

GAME NOTES

NEW YORK METS MEDIA RELATIONS DEPARTMENT • CITI FIELD • FLUSHING, NY 11368

718-565-4330

METS.COM

f /METS

@METS

@METS

NEW YORK METS (4-5) VS. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS (5-2)

MARCH 5, 2023 • 1:05 PM

ROGER DEAN CHEVROLET STADIUM • JUPITER, FL

RHP KODAI SENGA (0-0, -:-) VS. LHP JORDAN MONTGOMERY (0-0, -:-)

WCBS 880 AM



YESTERDAY: The Mets defeated the Marlins, 15-4, at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium...RHP Justin Verlander made his 2023 Grapefruit League debut and allowed one run over three innings with three punchouts and zero walks...LHP David Peterson threw 2.0 hitless innings in relief...3B Mark Vientos went 3-4 with a two-run homer in the third and a 469-foot three-run homer in the fifth...RF Lorenzo Cedrola went 2-4 with a three-run homer...Minor league infielders Matt Winaker and Luke Ritter each homered in the eighth.

VS ST. LOUIS: The Mets will play their second of six Grapefruit League games against the Cardinals today... The Mets fell to the Cardinals, 12-7, in Jupiter on February 27...Last season the Mets went 5-2 against St. Louis, their first winning season against the Cardinals since 2014...The Mets will play the Cardinals at Citi Field from June 16-18 and at Busch Stadium from August 17-20.

SPRING LEADERS: This spring, Ronny Mauricio is tied for the major league lead with three home runs, is tied for second in the majors with 15 total bases and tied for fifth with four extra-base hits... Lorenzo Cedrola is tied for the league lead with six runs...Francisco Lindor is fourth in the majors among qualifiers in OBP with a .526 clip, ranks sixth in OPS with a 1.193 mark and tied for seventh in batting average with a .400 mark...Brett Baty is tied with Lindor for seventh among qualifiers with a .400 average, and ranks ninth with a 1.071 OPS...Mark Vientos is tied for second in RBI with seven and tied for second in total bases with 15...Tim Lincecum is tied for third in stolen bases with three.

WELCOME BACK: Former Mets OF Darryl Strawberry and former Mets INF Edgardo Alfonzo will be in camp from March 2 until March 6...Strawberry was selected to seven consecutive All-Star games (1984-1990) and won two Silver Slugger Awards while with the Mets...The 1983 NL Rookie of the Year is the Mets all-time leader in home runs (252) and ranks second in franchise history in RBI (733), slugging percentage (.520) and OPS (.878)...Alfonzo played in Queens from 1995-2002 and was a National League All-Star in 2000...A 1999 Silver Slugger Award winner, Alfonzo slashed .292/.367/.445 with 120 home runs and RBI in 1,086 career games with the Mets.

THE BUCK STARTS HERE: In his first season as Mets skipper, Buck Showalter took home the NL Manager of the Year Award...He led the club to 101 wins and its first playoff berth since 2016...Showalter was also named Manager of the Year in 1994 with the Yankees, 2004 with the Rangers and 2014 with the Orioles...His four Manager of the Year Awards are tied for the most in the award's history with Bobby Cox and Tony La Russa...Showalter ranks 18th all-time and third among active managers with 1,652 managerial wins... Showalter is the first Mets manager to record 100 or more victories in his first season with the club...He joins Yogi Berra as the only managers to guide both the Mets and Yankees into the playoffs.

THE BATTING CHAMP IS HERE: Last season, INF/OF Jeff McNeil became the first Met ever to win a major league batting title and joined José Reyes (2011) as the only other Met to win a National League batting title...The two-time All-Star owns a .307 career batting average, the second-best clip by a Met through their first five big league seasons behind David Wright's .309 mark (min. 1,500 AB).

YES, THE CLOSER: RHP Edwin Díaz won the 2022 Trevor Hoffman NL Relief Pitcher of the Year Award... The two-time All-Star joined Craig Kimbrel as the only pitchers in major league history to win Reliever of the Year in both leagues...Díaz pitched to a 1.31 ERA (9 ER/62.0 IP) and led all major league relievers with 118 strikeouts...His 50.2 strikeout rate was the third-best in major league history for a single season...The right-hander became the 12th pitcher in major league history to strike out at least 100 batters, record 30 or more saves, and sport a sub-1.50 ERA.

