



# GAME INFORMATION

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## PITTSBURGH PIRATES (0-1) vs. NEW YORK METS (1-0)

March 28, 2026 - Citi Field - Queens, NY - 4:10 EDT - Game #2/Road #2

RHP Mitch Keller (6-15, 4.19 ERA in 2025) vs. LHP David Peterson (9-6, 4.22 ERA in 2025)

**THE PIRATES:** had the day on Friday after Thursday's 11-7 loss here at Citi Field against the Mets on Opening Day...Will close out their season-opening road trip with three games from Monday-Wednesday at Cincinnati...Finished 2025 with a 71-91 (.438) record (finished in fifth place in the National League Central)...Played in a Major League-high 60 one-run games last year (they went 25-35; 16-9 at home and 9-26 on the road), their most in a season since 2014 (also 60; 31-29)...Used 57 players (tied for the 12th-most in Major League Baseball) and had nine different players make their Major League debut in 2025.

**THE TIME IS LOWE:** Brandon Lowe homered twice on Thursday at New York (NL)...Per the Elias Sports Bureau, he became the third player in club history to homer twice in his team debut, joining Shawon Dunston (September 2, 1997 vs. Cleveland) and Derrek Lee (August 1, 2011 vs. Chicago-NL)...Lowe, who was the first player in club history to homer in each of his first two plate apps. with the team, was the first Pirate with at least three RBI in his team debut since Marlon Byrd (also three) on August 28, 2013 vs. Milwaukee...According to Elias, he also joined Reggie Sanders on March 31, 2003 at Cincinnati as the only starters in team history to homer in their first plate appearance with the team, with the homer also being on Opening Day.

**NEW CREW:** Brandon Lowe (acquired via trade on December 19) and Ryan O'Hearn (signed as a free agent on January 8) both homered in their Pirates debut on Thursday at Citi Field...Per the Elias Sports Bureau, they became just the second pair of teammates in club history to both homer in their team debut, joining Reggie Sanders & Kenny Lofton (March 31, 2003 at Cincinnati).

**CITI CONNECT:** Pittsburgh's six extra-base hits on Thursday at New York (NL) were its most on Opening Day since April 5, 2010 vs. Los Angeles-NL (seven)...The Pirates' seven runs during Thursday's contest at Citi Field were their most in a season opener since March 30, 2018 at Detroit (they earned a 13-10 win).

**IN A NEW YORK STATE OF MIND:** Brandon Lowe has reached base safely in 12 of his 13 career games against the Mets (dating back to September 21, 2020), going 17-for-49 (.347) with three doubles, five home runs and 10 RBI...He has hit safely in nine of his 10 career contests here at Citi Field, going 16-for-42 (.381) with three doubles, four home runs, nine RBI and 10 runs in those games.

**A CALL TO ARMS:** Mitch Keller will start for Pittsburgh today in the second game of this season-opening series against the Mets...The Pirates currently boast a starting rotation comprised of all homegrown pitchers...Keller was selected out of Xavier (Iowa) High School in the second round of the 2014 First-Year Player Draft...Paul Skenes was selected out of Louisiana State University in the first round (first overall) of the 2023 First-Year Player Draft...Carmen Mlodzinski was selected out of the University of South Carolina in the Competitive Balance-A Round of the 2020 First-Year Player Draft (the first draft under Pirates General Manager Ben Cherington)...Braxton Ashcraft was selected out of Robinson (Texas) High School in the second round of the 2018 First-Year Player Draft...Bubba Chandler was selected out of North Oconee (Georgia) High School in the third round of the 2021 First-Year Player Draft.

**K-LIMBING THE CHARTS:** Mitch Keller enters today with 837 career strikeouts, the 13th-most in club history...He is five punchouts shy of tying Elroy Face for 12th place (Sam Leever is 11th with 847 strikeouts, while Bob Friend is the leader with 1682 strikeouts).

**OUT OF LEFT FIELD:** Bryan Reynolds started in left field for Pittsburgh during Thursday's season opener at Citi Field, marking his first appearance/start in left field since September 27, 2024 at Yankee Stadium...It was Reynolds' fifth Opening Day start in left field, dating back to 2020 (he started in center field in the 2022 season opener at St. Louis and in right field in the 2025 season opener at Miami)...His 372 career appearances in left field (he debuted in 2019) rank 18th in team history (Bill Robinson is 17th with 375).

