons, 89-81 in Lansing and 73-83 in Midland.

The Nuts went 9-12 last season vs. the Loons, with a 3-6 record at home.

Meetings	Score	Meetings	Score
1. 4/8 at LAN	L, 10-5	7. 7/8 at GL	L, 3-2
2. 4/9 at LAN	W, 8-2 (6)	8. 7/10 Game 1	W, 10-1 (7)
3. 4/10 at LAN	L, 3-2	9. 7/10 Game 2	L, 4-1 (7)
4. 4/11 at LAN	W, 4-3	10. 7/11 at GL	W, 6-3
5. 4/12 at LAN	L, 12-6	11. 7/12 at GL	
6. 4/13 at LAN	W, 12-11 (12)	12. 7/13 at GL	
		13. 8/5 at GL	
		14. 8/6 at GL	
		15. 8/7 at GL	
		16. 8/8 at GL	
		17. 8/9 at GL	
		18. 8/10 at GL	

Tonight: The Lansing Lugnuts, High-A affiliate of the A's, play the fifth game in a six-game series against the Great Lakes Loons, High-A affiliate of the Dodgers, sending Iowa Hawkeye **Grant Judkins** against Mississippi State Bulldog **Brooks Auger**. The season series is tied 5-5.

Last Night: Lugnuts 6, Pepinillos Picantes 3. Great Lakes starter **Maddux Bruns** walked eight batters, hit two with pitches, allowed an RBI double to **Casey Yamauchi** and a two-run double to **Davis Diaz**, and committed a run-scoring balk to giftwrap the Lugnuts a Friday night win.

On Deck: The Lugnuts and Loons conclude the series tomorrow, enjoy the four-day All-Star Break, and then the Nuts welcome in West Michigan from July 18-20.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

1:05 p.m., Sunday, July 13 RH Corey Avant, Lugnuts at RH Christian Romero, Loons
Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 All-Star Break

LUG•NOTES

Team Success vs. Great Lakes: The Lugnuts' offense is batting .283/.412/.407 against Great Lakes through 10 games, drawing 63 walks plus 12 HBPs (an average of 7.5 gifted base runners per game in addition to 9.4 hits per game).

Individual Success vs. Great Lakes: Outfielder **Nate Nankil** is batting .417/.488/.583 vs. Loons pitching (15-for-36, 2 doubles, 2 triples, 2 steals, 11 RBIs in 9 games). Outfielder **Jonny Butler** has a ridiculous .684 OBP and 1.000 SLG vs. the Loons in five games: 5-for-11, .455, 3 doubles, 1 HR, 8 walks, 0 strikeouts, 2-for-2 steals.

Jonny Be Good: **Jonny Butler** was hitting .133 (4-for-30) when he landed on the Injured List in May. Since returning, however, he has turned around his season. Butler is batting .400/.500/.750 (8-20, 4 2B, 1 HR, 4 BB, 2 K, 2 SB) in his last six games.

Meanwhile, in Atlanta: Happy All-Star Futures Game Day, opening up the All-Star festivities at Truist Park! The Loons' Zyhir Hope and Josue De Paula are in the starting lineup for the National League, the Whitecaps' Max Clark and Kevin McGonigle are in the starting lineup for the American League, and the A.L. will have Lugnuts starting third baseman **Tommy White** coming off the bench to spell Sebastian Walcott while 2025 Nuts Opening Day starter **Gage Jump** enters from the bullpen.

We Have Contact: No team in Minor League Baseball strikes out fewer times than the Lansing Lugnuts, whose total of 577 whiffs is the best in MiLB by 31 over the next closest team, Erie. The Nuts average a scant 6.79 strikeouts per game. Toledo, in contrast, has struck out 921 times this year and averages 10.12 K's per game. The MLB leader is Toronto, which averages 6.67/game; the woeful Rockies bring up the rear with 9.73/game.

Mark it Down: Last night marked save No. 14 for Lansing closer **Mark Adamiak**, most in High-A and second in all of Minor League Baseball to only Welinton Herrera of the Hartford Yard Goats. (Herrera, by the way, is having a ridiculous season with only three runs allowed in only 37 2/3 innings; he has 15 saves.) Adamiak entered this season with just two saves in all of his baseball career, comprising high school, college, summer ball and MiLB action.

League Leaderboard, Hitters: The promoted **T.J. Schofield-Sam** is 1st in the league in batting average (.337), **Nate Nankil** is 2nd (.319); Schofield-Sam is 2nd in OPS (.914), 3rd in OBP (.418) and 5th in slugging (.496); Nankil is 6th in OBP (.404) and **Tommy White** is 7th in slugging (.482); Nankil is 4th in base hits (89), Schofield-Sam is 5th (87), **Joshua Kuroda-Grauer** is 9th (81).

League Leaderboard, Pitchers: **Grant Judkins** is 2nd in innings pitched (83.0) and tied for 6th in starts (16), though today's start will tie him for first while he needs only two innings to pass Quad Cities' Drew Beam for the league lead. **Steven Echavarria** is 5th in innings (72 1/3). **Blaze Pontes** is 1st in appearances (29), followed by teammates **Mark Adamiak** (28) and **Yehizon Sanchez** (27).

At the Plate: The Lugnuts are 2nd in the Midwest League in batting average (.258), 2nd in at-bats (2818), 2nd in base hits (727), 2nd in doubles (159), 1st in fewest strikeouts (577) and 3rd in HBPs (75).

On the Mound: The Lugnuts are 1st in holds (33), 2nd in saves (22), 3rd in innings (735.0), 1st in fewest hit batsmen (29), 3rd in fewest walks (315), 1st in fewest balks (5) and 2nd in double play grounders (68).

In the Field: The Nuts have turned the most double plays (88) in the Midwest League. Shortstop **Joshua Kuroda-Grauer** leads the league in assists.

