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Cincinnati Reds (14-14) at Cleveland Guardians (13-14-1)

LHP Nick Lodolo (1-1, 5.93) vs RHP Gavin Williams (1-1, 5.68)

Sunday, March 22, 2026 - Goodyear Ballpark - 12:05 p.m. MST

TV: Reds.TV | Radio: 700 WLW

CLOSING ACT: The Reds conclude 2026 Cactus League action with the third of 3 spring matchups against Austin Controulis' Guardians...Cin is 29-29-7 all-time against its Goodyear neighbors since joining the Cactus League in 2010 (0-2 in 2026).

SPRING SHOWCASE: Top prospects from the Reds' minor-league system represented the organization in its fourth-ever Spring Breakout game on Thu, defeating Giants Prospects, 10-1, at Surprise Stadium.

- RHP Chase Petty started on the mound for the Reds' Prospects, allowing just 1 hit with 6 strikeouts across 4.0 scoreless innings of work to earn the win...OF Héctor Rodríguez went 2-for-3 with a homer and 4 RBI...SS Steele Hall, Cin's 1st-round selection (9th overall) from the 2025 MLB Draft, walked in each of his 2 plate appearances after entering as a pinch hitter in the 6th inning.
- In total, 16 of MLB.com's Top 30 Reds prospects saw action in Thu's Spring Breakout game.

GOLDEN GENO: Representing Team Venezuela, INF Eugenio Suárez plated the game-winning run in 2026 World Baseball Classic Final on Tuesday against Team USA, delivering an RBI double in the 9th inning to guide Venezuela to its first-ever WBC title.

- Suárez also hit a solo homer in Team Venezuela's victory over Team Italy in the World Baseball Classic Semifinals on Monday, helping his country secure its first-ever appearance in the WBC Final.
- Including Suárez and Tomás Vera, who served as Team Venezuela's head athletic trainer, nine members of the Reds organization represented their respective countries during the 2026 World Baseball Classic.

AMAZING ABBOTT: Reds manager Terry Francona on 3/8 announced LHP Andrew Abbott as the club's Opening Day starter on 3/26 vs Bos...will mark Abbott's first career Opening Day start.

- Abbott is set to become the 19th different left-handed pitcher to start for the Reds in a season opener since the club joined the National League in 1890, according to Elias (last: Mike Remlinger, 1998).
- He will snap the Reds' streak of 27 consecutive season openers started by a right-handed pitcher...per Elias, was the longest-such run in franchise history, surpassing the previous club record of 12 straight Opening Day games with a right-handed starting pitcher from 1923-34.
- At 26 years, 305 days old, Abbott on 3/26 will also be the youngest left-handed pitcher to serve as the team's Opening Day starter since Reds Hall of Famer Don Gullett (24 years, 91 days) in 1975.
- With LHP Nick Lodolo scheduled to follow Abbott in the rotation, the Reds will open a season by starting a left-handed pitcher in consecutive games for the sixth time since 1890, per Elias (last: 1996).

RETURN OF THE MATT: INF Matt McLain this spring leads MLB in batting average (.529), on-base percentage (.571), slugging percentage (1.020), OPS (1.591), runs (18), hits (27), times on base (32), & total bases (52).

- McLain's 3rd-inning, 3-run homer on Fri at Chc marked his seventh HR of the spring, moving into a tie with the Athletics' Shea Langeliers for the Major League lead...also surpassed Adam Duvall (2017), Chris Heisey (2014), Brandon Phillips (2007), Adam Dunn (2006), and Edwin Encarnacion (2006) for the most homers by a Red in a single spring season since 2006.
- His Major League-leading 27 hits this spring are second-most by a Red in a single spring season since 2006 (as far back as ST data is available), trailing only Josh Hamilton (29h, 2007).
- His 52 total bases are second-most by a Red in a single spring slate since 2006, fewer than only Edwin Encarnación (54) in 2006...are also the most by any Major League player in a single Spring Training season since NYY's Greg Bird (56) and Mil's Jesús Aguilar (53) in 2017.
- He has hit safely in 15 of his 17 games this spring, including an MLB-best 9 multi-hit efforts.

ON THE OFFENSIVE: This spring, the Reds lead all Major League in home runs (53), extra-base hits (124), slugging percentage (.518), and OPS (.871), while also ranking in total bases (504, 2nd), doubles (63, T4th), runs scored (178, 4th), batting average (.273, 6th), and hits (266, 7th).