**DOWN ON THE FARM:** Triple-A Indianapolis opened its season on Friday vs. St. Paul...Konnor Griffin, who is rated by Baseball America and MLB Pipeline as the No. 1 prospect in baseball, was 1-for-3 with a walk, a stolen base and two runs in his Triple-A debut...Pittsburgh's other full-season affiliates (Double-A Altoona, High-A Greensboro and Low-A Bradenton) will open on April 2...The Pirates' farm system entered 2026 rated by both Baseball America (No. 1) and MLB Pipeline (No. 3) as a top system in baseball.

### ON THIS DATE IN PIRATES HISTORY

March 28, 2024: Pittsburgh opened the season with a 12-inning, 6-5 win at loanDepot park in Miami. The Pirates, who trailed 5-2 entering the seventh inning, responded with four unanswered runs, including a go-ahead single from Jared Triolo in the 12th inning. Mitch Keller got the Opening Day nod for the second consecutive season, while six different relievers combined to pitch 6.1 scoreless innings.

### BUCS WHEN...

Last 5 games	0-1
Last 10 games	0-1
Leading after 6	0-0
Tied after 6	0-0
Trailing after 6	0-1
Leading after 7	0-0
Tied after 7	0-0
Trailing after 7	0-1
Leading after 8	0-0
Tied after 8	0-0
Trailing after 8	0-1
Scoring first	0-1
Opp. scoring first	0-0
Scoring 4+	0-1
Scoring fewer than 4	0-0
Outhitting Opp.	0-0
Being out-hit	0-1
Hits are equal	0-0
Comeback wins	0
Walkoff wins	0
Walkoff losses	0
Wins in final AB	0
Losses in final AB	0
Extra-inning games	0-0
Playing errorless	0-0
Homered	0-1
2+ homers	0-1
Series (W-L-T)	0-0-0
Series sweeps	0
Swept in a series	0
Interleague	0-0
Before the break	0-1
After the break	0-0
Starter goes 6.0ip+	0-0
Starter goes fewer than 6.0ip	0-1

### PIRATES TO HIT TWO HOME RUNS ON OPENING DAY

PLAYER	DATE (OPP.)
Brandon Lowe	3/26/2026 (at NYM)
Garrett Jones	4/5/2010 (vs. LAD)
Xavier Nady	3/31/2008 (at ATL)
Andy Van Slyke	4/9/1990 (at NYM)
Willie Stargell	4/10/1975 (at CHC)
Richie Hebner	4/5/1974 (at STL)
Dale Long	4/17/1956 (at NYG)

### UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLE PITCHERS

Sunday at New York (NL) 1:40 RHP Carmen Mlodzinski (5-8, 3.55 ERA in 2025) vs. RHP Nolan McLean (5-1, 2.06 ERA in 2025) SportsNet Pittsburgh/93.7 The Fan

## TODAY'S STARTER

RHP MITCH KELLER

#23

## 2025 RECORD: 6-15, 4.19 ERA

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6-3/213

BATS/THROWS: R/R

BORN: April 4, 1996

AGE: 29

SIGNED: Through 2028

HOW ACQUIRED: Selected in the second round of the 2014 Draft.

**LAST TIME OUT:** Keller allowed one run and had five strikeouts over 3.2 innings during his last start of the spring, which came on March 22 vs. Boston...He finished the spring with a 4.80 ERA (15.0ip/8er) and 20 strikeouts in five starts...Six of the eight runs came during his start on March 17 vs. Houston, when he also had a spring-best six strikeouts.

**AGAINST THE METS:** Keller is 4-2 with a 2.06 ERA (39.1ip/9er) and 33 strikeouts in six career starts against New York (NL)...He allowed one run over 5.1 innings while winning a 9-1 decision against David Peterson last year on June 27 at PNC Park...Keller is 0-2 with a 3.46 ERA (13.0ip/5er) and 14 strikeouts in two starts at Citi Field...He allowed three runs and had six strikeouts in 6.0 innings on September 16, 2022, while also allowing two runs and having eight strikeouts in 7.0 innings last year on May 13.

**AGAINST THE EAST:** Keller is 9-12 with a 4.34 ERA (184.2ip/89er) over his 34 career starts against the National League East...The 29-year-old Keller (turns 30 on April 4) went 2-3 with a 2.97 ERA (39.1ip/13er) in seven starts against the division last season.

**2025 IN REVIEW:** Keller made his sixth consecutive Opening Day roster last season (he was the team's Opening Day starter during the 2023 and 2024 seasons)...He began the year with a win in his first start on March 28 at Miami...Keller went 6-15 with a 4.19 ERA (176.1ip/82er) while making a career-high-tying 32 starts (also 2023)...His 32 starts last season were tied for the sixth-most starts among National League pitchers.