IN A NUTSHELL

36-30 | 9-10 | Won 1

Home: 24-21 Night: 28-29
Road: 21-19 Day: 17-11

vs. LHP: 10-15 vs. RHP: 35-25

White unis: 13-10
Black unis: 19-15
Retro Gray unis: 7-5
Lansing Locos unis: 3-6
Special one-off unis: 3-4

Tuesday: 5-9
Wednesday: 9-4
Thursday: 8-6
Friday: 6-10
Saturday: 7-8
Sunday: 10-3

Series wins: 4
Series losses: 4
Series splits: 6

Scored 1st: 27-13
Opponent scored 1st: 18-27

Doubleheaders (W-L-S): 1-0-2
Shutouts: 4-5

More hits than opp.: 34-5
Fewer hits than opp.: 10-32
Equal hits: 1-3
Games decided by 1 run: 11-9

Comeback wins: 19
Final at-bat wins: 11
Walk-offs: 4
Extra Innings: 4-3

9-IP	Leading	Trailing	Tied
After 6:	22-5	11-27	6-5
After 7:	29-3	7-31	3-3
After 8:	32-3	4-31	3-3



Luggie's Nuggets

Kansas City Royals	1996-1998
Chicago Cubs	1999-2004
Toronto Blue Jays	2005-2020
Athletics	2021-present

Colors	red and black
Mascot Logo	Big Lug, a river dragon Luggie the Lugnut
Ballpark	Jackson® Field™
First Game at Ballpark	April 3, 1996: Michigan vs. Michigan St.
Total Capacity	11,000
Seasons	29
Championships	1997, 2003
All-Star Games Hosted	1997, 1999, 2002, 2018
Total Games	3,924
All-Time Won-Lost Record	1,967-1,957, .501

969 total players have played for the Lugnuts all time, with 208 (21%) also playing in the Majors – nine rehabbers and 199 earning their ticket up the ladder. The most recent was **Colby Thomas**, who debuted June 30 for the A's.

- 72 Lugnuts alumni debuted with the Toronto Blue Jays
- 32 with the Chicago Cubs
- 24 with the A's
- 22 with the Kansas City Royals
- 11 with the Florida/Miami Marlins
- 4 with the Seattle Mariners and San Diego Padres
- 3 with the Baltimore Orioles, Boston Red Sox and St. Louis Cardinals
- 2 with the Chicago White Sox, Colorado Rockies, Detroit Tigers, Pittsburgh Pirates, San Francisco Giants and Tampa Bay Rays
- 1 with the Atlanta Braves, L.A. Angels, L.A. Dodgers, Milwaukee Brewers, New York Mets, Texas Rangers, and Washington Nationals

All-Star nods: Carlos Beltrán (9x), Vladimir Guerrero, Jr. (4), Carlos Zambrano (3), Bo Bichette (2), rehabber Ryan Dempster (2), Jordan Romano (2), rehabber Marcus Stroman (2), Henderson Álvarez (1), rehabber Kevin Appier (1), Lance Carter (1), Yan Gomes (1), Alejandro Kirk (1), Carlos Mármol (1), Mason Miller (1), rehabber Mark Prior (1), Aaron Sanchez (1), Noah Syndergaard (1).

World Series titles (as a player): Jeremy Affeldt (3), Ryan Theriot (2), rehabber Kevin Appier (1), Carlos Beltrán (1), rehabber Ryan Dempster (1), Chad Durbin (1), Yan Gomes (1), 2011 manager Mike Redmond (1), Marc Rzepczynski (1).

World Series titles (as a coach): rehabber Mark Prior (2), Seth Conner (1), 2010 manager Sal Fasano (1), 2008-09 manager Clayton McCullough (1).

MLB No-Hitters: pitchers - Carlos Zambrano (9/14/08); Henderson Álvarez III (9/29/13); Taylor Cole (combined, 7/12/19); Aaron Sanchez (combined, 8/3/19); Ryan Tepera (combined, 6/24/21); catcher - Robinson Chirinos (Justin Verlander, 9/1/19).

Hit for the Cycle: Félix Pié (8/14/09); Cavan Biggio (9/17/19).

Rookie of the Year: Carlos Beltrán (A.L., 1999).

Comeback Player of the Year: Casey McGehee (N.L., 2014).

Gold Gloves: Carlos Beltrán (3), Vladimir Guerrero Jr. (1), Marcus Stroman (1).

Silver Sluggers: Carlos Beltrán (3), Carlos Zambrano (3), Vladimir Guerrero Jr. (2), Yan Gomes (1).

Major League Nuts

A's: Lawrence Butler (2021-22), Denzel Clarke (2022), Hogan Harris (2022), Grant Holman (2022-23), Mason Miller (2022), Max Muncy (2022-23), Jack Perkins (2023), Max Schuemann (2021), Tyler Soderstrom (2022), Colby Thomas (2023), Jacob Wilson (2023)
Arizona Diamondbacks: Anthony DeSclafani (2012), Kendall Graveman (2013-14), Gabriel Moreno (2019),

Boston Red Sox: Josh Winckowski (2019)

Chicago Cubs: Jon Berti (2012), Matthew Boyd (2013), Nate Pearson (2018)

Chicago White Sox: Ryan Noda (2018), Joshua Palacios (2016-17), Vinny Capra (2018)

Cleveland Guardians: Lane Thomas (2015-16)

Kansas City Royals: Cavan Biggio (2016)

Los Angeles Angels: assistant pitching coach Sal Fasano (2010 manager), infield coach Ryan Goins (2009-10)

Los Angeles Dodgers: pitching coach Mark Prior (2004 rehab)

Miami Marlins: Griffin Conine (2019), Otto López (2019), Jesús Tinoco (2015), Jack Winkler (2022-23), Clayton McCullough (2008-09 manager)

New York Mets: Danny Young (2016)

New York Yankees: Marcus Stroman (2015 rehab)

Pittsburgh Pirates: Ryan Borucki (2016), Tim Lincecum (2015)

Seattle Mariners: Casey Lawrence (2010-11), Rowdy Tellez (2014-15)

Tampa Bay Rays: Danny Jansen (2015)

Texas Rangers: assistant hitting coach Seth Conner (2013-14)