- The Reds' 53 home runs are their most in a single Spring Training season since 2006 (as far back as ST data is available), surpassing the previous best of 44 set by the 2024 club...are also ninth-most by any Major League team in a single spring season during that same period.

SPRING HAS SPRUNG: The Reds' Spring Training roster is currently at 31 players, consisting of 28 players from the club's 40-man roster and 3 non-roster invitees...Cin opened Major League Spring Training camp with 57 players, its fewest to begin a spring slate since 2011 (54).

THE SKIPPER: Manager Terry Francona returns for his second season at the helm...completed the 2025 campaign with an 83-79 record, guiding the Reds to their first Postseason berth since 2020 and first in a full season since 2013 as the third and final National League Wild Card team.

- Francona became the fifth skipper in Reds history to lead the team to the Postseason in his first year at the helm, joining Lou Piniella (1990), John McNamara (1979), Sparky Anderson (1970), & Patrick Moran (1919)...for his efforts, Francona finished as the runner-up to Mil's Pat Murphy for the 2025 National League Manager of the Year Award, earning 2 of the possible 30 first-place votes.
- His 2,033 career wins as a Major League manager lead all active skippers and rank 12th in MLB history.

...AND HIS CREW: New members of the Reds coaching staff in 2026 include third-base coach Willie Harris, catching coach Bill Haselman, & bullpen coach Oscar Marin...returning to the coaching staff for the 2026 season are bench coach/field coordinator Freddie Benavides (13th season on Major League staff), director of pitching/pitching coach Derek Johnson (8th), bullpen catcher José Duarte (8th), coach/coordinator of advance scouting Kyle Arnsberg (5th), first-base coach Collin Cowgill (4th), assistant pitching coach Matt Tracy (1st in current role, 4th on staff), director of hitting/Major League hitting coach Chris Valaika (2nd), assistant hitting coaches Alex Peláez and Will Remillard (2nd for each), assistant bench coach Mike Napoli (1st in current role, 2nd on staff), & bullpen catcher James Keller (2nd).

2025 IN REVIEW: In 2025, the Reds qualified for Postseason play for the first time since 2020 and first time in a full season since 2013, where they were swept, 2 games to none, by the eventual-champion Dodgers in a best-of-3 National League Wild Card Series.

- Although Cin and NYM each finished the year with an 83-79 record, the Reds secured the final Wild Card berth by virtue of taking 4 of 6 from the Mets during the season series.
- Following a 5-4 loss on 9/5 vs NYM, the Reds trailed both the Mets and Padres by 6.0 games for the final NL Wild Card berth with 21 games remaining...from there, the Reds went 13-8, while the Mets finished 7-14.

PROBABLE PITCHERS:

Sunday, March 22

at Cle, 12:05pm MST

TV: Reds.TV | Radio: 700 WLW

Reds: LHP Nick Lodolo, RHP Graham Ashcraft, RHP Connor Phillips

Guardians: RHP Gavin Williams, RHP Connor Brogdon, LHP Erik Sabrowski, RHP Matt Festa, LHP Kolby Allard

TELEVISED SPRING GAMES:

Reds.TV

Sunday, 3/22 at Cleveland*

*Available via opposing TV broadcast

FEELING GRAND:

With Cin down to its final strike, 3B P.J.

Higgins delivered a walkoff grand slam to give the Reds an 11-7 win over the White Sox on Sat at Goodyear Ballpark...marked the Reds' third walkoff win of the spring (also: 2/24 vs KC, 3/5 vs LAD), their most in a single Spring Training campaign since 2006 (also 3)...the 3 walkoff victories are also tied with Col and StL for most among all Major League teams this spring...Higgins became the first Cin batter to hit a walkoff grand slam in Spring Training since Darnell McDonald on 3/5/09 vs Pit.

STRIKE A POSE:

The Reds' pitching staff has produced 277 strikeouts this spring, second-most among all Major League teams (LAD, 279)...Cin's 277 punchouts are also its third-most in a single Spring Training season since 2006 (as far back as ST data is available), behind the 2021 (294) and 2023 (282) teams...190 of the 277 strikeouts have come from their bullpen, fourth-most among their Major League counterparts.

UP TO THE CHALLENGE:

The Reds have been successful in 37 of their 61 ABS challenges this spring (60.7%), the fourth-highest success rate among Major League teams, behind the Cardinals (65%), Mariners (62.3%), and Phillies (61.8%).