**COUNTING ON KELLER:** Keller enters this season having pitched at least 150.0 innings in four straight seasons (since 2022)...The only other Pittsburgh pitcher in the 21st century to accomplish that was Paul Maholm (six consecutive seasons) from 2006-11.

**K IS FOR KELLER:** Keller enters today with 837 career strikeouts...He is 16 strikeouts shy of passing Rick Rhoden (852) for 10th place on Pittsburgh's all-time strikeouts list.

**QUALITY AND QUANTITY:** Keller had 17 quality starts in 2025, his third straight season with at least 15 quality starts (he had 18 in 2023 and 15 in 2024)...Prior to Keller, the last Pirate to do that in three straight seasons was Paul Maholm from 2008-10 (A.J. Burnett did it from 2012-13 and in 2015, but he pitched for Philadelphia in 2014)...Keller made his 30th start of 2025 on September 12 at Washington, marking his third consecutive season with at least 30 starts...He joined Maholm (2008-10) and Ian Snell (2006-08) as the only Pirates pitchers in the 21st century to accomplish that.

**WHERE HE RANKS:** Keller's 707.2 innings pitched since the beginning of the 2022 season rank 10th in Major League Baseball...They trail Logan Webb (825.0), Framber Valdez (773.2), Kevin Gausman (739.2), Zac Gallen (738.0), Miles Mikolas (731.2), Chris Bassitt (723.0), Logan Gilbert (721.1), José Berríos (720.0) & Dylan Cease (718.1).

**CLOSE CALLS:** Keller pitched in 15 one-run games during the 2025 season...The 15 such starts were the most by any Pirates pitcher since Paul Maholm (16 starts) in 2010.

**THIS AND THAT:** The Pirates selected Keller out of Xavier (IA) High School in the second round of the 2014 First-Year Player Draft...He was tabbed by Baseball America as the organization's No. 1 prospect prior to three consecutive seasons from 2018-20.

## TOMORROW'S STARTER

RHP CARMEN MLODZINSKI #50

## 2025 RECORD: 5-8, 3.55 ERA

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6-2/210

BATS/THROWS: R/R

BORN: February 19, 1999

AGE: 27

SIGNED: Through 2026

HOW ACQUIRED: Selected in Comp. Balance A round (No. 31) of the 2020 Draft.

**ON DECK:** Will make his season debut tomorrow afternoon...Went 2-0 with a 2.92 ERA (12.1ip/4er) and 14 strikeouts across four outings (three starts) during spring training...Allowed two runs and had five strikeouts over 5.0 innings during his last spring game (start) on March 14 vs. Baltimore...Had a 4.99 ERA (48.2ip/27er) as a starter last year.

## STATCAST INFORMATION KELLER PITCH ARSENAL (2025)

PITCH TYPE	USAGE PCT.	AVG. VELO	BAA	WHIFF%
Four-Seam Fastball	34.8	94.1	.252	17.1
Sweeper	19.1	82.3	.219	27.0
Sinker	17.8	92.9	.262	13.5
Slider	14.0	86.9	.278	27.1
Curveball	7.3	77.4	.208	29.5
Changeup	7.0	89.2	.240	15.8
Cutter	0.1	92.4	1.000	0.0

## 2026 GAME-BY-GAME

DATE	OPP	DEC	RESULT	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	PIT
2/22	vs. TB	ND	W, 7-4	2.0	1	0	0	1	2	0	26
2/27	vs. BAL	ND	W, 6-1	2.1	3	0	0	0	4	0	45
3/5	vs. STL	ND	L, 2-3	3.0	3	1	1	2	3	1	56
3/17	vs. HOU	L	L, 2-10	4.0	4	6	6	4	6	2	85
3/22	vs. BOS	ND	L, 3-6	3.2	3	1	1	1	5	1	72
<b>SPRING (0-1, 4.80 ERA)</b>				<b>15.0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>284</b>

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	PIT
<b>SEASON (0-0, --- ERA)</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>CAREER (42-65, 4.51 ERA)</b>	<b>878.0</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>14676</b>

## KELLER'S CAREER HIGHS

Winning Streak	6 Games (5/6-6/7, 2024)
Strikeouts	13 (5/14/23 at Baltimore)
Games w/10+ Ks	4 (last: 12k, 8/19/23 at Minnesota)
Home Runs	3 (3x, last: 8/3/25 at Colorado)
Runs	8 (6x, last: 9/20/24 at Cincinnati)
Walks	8 (9/25/20 at Cleveland)
Innings Pitched	9.0 (2x, last: 5/6/24 vs. Los Angeles-AL)