POLAR POWER: Last season, INF Pete Alonso tied for the major league lead with 131 RBI, the most ever by a Met in a single season...Alonso finished third in the majors with 40 home runs in 2022 and became the first Met ever with multiple seasons of 40 or more home runs...His 146 career home runs are the fourth most by a major leaguer through his first four major league seasons trailing Ralph Kiner (168), Albert Pujols (160) and Eddie Mathews (153)...Alonso ranks seventh in franchise history in home runs...He is three home runs behind Carlos Beltrán and trails Dave Kingman by eight long balls.

GLOBAL GAME: 11 players in major league camp with the Mets will compete in the 2023 World Baseball Classic...INF Pete Alonso, INF/OF Jeff McNeil, RHP Adam Ottavino and LHP Brooks Raley will play for Team USA...INF Eduardo Escobar, RHP Elieser Hernandez and C Omar Narváez will compete for Team Venezuela...RHP Edwin Díaz and INF Francisco Lindor will play for Team Puerto Rico...LHP José Quintana will pitch for Team Colombia...INF Jonathan Araúz, a non-roster invitee, will compete for Team Panama...Minor leaguers RHP Dominic Hamel (Puerto Rico), RHP Humberto Mejía (Panama), LHP Cam Opp (Great Britain) and RHP Claudio Scotti (Italy) will also participate in the 2023 World Baseball Classic... Baseball Hall of Famer & Mets Hall of Famer Mike Piazza will manage Team Italy.

NEW FACES IN NEW PLACES: The 2023 Mets enter Spring Training with several new players on the roster...These include: OF Abraham Almonte (minor league free agent), INF Jonathan Araúz (minor league free agent), RHP Jeff Brigham (trade), OF Lorenzo Cedrola (minor league free agent), RHP Sam Coonrod (waiver claim), RHP Zach Greene (Rule 5 Draft), RHP Elieser Hernández (trade), OF Tim Lincecum (minor league free agent), LHP T.J. McFarland (minor league free agent) INF Danny Mendick (free agent), LHP Zach Muckenhirn (minor league free agent), C Omar Narváez (free agent), INF José Peraza (minor league free agent), OF Tommy Pham (free agent), LHP José Quintana (free agent), LHP Brooks Raley (trade), RHP Denyi Reyes (minor league free agent), RHP Stephen Ridings (waiver claim), RHP David Robertson (free agent), RHP Kodai Senga (free agent), OF DJ Stewart (minor league free agent), RHP William Woods (minor league free agent), RHP Justin Verlander (free agent) and RHP Jimmy Yacabonis (minor league free agent).

HEY NOW, YOU'RE AN ALL-STAR: Last season, INF Pete Alonso, RHP Edwin Díaz, OF Starling Marte and INF/OF Jeff McNeil were selected to play for the National League in the 2022 All-Star Game at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles...The Mets four All-Star selections in 2022 were the most in a season since 2016 (Noah Syndergaard, Yoenis Céspedes, Jeurys Familia and Bartolo Colón)...McNeil started for the National League at second base and was the first Met to start an All-Star Game since David Wright and Matt Harvey both started in the 2013 All-Star Game at Citi Field...McNeil joined Ron Hunt (1964) as the only other Met to start at second base in the All-Star Game.

SMILE LIKE YOU MEAN IT: Last season, INF Francisco Lindor set a Mets shortstop record for most RBI in a season with a career-high 107 RBI...The 28-year-old has led all shortstops with 184 home runs since he debuted in 2015...Lindor is one of 11 players to hit 150 or more homers and swipe 100 or more bags since 2015.

ON THE RECORD: The Mets won 101 games in 2022, the fourth season in franchise history with 100 or more wins...The club also recorded 100 or more wins 1986 (108), 1988 (100) and 1969 (100)...The team's 101 wins are the second-most in franchise history... Only the 1986 team (108-54) finished with a better record in franchise history.