Toronto Blue Jays: Bo Bichette (2017), Vladimir Guerrero, Jr. (2017), Alejandro Kirk (2019), manager John Schneider (2016 manager), third base coach Carlos Febles (1996), bullpen catcher Luis Hurtado (2011)

Washington Nationals: Drew Millas (2021)

MIDWEST LEAGUE MATCHUPS

Opponents	Home	Road	Total
Beloit	3-3		3-3
Cedar Rapids	July 29-Aug 3		6 games
Dayton	3-3, Aug 12-17	5-1, Sept 2-7	8-4, 12 left
Fort Wayne	6-3	2-4	8-7
Great Lakes	3-3	2-2, July 12-13, Aug 5-10	5-5, 8 left
Lake County	3-3, Aug 26-31	2-4, July 22-27	5-7, 12 left
Quad Cities		3-3	3-3
South Bend	5-1		5-1
West Michigan	1-5, July 18-20	2-4, August 19-24	3-9, 9 left
Wisconsin		5-1	5-1
Totals	24-21, 21 games left	21-19, 26 games left	45-40, 47 left

THE A's SYSTEM

Athletics - MLB



39-57

American League West

Yesterday: lost to Toronto, 7-6
 HR: Kurtz, Soderstrom, Muncy

Midland RockHounds



44-41

Double-A Texas League

Yesterday: lost to NW Arkansas, 5-2
 Junior Tur: 6 IP, 5 H, 3 R, 6 K, 2 HR

Las Vegas Aviators



58-33

Triple-A Pacific Coast League

Yesterday: topped El Paso, 7-3
 MacIver: 2 HR (inside/outside-the-park)

Stockton Ports



38-47

Single-A California League

Yesterday: lost to Modesto, 6-3
 Cole Miller: 4 IP, 1 UER, 1 BB, 0 K

JULY 12TH IN LUGNUTS HISTORY

2015: Ryan McBroom had gone 5-for-5 at Dayton earlier in the season, on May 31st. On this day, he topped himself, going 6-for-6 to tie the franchise and Midwest League records, supplying three singles, two doubles and a home run, as well as a walk and four RBIs. But Argenis Aldazoro hit a walk-off RBI single in a three-run 13th to give the Dayton Dragons a 10-9 win at Fifth Third Field. The Dragons had previously rallied to tie the game in the 9th and 11th innings, with the Lugnuts blowing leads of 6-5, 7-6 and 9-7. In the bottom of the 9th, Paul Kronenfeld's RBI single brought in the tying run, but LF David Harris threw out Luis Gonzalez at the plate to force extras. What a game, even in defeat!

2018: Chavez Young hit a grand slam to erase a 6-2 deficit, and the Lugnuts defeated the Burlington Bees at Community Field, 11-8. Bees starter Oliver Ortega threw six wild pitches (one short of the league record) and struck out nine batters in 4 1/3 innings.

2019: In the Majors, Taylor Cole opens and tosses two perfect innings for the Los Angeles Angels (and then Félix Peña tossed the next seven) in a 13-0 no-hitter vs. the Seattle Mariners. It was the Angels' first home game since the death of pitcher Tyler Skaggs on July 1.

CATCHING STATS

	Diaz	Rodriguez	Schwartz
W-L (ShO)	6-8	18-11	13-9
ERA	5.81	3.56	4.35
INN.	122.0	255.0	182.0
R (ER)	81 (76)	123 (101)	105 (88)
E	3	2	1
PB	3	4	5
CS%	1-13, 8%	9-36, 25%	3-19, 16%
Pickoffs	-	-	1

STARTING PITCHER

#22 • RHP • Grant Judkins • 6-3, 215 • age 27

Profile

Full Name.....Grant William Judkins
Born.....August 6, 1997, in Grinnell, Iowa
Resides.....Pella, Iowa

Signed.....undrafted free agent, July 7, 2020
Alma Mater.....University of Iowa
Bats / Throws.....Left / Right



Longest Outing: 6 IP, 5x | **Most K:** 10, July 19, 2021, at Fresno

In a Nutshell: In second season in the Midwest League... started Lugnuts' third game of the year, April 6 at Fort Wayne, and fanned eight TinCaps in four hitless innings... April 19 at Wisconsin: tossed the first complete game of the season in the Midwest League, firing six innings in the series finale, a 2-0 loss... a notable stat: the opposition is 10-for-57 (.175) in the 1st inning – but five of the 10 hits are solo home runs... of 15 home runs allowed, six have come on the first pitch of an at-bat... 11 of 15 HRs allowed are solo shots... 3.51 ERA in day games | 5.79 at night... .903 OPS/9 HR vs. LH | .754 OPS/6 HR vs. RH.

Last Game: July 6 vs. Fort Wayne, earned no-decision... tossed 4 2/3 innings: 4 hits, 2 runs, 3 walks, 2 K... gave up two-run homer to Leo De Vries in the 3rd inning, but nothing further... 73 pitches, 48 strikes... exited with the Lugnuts trailing 2-1, but Tommy White hit a three-run homer in the 8th for a 5-2 victory.

4-seam fastball, curve, slider, sweeper, change

No-No History: Facing the Cedar Rapids Kernels on June 13, 2024, relieved Jake Garland to open the 6th inning and tossed 2 2/3 hitless innings, walking one and striking out three, as part of the Lugnuts' 8-0 combined no-hitter of the Kernels... it was the 4th no-hitter in franchise history as well as the first home no-hitter since 2003.

At Pella High School: 2016 Iowa Gatorade Player of the Year as a senior... Des Moines Register's All-Iowa Baseball Player of the Year as both a junior and a senior, 2015 and 2016... 2015 Perfect Game Underclass High Honorable Mention... as a senior: 10-1, 0.64 ERA, 123 K, batting .421 with six homers and 12 steals... as a junior: 11-1, 0.56 ERA, 74 IP, 112 K, 10 BB, batting .520 with 14 doubles, nine triples, 13 homers, 57 RBIs, 51 runs, 15 steals... won 28 career games and totaled 337 career strikeouts.