## KELLER VS. NEW YORK (NL)

	W-L	ERA	G/GS	IP	H	R/ER	BB	SO
<b>2026</b>	No appearances							
<b>Career</b>	<b>4-2</b>	<b>2.06</b>	<b>6/6</b>	<b>39.1</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>9/9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>33</b>

## CATCHERS THROWING

	CS/ATT	%	PICKOFFS	PB	ERA
Bart	---	--	0	0	---
Davis	0/1	0.0	0	1	(8.0ip/11er) 12.38

# PIRATES BATTERS

## #14 JOEY BART (C)

ROAD TRIP:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/21/25 vs. ATH (Bido)		
CURRENT STREAK:	---		

- Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the fifth straight year (also 2022-24 with San Francisco)...Caught last year's opener on 3/27 at Miami.
- Played in 14 games during spring training...Hit .249 (71-for-265) with a career-high 12 doubles and 30 RBI in 93 games with the Pirates last year.
- Hit .306 (22-for-72) with an .891 OPS vs. lefties last season...Made 83 appearances and posted a .995 fielding percentage behind the plate in '25.
- Batted .297 (22-for-74) with an .821 OPS in 22 games during March/April of last season...Also hit .314 (11-for-35) over 13 games last September.

## #25 BILLY COOK (OF)

ROAD TRIP:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/28/24 at NYY (Gil)		
CURRENT STREAK:	---		

- Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the first time in his career...Hit .250 (11-for-44) with two homers and seven RBI in 20 spring games.
- Appeared in three games with Pittsburgh from 6/19-20 during the 2025 campaign (he went 2-for-6 with a run during his stint with the Pirates).
- Spent most of last season with Triple-A Indianapolis, where he hit .248 in his 94 games (suffered a season-ending, left forearm fracture on 8/3).
- Was acquired from Baltimore, in exchange for right-handed pitcher Patrick Reilly, on 7/30/24 (was originally drafted in the 10th round in 2021).

## #15 ONEIL CRUZ (OF)

ROAD TRIP:	1-5 (.200)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	1-5 (.200)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/23/25 at CIN (Singer)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Collected the first hit of Pittsburgh's 2026 campaign with his leadoff single off New York (NL)'s Freddy Peralta during Thursday afternoon's game.
- Batted .370 (10-for-27) with two home runs and six RBI in 10 spring games...Hit two homers for the Dom. Republic in the World Baseball Classic.
- Hit 20 home runs and had 38 stolen bases in 2025...Joined Barry Bonds as the only players in franchise history with a 20-homer/35-steal season.
- Was the co-winner of last year's Lou Brock Award after sharing the National League lead in steals (career-high of 38) with New York's Juan Soto.

## #32 HENRY DAVIS (C)

ROAD TRIP:	1-4 (.250)	0 HR	1 RBI
SERIES:	1-4 (.250)	0 HR	1 RBI
LAST HR:	9/27/25 at ATL (Strider)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Doubled home a run in his second at-bat of the season on Thursday while making his second career Opening Day start behind the plate (also 2024).
- Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the second time (also 2024)...Hit .357 (5-for-14) with two home runs across his final six spring games.
- His 2.87 catcher's ERA last year ranked first in MLB (min. 650.0 innings) & was also the lowest by a Pirate (min. 600.0 innings) since at least 1974.
- Recorded a career-high four hits against the Mets last year on 6/29 at PNC Park...Threw out 14 runners attempting to steal against him last season.

## #3 NICK GONZALES (INF)

ROAD TRIP:	2-4 (.500)	0 HR	2 RBI
SERIES:	2-4 (.500)	0 HR	2 RBI
LAST HR:	7/28/25 at SF (Whisenhunt)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Had a single (fifth inning) and a two-run double (ninth inning) while starting at third base during Thursday afternoon's opener here at Citi Field.
- Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the second straight season...Hit .364 (12-for-33) with three RBI over nine Grapefruit League games.
- Went 2-for-11 with an RBI, three walks, a stolen base and two runs scored across his four games for Mexico in this year's World Baseball Classic.
- Played in 85 games at second base and 13 at shortstop in 2025...His start at third base on Thursday was the second of his career (also 5/16/24).

## #2 SPENCER HORWITZ (INF)

ROAD TRIP:	0-4 (.000)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	0-4 (.000)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/26/25 at ATL (Johnson)		
CURRENT STREAK:	0-for-4		

- Was 0-for-4 while starting at first base on Thursday (Opening Day)...Batted .250 (4-for-16) with a homer for Israel in the World Baseball Classic.
- Hit .314 (60-for-191) from 7/21 onward last year, the seventh-highest mark in Major League Baseball (min. 200 plate appearances) in that time.
- Made 102 appearances (93 starts) at first base with Pittsburgh last season (also made one start at second base, which came on 9/27 at Atlanta).
- Hit .272 (99-for-364) with 26 doubles, 11 home runs, 51 RBI and a .787 OPS in 108 games last year (began the season on the 15-day injured list).

