



# 2022 AUGUSTA GREENJACKETS BASEBALL SINGLE-A AFFILIATE OF THE ATLANTA BRAVES



## GAME 32 | COLUMBIA @ AUGUSTA | MAY 14, 2022 | SRP PARK

### 2022 SCHEDULE

APRIL	DATES
@COLUMBIA.....	8-10
@MYRTLE BEACH.....	12-17
FAYETTEVILLE.....	19-24
DELMARVA.....	26-1
MAY	DATES
@CAROLINA.....	3-8
COLUMBIA.....	10-15
@CHARLESTON.....	17-22
MYRTLE BEACH.....	24-29
JUNE	DATES
KANNAPOLIS.....	31-5
@COLUMBIA.....	7-12
CHARLESTON.....	14-19
@FAYETTEVILLE.....	21-26
COLUMBIA.....	28-3
JULY	DATES
@CHARLESTON.....	4, 6-10
FREDERICKSBURG.....	12-17
ALL STAR BREAK.....	18-21
@COLUMBIA.....	22-24
MYRTLE BEACH.....	26-31
AUGUST	DATES
@DELMARVA.....	2-7
@FREDERICKSBURG.....	9-14
CHARLESTON.....	16-21
@MYRTLE BEACH.....	23-28
SEPTEMBER	DATES
SALEM.....	30-4
@KANNAPOLIS.....	6-11

### GAMEDAY INFORMATION



#### COLUMBIA FIREFLIES

Luinder Avila (RHP)  
3-3, 4.91 ERA

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#### AUGUSTA GREENJACKETS

Luis Vargas (RHP)  
0-1, 3.60 ERA

7:05 P.M. FIRST PITCH



### TEeing OFF

- **ANOTHER NIGHT, ANOTHER WIN:** The Augusta GreenJackets took down won their sixth consecutive game on Friday with a 6-3 win over the Columbia Fireflies. The night was highlighted by great pitching by the GreenJackets who struck out a season-best 18 Fireflies led by J.J. Niekro with a career-high 9.
- **K DISCREPANCY:** While the GreenJackets pitchers racked up the Ks on Friday night, the Augusta offense was the opposite and struck out a season-low 3 times in the victory, putting the ball in play in 27/30 official at-bats.
- **OFFENSE CATCHING FIRE:** The offense for the GreenJackets are currently in their best stretch of the season over the last week of games with a .277 batting average and .836 OPS. During the stretch, the GreenJackets have hit 8 home runs and scored 41 runs, both the most in the league during that time frame. In addition, they've stolen 16 bases in the last 7 games.
- **BIG BAT BACKSTROM:** Mahki Backstrom has gotten his bat hot the last couple of nights against the Fireflies with 5/9 stretch with 6 RBIs including consecutive multi-hit games. Backstrom is tied for second on the team in extra-base hits with 11 (4 2B, 4 3B, 3 HR). Tied with Caleb Durbin and one back of Geraldo Quintero.
- **LUIS GETS THE BALL:** Luis Vargas makes his fourth start on the mound and is looking to build off his longest outing last time out when he went 4.1 innings at Carolina.

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### UPCOMING PROBABLES

- **MAY 15 vs COLUMBIA:** Noah Cameron (LHP) vs AJ Smith-Shawver (RHP)
- **MAY 17 @ CHARLESTON:** TBD vs TBD
- **MAY 18 @ CHARLESTON:** TBD vs TBD
- **MAY 19 @ CHARLESTON:** TBD vs TBD
- **MAY 20 @ CHARLESTON:** TBD vs TBD
- **MAY 21 @ CHARLESTON:** TBD vs TBD

# TEAM NEWS AND NOTES

## GREENJACKETS' SCORECARD

OVERALL RECORD	19-12
1ST HALF RECORD	19-12
2ND HALF RECORD	0-0
HOME RECORD	12-4
ROAD RECORD	7-8
CURRENT STREAK	W6
DAY GAMES	4-0
NIGHT GAMES	15-12
SCORE FIRST	11-11
1-RUN GAMES	5-7
2-RUN GAMES	5-1
3-RUN+ GAMES	9-4
EXTRA INNINGS	2-1
SCORES 3 RUNS OR LESS	2-9
SCORES 4-7 RUNS	7-3
SCORES 8+ RUNS	10-0
SCORES IN 1ST INNING	9-5
OUT-HITS OPPONENT	14-4
VS RHP	16-11
VS LHP	3-1
QUALITY START	1-1
LEADING AFTER 7 INNINGS	15-2
LEADING AFTER 8 INNINGS	15-1
ALLOWS 3 RUNS OR LESS	10-3
ALLOWS 4-7 RUNS	8-8
ALLOWS 8 OR MORE RUNS	1-1
COMMIT NO ERRORS	3-3
COMMIT 1 ERROR	10-3
COMMIT 2+ ERRORS	6-6
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	4,277
LARGEST ATTENDANCE	5,469
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	68,425

## RECENT TRANSACTIONS

RHP Jorge Bautista transferred from Extended to Augusta	5/11
C Victor De Hoyos transferred from Augusta to Gwinnett	5/10
RHP Darling Florentino transferred from Extended to Augusta	5/7
LHP Sam Strickland placed on 7-Day Injured List	5/6
LHP Kris Anglin activated off of 7-Day Injured List	5/3
RHP Jordano Perez transferred from Extended to Augusta	5/3
RHP Ben Dum transferred from Augusta to Rome	5/3
RHP Royber Salinas transferred from Augusta to Rome	5/3
C Rusber Estrada transferred from Rome to Augusta	4/28
RHP Roldy Munoz transferred from Rome to Augusta	4/28
LHP Adam Shoemaker placed on 7-day IL	4/27
C Antonion Barranca placed on 7-day IL	4/26
Sam Strickland transferred from GCL Braves to Augusta	4/22
Isrrael De La Cruz transferred from GCL Braves to Augusta	4/22
Ben Dum transferred from Rome to Augusta	4/22

## GREENJACKETS PROSPECTS

PROSPECT	MLB PIPELINE	BASEBALL AMERICA
AJ SMITH-SHAWVER, RHP	17	14
CAL CONLEY, SS	18	20
ADAM SHOEMAKER, LHP	26	34
BRANDOL MEZQUITA, OF		25
KADON MORTON, OF		30

## GAMES TODAY CAROLINA LEAGUE



LYNCHBURG @ DOWN EAST - 5:00 PM

CAROLINA @ FAYETTEVILLE - 5:05 PM

CHARLESTON @ MYRTLE BEACH - 6:05 PM

KANNAPOLIS @ FREDERICKSBURG - 6:05 PM

SALEM @ DELMARVA - 7:05 PM

## BRAVES ORGANIZATION REPORT MAY 14, 2022

ATLANTA BRAVES (MLB)  
vs San Diego Padres 4:05 p.m.



GWINNETT STRIPERS (AAA)  
@ Durham (TB) 6:35 p.m.



MISSISSIPPI BRAVES (AA)  
@ Chattanooga (CIN) 7:15 p.m.



ROME BRAVES (A+)  
vs Winston-Salem (CWS) 6:00 p.m.



# TONIGHT'S STARTER

**LUIS VARGAS | RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER | #54**



## BIO

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/27 vs DEL) Made his first career professional start and delivered four shutout innings with a season-best five strikeouts (4/12 @ MB) Made his debut with a strong outing of 3.1 innings with no runs scoring. Delivered an early-season memorable moment as he faced the bases loaded in the 10th inning with nobody out in a 0-0 game and he struck out three straight Myrtle Beach hitters to extend the game into the 11th.

**2021:** Worked with the GCL Braves for all of 2021 where he appeared in just 4 games pitching 3 innings.

**CAREER:** Signed by the Braves as an international free agent in 2018 from the Dominican Republic. Assigned to the Dominican Summer League and pitched there in 2019. One of the top relief pitchers in the DSL for the Braves as he worked out of the bullpen 15 times with an ERA of 3.68. He was especially good at producing weak contact as opponents hit just .173 against him in 22 innings. Did not pitch in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP**

## CAREER STATS

Year	Team	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	OPP BA
2022	AUG	0-1	3.60	6	3	0	20.0	22	12	8	2	8	22	.256
2021	GCL-ATL	0-0	0.00	3	0	0	4.0	4	1	0	0	3	4	.181
2019	DSL-ATL	2-2	3.68	15	0	0	22.0	13	10	9	0	13	18	.173

## 2022 GAME LOG

Date	Team	Opp.	W	L	SV	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K
April 12	AUG	@MB	0	0	0	1	0	3.1	0	0	0	0	2	4
April 17	AUG	@MB	0	0	0	1	0	3.0	1	1	0	0	2	3
April 21	AUG	vs FAY	0	0	0	1	0	1.1	3	0	0	0	0	1
April 27	AUG	vs DEL	0	0	0	1	1	4.0	2	0	0	0	0	5
May 3	AUG	@CAR	0	1	0	1	1	4.0	10	9	6	2	0	5
May 8	AUG	@CAR	0	0	0	1	1	4.1	5	2	2	0	1	4

# GREENJACKETS PITCHERS

## #11 JUAN MATEO, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/11 vs COL  
Last Win: 5/11 vs COL  
Last Loss:  
Last Save: 4/13 @ MB  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 2.0 IP (X3)  
Most K: 3 (5/11 vs COL)  
Most BB: 2 (4/30 vs DEL)  
Scoreless Streak: 0.1 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 4.0 IP

Save Opps: 1/2  
Vs. RHB: .129  
Vs. LHB: .333  
Team Record When Pitches: 7-2  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 7/5

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/13 @ MB) Secured the first save of the season for the GreenJackets by retiring the side in order against the top-3 hitters in the Pelicans lineup.

**2021:** Made 22 appearances for ACL Indians all out of the bullpen. Covered 30 innings of work and earned 4 wins with 1 loss. Failed to convert 2 save opportunities, did collect 1 hold. Struck out 27 batters with 12 walks. Allowed 28 hits on the season and finished the season with a .243 batting average against him. Longest outing was 3.1 innings on August 7, 2021 and did not allow an earned run in that outing. 13/22 appearances in 2021 were 1 inning or less. Had 4 outings where he covered 2 innings or more

**CAREER:** Signed by Cleveland Guardians (Indians) in March of 2020 and assigned to short-season Mahoning Valley, did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic. Remained in Cleveland organization and assigned to ACL Indians in June of 2021, was released from organization on October 4 of 2021. Signed to minor league contract by Braves on October 10 2021. Braves assigned Mateo to Augusta.