Onward to Des Moines: Entered the 2017 Big Ten season ranked by Baseball America as the No. 8 freshman... two-way player, hitting .270 in 31 starts as a DH (and three starts as a pitcher hitting for himself)... 2018 Academic All-Big Ten... No. 3 starter in 2019; 2019 Collegiate Baseball Player National Pitcher of the Week (Feb. 18), tossing six no-hit innings with 11 strikeouts; ranked 7th in the Big Ten in ERA (2.72)... No. 2 starter in 2020 before season was halted early due to the pandemic: 2-0, 3.00, 4 GS, 21 IP, 24 K, 5 BB.

International Stage: With Iowa, took part in the 2017 World University Games in Taipei City, winning a silver medal (fell to Japan in the gold medal contest)... part of the first American team to ever advance to the gold medal game as well as the first American team to ever medal, period... team finished 5-2, losing only to Japan... started five games, four at first base, one at pitcher.

YR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	ShO	SV	IP	AB	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	WP	BK	AVG
2021	Stockton	0-6	6.29	14	11	0	0	0	48.2	194	55	40	34	11	4	21	0	63	4	0	.284
2022	Stockton	3-4	5.43	15	13	0	0	0	66.1	266	72	44	40	12	5	35	0	66	4	0	.271
2023	DNP																				
2024	Lansing	4-5	3.56	25	12	0	0	3	83.1	311	71	36	33	10	3	27	0	75	2	0	.228
2025	Lansing	4-5	4.66	16	16	1	0	0	83.0	327	85	50	43	15	1	30	0	64	4	0	.260
	TOTALS	11-20	4.80	70	52	1	0	3	281.1	1098	283	170	150	48	13	113	0	268	14	0	.258

IN THE BULLPEN

21 MARK ADAMIAK • RH • Age 24 • “uh-DAHME-ee-ack” • MWL: 2
FB, CUT, SL, CH | 2024: Stockton, 5-5, 4.90, 45 G, 2 SV, 60 2/3 IP, 62 H, 7 HR, 28 BB, 75 K, 12 WP
0 days rest
 • Born in Des Plaines, IL... lives in Shawnee, Kansas... 454th overall, 15th rd., 2022, Arkansas.
 • \$125,000... at Shawnee Mission Northwest H.S., ranked the No. 1 RHP in Kansas in 2019.
 • Drafted after r-soph. year: Acad. Honor Roll; 9 G, 3 GS, 3.95, 13 2/3 IP, 14 H, 6 R, 8 BB, 18 K.
 • Four relief appearances with Lansing to end 2023: 5 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 1 HR, 2 BB, 7 K.

15 HUNTER BREault • RH • Age 26 • “BRO” • MWL seasons: 3
FB, CU, SL, SPL | 2024: Lansing, 4-3, 6.08, 36 G, 6 SV, 40 IP, 5 HR, 30 BB, 42 K, 5 WP
3 days rest
 • Kapolei, HI... \$35,000... drafted 608th, 20th round, 2021, from the University of Oregon.
 • 2019 California Collegiate League top prospect by Perfect Game (12 G, 16 IP, 1 ER).
 • Perfect Game's No. 1 HS recruit in Hawaii... high school teammates with Blaze Pontes.
 • Four yrs. at Oregon: 50 G, 4.68, 57.2, 44 K... 19 G w/ LAN in 2023, spent 2024 with Nuts.

13 JAKE CHRISTIANSON • RH • 25 • MWL season: 1
FB, CU, SL, SPL | 2024: Bowling Green, 4-1, 3.74, 31 G, 2 SV, 53 IP, 41 H, 6 HR, 4 HBP, 19 BB, 56 K
1 day rest
 • St. Paul, MN... drafted by TB 464th, 15th round, 2022, Feather River College... \$50,000.
 • Converted from catcher to closer at FRC... signed by Rays away from So. Illinois commit.
 • Released by Tampa on March 21, 2025... signed as free agent by the A's on March 22.
 • Drafted 10 picks after Mark Adamiak, 20 picks ahead of Blaze Pontes... enjoys cornhole.
 • Attended Northern Iowa Area CC for one year... business & biomechanics major.

17 HENRY GÓMEZ • RH • Age 23 • MWL season: 1
FB, SINK, CU, SL, CH | 2024: Palm Beach, 6-3, 3.03, 39 G, 12 SV, 62 1/3, 1 HR, 26 BB, 44 K
1 day rest
 • Born in Maracaibo, lives in Zulia, Venezuela... signed by STL as an int'l free agent, 7/28/18.
 • Acquired by the Athletics in the Triple-A portion of the Rule 5 draft, 12/11/24.
 • Spent 2019, 2021, 2022 in Dominican Summer League, converting from starter to reliever.
 • Pitched in 2023 and 2024 in the Florida State League, lowering ERA from 4.91 to 3.03.

31 WANDER GUANTE • RH • Age 26 • MWL seasons: 2
FB, SL, CH | 2024: Lansing, 1-3, 5.22, 14 G, 7 GS, 50 IP, 8 HR, 22 BB, 35 K, .268 avg.
0 days rest
 • Santo Domingo, DR... signed by the Athletics as an international free agent on 3/22/19.
 • “Guante” in English means glove... uncle Cecilio Guante pitched in MLB, 1982-1990.
 • Promoted to Midland 5/14, returned 7/19, promoted to Las Vegas 8/31/24 (6 G, 18 2/3, 5.79).
 • 2024 Arizona Fall League: 9 G, 7.84, 10 1/3 IP, 10 R, 5 BB, 8 K... rejoined LAN May 13, 2025.

20 JACK MAHONEY • LH • Age 26 • MWL season: 1
FB, SINK, SL, CH | 2024: Windy City, 5-4, 3.45, 52 G, 60 IP, 57 H, 4 HR, 24 BB, 61 K, 1.35 WHIP
0 days rest
 • Appleton, WI... undrafted out of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, earned way to MiLB through indy ball.
 • Attended Appleton West, same high school as Lugnuts / MLB catcher Danny Jansen.
 • Independent experience: 2022-23 Milwaukee, '24 Windy City, '25 Staten Island FerryHawks.
 • 2025: 6 GS with Staten Island, 5.45 ERA, 33 IP, 12 BB, 41 K... purchased by A's on June 9.