## #5 BRANDON LOWE (INF)

ROAD TRIP:	2-4 (.500)	2 HR	3 RBI
SERIES:	2-4 (.500)	2 HR	3 RBI
LAST HR:	3/26/26 at NYM (Peralta)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Posted the ninth multi-homer game of his career on Thursday (first since 5/15/25) after homering off Freddy Peralta in each of his first two at-bats.
- Has gone 13-for-33 (.394) with two doubles, four home runs, seven RBI and four walks across his last eight games against the Mets (since 5/16/21).
- Hit 157 home runs in his eight seasons (2018-25) with Tampa Bay, trailing Evan Longoria (261) and Carlos Peña (163) for the most in team history.
- His 70 RBI as a second baseman were tied for the third-most in MLB in 2025, behind Milwaukee's Brice Turang (81) and Atlanta's Ozzie Albies (74).

## #28 JAKE MANGUM (OF)

ROAD TRIP:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/24/25 at BAL (Castillo)		
CURRENT STREAK:	---		

- Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the first time (did not appear in an MiLB game before being recalled by Tampa Bay last year on 3/29).
- Was acquired from Tampa Bay (with infielder Brandon Lowe and pitcher Mason Montgomery), as part of a three-team trade (Houston) on 12/19.
- Joined Philadelphia's Nick Castellanos/Washington's Jacob Young as the only MLB outfielders without an error in 2025 (minimum 900.0 innings).
- Ranked third among qualified rookies in MLB in batting (.296) last year...Was drafted by the Mets in both 2018 (did not sign) and 2019 (signed).

## #29 RYAN O'HEARN (1B/OF)

ROAD TRIP:	2-4 (.500)	1 HR	1 RBI
SERIES:	2-4 (.500)	1 HR	1 RBI
LAST HR:	3/26/26 at NYM (Myers)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Hit an opposite-field, solo home run (off Tobias Myers) in the sixth inning of his team debut on Thursday at Citi Field (was the starter in right field).
- Had a team-high-tying nine RBI across 17 spring games...Was the starting designated hitter for the American League in last season's All-Star Game.
- Was signed to a two-year contract on 1/8...Set career highs in hits (133) and RBI (63) over 144 games split between Baltimore & San Diego in 2025.
- Had an .832 OPS in 109 plate appearances vs. lefties in 2025...Had six Outs Above Average in 75 games at first base last season, per Baseball Savant.

## #24 MARCELL OZUNA (DH)

ROAD TRIP:	0-4 (.000)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	0-4 (.000)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/24/25 vs. WAS (Rutledge)		
CURRENT STREAK:	0-for-4		

- Went 0-for-4 while serving as Pittsburgh's cleanup hitter on Thursday afternoon here against the Mets (it was his 13th straight Opening Day start).
- Was signed to a one-year deal (mutual option for 2027) on 2/16...His 91 career RBI vs. the Mets are his second-most vs. any team (Nationals, 102).
- His .353 OBP as a designated hitter last season ranked fifth in Major League Baseball...His 6.30 plate appearances/walk ranked third in all of MLB.
- Is a three-time National League All-Star ('16-'17, '24) and two-time Silver Slugger Award winner ('17, '20)...Was fourth in N.L. MVP voting in 2024.

## #10 BRYAN REYNOLDS (OF)

ROAD TRIP:	1-4 (.250)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	1-4 (.250)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/20/25 vs. ATH (Morales)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Went 1-for-4 while making his seventh straight Opening Day start here on Thursday afternoon (started in left field for the first time since 9/27/24).
- His 484 career RBI are third among switch hitters in team history, behind Max Carey (719) and Bobby Bonilla (500)...Hit .263 (10-for-38) in spring.
- His 138 career home runs are tied with Hall of Famer Bill Mazerowski for the 10th-most in Pirates history (Jason Bay ranks ninth with 139 homers).
- Led the Pirates in hits (144) and RBI (73) for the fifth straight season in 2025 (is the only player in club history to do that in five straight seasons).