EXPECTED TO START

RHP KODAI SENGA: RHP Justin Verlander: Will make his first appearance in a Mets uniform today after signing a two-year deal through 2024...Had 28 starts with Houston last season and went 18-4 with a 1.75 ERA (34 ER/175.0 IP), a league-best 0.83 WHIP and 185 strikeouts, earning his third Cy Young Award of his career...The 40-year-old was awarded Comeback Player of the Year last year and made First Team All-MLB for the second time in his career...The 2011 MVP and nine-time All Star is one of 19 pitchers all-time to tally 3,000 career strikeouts and ranks 12th in the category all-time as the active leader with 3,198 punchouts...The 17-year veteran has a 244-133 record with a 3.24 ERA (1139 ER/3163.0 IP) in 482 career starts...Is the active leader in career wins (244), quality starts (327) and all-time leader in postseason strikeouts (230)...Is one of 17 pitchers in major league history to record 3,000.0 career innings pitched and 3,000 strikeouts.

METS TOP PROSPECTS: The Mets have their top four prospects in major league camp...All four cracked MLB Pipeline's list of the top 100 prospects in baseball: C Francisco Álvarez (#3), INF Brett Baty (#21), C Kevin Parada (#36) and OF Alex Ramirez (#96)...Also in big league camp are Mets No. 6 prospect INF Ronny Mauricio and No. 7 prospect INF Mark Vientos.

METSCOLLANEOUS: The Mets finished the 2022 season with a 101-61 record and finished in second place in the National League East...The club clinched their first playoff berth since 2016 and fell to the Padres in the National League Wild Card Series, 2-1.

THAT'S A LOTTA HARDWARE: With Justin Verlander and Max Scherzer, the 2023 Mets are the third team in major league history to boast multiple three-time Cy Young award winners on their roster in the same season, joining the 1986 White Sox (Tom Seaver and Steve Carlton) and the 2021 Dodgers (Scherzer and Clayton Kershaw).

HITTING THE ROAD: New York finished the season going 47-34 on the road last season...Their .580 road winning percentage placed them in the majors and second in the NL...It was tied for the fourth-highest in team history...It was the highest road-winning percentage since 2007...Overall, they hit .265/.334/.424 away from Citi Field...Their .265 road average was second in the majors

UPCOMING PITCHING

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

1:05 at St. Louis

METS: RHP Kodai Senga, RHP Sam Coonrod, RHP Tommy Hunter, RHP Bryce Montes de Oca, LHP José Quintana, LHP Brooks Raley, RHP Drew Smith

CARDINALS: LHP Jordan Montgomery

MONDAY, MARCH 6 - OFF

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

6:05 at Houston

METS: TBA

ASTROS: LHP Framer Valdez, LHP Austin Davis, RHP Austin Hanesen, RHP Seth Martinez, RHP Rafael Montero, RHP Ryne Stanek

2023 SPRING RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT/LOCATION	SCORE/TIME/TV/RADIO	WP	LP	SV	RECORD
2/25	Houston Astros/West Palm Beach	L, 4-2	Ruppenthal (1-0)	Muckenhirn (0-1)	None	0-1
2/26	Miami Marlins/Port St. Lucie	W, 5-2	Brigham (1-0)	Chargois (0-1)	Lavender (1)	1-1
	Washington Nationals/Port St. Lucie	W, 6-3	Coonrod (1-0)	Perez (0-1)	None	2-1
2/27	St. Louis Cardinals/Jupiter	L, 12-7	Walsh (1-0)	Chacin (0-1)	None	2-2
2/28	Houston Astros/Port St. Lucie	L, 8-4	Garcia (1-0)	Quintana (0-1)	None	2-3
3/1	Miami Marlins/Jupiter	W, 8-4	Raley (1-0)	Gonzalez (0-1)	None	3-3
3/2	Atlanta Braves/Port St. Lucie	L, 6-2	Allard (1-0)	Carrasco (0-1)	None	3-4
3/3	Washington Nationals/Port St. Lucie	L, 11-6	Williams (1-0)	Scherzer (0-1)	None	3-5
3/4	Miami Marlins/Jupiter	W, 15-4	Verlander (1-0)	Luzardo (0-1)	None	4-5
3/5	St. Louis Cardinals/Jupiter	1:10 PM/WCBS 880				
3/6	OFF					
3/7	Houston Astros/West Palm Beach	6:05 PM				
3/8	Nicaragua WBC/Port St. Lucie	6:10 PM				
3/9	Venezuela WBC/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/SNY				
3/10	Houston Astros/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/SNY				
	St. Louis Cardinals/Jupiter	6:05 PM				
3/11	Washington Nationals/West Palm Beach	7:05 PM/WCBS 880				
3/12	Tampa Bay Rays/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/PIX 11/WCBS 880				
3/13	Miami Marlins/Jupiter	1:10 PM				
3/14	Washington Nationals/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/SNY				
3/15	St. Louis Cardinals/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/SNY				
3/16	Washington Nationals/West Palm Beach	6:05 PM				
3/17	Miami Marlins/Port St. Lucie	6:10 PM/SNY				
3/18	Houston Astros/West Palm Beach	7:05 PM/WCBS				
3/19	St. Louis Cardinals/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/SNY/WCBS				
3/20	Washington Nationals/West Palm Beach	6:05 PM				
3/21	OFF					
3/22	Houston Astros/Port St. Lucie	1:10 PM/SNY				
3/23	Atlanta Braves/North Port	1:05 PM				
3/24	Tampa Bay Rays/Port Charlotte	1:05 PM				
3/25	St. Louis Cardinals/Port St. Lucie	6:10 PM/PIX 11/WCBS 880				
3/26	Miami Marlins/Jupiter	4:10 PM/PIX 11/WCBS 880				