27 JAKE PFENNIGS • RH • Age 25 • “FENN-igs” • MWL season: 1
FB, SINK, CU, SL, CH | 2024: Stockton, 1-2, 4.87, 8 G, 2 GS, 20 1/3, 21 H, 1 HR, 7 BB, 26 K, 5 WP
1 day rest
 • Born in Coeur d'Alene, lives in Post Falls, ID... 394th, 13th rd., 2022, Oregon St. ... \$125,000.
 • 2018 Idaho Gatorade HS Player of the Year... 18 ppg, 12 rpg on Post Falls basketball team.
 • 2018 Baseball Northwest's top-ranked prospect for the full Idaho/Montana/Wyoming region.
 • Has battled injuries: 27 G across three pro seasons... 2-IP cameo for Triple-A LV in 2024.

16 BLAZE PONTES • RH • Age 25 • “PAHN-tez” • MWL seasons: 2
FB, SINK, CU, SL, CH | 2024: Lansing, 3-9, 7.36, 26 G, 10 GS, 88 IP, 113 H, 76 R, 11 HR, 40 BB, 44 K
0 days rest
 • Mililani, HI... drafted 484th overall, 16th rd., 2022, University of Hawaii... signed for \$75,000.
 • 1st Team All-State as a high school junior (0.95)... Jr. year at Hawa'i: 1st Team All Big West.
 • One year younger than teammate Hunter Breault at Kamehameha-Kapālama High School.
 • 2021: played for Waterloo (Northwoods League), where Lugs franchise used to be located.

33 TOM REISINGER • RH • 24 • “RICE-ing-er” • MWL season: 1
FB, CU, SWEEP, CH | 2024: Stockton, 1-5, 9.05, 21 G, 5 GS, 62 2/3, 93 H, 8 HR, 7 HBP, 41 BB, 53 K
1 day rest
 • Kulpmont, PA... 286th overall, 10th rd., 2023, East Stroudsburg University (ESU) Warriors.
 • Signed for \$125,000... Mount Carmel Area H.S. quarterback... also played basketball.
 • Drafted following Jr. year: led PSAC in K (97 in 71 2/3 IP)... 2022-23 total: 185 K in 140 2/3.
 • Made pro debut in 2023 in ACL: 4 G/2 GS, 6 IP, 10 K... spent 2024 in Stockton, IL: May 1-30.

30 YEHIZON SANCHEZ • RH • 24 • “YAY-ih-son” • MWL seasons: 3
SINK, SL, CH | 2024: Lansing, 2-6, 6.18, 37 G, 1 SV, 51 IP, 63 H, 3 HR, 5 HBP, 31 BB, 44 K
1 day rest
 • La Romana, DR... signed at age 18 as an international free agent on July 2, 2019.
 • In same signing class as James González and Wander Guante, who are in Midland.
 • Others from La Romana: Edwin Encarnación, Félix Pié and Miguel Castro.
 • 2023 Stockton Ports Opening Day starter... pitched in four games with Lansing in 2023.