**COLLEGE:** Began college career at Panola College (TX) where he pitched two seasons, made 11 appearances as a freshman with a 2-0 record and 5.27 ERA, struck out 13 batters in 13.2 innings. As a sophomore, appeared in 15 games with 0-1 record and 5.40 ERA, struck out 27 in 25 innings. Transferred to Tennessee Wesleyan in 2019 and pitched one season, appeared in 7 games with 1-0 record and 6 strikeouts and 15 walks in 6.1 innings

## #14 JORDANO PEREZ, RHP

### THROWS: SINKER, FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/12 vs COL  
Last Win: 5/12 vs COL  
Last Loss:  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed: 5/12 vs COL (Carter Jensen)

Long Outing: 5.0 IP (5/6 @CAR)  
Most K: 5 (5/6 @ CAR)  
Most BB: 1 (5/6 @ CAR)  
Scoreless Streak: 0.1  
Long Scoreless Strk: 5.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .357  
Vs. LHB: .000  
Team Record When Pitches: 1-1  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/12 vs COL) Earned a quality start in his first outing at SRP Park by dealing 6 innings allowing just two runs with 11 of his 18 outs recorded coming on the ground (5/6 @ CAR) Made his Augusta GreenJackets debut by pitching five strong innings allowing just two runs on five hits. Began his outing strong by striking out the side in the first inning.

**2021:** Made 16 appearances with 1 start for the Braves FCL team and tossed 30.2 innings. Was 2/2 on his save chances while picking up 21 strikeouts and 9 walks on the season. The one game he started he went just 0.2 of innings working as an opener.

**CAREER:** Signed as International Free Agent by Atlanta Braves on July 2, 2018. Did not pitch during 2018 after signing, assigned to Dominican Summer League in 2019 where he made 16 appearances on the mound and thrived as he finished with an ERA of 2.67 in 33.2 innings. Struck out 29 with 13 walks and was 3/3 on save opportunities and also recorded 2 holds. Did not pitch in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

## #23 ROLDDY MUNOZ, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, CHANGE-UP, SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/11 vs COL  
Last Win:  
Last Loss: 5/4 @ CAR  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 2.1 IP (4/28 vs DEL)  
Most K: 3 (X2)  
Most BB: 3 (5/7 @ CAR)  
Scoreless Streak: 1.1 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 2.1 IP

Save Opps: 0/1  
Vs. RHB: .263  
Vs. LHB: .267  
Team Record When Pitches: 2-2  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 2/2

**CURRENT NOTES:** Began season with Rome Braves (High-A) where he totaled 4 outings and pitched 5.1 innings. Has continued to show good strikeout ability with 9 Ks in his brief action in High-A but did allow 5 runs on 6 hits and 5 walks.

**2021:** Pitched majority of 2021 season with the Augusta where he made 14 total appearances with 1 start. Covered 29 innings on the mound with a 6.21 ERA and 4-2 record. Munoz struck out 40 on the season with 16 walks. Also made two appearances with GCL team before being promoted to Augusta and tossed 6 innings in one bullpen outing and one start.

**CAREER:** Signed by the Atlanta Braves as an international Free Agent in June of 2019. Began career in DSL and made 8 appearances out of the bullpen where he allowed 6 runs in 8.2 innings where he struck 9 with 7 walks. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

## #17 PEYTON WILLIAMS, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/10 vs COL  
Last Win: 5/10 vs COL  
Last Loss: 5/6 @ CAR  
Last Save: 5/1 vs DEL  
Last HR Allowed 5/6 @ CAR (Oswal Leones)

Long Outing: 2.0 IP (X4)  
Most K: 4 (4/20 vs FAY)  
Most BB: 1 (X4)  
Scoreless Streak: 0.1 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 5.4 IP

Save Opps: 1/4  
Vs. RHB: .216  
Vs. LHB: .261  
Team Record When Pitches: 3-5  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 1/1

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/8) Pitched 1.2 innings of relief. Got through clean first inning of work. Allowed walk-off 3-run home run to Erick Pena of Columbia to suffer loss and first blown save in a GreenJackets uniform.

**2021:** Pitched entire season with Augusta GreenJackets, made 20 appearances all out of the bullpen. Covered 23.1 innings and converted all 7 of his save chances to lead the team. Picked up 31 strikeouts and 9 walks with 21 hits allowed. Was put onto the injured list on May 13 and was not activated off until July 9. Assumed the role as the team's closer upon his return from the injured list as he converted 3 saves each in the months of August and September. Finished the season strong by not allowing any runs in his final 7 appearances and just once in his final 10.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 20th round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Catawba College (NC). Started the 2019 after being drafted with the GCL Braves before being promoted to the Danville Braves (Rookie) for the rest of the season. Had an up-and-down first season in the Braves Organization as he posted a 6.23 ERA in 13 appearances with Danville. His first 4 outings were starts before transitioning to his more natural position as a bullpen arm where he settled in with a 3.55 ERA in 9 appearances and 15.2 innings. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

**COLLEGE:** Began college career at Pfeiffer University in Misenheimer, North Carolina. Finished his freshman season with a 2.08 ERA in 16 outings all in relief. He collected a team-best 7 saves with a .188 batting average against him. Transferred to Catawba College in Salisbury, North Carolina after one season at Pfeiffer and continued dominated. In his one season at Catawba, made 31 appearances for the Indians as he paced the pitching staff with a 2.43 ERA and 31 appearances that covered 37 innings. Struck out 55 batters with 17 walks while opponents hit just .181 against him. Williams became 28th player drafted in Catawba program history and 2nd player from the school that was drafted by the Braves joining Brian Boltz who was a 2nd round pick in 1989.

## #18 JAMES ACUNA, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/12 @ COL  
Last Win: 4/19 vs FAY  
Last Loss:  
Last Save  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 2.1 IP (4/15 @ MB)  
Most K: 4 (X2)  
Most BB: 2 (X4)  
Scoreless Streak: 2.2 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 8.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .118  
Vs. LHB: .200  
Team Record When Pitches: 5-2  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 2-0

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/19 vs FAY) Earned his first victory of the season with two shutout innings, including stranding a pair of Woodpeckers in the seventh inning with the game tied a 6 (4/15 @ MB) Finished off the game for Augusta by recording the final seven outs. He retired all the batters he faced in order including strikeouts of four of them.

**2021:** Was the team-leader in appearances with 31 total, 29 out of the bullpen and 2 as a starter. Was 3/3 on his save opportunities Was used as an opener as both of his starts as he pitched just 3 innings in his first start at Charleston on August 4 and 1 inning in his second start vs Columbia on September 12. Was one of the most dependable arms out of the bullpen for the GreenJackets as he allowed 1 or 0 runs in 25 of his 31 outings. Showed strong strikeout ability with 62 punch-outs in 47.2 innings of work to earn a K/9 of 11.8 Had 11 appearances with 3 strikeouts or more including a very impressive outing against Columbia on June 16 where he struck out 6 Fireflies in 2 innings.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 29th round of the 2019 MLB Draft. Did not pitch at all in 2019 due to injury and was on the 60-day IL all season. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic.

**COLLEGE:** Played two seasons at the University of Oregon for coach George Horton... As a sophomore in 2018, he finished with a 2-2 record, 6.65 earned runs average, and 31 strikeouts over 44.2 innings thrown... As a true freshman in 2017, he appeared in 19 games, finishing with a 1-1 record, 3.81 earned runs average, and 22 strikeouts over 26 innings pitched. Transferred to Azusa Pacific University in Azusa, California after his sophomore season where he worked exclusively as a starter. In 7 starts, he earned a 2.51 ERA in 32.1 innings. Collected 28 strikeouts with 10 walks and a batting average against him .233.

## #20 TYLER OWENS, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, CHANGE-UP, SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/11 vs COL  
Last Win: 4/13 @ MB  
Last Loss:  
Last Save  
Last HR Allowed: (4/19 vs FAY) - Cody Orr

Long Outing: 5.0 IP (4/13 @ MB)  
Most K: 7 (5/11 vs COL)  
Most BB: 1 (X5)  
Scoreless Streak: 1.0 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 6.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .235  
Vs. LHB: .222  
Team Record When Pitches: 4-2  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/11 vs COL) Returned to the mound as a starter after two successful bullpen outings and shined in four innings where he struck out 7, a career-high with just one unearned run scoring on three hits (4/28 vs DEL) Made first appearance out of the bullpen and tossed two scoreless innings. (4/13 @ MB) Threw five, shutout innings in his first start of the season with five Ks en route to the first win for a GreenJackets starter pitcher in 2022

**2021:** Assigned to Augusta at the beginning of the season where he entered as the Braves' No. 24 prospect according to MLB Pipeline but faced a mostly difficult season due to injury. He appeared in 6 total games with 4 starts and only covered 14 innings during that time. Owens finished the season with a 7.07 ERA and an 0-3 record with a small sample size as his season came to end after one month as he was placed on the injured list on June 10 and never returned after that.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 13th round of the 2019 MLB Draft. Spent the ensuing season split between the GCL Braves and the Rookie affiliate Danville where he finished the season with a combined 0-3 record with a 4.23 ERA in 10 appearances and 9 starts that covered 27.1 innings. Collected 32 strikeouts throughout the course of the year with 12 walks while holding opponents to an impressive .184 batting average against him. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played high school baseball at Trinity Catholic in Ocala, Florida. Was the No. 90 ranked recruit nationally by Perfect Game and the No. 31 overall right-handed pitcher. Caught the eyes of scouts due to his strong velocity on his fastball that was consistently around 92-93 mph while topping in the mid-upper 90s. That along with his slider led him to a commitment to the University of Florida. Elected to forgo his scholarship after being drafted by the Braves.

## #25 ADAM SHOEMAKER, LHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 4/22 vs FAY  
Last Win:  
Last Loss:  
Last Save  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 2.2 IP (4/16 @ MB)  
Most K: 5 (4/10 @ COL)  
Most BB: 3 (4/10 @ COL)  
Scoreless Streak: 0  
Long Scoreless Strk: 2.1 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .308  
Vs. LHB: .375  
Team Record When Pitches: 2-1  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/27) Placed on 7-Day IL (4/22 vs FAY) Exited game after one batter due to injury. Enters the 2022 season as the Braves No. 26 prospect according to MLB Pipeline.

**2021:** Spent season with GCL Braves where he did not appear much as he pitched just 5.1 innings. Had 3 total outings with 2 starts. Collected 6 strikeouts and 7 walks during that time with a .158 batting average against in the small sample size but saw great development once being selected by the Braves. His fastball velocity averaged 87-89 mph coming out of high school, he jumped that up significantly as he touched 95 mph during his time with the GCL Braves.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 11th round of 2021 MLB Draft. Following his selection, he was assigned to the GCL Braves.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at St. Benedict High School in Cambridge, Ontario. Left-hander projected very well at the next level due his big 6'6 frame, was the No. 2 overall high school in Ontario and top left-hander by Perfect Game. Committed to St. Johns University in New York but elected professional baseball instead after being selected by the Braves.

