

## Wednesday • May 31, 2023 • Game #56 • Home Game #29 Cleveland Guardians (25-30) at Baltimore Orioles (35-21) FIRST PITCH: 3:05 p.m. • TEMP: 79 degrees • TIME OF GAME: 3:11

	R	н	E	LOB	WP: Curry (2-0)	Attendance: 11,304
Guardians	12	17	0	9	LP: Givens (0-1)	Season Total: 583,993
Orioles	8	12	1	8	SV: None	Season Average: 20,138

**UNDER REVIEW:** Guardians manager **Terry Francona** challenged the placement of runners in the first inning after the ball was thrown out of play into the Orioles dugout...After review, the call on the field was confirmed...Orioles manager **Brandon Hyde** challenged the call of **1B Josh Naylor** safe at second base in the top of the third inning...After review, the call on the field stood.

## **ORIOLES NOTES**

- The Orioles fell to the Guardians in the rubber match, 12-8...Dropped to 5-4 in rubber games this season...Have gone 11-5 against the AL Central this year despite losing two games in this series...Tied a season high with 12 runs allowed (also: 5/26 vs. TEX)...Yielded 17 hits for the second time in 2023 (also: 5/15 vs. LAA)...Surrendered at least eight extra-base hits for the third time this year (last: 9, 5/4 at KC).
- LHP Keegan Akin did not factor in the decision after allowing one run on two hits with one strikeout in 1.0 inning...Threw 25 pitches, 20 strikes.
- **DH Anthony Santander** hit his ninth homer of the season in the fourth, a 423-foot blast...Reached base safely in 24 of 27 games this month; notched a hit in 20 of those games; slashed .337/.422/.634 (34-for-101) in May.
- CF Aaron Hicks reached based three times (H, 2 BB) in his O's debut, the first Oriole to do so since Adam Frazier on March 30 at Boston (2 H, BB); prior to 2023, that had not happened since Cedric Mullins (3 H) on August 10, 2018 vs. Boston (MLB debut)...Left the game in the seventh inning due to muscle cramps.
- LF-CF Ryan McKenna snapped an 0-for-15 skid with a two-run single in the second inning...Tallied multiple RBI for the second time this season (3, 4/29 [G2] at DET).
- **RF Ryan O'Hearn** doubled twice in a game for the second time in his career (9/16/18 vs. MIN w/ KC)...Tallied two extra-base hits for the ninth time in his career (last: 9/21/19 at MIN w/ KC).
- **C Adley Rutschman** tallied four singles, his fourth career game with 4+ hits (all this year); entered today tied for the MLB lead with three such games in 2023...Has reached base safely at least four times in seven games this season; entered today tied for the MLB lead with six such efforts this year...Reached base safely three times for the second straight day.

## **GUARDIANS NOTES**

- The Guardians defeated the O's in the series finale, 12-8...Recorded their 13<sup>th</sup> comeback win of the year...Posted season highs in extrabase hits (7), runs (12), and hits (17)...Had at least four players record three-or-more hits in a game for the first time since they had five do so on July 9, 2022 at Kansas City...Launched back-to-back home runs in an inning (4<sup>th</sup>; Naylor & Bell) for the second time this season (3<sup>rd</sup>, 4/23 vs. MIA; Ramírez & Bell).
- **RHP Shane Bieber** did not factor into the decision after tossing a season-low 4.0 innings; tied a career high by allowing seven runs (3x, last: 5/7/22 [G1] vs. TOR) on eight hits (1 HR) and two walks with four strikeouts...Marks his shortest outing since working 3.1 innings on May 7, 2022...Threw 82 pitches, 51 strikes.
- LF Steven Kwan recorded his third multi-hit performance in his last four games; leads the team with 17 such games this season...Recorded three-or-more hits in a game for the fourth time this season (last: 5/13 vs. LAA).
- 3B José Ramírez recorded two extra-base hits and now has 538<sup>th</sup> in his career, tying Ken Keltner for the fifth-most extra-base hits in Guardians history...Marked his 91<sup>st</sup> career game with two-or-more extra-base hits, tied for seventh-most in MLB since the start of the 2013 season...Leads all MLB hitters with 349 extra-base hits since 2018...Has doubled in three of his last four games and hit safely in six straight...Recorded his 12<sup>th</sup> multi-hit game of the season, sixth of the month, and third in his last five games.
- **2B Andrés Giménez** tied a career-high with four hits (also: 8/1/22 vs. ARI)...Posted consecutive multi-hit games for the fourth time this season (last: 5/23-24 vs. CWS).
- **1B Josh Naylor** tallied a career-high four hits...Drove in six runs, the second-most in his career (8, 5/9/22 at CWS)...Is the first Guardian with six RBI in a game since he recorded eight on May 9, 2022 at Chicago-AL (11 innings) and the first to do so in a nineinning game since **José Ramírez** also drove in six on April 12, 2022 at Cincinnati...Is the first Guardian to have 4+ hits and 3+ extrabase hits since **José Ramírez** on September 17, 2020 at Detroit...Smacked his eighth home run of the season in the fourth inning, tying the game with a two-run shot; first homer since May 19 at New York-NL...Has doubled in consecutive games for the first time this season; six of his eight doubles and 11 of his 16 extra-base hits this season came in May.
- **RF Gabriel Arias** blasted the longest home run of his career in the fifth inning, a 441-foot two-run blast...Marks the hardest-hit home run of his career and ties the hardest-hit ball of his career (1B, 7/22/22 vs. NYY).