## #19 JARED TRIOLO (INF)

ROAD TRIP:	1-4 (.250)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	1-4 (.250)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/21/25 vs. ATH (Spence)		
CURRENT STREAK:	1 game		

- Went 1-for-4 with a double and a run while making the start at shortstop on Thursday (was his second career Opening Day start, along with 2024).
- Hit .238 (10-for-42) in 17 spring games...Was one of three finalists for the Rawlings Gold Glove Award for National League utility players last year.
- Batted .276 (53-for-192) in his last 52 games of 2025 (8/1-9/28)...Played in 47 games at shortstop, 32 at third, 24 at first & 11 at second in 2025.
- Won the Rawlings Gold Glove Award for National League utility players in 2024...Accumulated seven DRS at third base in '25 (The Fielding Bible).

## #38 NICK YORKE (INF/OF)

ROAD TRIP:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
SERIES:	0-0 (---)	0 HR	0 RBI
LAST HR:	9/20/25 vs. ATH (Morales)		
CURRENT STREAK:	---		

- Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the first time in his career...Batted .271 (13-for-48) with six RBI and three steals over 19 spring games.
- Hit .232 (16-for-69) with three doubles, a home run, eight RBI and seven runs scored in 22 games with the Pirates last year (all during September).
- Has played in 21 games at second base, six at first base, six in right field, two at third base and one in left field throughout his Major League career.
- Was acquired from Boston, in exchange for right-handed pitcher Quinn Priester, on 7/29/24 (was originally selected 17th overall in the 2020 Draft).

# PIRATES BULLPEN

<b>#45 HUNTER BARCO (LHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 0-0 ---
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 0/0

- ⚡ Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the first time in his career...Had a 2.31 ERA (11.2ip/3er)/15 strikeouts in five spring games (two starts).
- ⚡ Made two scoreless appearances in relief last year on 9/23 at Cincinnati (1.0ip) and 9/28 at Atlanta (2.0ip)...Made his Major League debut on 9/23.
- ⚡ Became the fourth left-handed Pirates reliever in the Modern Era (since 1901) to earn a win in his MLB debut (the first since Frank Carpin in 1965).
- ⚡ Was originally selected by New York (NL) out of high school in the 24th round of the 2019 Draft (he did not sign and pitched collegiately at Florida).

<b>#61 JUSTIN LAWRENCE (RHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 2-5 .400
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 1/1

- ⚡ Allowed back-to-back homers to the Mets' Carson Benge and Francisco Alvarez in the sixth inning on Thursday (200th Major League appearance).
- ⚡ Finished the 2025 campaign on a career-high, 16.2-inning scoreless streak...Spent most of last year on the injured list (right elbow inflammation).
- ⚡ His scoreless streak was tied for the third-longest by a Pirate in 2025, behind Andrew Heaney (19.2ip, 4/12-29) and Paul Skenes (18.0ip, 7/11-8/2).
- ⚡ Pitched in 17 games with Pittsburgh in 2025...Recorded a 2.84 ERA (6.1ip/2er) and nine strikeouts across his seven appearances in spring training.

<b>#72 ISAAC MATTSON (RHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 3-5 .600
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 1/1
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 1/0

- ⚡ Allowed his inherited runner to score while going on to give up two runs on three hits over 0.2 inning on Thursday (Opening Day) against the Mets.
- ⚡ Made an Opening Day roster for the first time in his career...Had eight strikeouts and did not allow a run across his seven spring appearances (7.1ip).
- ⚡ Limited right-handed hitters to a .155 (15-for-97) batting average against and a .198 on-base percentage during his time with the Pirates in 2025.
- ⚡ Pitched 2.0 perfect innings in his Pirates debut on 9/20/24 at Cincinnati (was his first Major League game since 10/1/21 with Baltimore at Toronto).

<b>#46 MASON MONTGOMERY (LHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 1-5 .200
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 1/0

- ⚡ Allowed two runs on one hit and three walks (also had two strikeouts) across 1.1 innings of work in his team debut on Thursday against the Mets.
- ⚡ Was acquired from Tampa Bay, along with infielder Brandon Lowe and outfielder Jake Mangum, as part of a three-team trade (Houston) on 12/19.
- ⚡ His 63 strikeouts last year ranked fourth among left-handed rookie relievers in Major League Baseball (also ranked 11th among all rookie relievers).
- ⚡ Made his Major League debut with Tampa Bay on 9/5/24 vs. Minnesota...Earned his first and only Major League win last year on 6/18 vs. Baltimore.