## #26 MIGUEL PENA, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SINKER, SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/6 @ CAR  
Last Win: 4/30 vs DEL  
Last Loss:  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 2.0 IP (4/30 vs DEL)  
Most K: 3 (4/30 vs DEL)  
Most BB: 1 (5/6 @ CAR)  
Scoreless Streak: 5.2 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 5.2 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .091  
Vs. LHB: .143  
Team Record When Pitches: 4-1  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/22 vs FAY) returned from injured list 1-2-3 with a pair of strikeouts. (4/14) Placed on the 7-day IL.

**2021:** Promoted to Augusta from GCL Braves following COVID year and saw his most work in any professional season. Pena pitched 50.2 innings, doubling his previous high of 25 from his first year in DSL. Was used almost exclusively as a reliever making 26 appearances with one of those being a short start against Myrtle Beach on July 10 where he dealt 3 innings to begin the game. Had a tough start to the season as he allowed earned runs in all 4 of his outings in May but started to settle-in towards the end of the season. Pena finished the year with a 3.35 ERA in the months of August and September combined and started to get a feel for his stuff during that stretch with 23 strikeouts in the two months in 16.1 innings, earning him a 12.8 K/9 during that run.

**CAREER:** Signed by the Braves as an international free agent in 2017 from the Dominican Republic. Following his signing, the Braves designated him to the Dominican Summer League where he pitched well with a 3.96 ERA in 15 appearances and 25 innings all out of the bullpen. Earned a promotion to the GCL Braves in the 2018 where he continued to work exclusively out of the bullpen. Pitched 23.2 innings in 14 outings with a 5.32 ERA. Pitched in the GCL again in 2019 and improved from the year prior as he dropped his ERA to 1.88. Did not pitch as much in 2018, but saw his strikeout numbers improve in 2019 in the small sample size as he averaged about a strikeout an inning. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.



## #27 LONDON LEACH, RHP

### THROWS: SINKER, FASTBALL, CHANGE UP, SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/13 vs COL  
Last Win: 4/29 vs DEL  
Last Loss: 4/17 @ MB  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed: 5/5 @ CAR (Jeferson Quero)

Long Outing: 6.0 IP (4/23 vs FAY)  
Most K: 8 (4/23 vs FAY)  
Most BB: 3 (4/17 @ MB)  
Scoreless Streak: 0.1 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 7 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .250  
Vs. LHB: .194  
Team Record When Pitches: 3-3  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/29 vs DEL) Tossed 5.2 innings and came up one out short of back-to-back quality starts but earned his first win by allowing just two runs, leading Augusta to a 6-4 win. (4/24 vs FAY) Tossed the first Quality Start of the Season for Augusta by throwing 6, magnificent innings allowing just one batter over the minimum while striking out a season-best 8 batters. (4/12 @ MB) Made his first start of the season and impressed by pitching five, shutout innings with 7 strikeouts. Released by the Minnesota Twins on February 18, 2022. Agreed to a minor-league contract with the Atlanta Braves on March 16 and will begin season in Augusta.

**2021:** Began 2021 with the GCL Twins. Made 3 short starts before being promoted to the Fort Meyer Mighty Muscle (Twins Low-A). Made 6 starts for Fort Meyers but ran into problem with his command during the month of July and struggled to go deep into games. Was moved to the bullpen for the final month of the season and had 3 total outings where he allowed 6 earned runs in 8 innings. Leach finished the season with a 6.06 ERA in 12 total appearances between the FCL Twins and Fort Meyers with 33 strikeouts and 26 walks in 35.2 innings.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 2nd round and 37th overall pick in the 2017 MLB Draft. Was assigned to the GCL Twins following his selection and pitched well during his brief season there. Made 5 appearances with 2 starts and finished with a 2-0 record with both of wins coming in relief. Showed his potential in his best outing when he struck out 5 in 3 innings of relief against the Red Sox affiliate on August 11. Pitched for the GCL Twins again in 2018 but missed most of the season due to a significant injury and was also out all of 2019. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at Pickering High School in Ajax, Ontario. Was regarded as one of the top amateur pitchers in Canada due to a dominate fastball that worked low-mid 90's and topping at 96 while complimenting that with a slider and change up. Had the attention of professional scouts as a high draft pick in 2017. He committed to the University of Texas but ultimately was drafted by the Twins and elected to go to the pros rather than college.

## #32 ROB GRISWOLD, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/13 vs COL  
Last Win: 5/7 @ CAR  
Last Loss: 4/14 @ MB  
Last Save: 5/13 vs COL  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 2.0 IP (X4)  
Most K: 5 (5/5 @ CAR)  
Most BB: 2 (X2)  
Scoreless Streak: 5.2 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 5.2 IP

Save Opps: 4/4  
Vs. RHB: .063  
Vs. LHB: .250  
Team Record When Pitches: 8-2  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 7/0

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/7 @ CAR) Came in with the bases loaded in the ninth inning and with the game loaded got Jeferson Quero to ground-out forcing extras. Would earn the win in a 10 inning victory as he retired the side in order. (4/24 vs FAY) Pitched the final two innings and earned his first win of the season in the 6-5 victory. (4/19 vs FAY) Collected his first save of the season by getting the final six outs of the game. Retired the side in order in the eighth inning and then worked around a two-out walk from the Woodpeckers to secure the 8-6 win.

**CAREER:** Has not pitched in his professional career. Signed Minor League contract with Atlanta on November 28, 2021

**COLLEGE:** Played at Long Island University (NY) where he played for five seasons from 2017-2021. Was used as a two-way player early in his college career as he was a relief pitcher and played second base regularly. Heading into 2020, he transitioned into a full-time role as a relief pitcher and no longer hit. Made 4 appearances in the COVID-shortened season in 2020 and 17 in 2021 where he had his best season on the mound. He was tabbed as the Reliever of the Year in 2021 as he finished with a 0.68 ERA, recording 33 strikeouts in 30 innings. Opponents hit .194 against Griswold as the right-hander secured a team-best 5 saves and a 4-0 record in relief.

## #33 AJ SMITH-SHAWVER, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CURVEBALL, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/10 vs COL  
Last Win:  
Last Loss: 5/4 @ CAR  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed: 4/28 vs DEL (Noelberth Romero)

Long Outing: 5.0 IP (X3)  
Most K: 12 (5/10 vs COL)  
Most BB: 4 (X2)  
Scoreless Streak: 1.1  
Long Scoreless Strk: 4.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .200  
Vs. LHB: .222  
Team Record When Pitches: 3-3  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/10 vs COL) Pitched five innings where he easily eclipsed his career-high for strikeouts by punching out 12 Fireflies in a no decision (4/28 vs DEL) Dealt the best performance of his career by going 5 innings with 7 strikeouts and two walks with just 1 run allowed on a home run by Noelberth Romero. Enters 2022 season as the No. 17 prospect in the Atlanta Braves farm system according to MLB Pipeline.

**2021:** Made four, short starts for the GCL Braves in 2021. Pitched just 8.1 but showed elite strikeout ability in his brief action as he struck out 16 batters. Did show some command issues as he allowed 10 walks during that time and 8 earned runs on just 4 hits with 2 of those knocks being homeruns.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 7th round of the 2021 MLB Draft as a Pitcher. Assigned to GCL Braves following his selection.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at Colleyville High School in Texas and was tremendous athlete on the baseball field as a pitcher and 3rd basemen. Drew college attention as possible two-way player as he was ranked 151st nationally by Perfect Game and the No. 6 overall 3rd basemen. Committed to play college baseball at Texas Tech but chose to forgo his college eligibility after the Braves drafted him early in 2021.

## #36 JJ NIEKRO, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, CHANGE-UP, SLIDER, SWEEPING SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/13 vs COL  
Last Win: 5/13 vs COL  
Last Loss:  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed: 5/7 @ CAR (Arbert Cipion)

Long Outing: 5.0 IP (5/13 vs COL)  
Most K: 9 (5/13 vs COL)  
Most BB: 2 (X2)  
Scoreless Streak: 5.0 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 15.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .245  
Vs. LHB: .152  
Team Record When Pitches: 6-1  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 5/1

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/13 vs COL) Tossed the best outing of his young career by fanning nine Fireflies in nine shutout innings, setting himself up to earn his third win of the season in a 6-3 victory (4/16 @ MB) Followed up his debut appearance with an even better one as he bested himself going 4.1 innings with no runs allowed while striking out 6 batters. Had a stretch where he retired nine Pelicans in a row. (4/10 @ COL) made his debut out of the bullpen with a strong appearance pitching 3.2 shutout innings with no hits with just two walks to help Augusta hold their lead and take the opening series. Son of the late Joe Niekro who won 221 games as a pitcher during his 21-year MLB career. Also the nephew of the late Phil Niekro who won 318 games as a pitcher in his 24 year career which included 20 seasons with the Milwaukeee/Atlanta Braves. Half-brother Lance was drafted in 2nd round by the Giants in 2000.

**2021:** Made 10 appearances for the GCL Braves all in relief where he tallied a 2-0 record, 2.76 and 23 strikeouts in 16.1 innings of work.

**CAREER:** Was undrafted coming out of college. Played with the Frederick Keys of the MLB Draft League briefly before signing a minor league contract with the Atlanta Braves on July 23, 2021.

**COLLEGE:** Played at Florida Southern University where he half-brother Lance Niekro is the Head Coach. Played at Florida Southern from 2017-2021. Worked as both a starter and reliever in college. Made only 13 appearances on the mound over the past two seasons, pitched a career-high 82.2 innings as a sophomore in 2018 with 16 starts on the mound. Besides his sophomore season, he never made more than 10 appearances on the mound in any season

## #40 ESTARLIN RODRIGUEZ, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, CHANGE-UP, SLIDER

Last Outing: 5/11 vs COL  
Last Win:  
Last Loss: 4/23 vs FAY  
Last Save  
Last HR Allowed: 4/23 vs FAY (Victor Mascai)

Long Outing: 4.0 IP (5/5 @ CAR)  
Most K: 4 (5/5 @ CAR)  
Most BB: 2 (X3)  
Scoreless Streak: 0.1 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 5.0 IP

Save Opps: 0/1  
Vs. RHB: .295  
Vs. LHB: .241  
Team Record When Pitches: 5-2  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 4/2

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/5 @ CAR) Entered the game in the second inning and dealt his best outing of the season by going four shutout inning with four strikeouts, helping the Green-Jackets spark their comeback from 5-0 down (4/13 @ MB) Tossed three innings of scoreless relief as the middle reliever in a 1-0 victory, Allowed just one hit with three strikeouts.