3	JONNY BUTLER	• L/R • OF • Age 26 • 5th season with Lugnuts
2024 in Lansing: 113 G, .224 / .328 / .357, 101 H, 72 R, 26 2B, 5 3B, 8 HR, 50 RBI, 1 SF, 6 HBP, 64 BB, 111 K, 18-for-22 SB, 5 E		
Last Game: 2-2, R, 2B, 3 BB, SB	GL: 4-8, 2 R, 2 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 4 BB, SB	at FW: 3-11, 2 2B, GIDP, 2 K
- Channahon, IL... 14th round, 428th overall, 2021, North Carolina State University... \$125,000. 2021 All-American... 52 games at NCSU, ranked 3rd in ACC in base hits (76), T-3rd in runs (54), 4th in SLG (.663), T-4th in SB (16), 5th in OBP (.452), T-5th in RBIs (53)... 1st Team All-ACC.		- From 2021-24, Butler totaled 239 G, 876 AB, 200 H, 45 2B, 13 3B, 21 HR, 131 R, 113 RBI, 42-48 SB, 110 BB, 229 K, 79 XBH and 334 total bases... hit walk-off two-run HR in 10th inning, April 28, 2024. - Has twice tied the Lugnuts' single game record with two triples in a game: 4/15/23, 6/26/24.
Jonny Butler is the first player in franchise history to play for the Lugnuts in five consecutive seasons, surpassing the previous mark of four consecutive seasons from shortstop/utilityman Jason Leblebijan (2012-2015) and swingman southpaw Jack Owen (2021-2024), who retired this past offseason.		
4	DAVIS DIAZ	• R/R • C • Age 22 • 1st season with Lugnuts
2024: Stockton, 14 G, .226 / .397 / .283, 12-for-53, 12 R, 3 2B, 0 3B, 0 HR, 6 RBI, 8 BB, 9 K, 7 HBP, 0 SB, 0 E		
Last Game: 1-4, 2B, 2 RBI	vs. GL: 4-11, R, 2B, 2 RBI, BB	at FW: 4-16, 2 R, 2B, RBI, 2 K, E
- Pittsburg, CA... signed for \$250,000 as the 226th pick, 8th round, 2024, Vanderbilt University. - Joined the Lugnuts June 3 from Stockton, replacing the promoted Cole Conn (Double-A Midland).		3x gold medalist, Team USA (2015, 2017, 2018), Perfect Game's No. 12 prospect in California. 2025 in Stockton: 42 G, .250 / .384 / .355, 10 2B, 3 3B, 0 HR, 21 RBI, 6-for-9 SB, 29 BB, 28 K, 6 HBP.
10	JARED DICKEY	• L/R • OF • Age 23 • 2nd season with Lugnuts
2024 Quad Cities: 81 G, .269 / .360 / .424, 39 R, 12 2B, 3 3B, 9 HR, 40 RBI, 32 BB, 64 K, 9 HBP, 8-for-12 SB... with Lansing: 34 G, .237 / .299 / .298, 31 H, 3 2B, 1 3B, 1 HR, 15 RBI, 3 SF, 10 BB, 23 K, 2 SB		
Last Game: 1-3, R, 2 BB, K, CS, E	vs. GL: 2-13, 4 R, 5 BB, 3 K, 1-2 SB, 2 E	FW: 7-22, 8 R, 4 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 4 BB, K, SB
- Mt. Juliet, TN... signed for \$572,500 as the 319th pick, 11th round, 2023, University of Tennessee. - Acquired from KC by the A's on July 30, 2024, w/ Will Klein and Mason Barnett for Lucas Erceg.		- Majored in recreation and sport management at UT... won 2020 Perfect Game 18U World Series title. 2023 All-SEC 2nd Team: 63 G, .328 / .392 / .525, 12 HR... had batted .380 / .484 / .690 in 40 G in 2022.
24	RODNEY GREEN, JR.	• L/L • OF • Age 22 • 1st season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 16 A's prospect
2024 with California: 55 G, .267 / .409 / .549, 55 H, 56 R, 14 2B, 1 3B, 14 HR, 46 RBI, 7 HBP, 43 BB, 72 K, 15-for-19 SB... with Stockton: 24 G, .289 / .368 / .464, 28 H, 19 R, 8 2B, 3 HR, 21 RBI, 9-for-10 SB		
Last Game: 0-4, 3 K	vs. GL: 1-11, 2 RBI, 2 BB, 7 K, HBP	at FW: 1-12, BB, 6 K
- Born in Berkeley, lives in Richmond, CA... 104th overall pick, 4th round, 2024, Cal... \$1,000,000. - Ranked ninth all-time at Cal with 34 homers, totaling 144 runs / 105 RBIs / 45 steals in 151 games.		- Crushed first two home runs of the year vs. Great Lakes, April 8... 2-strike, 2-out GS in 9th vs. GL, 4/13. - El Cerrito H.S. alumni: John Fogerty, Phil Lesh, Pumpsie Green, Drew Gooden, Ernie Broglio.
2	JOSHUA KURODA-GRAUER	• R/R • INF • Age 22 • 2nd season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 8 A's prospect
2024 with Rutgers: 53 G, .428 / .492 / .590, 54 R, 95 H, 19 2B, 1 3B, 5 HR, 45 RBI, 23 BB, 18 K, 24-27 SB... combined pro debut (Stockton/Lansing/Vegas): 28 G, .324 / .421 / .343, 2 2B, 12 BB, 9 K, 5-7 SB		
Last: 0-2, R, 2 BB, K, HBP, 2 SB	vs. GL: 0-9, R, 3 BB, 3 K, HBP, 2 SB	FW: 5-23, 2 R, 2B, 3 RBI, 2 BB, 3 K, HBP, CS
- Somerset, New Jersey... signed for \$1,043,900 as the 75th pick, 3rd round, 2024, Rutgers. 2024 Big Ten Player of the Year... 2024 All-Big Ten First Team... First Team All-America PGUSA.		- Led NCAA D-I with 95 hits in the 2024 regular season... 2nd in NCAA with .428 average (1st - Condon). - Promoted to Lugnuts August 27: 12 G, .286 / .400, 2 2B, 5 BB, 3 K... Las Vegas: 4 G, 2-for-12, 1 RBI.
26	RYAN LASKO	• R/R • OF • Age 22 • 2nd season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 15 A's prospect
2024 with Stockton: 82 G, .225 / .359 / .322, 72 H, 48 R, 19 2B, 0 3B, 4 HR, 29 RBI, 9 HBP, 59 BB, 103 K, 20-26 SB, 2 E... with Lansing: 41 G, .245 / .341 / .342, 7 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 18 RBI, 20 BB, 35 K, 13-14 SB		