<b>#49 YOHAN RAMÍREZ (RHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 1-8 .125
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 2/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 1/1

- ⚡ Became the sixth Pirates reliever in the Modern Era (since 1901) to toss at least 2.1 scoreless innings with three strikeouts during a season opener.
- ⚡ Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the fourth time in his career (first since 2024 with the Mets)...Posted a 3.24 ERA (8.1ip/3er) in spring.
- ⚡ His 45 strikeouts from 7/12 (season debut) onward last season were tied for the sixth-most among all Major League relievers during that stretch.
- ⚡ Has made appearances for Seattle, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Chicago (AL), New York (NL), Baltimore, Los Angeles (NL) and Boston during his career.

<b>#60 DENNIS SANTANA (RHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 0-3 .000
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 1/1

- ⚡ Faced four batters during a scoreless eighth inning on Opening Day against the Mets...Had a 2.25 ERA (4.0ip/1er) and four strikeouts during spring.
- ⚡ Tossed 2.0 scoreless innings for the Dominican Republic during the World Baseball Classic...Set career highs in wins (four) and games (70) last year.
- ⚡ His 0.87 WHIP last season was the lowest mark among all qualified relievers in the National League (it ranked fifth among Major League relievers).
- ⚡ Had a career-high 16 saves in 19 opportunities last season...Posted a 1.27 ERA (21.1ip/3er) in his final 21 appearances last year (from 8/8 onward).

<b>#31 GREGORY SOTO (LHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 0-3 .000
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 1/1

- ⚡ Struck out two batters (Jorge Polanco and Luis Robert Jr.) in a perfect inning during his Pirates debut on Thursday (Opening Day) here at Citi Field.
- ⚡ Had five strikeouts in three outings (1.2ip) for the Dominican Republic in the World Baseball Classic...Was signed to a one-year contract on 12/16.
- ⚡ Went a combined 1-5 with a 4.18 ERA (60.1ip/28er) and 70 strikeouts in his 70 appearances split between Baltimore and New York (NL) in 2025.
- ⚡ Is one of only two left-handed pitchers (five pitchers overall) in MLB to make at least 60 appearances in each of the last five seasons (since 2021).

<b>#65 JOSÉ URQUIDY (RHP)</b>
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 0-0 ---
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 0/0

- ⚡ Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the fourth time in his career (first since 2023 w/Houston)...Pitched in four spring games (three starts).
- ⚡ Was signed to a one-year contract on 2/11...Spent most of last season recovering from "Tommy John" surgery (underwent the surgery on 6/5/24).
- ⚡ Made two relief appearances (2.1ip) with Detroit last season in September (also tossed 21.2 innings between Low-A Lakeland and Triple-A Toledo).
- ⚡ Had a career 3.98 ERA (405.0ip/179er) in 79 regular season outings (70 starts) with Houston from 2019-23 (was a World Series champion in 2022).

RUNS BY INNING											
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Xtra	Total
Bucs	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	7
Opps	5	0	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	11

2026 EJECTIONS	

2026 WALKOFF WINS	

THE LAST TIME...	
The Pirates Hit Back-To-Back Home Runs .... done three times in 2025, last on 8/25 at STL (Reynolds & Horwitz)	
The Pirates Hit A Grand Slam ..... done three times in 2025, last on 8/1 at COL (Cruz)	
The Pirates Hit An Inside-The-Park Home Run .....5/21/22 vs. STL (Reynolds)	
The Pirates Hit A Leadoff Home Run ..... done six times in 2025, last on 8/2 at COL (Peguero)	
The Pirates Hit Back-To-Back Home Runs Leading Off Game .....9/23/20 vs. CHC (Frazier & Hayes)	
The Pirates Hit A Leadoff, Inside-The-Park Home Run .....4/20/12 vs. STL (Presley)	
The Pirates Hit A Pinch-Hit Grand Slam .....8/24/19 vs. CIN (Moran)	
The Pirates Hit Three Home Runs In One Inning ..... 7/5/24 vs. NYM, 8th inn. (Grandal, Taylor & Tellez)	
The Pirates Hit Three Consecutive HRs In One Inning ..... 5/24/17 at ATL, 10th inn. (Freese, Osuna & Mercer)	
The Pirates Hit Four Home Runs In One Inning ..... 8/20/03 at STL, 5th inn. (Sanders-2, Kendall & Giles)	
The Pirates Hit Seven Home Runs In a Game ..... 7/5/24 vs. NYM (club record, done five times)	
The Pirates Allowed A Leadoff Home Run ..... done six times in 2025, last on 9/16 vs. CHC (Busch)	
The Pirates Were Walked Off .....done 10 times in 2025, last on 9/10 at BAL (Beavers)	