Thursday, March 26
4:10 ET vs. Boston
Great American Ball Park

2026 SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Result	Winner / Loser / Save	Attendance
Sat, 2/21	at Guardians	L, 4-2	Schuelke / Danner / Stanley	5,669
Sun, 2/22	vs Mariners	L, 14-8	Diaz / Mey	6,788
Mon, 2/23	OFF DAY			
Tue, 2/24	vs Royals	W, 5-4	Kuncl / Heasley	2,429
Wed, 2/25	at White Sox	W, 3-2	Lodolo / Martin / Garcia	2,400
Thu, 2/26	vs Padres	W, 11-10	Maxwell / Hawkins / Cannon	2,847
Fri, 2/27	vs Angels	L, 4-3	Ureña / Aguiar / Anderson	3,745
Sat, 2/28	at Brewers	W, 9-7	Richardson / Peralta / Daniel	5,773
Sun, 3/1	at Athletics	L, 12-4	Ginn / Abbott	5,215
Mon, 3/2	vs Cubs	W, 17-9	Sando / Rolison	4,626
Tue, 3/3	OFF DAY			
Wed, 3/4	vs Team Cuba	W, 19-2	Lowder / Robaina	2,826
Thu, 3/5	vs Dodgers	W, 14-13	Aguiar / Weems	7,869
Fri, 3/6	at Giants	L, 6-3	Mahle / Abbott / Sanchez	9,091
Sat, 3/7	at Royals	L, 6-2	Olivárez / Ferguson	6,582
Sun, 3/8	vs Diamondbacks (ss)	W, 13-4	Santillan / Dubin	6,007
	at Padres (ss)	L, 14-3	Gillaspie / Burns	5,510
Mon, 3/9	vs Athletics	L, 9-7	Perkins / Lowder / Johnson	3,178
Tue, 3/10	at Rockies	W, 8-1	Williamson / Feltner	6,317

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Wed, 3/11	vs Brewers	W, 6-3	Abbott / Gasser / Maxwell	5,010
Thu, 3/12	at Dodgers	L, 9-5	Lodolo / Irvin	12,001
Fri, 3/13	at Giants (ss)	W, 6-1	Burns / Roupp	8,649
	vs Giants (ss)	W, 1-0	Singer / Whisenhunt / Parks	5,618
Sat, 3/14	vs Rangers	W, 4-3	Antone / Alexander / McCaughan	4,034
Sun, 3/15	at Mariners	L, 6-3	Alford / Johnson / Beilenson	9,223
Mon, 3/16	at Diamondbacks	L, 11-6	Nelson / Abbott	10,807
Tue, 3/17	vs Guardians	L, 8-6	Smith / Burke / Ellerts	5,203
Wed, 3/18	vs Rockies (ss)	L, 8-6	Mushinski / Miller / Thompson	3,069
	at Angels (ss)	L, 7-4	Strickland / Cannon / Saucedo	5,454
Thu, 3/19	OFF DAY			
Fri, 3/20	at Cubs	W, 8-6	Williamson / Boyd / Maxwell	11,878
Sat, 3/21	vs White Sox	W, 11-7	Phillips / Arias	5,060
Sun, 3/22	at Guardians	GOODYEAR	12:05 PM WLW, Reds.TV	
Mon, 3/23	at Brewers^	Milwaukee	7:40 PM WLW	
Tue, 3/24	at Brewers^	Milwaukee	5:10 PM WSAI	

Paid attendance in 15 home dates at Goodyear Ballpark totaled 68,309 (4,554 average)

^Denotes exhibition games at American Family Field (times in EST)
700 WLW Radio, 1360 WSAI Radio, Reds.TV

REDS PITCHERS' 2026 SPRING TRAINING DAY-BY-DAYS

41 Andrew Abbott, LHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24	vs KC	-	2.0	2	2	2	0	2
3/1	at Ath	L	2.2	3	4	4	1	2
3/6	at SF	L	2.2	5	4	4	1	5
3/11	vs Mil	W	3.2	6	2	2	2	5
3/16	at AZ	L	2.0	8	8	8	3	3
3/21	vs CWS	-	4.2	4	5	5	1	5

23 Graham Ashcraft, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22	vs Sea	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	2
2/26	vs SD	BS	0.1	4	6	6	2	0
3/4	vs Cuba	-	1.0	2	2	2	1	0
3/8	vs AZ	-	1.1	2	2	2	0	2
3/11	vs Mil	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/13	vs SF (ss)	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/17	vs Cle	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	3