**2021:** Began the 2021 season with Augusta almost exclusively out of the bullpen. Had 28 total outings with two coming as a starter. Recorded 3 saves in 4 attempts while also securing a 3-3 record throughout the season. Had an up-and-down start to the season as he allowed multiple runs 7 times in his the first three months of the season. Was sent down to the GCL Braves at the beginning of August and regained his confidence by not allowing any runs in 13 innings during his 6 outings. He returned to Augusta at the beginning of September and finished the regular season with the GreenJackets

**CAREER:** Signed by the Braves as an international free agent in 2017 from the Dominican Republic. He was designated to the Dominican Summer League following his signing where he pitched for two seasons in 2017-2018. Pitched mostly as a starter in the DSL as he made 23 appearances and 16 starts across the two seasons, totaling 64.1 innings of work. Promoted to the GCL Braves in 2019, he made 8 appearances for the rookie club all as a reliever. Did not pitch in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

## #46 JORGE BAUTISTA, RHP

### THROWS:

Last Outing: 5/13 vs CAR  
Last Win:  
Last Loss:  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 1.0 IP (5/13 vs CAR)  
Most K: 1 (5/13 vs CAR)  
Most BB:  
Scoreless Streak: 0.1 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 0.2 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB:  
Vs. LHB:  
Team Record When Pitches: 1-0  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

#### CURRENT NOTES:

**2021:** Pitched in the FCL in 2021 and struggled a bit with a 1-6 record and an ERA of 5.98 in 40.2 innings. He struck out 35 with 24 innings pitched. His longest start in 2021 was five innings on August 16 where he allowed no runs with 3 K and 2 hits.

**CAREER:** Signed as international free agent by Atlanta Braves in July of 2018 at 16 years old. Pitched in the Dominican Summer League for the first two season of his professional career in 2018-19 and worked as a reliever to start before transitioning to a full-time starter in 2019. Pitched 53.2 innings in 12 starts in 2019 and post an ERA of 3.86 with 46 K, 20 BB, and an opponent batting average .218. Has been a heavy ground ball pitcher in his career with a near 2/1 ground/air ball ratio



## #48 DARLING FLORENTINO, RHP

### THROWS:

Last Outing: 5/10 vs COL  
Last Win:  
Last Loss:  
Last Save  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 1.0 IP  
Most K: 1 (5/10 vs COL)  
Most BB:  
Scoreless Streak: 1.0 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 1.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .000  
Vs. LHB: .000  
Team Record When Pitches: 1-0  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/6) Transferred from Extended Spring Training to the Augusta GreenJackets.

**2021:** Made the transition from position player to pitcher in 2021 as he pitched the entire season in the FCL and made 11 appearances on the mound with 5 of them being starts. Recorded 1 save and 2 holds while working out of the bullpen and showed strikeout potential with 25 of them in 24.2 innings but did also walk 25 hitters. Opponents batted just .167 during his first season on the mound as he finished the year with a 4.74 ERA

**CAREER:** Signed as International Free Agent by Atlanta Braves in 2017 at 16-years old. Originally signed as a third basemen and played as a position player for the first two years of his career with the GCL Braves. Was promoted to Low-A Rome during the middle of 2019 and hit just .198 in 36 games. He hit 3 homeruns and 5 doubles but struck out 60 times in 126 at-bats during his first round of full-season baseball. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

## #49 KRIS ANGLIN, LHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, CURVEBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/7 @ CAR  
Last Win: 4/15 @ MB  
Last Loss:  
Last Save  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 3.1 (4/9 @ COL)  
Most K: 7 (4/9 @ COL)  
Most BB: 2 (X2)  
Scoreless Streak: 2.1  
Long Scoreless Strk: 6.1 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .150  
Vs. LHB: .133  
Team Record When Pitches: 3-1  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 4/1

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/7 @ CAR) Made his first start with the GreenJackets and tossed 2.1 innings of scoreless baseball in a designed short start (5/3) Activated off of 7-Day Injured List (4/15 @ MB) Earned his second win in relief with another good outing as the middle reliever. Anglin pitched three innings with no hits allowed and five strikeouts. Only three batters reached against him via a walk, hit-by-pitch, and dropped third strike. (4/9 @ COL) Earned Augusta's first winning decision of the season thanks to a strong effort in middle-relief. The southpaw 3.1 innings without allowing a run while striking out 7 Fireflies. Anglin allowed just one hit during his outing

**2021:** Pitched for the GCL Braves in 2021 where he showed off his electric arm in brief action. The southpaw pitched in 5 games with 3 starts and struck out 15 with a .154 opponent batting average in 11.1 innings. He allowed 6 hits and 6 walks but kept most runners on the base paths as he surrendered just 3 runs.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 16th round of the 2021 MLB Draft. Designated to the GCL Braves following his selection.

**COLLEGE:** Played at Howard Junior College in Big Spring, Texas. Made 12 starts on the mound and was dominate as a strikeout pitcher. He struck out 103 batters in 66.2 innings of work to earn him a K/9 of 14. His 2021 season-high was 15 strikeouts in 6.2 innings against Ranger College on February, 26. In the process, Anglin was 7-0 on the mound and the team was 10-2 in games he pitched.

## #54 LUIS VARGAS, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/8 @ CAR  
Last Win:  
Last Loss: 5/3 @ CAR  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed: 5/3 @ CAR (X2)

Long Outing: 4.1 IP (5/8)  
Most K: 5 (X2)  
Most BB: 3 (4/27 vs DEL)  
Scoreless Streak:  
Long Scoreless Strk: 12.1 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .328  
Vs. LHB: .083  
Team Record When Pitches: 2-4  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 2/0

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/27 vs DEL) Made his first career professional start and delivered four shutout innings with a season-best five strikeouts (4/12 @ MB) Made his debut with a strong outing of 3.1 innings with no runs scoring. Delivered an early-season memorable moment as he faced the bases loaded in the 10th inning with nobody out in a 0-0 game and he struck out three straight Myrtle Beach hitters to extend the game into the 11th.

**2021:** Worked with the GCL Braves for all of 2021 where he appeared in just 4 games pitching 3 innings.

**CAREER:** Signed by the Braves as an international free agent in 2018 from the Dominican Republic. Assigned to the Dominican Summer League and pitched there in 2019. One of the top relief pitchers in the DSL for the Braves as he worked out of the bullpen 15 times with an ERA of 3.68. He was especially good at producing weak contact as opponents hit just .173 against him in 22 innings. Did not pitch in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

## #55 ISRAEL DE LA CRUZ, RHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 5/12 vs COL  
Last Win: 4/27 vs DEL  
Last Loss:  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed: 5/8 @ CAR (Jackson Chourio)

Long Outing: 3.1 IP (5/3 vs CAR)  
Most K: 3 (X3)  
Most BB: 2 (4/27 vs DEL)  
Scoreless Streak: 1.0 IP  
Long Scoreless Strk: 5.1 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .154  
Vs. LHB: .111  
Team Record When Pitches: 4-1  
Inherited Runners/Scored: 3/2

#### CURRENT NOTES:

**2021:** (4/22 vs FAY) Made his debut on the same day he was called up and pitched two shutout innings with allowing a run while striking out three. He earned the victory in relief in the 5-2 win... Pitched with the Lakeland Flying Tigers to begin 2021 (Tigers Single-A) and made 26 appearances out of the bullpen with 64 strikeouts in 43 innings while holding an ERA of 5.86. Promoted to West Michigan Whitecaps (Tigers High-A) on September 8 and made three bullpen appearances with a 1-0 record with 9 strikeouts in 9 innings, allowing 2 earned runs and 4 hits during that stretch. De La Cruz elected free agency on November 7, 2021 and signed with the Braves Organization on March 16, 2022.

**CAREER:** Signed by the Detroit Tigers as an international free agent in 2013 at 16 years old. Was originally brought on by the Tigers an infielder where he played SS & 2B before being converted to a pitcher full time in 2019. Played in the Dominican Summer League with the Tigers in 2014-2015 before being promoted to the GCL team in 2016. Moved up to the Rookie team at the end of 2017 and in 2018. Was a .248 career hitter in his first 5 years in the Tigers system with 1 HR and 61 ABs in 777 career at-bats. Converted to pitcher in 2019 where he tossed 13.2 innings all in relief for the Tigers GCL team with a 3.29 ERA and 14 strikeouts across 12 outings. Did not pitch in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic. De La Cruz elected free agency on November 7, 2021 and signed with the Braves Organization on March 16, 2022.

## #56 SAM STRICKLAND, LHP

### THROWS: FASTBALL, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

Last Outing: 4/30 vs DEL  
Last Win:  
Last Loss:  
Last Save:  
Last HR Allowed:

Long Outing: 4.1 IP (4/24 vs FAY)  
Most K: 2 (X2)  
Most BB: 2 (4/24 vs FAY)  
Scoreless Streak: 3.0  
Long Scoreless Strk: 4.0 IP

Save Opps:  
Vs. RHB: .115  
Vs. LHB: .750  
Team Record When Pitches: 2-0  
Inherited Runners/Scored:

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/6) Placed on 7-Day Injured List. (4/24 vs FAY) Made his GreenJackets debut and pitched 4.1 innings after starter Tyler Owens exited after one inning. Did not give up any run until his final inning when worked into the sixth inning. Faced no more than four batters in his first four full innings

**2021:** Pitched with the FCL Braves and made 9 appearances out of the bullpen covering 12.1 innings. Allowed 11 earned runs while giving up 3 homeruns. He struck out 13 batters with 8 walks.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in 19th round of the 2021 MLB Draft.

**COLLEGE:** Played his college ball at Samford University from 2018-2021. Was a Freshman All-American in 2018 and first team Southern Conference Selection thanks to an 8-2 record in 15 appearances, with 14 of them being starts where he finished with an ERA of 2.33, 87 strikeouts, and 15 walks. As a sophomore, started 15 games and posted a record of 7-3 with a 4.00 earned run average in 69.2 innings of work, recorded 57 strikeouts. Started four games on the mound in a COVID-shortened 2020 season. Posted a 3-0 record and a 1.17 earned run average in 23.0 innings of work, struck out 30 batters, while allowing just one walk. Finished his senior season in 2021 with a 5-4 record and a 5.09 ERA with 70 Ks and 15 BB.