METS PITCHING - LAST THREE G

Date/Opp	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	1	1	1	1	1
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/4 at MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
#43 JEFF BRIGHAM (RHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.2	0	1	1	2	4
3/2 vs. ATL	2.0	2	1	1	0	3
#70 JOSÉ BUTTO (RHP)						
3/2 vs. ATL	2.0	2	2	2	1	1
#59 CARLOS CARRASCO (RHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/1 at MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
#45 SAM COONROD (RHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/1 at MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
#46 JOHN CURTISS (RHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/3 vs. WAS	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
#39 EDWIN DÍAZ (RHP)						
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	0	0	0	1	2
3/3 vs. WAS	1.0	1	1	1	1	0
#65 ZACH GREENE (RHP)						
2/25 at HOU	1.0	0	0	0	1	0
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/4 at MIA	1.0	2	2	2	2	1
#94 CONNOR GREY (RHP)						
2/27 at STL	2.0	3	2	2	0	1
#93 GRANT HARTWIG (RHP)						
2/25 at HOU	1.0	1	0	0	1	2
3/1 at MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	z
#57 ELIESER HERNANDEZ (RHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	2.0	3	1	1	2	1
3/3 vs. WAS	2.0	2	1	1	0	2
#29 TOMMY HUNTER (RHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
#47 JOEY LUCCHESI (LHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	1	0	0	1	1
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	3	3	3	0	2
#44 T.J. MCFARLAND (LHP)						
3/1 at MIA	2.0	2	1	1	0	0
#38 TYLOR MEGILL (RHP)						
3/2 vs. ATL	1.0	0	0	0	2	2
#63 BRYCE MONTES DE OCA (RHP)						
2/25 at HOU	0.2	2	3	0	0	2
3/1 at MIA	1.0	0	1	0	0	1
#71 ZACH MUCKENHIRN (LHP)						
2/25 at HOU	0.2	2	3	0	0	2
3/1 at MIA	1.0	0	1	0	0	1
#85 STEPHEN NOGOSEK (RHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/1 at MIA	1.0	2	0	0	0	1
#92 ERIC ORZE (RHP)						
2/25 at HOU	1.0	2	0	0	1	2
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	1	0	0	2	1
#0 ADAM OTTAVINO (RHP)						
2/25 at HOU	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	1	0	0	2	1
3/3 vs. WAS	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
#23 DAVID PETERSON (LHP)						
2/27 at STL	2.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/4 at MIA	2.0	0	0	0	2	1
#62 JOSÉ QUINTANA (LHP)						
2/28 vs. HOU	0.2	4	5	5	1	0
#25 BROOKS RALEY (LHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/1 at MIA	1.0	3	1	1	0	0
#72 DENYI REYES (RHP)						
2/25 at HOU	2.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/2 vs. ATL	2.0	4	2	2	0	3
#66 STEPHEN RIDINGS (RHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	2.0	3	1	1	0	5
3/3 vs. WAS	2.2	5	7	0	0	1
#30 DAVID ROBERTSON (RHP)						
2/26 vs. WAS	2.0	3	1	1	0	5
3/3 vs. WAS	2.2	5	7	0	0	1
#34 KODAI SENGU (RHP)						
3/4 at MIA	3.0	2	1	1	0	3
#40 DREW SMITH (RHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	0	1	0	1	1
#35 JUSTIN VERLANDER (RHP)						
3/4 at MIA	1.0	1	1	1	1	0
#91 JOSH WALKER (LHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/1 at MIA	1.0	1	1	1	2	0
#74 WILLIAM WOODS (RHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
2/28 vs. HOU	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	1.0	1	1	1	0	1
#73 JIMMY YACABONIS (RHP)						
2/25 vs. MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/1 at MIA	1.0	0	0	0	0	2