Last Game: 0-3, R, BB, K, HBP	GL: 2-8, R, RBI, 2 BB, 3 K, 2 HBP, SB	at FW: 3-21, 2 R, 3 RBI, BB, 5 K, 3 SB, 3 HBP, E
- Jackson, New Jersey... 2nd round, 41st overall, 2023, from Rutgers... signed for \$1.7 million. - First Scarlet Knight in Big Ten era to be All-American, 2021... tied RU 2B record (24) in 2022.		- Led Big Ten in base hits (90) and runs scored (81) in 2022... criminal justice major. - Rated California League's Best Outfield Arm by Baseball America in 2024... Injured List, 4/4-5/12/25.
25	DARLYN MONTERO	• L/R • INF • Age 23 • 1st season with Lugnuts
2024 with Stockton: 95 G, .256 / .318 / .353, 93 H, 43 R, 15 2B, 1 3B, 6 HR, 29 RBI, 1 Sac., 1 SF, 10 HBP, 24 BB, 104 K, 9-for-9 SB, 8 E		
Last Game: -	vs. GL: 1-6, BB, 4 K	at FW: 3-13, R, 2B, RBI, 4 K
Azua, Dominican Republic... signed as an international free agent on November 7, 2018.		Played in DSL in 2019 (.213 avg.) and 2021 (40 G, .217 avg.), ACL in 2022 and 2023.
19	NATE NANKIL	• R/R • OF • Age 22 • 2nd season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 26 A's prospect
2024 in Stockton: 83 G, .285 / .401 / .460, 20 2B, 1 3B, 10 HR, 56 RBI, 44 BB, 64 K, 3-5 SB... Lansing, 28 G, .356 / .414 / .452, 37 H, 14 R, 7 2B, 0 3B, 1 HR, 14 RBI, 1 SF, 3 HBP, 8 BB, 25 K, 0-1 SB, 2 E		
Last Game: 1-4, R, K, HBP, SB	GL: 5-13, 5 R, 2 3B, 5 RBI, BB, K, HBP, 2 SB	at FW: 5-16, 2 R, 3 RBI, 6 BB, 3 K, 2 HBP
Born in San Diego, resides in Chula Vista, CA... 7th round, 2023, Cal State Fullerton... \$300,000.		Grew up a Padres / Fernando Tatis, Jr. fan ... born with one functioning kidney... 5 RBI, 4/9/25 vs. GL.
1	ELVIS RIJO	• R/R • INF • Age 21 • 2nd season with Lugnuts
2024 with Lansing: 1 G, 1-for-3, 2 R, 1 HBP, 1 E... with ACLA's: 8 G, .120 / .281 / .120, 3-for-25, 5 BB, 7 K, 2-3 SB... with Stockton: 43 G, .215 / .324 / .268, 8 2B, 20 RBI, 16 HBP, 8 BB, 32 K, 2-3 SB, 7 E		
Last Game: 0-3, BB, 2 K	vs. GL: 0-5, BB, 2 K	at FW: 2-7, 2 2B, RBI, 3 K, E
Born in Puerto Rico, lives in La Romana, DR... signed as an int'l free agent, 5/25/22, age 18.		Member of Lugnuts, April 16-May 4, 2024... rejoined Nuts from Ariz. Complex League, May 27, 2025.
7	CJ RODRIGUEZ	• R/R • C • Age 25 • 3rd season with Lugnuts
2024 with Lansing: 70 G, .201 / .320 / .236, 46 H, 21 R, 6 2B, 1 3B, 0 HR, 18 RBI, 2 SF, 3 HBP, 38 BB, 48 K, 4 E		
Last Game: -	vs. GL: 0-4	at FW: 1-6, sacrifice
Carlos, Jr. ... Newport Beach, CA... 58th pick, 5th round, 2021, Vanderbilt... signed for \$400,000.		Has collected two hits in the same inning 2x for the Lugnuts: 7/19/23 vs. GL and 7/30/24 vs. Dayton.
8	NICK SCHWARTZ	• R/R • C • Age 24 • 1st season with Lugnuts
2024 with Stockton: 46 G, .207 / .323 / .266, 35 H, 28 R, 4 2B, 2 HR, 19 RBI, 28 BB, 60 K, 2-2 SB, 3 E... 2024 with ACLA's: 13 G, .244 / .340 / .268, 10 H, 4 R, 1 2B, 3 RBI, 6 BB, 14 K, 0 E		
Last Game: -	vs. GL: 2-3, K, SB	at FW: 1-8, R, 3B, 2 K
Massapequa, NY... signed as undrafted free agent, July 17, 2023, Southern New Hampshire.		SNHU's record-holder in career avg. (.398) and single-season RBI (71 in 2023)... only 1 E in 2023.
23	TOMMY WHITE	• R/R • INF • Age 22 • 1st season with Lugnuts • MLB Pipeline's No. 5 A's prospect
2024 with LSU: 66 G, .330 / .401 / .638, 92 H, 61 R, 12 2B, 1 3B (only college triple), 24 HR, 70 RBI, 27 BB, 38 K... Stockton: 25 G, .224 / .303 / .299, 15 R, 24-for-107, 2 2B, 2 HR, 14 RBI, 9 BB, 21 K, 1 E		
Last Game: -	vs. GL: 2-10, 3 R, RBI, 3 K	FW: 6-22, 2 R, HR, 7 RBI, BB, 3 K, HBP, SB, E
- St. Pete Beach, Florida... signed for \$3,000,000 as the 40th pick, 2nd round, 2024, LSU. - Transferred Calvary Christian H.S. to IMG Academy for senior year: nation's No. 1 3B prospect. - Crushed nine HRs in first eight games at NC State... finished with 27, most ever for a freshman.		- Transferred to LSU and led Tigers to 2023 national championship, topping nation w/ 105 RBI in 66 gms. - College totals: 187 G, 179 R, 279 H, 48 2B, 75 HR, 249 RBI, 73 BB, 129 K, .355 / .419 / .704, 1.123 OPS - No. 8 in NCAA history for career HR (75)... hit opposite-field HR in 2025 Spring Breakout vs. Padres.
5	CASEY YAMAUCHI	• R/R • INF • Age 24 • 3rd season with Lugnuts
2024 in Stockton: 35 G, .316 / .389 / .404, 36 H, 18 R, 6 2B, 2 3B, 0 HR, 12 RBI, 5 HBP, 10 BB, 13 K, 7-10 SB, 10 E... Lansing: 52 G, .236 / .306 / .258, 24 R, 4 2B, 13 RBI, 7 HBP, 11 BB, 14 K, 13-15 SB, 5 E		
Last Game: 1-5, R, 2B, RBI, 3 K	vs. GL: 5-17, 2 R, 2B, 3B, RBI, SB, 3 K	at FW: 6-13, 2 R, RBI, BB, K, HBP
- Hilo, HI... signed as an undrafted free agent with the Athletics from Hawai'i at Hilo, July 12, 2023. 5 years... graduated w/ bachelor degrees in Communications and Kinesiology & Exercise Sciences.		- Owns Hawai'i Hilo records in runs (147), hits (240), doubles (49), steals (74-for-85); only 27 K in 167 G. - Joined Nuts for the final three games of 2023 at LC (6-9, 2 BB, 1 HBP), replacing Jacob Wilson at SS.