## BEN THOMPSON, RHP

### THROWS: SINKER, SLIDER, CHANGE-UP

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/22) Placed on 7-Day Injured List

**2021:** Assigned to Augusta at the beginning of the season and pitched the entire season for the GreenJackets. Was tied for second on the team in appearances with 30 only behind James Acuna (31). All of his outings were out of the bullpen, covered 50.2 innings with 61 strikeouts and 50 walks Had a very strong start to the season as he dealt an ERA of 1.42 in the month of May in 14 innings and allowed just 3 earned runs across his first 10 outings. Ran into trouble following that by allowing multiple runs in 11 of his final 20 appearances as he finished the season with a 7.11 ERA.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 28th round of the 2019 MLB Draft. A native of New Zealand, he was the third player to be drafted from the country joining Scott Campbell and Dan Devonshire who both selected by the Toronto Blue Jays in the 2006 and 2012 draft respectively. Pitched for the GCL Braves after being drafted by only made 2 relief appearances that covered just 4.2 innings. Did not pitch in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

**COLLEGE:** Played at Chandler-Gilbert CC in Arizona for two seasons. He missed the entire 2017-18 season due to an elbow injury that required surgery. Came back with a strong season the following year and garnered much interest as he elected to transfer. Chose to transfer to Tulane University but instead was drafted by the Braves and pursued professional baseball instead and chose to forgo his final years of eligibility.

# GREENJACKETS POSITION PLAYERS

**#1 STEPHEN PAOLINI, OF**

**BATS: LEFT | THROWS: LEFT**

**THIS SERIES: 1-11, 3 K, 2 BB, SB, 2 R**

**LAST SERIES: 2-21, HR, 2 RBI, 6 K, 2 BB**

Current Hit Streak: 1

Longest Hit Streak: 4

Starts (Position): 12 (CF) 8 (RF) 6 (LF)

Starts (Order): 5th (10), 3rd (9) 4th (7)

Most Times On-Base: 3 (X2)

Current On-Base Streak: 1

Longest On-Base Streak: 13

Most Hits: 2 (X5)

Most RBIs: 2 (X3)

Most Walks: 2 (4/15 @ MB)

Last HR: 5/8 @ CAR

Pinch Hitting:

Multi-Hit Games: 5

vs RHP: .205

vs LHP: .154

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/8 @ CAR) His first home run of the season was a timely one as his solo homer in the ninth put Augusta ahead to break a 7-7 tie (4/17 @ MB) Was an early run producer as he drove in a run in each of his first two at-bats with singles in the first and third innings.

**2021:** Started season with Augusta, ranked as the No. 29 prospect in the Braves' farm system according to MLB.com. Batted .171 in 105 games with the GreenJackets with 4 homeruns and 24 RBIs. Was tied for second on the team with 3 triples. Third on the team in stolen bases with 15 in 21 attempts. Started in 100 games while playing in 105, started 99 times in CF with 1 start at DH.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 5th round of the 2019 Draft. Played with the GCL Braves after his selection where he appeared in 35 games and batted .195 with 120 ABs. Did show good plate discipline with 22 walks to give him an OBP of .315. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at Saint Joseph High School in Trumbull, Connecticut. Ranked as the 7th overall player and No. 2 OF in the State of Connecticut by Perfect Game, also Top-500 National Prospect. Committed to play college baseball at Elon, chose to forgo college after being drafted by the Braves.

**#2 KADON MORTON, OF**

**BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT**

**THIS SERIES: 3-14, 2 RBI, 4 K, BB**

**LAST SERIES: 7-19, 2 R, 7 K, 2 BB**

Current Hit Streak: 2

Longest Hit Streak: 3

Starts (Position): 10 (CF), 7 (RF), 5 (LF), 1 DH

Starts (Order): 7th (9), 9th (5), 8th (4) 6th (3), 5th (1), 1st (1)

Most Times On-Base: 5 (5/8 @ CAR)

Current On-Base Streak: 3

Longest On-Base Streak: 3

Most Hits: 4 (5/8 @ CAR)

Most RBIs: 3 (4/10 @ COL)

Most Walks: 3 (X2)

Last HR: 5/1 vs DEL

Pinch Hitting:

Multi-Hit Games: 4

vs RHP: .180

vs LHP: .154

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/8 @ CAR) Reach base in all five of his at bats as he went 4/4 with four singles and a walk drawn (5/1 vs DEL) Hit his second home run of the season in the eighth inning to help secure the win, it also gave him his second consecutive multi-hit game. (4/10 vs COL) Hit game-sealing 3-run HR in the 7th inning with 3-2 count on him.

**2021:** Played with GCL Braves all of 2021. Appeared in 45 games where his batting average and on-base percentage both improved to .196 and .328 respectively. Found ways to get on base and was a factor on the base paths with 14 stolen bases on 17 attempts. Collected 10 doubles and 3 triples along with 17 RBIs.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 19th round of the 2019 MLB Draft. Assigned to the GCL Braves following selection and played in 32 games. Batted .152 with 1 homerun and 9 RBIs in 99 ABs. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at Seguin High School in Arlington, Texas. Ranked as the No. 270 overall player in the class of 2019 and 6th ranked outfielder in Texas according to Perfect Game. Committed to the University of Oklahoma but elected to play professionally instead after being drafted by the Braves.

**#5 CAL CONLEY, IF****BATS: SWITCH | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 6-16, HR, RBI, 6 R, 2 SB, K****LAST SERIES: 6-26, HR, 3B, 2B, 4 RBI,**

Current Hit Streak: 0  
 Longest Hit Streak: 5  
 Starts (Position): 25 (SS), 2 (2B) 1 (DH)  
 Starts (Order): 2nd (25) 1st (3)  
 Most Times On-Base: 3 (X5)

Current On-Base Streak: 0  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 5  
 Most Hits: 3 (X2)  
 Most RBIs: 5 (4/9 @ COL)  
 Most Walks: 2 (X3)

Last HR: 5/11 vs COL  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 8  
 vs RHP: .202  
 vs LHP: .167

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/5 @ CAR) Was a main source offense in a come-from-behind victory against the Mudcats with a homerun, triple, and double finishing just a single short of the cycle (4/26 vs DEL) Broke a 1-1 tie in the ninth inning with a walk-off 2-run home run. His long-ball was the first GreenJacket home run as SRP Park in 2022 (4/9 @ COL) Had his most productive game as a member of the GreenJackets with a 5-RBI performance thanks to a pair of two-run homers. Also scored 3 runs in 17-6, victory over the Fireflies. Ranked as the No. 17 prospect in the Atlanta Braves farm system according to MLB.com. Father, Brian Conley was drafted by the Chicago Cubs in 16th round of the 1995 MLB draft and played in 158 career games in the minors. Brian, also coached in the Reds organization until 2003. Brother, Trevor Conley currently plays at Texas Tech.

**2021:** Assigned to Augusta a month after being drafted by the Braves. Debuted with the GreenJackets on August 3 and played 35 games with the team. Batted lead-off in every game he started. Batted .214 in 140 ABs with an OBP of .304. Stole 8 bases on 11 attempts . Collected 8 total extra-base hits with 5 of those being doubles.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 4th Round of the 2021 MLB Draft.

**COLLEGE:** Began college career at the University of Miami (FL) in 2018. Transferred to Texas Tech after one season with the Hurricanes and sat out the 2019 season. Hit .371 for the Red Raiders in 18 games during COVID-shortened 2020, helped Red Raiders reach number 1 ranking during season for the first time since 1997. Won the Brooks Wallace Award in 2021, given to the best college shortstop, first player in program history to win the award. All-Big 12 1st Team Selection.

**#7 BRIAN KLEIN, IF****BATS: LEFT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 0-6, K, BB, R****LAST SERIES: 2-8, K**

Current Hit Streak: 0  
 Longest Hit Streak: 6  
 Starts (Position): 7 (3B), 4 (2B)  
 Starts (Order): 9th (10), 7th (1)  
 Most Times On-Base: 3 (X2)

Current On-Base Streak: 1  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 6  
 Most Hits: 2 (4/27 vs DEL)  
 Most RBIs: 2 (X2)  
 Most Walks: 2 (4/9 @ COL)

Last HR:  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 2  
 vs RHP: .219  
 vs LHP: .375

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/27 vs DEL) Reach every trip to the plate including a pair singles that plated him two runs in a 14-2 win. Signed a minor league contract with the Atlanta Braves after he was released by the Washington Nationals in March of 2022.

**2021:** Played with FCL Nationals (Rookie) and appeared in 35 games with just 51 ABs. Batted .275 with 2 HRs and 11 RBIs in brief action.

**CAREER:** Signed a minor league contract with the Washington Nationals in 2020. Did not play baseball following signing until 2021 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

**COLLEGE:** Team captain for Texas Tech in 2020 on a team that finished 16-3 and reached number 1 in the AP-Poll for the first time since 1997. Batted .391 in shortened 2020 season.

**#8 GERALDO QUINTERO, IF****BATS: SWITCH | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 5-13, HR, 3 R, RBI, K, SB****LAST SERIES: 7-25, 2 RBI, 2 2B, 2 3B, 6**

Current Hit Streak: 2  
 Longest Hit Streak: 8  
 Starts (Position): 16 (3B), 10 (2B)  
 Starts (Order): 1st (14), 3rd (7), 2nd (5) 9th (1)  
 Most Times On-Base: 3 (X5)

Current On-Base Streak: 2  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 9  
 Most Hits: 3 (5/12 vs COL)  
 Most RBIs: 2 (X3)  
 Most Walks: 2 (X3)

Last HR: 5/12 vs COL  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 7  
 vs RHP: .238  
 vs LHP: .095

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/12 vs CAR) launched his first home run since opening day with a lead-off bomb in the sixth inning en route to his first three hit performance of the season (5/6 @ CAR) Earned his fourth multi-hit game of the season with his second hit giving Augusta the lead with a two-run triple in the seventh inning (4/13 @ MB) Delivered the only run of the game home with an RBI single in the 2nd inning. Started off the game with a double on the very first pitch of the game

**2021:** Played with the GCL Braves all season and appeared in 40 games. With 121 ABs, he finished with a batting average of .207 with an OBP of .312. Stole 12 bases on 17 attempts and scored 23 runs.