49 Brock Burke, LHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22	vs Sea	-	1.0	2	1	1	0	2
2/25	at CWS	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
3/1	at Ath	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	2
3/4	vs Cuba	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/12	at LAD	-	1.0	1	1	1	1	0
3/15	at Sea	-	1.0	2	1	1	1	1
3/17	vs Cle	L, BS	0.0	3	5	5	3	0
3/20	at Chc	-	1.0	3	3	3	0	1

26 Chase Burns, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/21	at Cle	-	2.0	0	0	0	3	2
2/26	vs SD	-	2.1	2	1	1	2	5
3/8	at SD (ss)	L	3.2	4	4	4	1	4
3/13	at SF (ss)	W	2.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/18	at LAA (ss)	-	2.0	3	2	2	1	2

46 Caleb Ferguson, LHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/28	at Mil	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	1
3/7	at KC	L	0.2	5	5	5	2	0

52 Pierce Johnson, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24	vs KC	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
2/28	at Mil	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	2
3/7	at KC	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/10	at Col	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/13	vs SF (ss)	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
3/15	at Sea	L	0.1	3	5	5	2	0
3/18	vs Col (ss)	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/21	vs CWS	-	1.1	0	0	0	0	0

40 Nick Lodolo, LHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/25	at CWS	W	2.0	2	0	0	0	4
3/7	at KC	-	3.0	6	1	1	2	4
3/12	at LAD	L	4.0	6	6	6	0	3
3/17	vs Cle	-	4.2	3	3	2	1	7

25 Rhett Lowder, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/21	at Cle	-	2.0	2	1	1	1	4
2/27	vs LAA	-	3.0	0	0	0	1	3
3/4	vs Cuba	W	3.0	2	0	0	0	3
3/9	vs Ath	L	3.2	7	5	3	0	4
3/14	vs Tex	-	3.1	4	2	1	4	4

78 Zach Maxwell, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22	vs Sea	BS	0.2	0	1	1	4	1
2/26	vs SD	W, BS	1.0	2	1	1	0	2
3/1	at Ath	-	0.2	1	1	1	0	1
3/5	vs LAD	-	1.0	2	1	1	1	1
3/8	at SD (ss)	-	1.0	0	1	0	1	3
3/11	vs Mil	SV	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/13	vs SF (ss)	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/16	at AZ	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/20	at Chc	SV	1.0	2	1	1	1	1

50 Sam Moll, LHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24	vs KC	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	1
2/27	vs LAA	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/2	vs Chc	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/6	at SF	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/9	vs Ath	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/11	vs Mil	-	1.0	0	0	0	3	1
3/14	vs Tex	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/17	vs Cle	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/18	at LAA (ss)	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/21	vs CWS	BS	1.0	3	2	2	0	0

62 Kyle Nicolas, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/20	at Chc	-	0.2	0	1	1	4	0

15 Emilio Pagan, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/1	at Ath	-	1.0	2	1	0	0	1
3/5	vs LAD	-	1.0	4	4	4	0	0
3/8	vs AZ (ss)	BS	1.0	1	1	1	1	1
3/11	vs Mil	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/14	vs Tex	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/16	at AZ	-	1.0	0	1	0	1	2

34 Connor Phillips, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22	vs Sea	-	0.2	2	3	3	3	0
2/26	vs SD	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/1	at Ath	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/5	vs LAD	-	1.0	2	3	3	2	0
3/9	vs Ath	-	1.1	1	1	1	1	1
3/13	vs SF (ss)	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/15	at Sea	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	3
3/18	vs Col (ss)	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/21	vs CWS	W	1.0	1	0	0	0	1

64 Tony Santillan, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/1	at Ath	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	3
3/5	vs LAD	BS	0.2	1	3	3	3	0
3/8	vs AZ (ss)	W	1.0	1	0	0	0	3
3/11	vs Mil	-	1.0	1	1	1	0	0
3/14	vs Tex	-	1.0	3	1	1	0	1
3/16	at AZ	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	2
3/21	vs CWS	-	0.2	0	0	0	0	2

51 Brady Singer, RHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/2	vs Chc	-	2.0	7	5	5	2	1
3/8	vs AZ (ss)	-	3.0	2	0	0	2	3
3/13	vs SF (ss)	W	4.0	3	0	0	2	2
3/18	vs Col (ss)	-	3.2	2	0	0	1	3

55 Brandon Williamson, LHP

DATE	OPP	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24	vs KC	-	2.0	3	2	2	0	4
3/2	vs Chc	-	2.0	0	0	0	1	2
3/10	at Col	W	3.0					