METS HITTING - LAST THREE GAMES

Date/Opp	AB	H	XBH	HR	RBI	R
3/1 at MIA	3	1	0	0	0	1
3/2 vs. ATL	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/4 at MIA	2	1	0	0	0	2
#20 PETE ALONSO (INF)						
3/2 vs. ATL	2	0	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	2	0	0	0	0	0
3/4 at MIA	4	1	0	0	1	0
#50 FRANCISCO ÁLVAREZ (C)						
2/27 at STL	3	0	0	0	0	0
3/1 at MIA	2	0	0	0	1	0
3/3 vs. WAS	1	0	0	0	0	0
#22 BRETT BATY (INF)						
3/2 vs. ATL	3	2	0	0	1	0
3/3 vs. WAS	2	0	0	0	0	1
3/4 at MIA	1	0	0	0	0	0
#19 MARK CANHA (OF)						
2/28 vs. HOU	3	0	0	0	0	0
3/2 vs. ATL	3	1	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	2	1	0	0	0	0
#97 LORENZO CEDROLA (OF)						
3/1 at MIA	3	0	0	0	0	1
3/2 vs. ATL	1	0	0	0	0	0
3/4 at MIA	4	2	1	1	3	3
#88 JAYLIN DAVIS (OF)						
3/3 vs. WAS	2	0	0	0	0	1
3/4 at MIA	3	2	1	0	0	1
#10 EDUARDO ESCOBAR (INF)						
2/28 vs. HOU	2	0	0	0	0	1
3/2 vs. ATL	3	1	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	2	0	0	0	0	0
#13 LUIS GUILLORME (INF)						
2/27 at STL	3	2	1	0	0	0
3/1 at MIA	3	0	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	2	0	0	0	0	0
#12 FRANCISCO LINDOR (INF)						
3/1 at MIA	3	1	1	1	2	1
3/2 vs. ATL	2	1	0	0	0	0
3/4 at MIA	4	1	1	0	0	1
#83 TIM LOCASTRO (OF)						
3/1 at MIA	2	1	1	0	2	1
3/2 vs. ATL	1	0	0	0	0	0
3/4 at MIA	4	1	1	0	1	1
#6 STARLING MARTE (OF)						
2/27 at STL	1	0	0	0	0	0
3/1 at MIA	1	1	1	0	1	0
3/4 at MIA	2	0	0	0	0	0
#60 RONNY MAURICIO (INF)						
3/2 vs. ATL	1	0	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	1	1	1	0	0	0
3/4 at MIA	2	1	0	0	0	0
#1 JEFF MCNEIL (INF/OF)						
2/28 vs. HOU	4	0	0	0	0	1
3/2 vs. ATL	3	1	0	0	0	0
3/3 vs. WAS	3	1	0	0	0	2
#15 DANNY MENDICK (INF)						
2/28 vs. HOU	2	0	0	0	0	1
#90 NICK MEYER (C)						
2/28 vs. HOU	2	0	0	0	0	1
#2 OMAR NARVÁEZ (C)						
2/28 vs. HOU	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/2 vs. ATL	3	0	0	0	0	0
3/4 at MIA	3	1	0	0	0	1
#3 TOMÁS NIDO (C)						
2/27 vs. STL	3	1	1	0		