**CAREER:** Signed a free league contract as an International Free Agent from Venezuela in 2019. Played with Braves Dominican Summer League team in 2019 following signing and played in 58 games and was productive with 197 ABs as he batted .264 with an OBP of .379. Collected 15 extra-base hits with 10 doubles, 3 triples, and 2 home runs while stealing 21 bases on 29 attempts. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic

**#9 CONNOR BLAIR, OF****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 1-8, HR, RBI, 4 K****LAST SERIES: 2-7, HR, 2 RBI, 2 R, 4 BB, 2 K**

Current Hit Streak: 0

Longest Hit Streak: 3

Starts (Position): 5 (LF), 4 (DH), 3 (RF)

Starts (Order): 7th (7) 9th (5)

Most Times On-Base: 4 (X2)

Current On-Base Streak: 0

Longest On-Base Streak: 5

Most Hits: 2 (X2)

Most RBIs: 2 (5/4 @ CAR)

Most Walks: 3 (4/9 @ COL)

Last HR: 5/12 vs COL

Pinch Hitting:

Multi-Hit Games: 2

vs RHP: .188

vs LHP: .500

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/4 @ CAR) Entered the game in the fourth inning and delivered a game-tying two-run home run in the eighth inning with two outs, his first homer of the season.**2021:** Assigned to the GreenJackets at the beginning of June and played just 16 games for Augusta. Was put onto the development list on July 16 and returned to the club on September 2. Collected 5 hits in 62 ABs but did generate a .237 OBP thanks to 13 walks.**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 15th Round of the 2019 MLB Draft. Assigned to the Danville Braves (Rookie) following his selection. Played 37 games in Danville where he hit .206 in 136 ABs. Promoted to Rome Braves (Low-A) near the end of the season and hit a homerun in his second game at the Low-A level. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.**COLLEGE:** Started College Career at Butte College (CA) and was the 2018 American Baseball Coaches Association Player of the Year in the Pacific Association Division, the first Butte College player to win the award. Transferred to the University of Washington for the 2019 season. Played in 36 games where he batted .291 with 8 homeruns and 27 RBIs.**#12 MAHKI BACKSTROM, IF****BATS: LEFT | THROWS: LEFT****THIS SERIES: 5-13, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 5 K****LAST SERIES: 2-15, 3B, R, 8 K, BB**

Current Hit Streak: 2

Longest Hit Streak: 2

Starts (Position): 20 (1B), 3 (DH)

Starts (Order): 16 (6th), 6 (8th), 1 (6th)

Most Times On-Base: 5 (4/15 @ MB)

Current On-Base Streak: 2

Longest On-Base Streak: 5

Most Hits: 3 (5/12 vs COL)

Most RBIs: 5 (5/12 vs COL)

Most Walks: 4 (4/15 @ MB)

Last HR: 5/12 vs COL (x2)

Pinch Hitting:

Multi-Hit Games: 4

vs RHP: .164

vs LHP: .000

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/12 vs COL) An explosive night at the plate where he drove in a career-best 5 runs thanks to his first two-homer performance with a 3-run shot in the 6th and solo homer in the 8th (4/15 @ MB) Reached base five time thanks to walks and a two-run triple to seal the game in the seventh inning. (4/10 @ COL) Launched his first homerun of the season in the 2nd inning with a solo shot, followed that up with an RBI double to RF one inning later.**2021:** Played with GCL Braves all of 2021. Appeared in 43 games where he batted .172 with 3 homeruns and 12 RBIs. Had a total of 10 extra-base hits with 5 doubles and 2 triples. Did finish with an OBP of .301 thanks to 22 walks drawn.**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 18th round of the 2019 MLB Draft. Assigned to the GCL Braves after signing and performed well in 23 games with the club. Collected 21 hits in 122 ABs and slugged 2 homeruns with 5 doubles. Batted .300 with OBP of .402. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at Junipero Serra High School in Gardena, California. Was top-ranked 1B prospect in the country in High School and 57th overall prospect according to Perfect Game. Committed to Fresno State but elected to forgo college baseball after being drafted by the Braves.**#15 BRAULIO VASQUEZ, IF****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 3-11, 4 RBI, 2 BB, R****LAST SERIES: 3-12, 2 R, 2 BB**

Current Hit Streak: 3

Longest Hit Streak: 4

Starts (Position): 11 (1B), 5 (DH)

Starts (Order): 7th (9), 6th (5), 5th (1), 8th (1)

Most Times On-Base: 4 (4/9 @ COL)

Current On-Base Streak: 4

Longest On-Base Streak: 10

Most Hits: 3 (4/9 @ COL)

Most RBIs: 2 (X2)

Most Walks: 2 (X3)

Last HR: 4/29 vs DEL

Pinch Hitting: 0/1

Multi-Hit Games: 4

vs RHP: .317

vs LHP: .200

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/9 @ COL) His debut performance of 2022 was an impressive one for Vasquez as he reached base 4 times with 3 hits, all of them being of the extra-base variety. He collected the first three-bagger of the season for Augusta while also doubling twice.**2021:** Spent entire 2021 season with Augusta. Played in 74 games with 214 ABs and batted .220 with 214 ABs but provided a OBP of .340 with 29 walks. Broke-out as a base-stealer as he paced the team with 40 swiped bags, good for 4th in Low-A East. Was named a Braves Organizational All-Star following the season.**CAREER:** Signed by Atlanta Braves as international free agent in 2016 from the Dominican Republic. Played in the Dominican Summer League after signing at the age of 17 and .333 in 28 games. Promoted to the GCL Braves in 2017 where he played for two seasons. Batted .270 in 2017 and .269 in 2018 but improved his extra-base power by hitting 4 homeruns, 2 triples, and 7 doubles. Moved up the Low-A affiliate Rome Braves in 2019 where he batted .209 in 52 games. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.



**#19 BRANDOL MEZQUITA, OF****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 4-13, 2 2B, 4 K, 2 SB, BB****LAST SERIES: 8-21, 2 2B, HR, 4 RBI, 3 R, 3 K**

Current Hit Streak: 1  
 Longest Hit Streak: 8  
 Starts (Position): 11 (RF), 8 (CF), 6 (LF), 1 (DH)  
 Starts (Order): 3rd (16), 5th (10)  
 Most Times On-Base: 5 (4/9 @ COL)

Current On-Base Streak: 22  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 22  
 Most Hits: 3 (X2)  
 Most RBIs: 2 (X4)  
 Most Walks: 2 (X2)

Last HR: 5/5 @ CAR  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 12  
 vs RHP: .360  
 vs LHP: .353

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/5 @ CAR) Mezquita finished a triple shy of the cycle as he produced his second three-hit game of the season. Helped bring Augusta back from 5-0 down with an RBI double and a solo home run (5/1 vs DEL) Extended his on-base streak to 15 games with his second inning home run, his first of the season to tie the game. He'd finish with another hit to give him his seventh multi-hit game to lead all GreenJackets (4/19 vs FAY) Scored a pair of runs to go along with a couple of hits. His hit in the sixth inning tied the game after he muscled a two-strike pitch to the opposite field with two outs. (4/9 @ COL) helped lead the charge for a 17-run scoring night for the offense by reaching five times with three hits, one being a double.

**2021:** Played for the GCL where his numbers improved from the 2019 season. In 43 games, Mezquita finished with an average of .308 in 43 games and an even more impressive OBP of .402. He was productive as the plate with 11 extra-base hits, 3 of those being homeruns and collecting 25 RBIs along the way. His OPS jumped from .630 in 2019 to .854 2021. The outfielder also stole 15 bases on 19 tries.

**CAREER:** Signed by Atlanta Braves as an international free agent in November of 2017 from the Dominican Republic at 16 years old. Designated to the Braves Dominican Summer League team in 2018 and batted .206 in his season in professional baseball. Collected 32 hits but was productive with 4 homeruns with 26 RBIs. Moved up to the GCL Braves in 2019 where he upped his average and OBP to .246 and .350 respectively. Did not play in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

**#24 BRANDON PARKER, OF****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 3-8, 3 R, 2 2B, K, RBI****LAST SERIES: 3-15, 3B, 4 RBI, 2 BB, 3 K**

Current Hit Streak: 5  
 Longest Hit Streak: 5  
 Starts (Position): 8 (LF), 6 (DH), 3 (RF)  
 Starts (Order): 5th (6), 8th (4), 6th (4), 7th (2), 4th (1)  
 Most Times On-Base: 3 (4/10 @ COL)

Current On-Base Streak: 7  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 7  
 Most Hits: 2 (X3)  
 Most RBIs: 2 (5/5 @ CAR)  
 Most Walks: 3 (4/10 @ COL)

Last HR:  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 3  
 vs RHP: .200  
 vs LHP: .333

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/5 @ CAR) Had the biggest hit of the night during a five-run comeback with a go-ahead triple that scored two runs in the seventh inning.

**2021:** Started the season in Augusta and played their all season. Only appeared in 51 games do to a pair of stints on the injured list. He was first placed on the IL on June 26 and returned on July 4 but was injured again and placed on the IL once more on August 3 and missed the rest of the season. He hit .185 with 7 home runs and 27 RBIs and also grabbed 10 doubles.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 10th Round of the 2019 MLB Draft. Was assigned to the Danville Braves (Rookie) not to long after his being selected and played 48 games in his first professional season and hit .210 with 4 homeruns and 22 RBIs. Did not play in 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

**COLLEGE:** Played at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. Played for the Bulldogs for two seasons and was productive both seasons batting .424 as a Freshman and .359 as a Sophomore. He achieved an OBP of .500 or better in both of his college seasons. Was the NJCAA player of the year as a freshman by hitting 24 homeruns and 81 RBIs in 52 games. His OPS that season was 1.432.

**#28 ADAM ZEBROWSKI, C****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 2-7, HR, RBI, 4 R, 3 BB****LAST SERIES: 5-9, 4 RBI, HR, 2B, 5 R, 3**

Current Hit Streak: 2  
 Longest Hit Streak: 4  
 Starts (Position): 16 (C), 4 (DH)  
 Starts (Order): 4th (19), 5th (1)  
 Most Times On-Base: 5 (5/5 @ CAR)

Current On-Base Streak: 7  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 13  
 Most Hits: 2 (X5)  
 Most RBIs: 3 (4/15 @ MB)  
 Most Walks: 3 (5/5 @ CAR)

Last HR: 5/11 vs COL  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 5  
 vs RHP: .237  
 vs LHP: .333

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/6 @ CAR) Stayed hot with a first inning home run, his first since opening night and then tripled in sixth inning for his first three-bagger of the year (5/5 @ CAR) Reached base in all five plate appearances including a two-run double in the eighth inning to complete a run of 10 unanswered runs.(4/15 @ MB) Provided the offense early for the GreenJackets his three RBIs in first two at-bats with a sacrifice fly and then an two-run double, his third two-bagger of the series. (4/12 @ MB) Collected a pair of hits including a go-ahead RBI double in the top 12th inning. (4/8 @ COL) Began the season with an RBI double and a solo homerun in his first two at-bats of the year.

**2021:** Played in 11 games with the GreenJackets after being called up on August 23. Was 8/38 at the plate with 4 RBIs. Was 6/16 throwing out base-stealers with a .986 fielding percentage.