ADDITIONAL LUG•NOTES

Prospecting: The Lugnuts' current roster boasts eight of MLB Pipeline's Top 30 Athletics prospects in No. 5 **Tommy White**, No. 8 **Joshua Kuroda-Grauer**, No. 10 **Steven Echavarria**, No. 15 **Ryan Lasko**, No. 16 **Rodney Green, Jr.**, No. 26 **Nate Nankil**, No. 29 **Tzu-Chen Sha** and No. 30 **Wei-En Lin**. 22 of the Top 30 overall have seen action in Lansing.

Roll Call: The 2025 Lugnuts have featured 39 different players, 17 position players and 22 pitchers (plus one position player pitching). 14 different players have hit a home run, 13 different players have stolen a base, 10 different pitchers have started a game and five different pitchers have recorded a save.

Walk-Off Wonders: The Nuts have walked off with a win on four different occasions this year:

- Jared Dickey's two-run single in the 12th inning to beat Great Lakes, 12-11, April 13th
- Sahid Valenzuela's RBI single in the 10th inning to beat Lake County, 1-0, May 4th
- Rodney Green, Jr.'s RBI single in the 10th inning to beat South Bend, 7-6, May 13th
- Jared Dickey's RBI fielder's choice in the bottom of the 9th to beat West Michigan, 4-3, June 11th

From The 517 to The Show: Six former Lugnuts players have made the Major Leagues this season, most recently **Colby Thomas** on June 29, bringing the total to 199 Lugnuts all-time who've reach the Majors. Thomas joined **Max Muncy**, **Gunnar Hoglund**, **Jack Winkler**, **Denzel Clarke**, **Jack Perkins** and broadcaster **Adam Jaksa** to debut this season in MLB.

Heading to Atlanta, Part I: Tommy White and 2025 Opening Day starter **Gage Jump** (now in Double-A) will represent the Athletics' organization at the **2025 All-Star Futures Game** this Saturday at 4 p.m. White, the A's No. 6 prospect, joins Luis Morales (2024), Denzel Clarke (2022), Vladimir Guerrero Jr. and Bo Bichette (2017) and Angel Perdomo (2016) as active Lugnuts to play in the Futures Game.

Heading to Atlanta, Part II: Four Lugnuts were named Major League All-Stars – American League starting shortstop **Jacob Wilson** (2023), A.L. starting first baseman **Vladimir Guerrero, Jr.** (2017), A.L. reserve catcher **Alejandro Kirk** (2019), and N.L. starting pitcher **Matthew Boyd** (2013). This is Vladdy's fifth All-Star appearance, Kirk's second, and the first apiece for Wilson and Boyd. Wilson is the first A's starting shortstop in an All-Star Game since Bert Campaneris (1974) and the first rookie starting shortstop in an All-Star Game since Ron Hansen in 1960.

The Butler Did What?! 2021-2022 Lugnut **Lawrence Butler** led off July 8th's game for the A's vs. Atlanta with an inside-the-park home run, the Athletics' first inside-the-park homer since Mark Kotsay achieved the feat on October 4, 2006; the first leadoff inside-the-park home run for the A's since Elmer Valo in 1943; and the first A's player to have both an inside-the-park home run and an over-the-fence home run in the same game since Billy Williams on August 23, 1975. When the Giants' Patrick Bailey delivered a walk-off inside-the-park home run to end the night in baseball, it was the first time in Major League Baseball history that a leadoff inside-the-parker and a walk-off inside-the-parker were hit on the same day.

Dubious History: 2018 Lugnut **Vinny Capra** was former Great Lakes Loon Clayton Kershaw's 3,000th strikeout victim on July 2. Capra, a 20th-rounder from Richmond in 2018, had been claimed off waivers by the White Sox from the Milwaukee Brewers on May 15.

Simply Electric, Eh?: 2022 Lugnut **Denzel Clarke** won the MLB Chevrolet Electric Play of the Week each of his first four weeks in the Majors.

Happy Trails: 2012 Nut **Kevin Pillar** announced his retirement on July 2 following a 13-year playing career with 10 different teams. A 32nd-round selection in 2011, Pillar went 6-for-6 with a grand slam in a 6-RBI night at the Dayton Dragons on May 13, 2012, and found a fire extinguisher in his locker after the game. He went on to be the 2012 Midwest League Most Valuable Player.

What a Crowd! The Lugnuts' July 4 crowd of 10,527 was...

- Larger than any crowd drawn by the Tampa Bay Rays this season.
- 18th largest crowd in Minor League Baseball this season.
- Larger than 15 Triple-A teams (Round Rock, Lehigh Valley, Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, Gwinnett, Jacksonville, Reno, Omaha, El Paso, Worcester, Louisville, St. Paul, Memphis, Salt Lake, Tacoma, Sugar Land).
- Larger than 29 Double-A teams (everyone except Frisco).
- Largest crowd in High-A. (No one else drew over 9,000.)
- Larger than 29 Single-A teams (everyone except Fresno, which used to be in Triple-A and edged Lansing by four: 10,531).
- The 2nd largest crowd in Lansing since 2020, beaten only by 2023's July 4.

What a Crowd, Part II: The Nuts drew 8,863 for Grand Slam School Day III on May 28 vs. Beloit, an attendance that ranks the 31st largest crowd in Minor League Baseball this year. If Lansing's July 4 crowd is excluded, the May 28 attendance would rank larger than any crowd in High-A this season except for a West Michigan Whitecaps gate of 9,049 on June 7.

DK at the Helm: The 19th manager in Lugnuts history is **Darryl Kennedy**, entering his second year in the A's organization. Kennedy distinguished himself as a catcher at Manatee Community College before starring at the University of North Florida and was named an NCAA All-American in 1991 en route to North Florida's Hall of Fame, inducted in 2017. Kennedy played in the Minor Leagues for seven seasons, including parts of four seasons in Triple-A. Following his 1997 retirement, he immediately began managing, leading the Gulf Coast League Rangers to the 1998 GCL Championship. Kennedy won a second title with the GCL Rangers in 2000, moving on to stops in the Florida State League, Northwest League and Texas League through 2006. Upon joining the Royals' organization, Kennedy managed in the Appalachian League, Carolina League, Pioneer League, Arizona League and Texas League through 2020. He served as bench coach for the KBO's Hanwha Eagles from 2021 through 2023 before joining the A's as Double-A Midland's assistant hitting coach in 2024.

Filling Out the Staff: **Dave Burba**, the Lugnuts' pitching coach, walked on at Ohio State, pitched in the Big Ten Championship game as a freshman, was drafted by the Mariners one round after Ken Griffey, Jr. in 1987, and won 115 games in 15 MLB seasons before spending 13 seasons as a pitching coach in the Colorado Rockies' organization. **Rubén Escalera** is in his second year as hitting coach and his 30th season in the A's organization; he simultaneously serves as a scout for the A's in Puerto Rico. And the pride of Yuba City, Calif., **Cooper Goldby** comes to the Lugnuts after two seasons serving as the Dominican Summer League A's manager. The catcher/utilityman was drafted out of Lewis-Clark State in the 35th round in 2017.