**CAREER:** Played with Mahoning Valley Scrappers and Frederick Keys of the MLB Draft League before being selected by the Atlanta Braves in 13th round of the 2021 MLB Draft. Played in 17 games in the Braves organization in 2021 with 6 games coming with the GCL Braves, and 11 with the GreenJackets.

**COLLEGE:** Played at St. Johns Fisher College in Rochester, New York for three seasons. Hit a homerun in his first collegiate game but was injured after the second game. Started seven games as a Sophomore before season was canceled due to COVID-19. Broke-out in his third season by nearly hitting for the Division III Triple Crown, received various top honors including player of the year and All-American in Division III. Zebrowski batted .500 with 20 HRs and 70 RBIs, missed Triple Crown with Batting Average. Finished 2nd, Division III batting champ hit .540 with 60 less ABs

**#38 ANTONIO BARRANCA, C****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES:****LAST SERIES:**

Current Hit Streak: 0  
 Longest Hit Streak: 1  
 Starts (Position): 6 (C), 2 (DH)  
 Starts (Order): 6 (8th), 2 (6th)  
 Most Times On-Base: 2 (X2)

Current On-Base Streak: 2  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 3  
 Most Hits: 1 (X3)  
 Most RBIs: 3 (4/10 @ COL)  
 Most Walks: 2 (4/21 vs FAY)

Last HR: 4/9 @ COL  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games:  
 vs RHP: .091  
 vs LHP: .167

**CURRENT NOTES:** (4/26) Placed on 7-day IL with thumb injury. Father, German Barranca played four seasons in the Major Leagues with the Kansas City Royals and Cincinnati Reds as a second basemen.

**2021:** Played with the GCL Braves all of 2021 and appeared in 23 games. Was 12/68 at the plate in 23 games. Despite a .176 average, Barranca's OBP was .330 thanks to 12 walks drawn in his brief action at the Rookie level.

**CAREER:** Signed with the Atlanta Braves as an undrafted free agent after the 2020 draft. Did not play any baseball following his signing due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Played High School baseball at Calvert Hall in Towson, Maryland. Had committed to play college baseball at Gulf Coast State College in Florida but signed a free agent contract with the Braves after not being selected in the 5-round, 2020 MLB Draft.

**#50 CALEB DURBIN, IF****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 3-10, HR, 2B, RBI, 2 K, 2 R****LAST SERIES: 3-20, 3B, 3 RBI, 2 R, 2 BB, 3 K**

Current Hit Streak: 5  
 Longest Hit Streak: 5  
 Starts (Position): 2B (12), 3B (8) SS (6)  
 Starts (Order): 1st (14), 9th (7), 7th (4), 2nd (1)  
 Most Times On-Base: 5 (4/16 @ MB)

Current On-Base Streak: 8  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 8  
 Most Hits: 3 (X3)  
 Most RBIs: 3 (X3)  
 Most Walks: 2 (X2)

Last HR: 5/10 vs CAR  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 7  
 vs RHP: .286  
 vs LHP: .308

**CURRENT NOTES:** (5/10 vs COL) Broke a 3-3 tie with a solo home run in the seventh inning with a two-out home run to lead Augusta to a 4-3 win (4/19 vs FAY) Came through in the home-opener with a bases clearing double to cap off a 5-run fourth inning for Augusta. Reached four time total in the game with two hits and two walks (4/15 @ MB) Was the toughest out of the night for Myrtle Beach pitching as he reach five times with 3 singles and two walks. In addition, Durbin scored 3 times, stole two bases, and drove in a run. (4/14 @ MB) Drove in the only two runs of the game for the GreenJackets including a lead-off homerun on the second pitch to get the game started. His other RBI came via a sacrifice-fly.

**2021:** Played 17 games for the GCL Braves. Finished the season with a .268 batting average, 6 RBIs, and stole 12 bases on 13 attempts. Finished the season strong by hitting 8/27 in the month of September with 5 RBIs.

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in 14th Round of the 2021 MLB Draft. Assigned to the GCL Braves after signing.

**COLLEGE:** Played at Washington University at St. Louis for three seasons. Was a model of consistency in the lineup as he batted over .375 every year he was there. Set career-highs for home runs (7), RBIs (47), doubles (16), and stolen bases (20).

**#51 RUSBER ESTRADA, C****BATS: RIGHT | THROWS: RIGHT****THIS SERIES: 2-6, R, 2B, BB, K****LAST SERIES: 3-10, RBI, 2 BB, 2 K**

Current Hit Streak: 3  
 Longest Hit Streak: 3  
 Starts (Position): C (7), DH (1)  
 Starts (Order): 4th (3), 5th (2), 8th (2)  
 Most Times On-Base: 3 (5/7 @ CAR)

Current On-Base Streak: 7  
 Longest On-Base Streak: 7  
 Most Hits: 3 (5/7 @ CAR)  
 Most RBIs: 2 (4/30 vs DEL)  
 Most Walks: 2 (5/3 @ CAR)

Last HR:  
 Pinch Hitting:  
 Multi-Hit Games: 2  
 vs RHP: .353  
 vs LHP: .333

**CURRENT NOTES:** Transferred to Augusta after playing in 5 games for the Rome Braves (High-A). Saw brief action with just 10 ABs where he was 1/10 with two strikeouts and two walks.

**2021:** Played for the Rome Braves (High-A) in 2021 and appeared in 50 games where he batted .205 in 156 ABs. Hit 7 HRs with 19 runs batted in, while also contributing 9 doubles. Finished the season with .721 OPS

**CAREER:** Drafted by the Atlanta Braves in 24th round of 2018 Draft. Was assigned to short-season Danville Braves following his signing and played in 25 games with 79 ABs. Drove in 10 runs while batting .241 with the rookie club. Promoted to the Florida Fire Frogs (High-A) in 2019 Where he played 49 games and batted just .152 in 158 ABs, dealt with injuries that caused him to miss a month of the season from July through August. Did not play in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

**COLLEGE:** Began College career at Southwest Tennessee CC, transferred to Faulkner University in Alabama. Batted .318 in his final year with the Eagles with 38 RBIs and 15 total extra base hits (8 2B, 7 HR). Only struck out 26 times in 170 ABs.

# COACHING STAFF

## NESTOR PEREZ

## MANAGER



Nestor Perez brings familiarity to the Braves organization as he was the Manager of the Gulf Coast League Braves in 2021 and was on the coaching staff for the Mississippi Braves (AA) at the end of the season for a team that won the AA South Championship. 2022 marks his 10th season in Atlanta's organization as he comes to Augusta for his first season as the club's skipper. A native of Mantanzas, Cuba, Perez played in the Minor Leagues from 1998-2005 with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays and Colorado Rockies as a shortstop before signing to play in Spain at the highest level. Perez most notably played for Spain in the 2013 World Baseball Classic when the country appeared in the event for the first time.

## MIKE STEED

## PITCHING COACH



Mike Steed makes his way to Augusta from Beamsville in Ontario, Canada. Steed previously served as the Pitching Coordinator of the Ontario Blue Jays, Canada's top amateur baseball program as well as the Manager of the Thunder Bay Border Cats of the Northwoods League. Steed was entering his second stint as the Border Cats' Manager in 2020 and 2021 but the team was unable to participate in either season due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. He was the team's Pitching Coach in 2009 and was promoted to Manager in 2010 where he then led the Border Cats for two seasons.



## **CONNOR NARRON    HITTING COACH**

Connor Narron follows Nestor Perez from the GCL Braves to the GreenJackets. Narron comes from a baseball family as his father, Jerry Narron, played in the big leagues for eight seasons (1979-1987) and is currently a coach with the Chicago White Sox. Connor was a player himself and was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles in the fifth round of the 2010 Amateur Draft straight out of high school. He would play Minor League Baseball with the Orioles and Milwaukee Brewers from 2010-2014 before getting into coaching where he's been in the Braves organization since 2019.



## **MYLES SCHRODER    BENCH COACH**

Myles Schroder returns to the GreenJackets for his second year as a coach. Schroder was drafted in the 27th round by the San Francisco Giants in the 2007 Amateur Draft from Diablo Valley College. He played in the Giants minor league system from 2007-2018, including a season with the Augusta GreenJackets in 2012.



# HIGHS AND LOWS

## TEAM

## TEAM DEFENSE

LONGEST WINNING STREAK .....	6	MOST ERRORS (GAME) .....	3 (X5)
LONGEST HOME WINNING STREAK .....	7	ERROR-LESS GAMES .....	6
LONGEST ROAD WINNING STREAK .....	2	MOST DOUBLE PLAYS TURNED IN A GAME .....	3 (4/29 vs DEL)
LONGEST LOSING STREAK .....	2	TRIPLE PLAYS .....	0
LONGEST HOME LOSING STREAK .....	2		
LONGEST ROAD LOSING STREAK .....	4		
LONGEST GAME (INNINGS) .....	12 (4/12 @ MB)		
LONGEST GAME (TIME) .....	3:38 (4/15 @ MB)		
SHORTEST GAME (TIME) .....	2:15 (5/1 vs DEL)		
LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY .....	12 (4/27 vs DEL, 14-2)		
LARGEST MARGIN OF DEFEAT .....	13 (5/3 @ CAR, 1-14)		

## TEAM HITTING

## INDIVIDUAL HITTING

MOST RUNS IN A GAME .....	17 (4/9 @ COL)	MOST HITS (GAME) .....	De Hoyos 5 H
MOST RUNS IN AN INNING .....	10 (4/27 vs DEL 6th inning)	MOST RUNS (GAME) .....	6 Players, 3 R
MOST BATTERS IN AN INNING .....	15 (4/27 vs DEL 6th inning)	MOST WALKS (GAME) .....	Backstrom, 4 BB (4/15 @ MB)
INNINGS BATTED AROUND .....	5	MOST AT BATS (GAME) .....	Quintero, 7 AB (4/9 @ COL)
FEWEST RUNS IN A GAME .....	1 (X5)	MOST STRIKEOUTS (GAME) .....	Morton, 5 K (4/23 vs FAY)
MOST HITS .....	17 (4/27 vs DEL)	MOST RBIS (GAME) .....	Conley & Backstrom 5 RBI
FEWEST HITS .....	2 (4/20 vs FAY)	MOST DOUBLES (GAME) .....	Vasquez, Durbin, & De Hoyos 2 2B
MOST DOUBLES .....	5 (X2)	MOST TRIPLES (GAME) .....	9 Players, 1 3B
MOST TRIPLES .....	2 (X3)	MOST TOTAL BASES (GAME) .....	De Hoyos 10 (4/27 vs DEL)
MOST HOME RUNS .....	4 (5/12 vs COL)	MOST STOLEN BASES (GAME) .....	Durbin & Conley, 2 SB
MOST EXTRA BASE HITS .....	7 (X2)	LONGEST HITTING STREAK .....	Mezquita & Quintero, 8 G
MOST STOLEN BASES .....	5 (5/11 vs COL)		
MOST STRIKEOUTS .....	20 (4/12 @ MB)		
FEWEST STRIKEOUTS .....	3 (5/13 vs COL)		
MOST WALKS .....	14 (4/19 vs FAY)		
MOST HIT-BY-PITCH .....	4 (5/4 @ CAR)		
MOST DOUBLE PLAYS .....	3 (5/13 vs COL)		
MOST LEFT ON BASE .....	15 (4/15 @ MB)		
LARGEST COMEBACK .....	5 (5/5 @ CAR)		

## TEAM PITCHING

## INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

MOST RUNS ALLOWED IN A GAME .....	14 (5/3 @ CAR)	LONGEST OUTING (STARTER) .....	Leach & Perez 6.0 IP
MOST RUNS ALLOWED IN AN INNING .....	6 (5/3 @ CAR, 3rd)	SHORTEST OUTING (STARTER) .....	Shoemaker, 0.0 IP (4/22 vs FAY)
MOST HITS ALLOWED IN A GAME .....	13 (5/3 @ CAR)	LONGEST OUTING (RELIEVER) .....	Niekro & Strickland 4.1 IP
MOST HITS ALLOWED IN AN INNING .....	5 (X2)	MOST STRIKEOUTS (STARTER) .....	Salinas, 13 K (4/12 @ MB)
FEWEST HITS ALLOWED IN A GAME .....	2 (4/13 @ MB)	MOST STRIKEOUTS (RELIEVER) .....	Niekro, 9 K (5/13 vs COL)
MOST DOUBLES ALLOWED .....	5 (5/3 @ CAR)	MOST WALKS (STARTER) .....	Smith-Shawver, 4 BB (X2)
MOST TRIPLES ALLOWED .....	1 (X6)	MOST WALKS (RELIEVER) .....	Joseph, 4 BB (4/21 @ FAY)
MOST HOME RUNS ALLOWED IN A GAME .....	2 (X2)	MOST HITS (GAME) .....	Vargas, 10 H (5/3 @ CAR)
MOST STOLEN BASES ALLOWED .....	6 (4/19 vs FAY)	MOST HOMERUNS (GAME) .....	Rodriguez & Vargas, 2 HR
MOST STRIKEOUTS RECORDED .....	18 (X2)	MOST QUALITY STARTS .....	Leach & Perez, 1
FEWEST STRIKEOUTS RECORDED .....	6 (4/29 vs DEL)	CONSEC. SCORELESS INNINGS (STARTER) .....	Salinas, 7.2 IP
MOST WALKS RECORDED .....	11 (4/21 vs FAY)	CONSEC. SCORELESS INNINGS (RELIEVER) .....	Niekro, 15.0 IP
MOST HIT BATTERS .....	3 (X2)	LONGEST WIN STREAK (STARTER) .....	Owens & Leach, 1 W
MOST RUNNERS LEFT ON BASE .....	14 (4/23 vs FAY)	LONGEST WIN STREAK (RELIEVER) .....	Mateo & Niekro, 3 W
QUALITY STARTS .....	2		
MOST PITCHERS USED .....	6 (X2)		
LARGEST LEAD LOST .....	6 (6-0 - 4/8 @ COL)		



# GAME RESULTS

GAME #	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	WIN	LOSS	SAVE	TIME	ATTENDANCE	RECORD
1	APRIL 8	@ COLUMBIA	L 6-7	ALDRICH (1-0)	WILLIAMS (0-1)		2:54	6,186	(0-1)
2	APRIL 9	@ COLUMBIA	W 17-6	ANGLIN (1-0)	AVILA (0-1)		3:15	3,671	(1-1)
3	APRIL 10	@ COLUMBIA	W 8-3	NIEKRO (1-0)	CERANTOLA (0-1)		3:19	2,465	(2-1)
4	APRIL 12	@ MYRTLE BEACH	L 1-2 (12)	POWELL (1-0)	JOSEPH (0-1)		3:33	6,599	(2-2)
5	APRIL 13	@ MYRTLE BEACH	W 1-0	OWENS (1-0)	DEVERS (0-1)	MATEO (1)	2:34	3,642	(3-2)
6	APRIL 14	@ MYRTLE BEACH	L 2-3	LASKEY (2-0)	GRISWOLD (0-1)		2:43	3,681	(3-3)
7	APRIL 15	@ MYRTLE BEACH	W 9-2	ANGLIN (2-0)	SCALZO JR. (0-2)		3:38	4,208	(4-3)
8	APRIL 16	@ MYRTLE BEACH	L 4-5	SANTANA (1-0)	JOSEPH (0-2)		3:06	4,020	(4-4)
9	APRIL 17	@ MYRTLE BEACH	L 3-6	RODRIGUEZ (1-0)	LEACH (0-1)		2:44	3,711	(4-5)
10	APRIL 19	FAYETTEVILLE	W 8-6	ACUNA (1-0)	SWANSON (0-1)	GRISWOLD (1)	3:04	4,156	(5-5)
11	APRIL 20	FAYETTEVILLE	L 1-3	CALDERON (1-0)	SALINAS (0-1)	JAQUEZ (1)	2:28	3,301	(5-6)
12	APRIL 21	FAYETTEVILLE	L 1-7	MILEY (1-1)	SMITH-SHAWVER (0-1)		2:56	4,797	(5-7)
13	APRIL 22	FAYETTEVILLE	W 5-2	DE LA CRUZ (1-0)	COBOS (0-1)		2:25	5,469	(6-7)
14	APRIL 23	FAYETTEVILLE	L 2-6	BATISTA (1-0)	RODRIGUEZ (0-1)	BETANCES (2)	2:43	4,664	(6-8)
15	APRIL 24	FAYETTEVILLE	W 6-5	GRISWOLD (1-1)	REINA (0-2)		2:43	4,013	(7-8)
16	APRIL 26	DELMARVA	W 3-1	DUM (1-0)	CARTER (0-2)		2:57	5,295	(8-8)
17	APRIL 27	DELMARVA	W 14-2	DE LA CRUZ (2-0)	FEDERMAN (0-2)		3:07	3,043	(9-8)
18	APRIL 28	DELMARVA	L 3-4	LYONS (1-0)	MUNOZ (0-1)	PRICE (1)	2:53	4,202	(9-9)
19	APRIL 29	DELMARVA	W 6-4	LEACH (1-0)	HAMMER (1-1)	GRISWOLD (2)	2:37	4,782	(10-9)
20	APRIL 30	DELMARVA	W 8-2	PENA (1-0)	CHACE (0-1)		2:30	5,060	(11-9)
21	MAY 1	DELMARVA	W 7-5	NIEKRO (2-0)	DAVIS (0-2)	WILLIAMS (1)	2:15	3,796	(12-9)
22	MAY 3	@ CAROLINA	L 1-14	JORDAN (1-1)	VARGAS (0-1)		2:27	507	(12-10)
23	MAY 4	@ CAROLINA	L 3-4	VASSALOTI (3-0)	MUNOZ (0-2)		2:20	655	(12-11)
24	MAY 5	@ CAROLINA	W 10-5	MATEO (1-0)	PUELLO (2-3)		2:39	869	(13-11)
25	MAY 6	@ CAROLINA	L 4-5	VASSALOTI (4-0)	WILLIAMS (0-2)	TRIPP (2)	2:30	1,639	(13-12)
26	MAY 7	@ CAROLINA	W 6-5 (10)	GRISWOLD (2-1)	MORALES (1-1)		3:03	3,137	(14-12)
27	MAY 8	@ CAROLINA	W 9-7	MATEO (2-0)	RAMEY (0-1)		2:43	1,362	(15-12)
28	MAY 10	COLUMBIA	W 4-3	WILLIAMS (1-2)	CAPELLAN (0-1)	GRISWOLD (3)	2:29	3,813	(16-12)
29	MAY 11	COLUMBIA	W 9-8 (10)	MATEO (3-0)	MCMILLON (0-1)		2:59	3,489	(17-12)
30	MAY 12	COLUMBIA	W 13-2	PEREZ (1-0)	KAUFMAN (1-2)		2:32	4,451	(18-12)
31	MAY 13	COLUMBIA	W 6-3	NIEKRO (3-0)	HERNANDEZ (0-3)	GRISWOLD (4)	2:19	3,998	(19-12)
32	MAY 14	COLUMBIA							

# CAROLINA LEAGUE STANDINGS



## SOUTH DIVISION

	W-L	PCT	GB	STREAK	LAST 10
1. CHARELSTON RIVERDOGS	21-10	.677	-	W1	8-2
2. MYRTLE BEACH PELICANS	20-11	.645	1	L1	5-5
3. AUGUSTA GREENJACKETS	19-12	.613	2	W6	7-3
4. KANNAPOLIS CANNON BALLERS	16-15	.516	5	W2	6-4
5. FAYETTEVILLE WOODPECKERS	11-20	.355	10	L1	3-7
6. COLUMBIA FIREFLIES	10-21	.323	11	L4	3-7

## NORTH DIVISION

	W-L	PCT	GB	STREAK	LAST 10
1. FREDERICKSBURG NATIONALS	18-12	.600	-	L2	4-6
2. LYNCHBURG HILLCATS	16-14	.533	2	W3	5-5
T3. CAROLINA MUDCATS	16-15	.516	2.5	W1	5-5
T3. SALEM RED SOX	16-15	.516	2.5	W5	6-4
5. DOWN EAST WOOD DUCKS	13-18	.419	5.5	L3	4-6
6. DELMARVA SHOREBIRDS	9-22	.290	9.5	L5	3-7

# GREENJACKETS HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD

	W-L	PCT	+/-	STREAK
CAROLINA MUDCATS	3-3	.400	-7	W2
CHARLESTON RIVERDOGS	0-0	.000	0	0
COLUMBIA FIREFLIES	6-1	.666	+31	W6
DELMARVA SHOREBIRDS	6-1	.857	+23	W3
FAYETTEVILLE WOODPECKERS	3-3	.500	-6	W1
FREDERICKSBURG NATIONALS	0-0	.000	0	0
KANNAPOLIS CANNON BALLERS	0-0	.000	0	0
MYRTLE BEACH PELICANS	2-4	.333	+4	L2
SALEM RED SOX	0-0	.000	0	0

### NOTE:

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