PIRATES VS. NEW YORK METS										
	2026					CAREER				
	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI
Bart	----	0	0	0	0	.140	43	6	0	1
Cook	----	0	0	0	0	----	0	0	0	0
Cruz	.200	5	1	0	0	.303	66	20	7	15
Davis	.250	4	1	0	1	.258	31	8	0	3
Gonzales	.500	4	2	0	2	.296	27	8	0	5
Horwitz	.000	4	0	0	0	.211	19	4	0	2
Lowe	.500	4	2	2	3	.347	49	17	5	10
Mangum	----	0	0	0	0	.273	11	3	0	3
O'Hearn	.500	4	2	1	1	.189	37	7	1	7
Ozuna	.000	4	0	0	0	.264	561	148	21	91
Reynolds	.250	4	1	0	0	.281	153	43	8	26
Triolo	.250	4	1	0	0	.154	39	6	1	5
Yorke	----	0	0	0	0	----	0	0	0	0

  

	2026					CAREER				
	W-L-S	ERA	G	IP	ER	W-L-S	ERA	G	IP	ER
Ashcraft	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-0-0	3.38	1	2.2	1
Barco	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Chandler	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Keller	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	4-2-0	2.06	6	39.1	9
Lawrence	0-0-0	18.00	1	1.0	2	3-0-0	3.95	13	13.2	6
Mattson	0-0-0	27.00	1	0.2	2	0-0-0	9.00	2	2.0	2
Mlodzinski	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-0-0	0.00	2	4.2	0
Montgomery	0-0-0	13.50	1	1.1	2	0-0-0	7.71	3	2.1	2
Ramírez	0-0-0	0.00	1	2.1	0	0-0-0	2.16	5	8.1	2
Santana	0-0-0	0.00	1	1.0	0	0-0-0	0.00	5	7.0	0
Skenes	0-1-0	67.50	1	0.2	5	1-1-0	5.27	3	13.2	8
Soto	0-0-0	0.00	1	1.0	0	0-0-0	4.97	12	12.2	7
Urquidy	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-0-0	1.50	1	6.0	1

**2026 HIGHS & LOWS**

**-TEAM BATTING-**

Most runs, game, Pirates	7, 3/26 at NYM
Most runs, game, Opponents	11, 3/26 at NYM
Most runs, inning, Pirates	2, twice, 3/26 at NYM (1st & 9th)
Most runs, inning, Opponents	5, 3/26 at NYM (1st)
Most hits, game, Pirates	10, 3/26 at NYM
Most hits, game, Opponents	11, 3/26 at NYM
Most hits, inning, Pirates	3, 3/26 at NYM (9th)
Most consecutive hits, inning	2, four times, 3/26 at NYM (1st, 3rd, 5th & 9th)
Most consecutive hits, game	2, four times, 3/26 at NYM
Most hits, inning, Opponents	4, 3/26 at NYM (1st)
Fewest hits, game, Pirates	
Fewest hits, game, Opponents	
Most doubles, game	3, 3/26 at NYM
Most triples, game	
Most home runs, game, Pirates	3, 3/26 at NYM
Most home runs, game, Opponents	2, 3/26 at NYM
Most consecutive games, home run	
Most consecutive games, home run, Opponents	
Most extra-base hits, game	6, 3/26 at NYM
Most consecutive games, extra-base hit	
Most stolen bases, game, Pirates	
Most stolen bases, game, Opponents	1, 3/26 at NYM
Most left on base, game	3, 3/26 at NYM
Most left on base, game (extra innings)	

**-TEAM PITCHING-**

Most strikeouts, game, Pirates	10, 3/26 at NYM
Most strikeouts, game, Pirates (extra innings)	
Most strikeouts, game, Opponents	10, 3/26 at NYM
Most strikeouts, game, Opponents (extra innings)	
Most walks, game, Pirates	9, 3/26 at NYM
Most walks, game, Pirates (extra innings)	
Most walks, game, Opponents	
Most walks, game, Opponents (extra innings)	

**-TEAM MISCELLANEOUS-**

Longest winning streak	
Longest losing streak	
Longest game, innings	
Longest game, time	3:08, 3/26 at NYM
Longest game, time, 9 innings	
Shortest game, time, 9 innings	

Largest margin of victory	
Largest margin of defeat	4 runs, 3/26 at NYM (7-11)
Largest come-from-behind victory	
Largest come-from-behind loss	2 runs, 3/26 at NYM
Largest crowd, home	
Largest crowd, road	41,449, 3/26 at NYM
Smallest crowd, road	
Most errors, game, Pirates	1, 3/26 at NYM
Most errors, game, Opponents	
Consecutive innings without an error	5.0, 3/26
Most double plays turned	
Weather delays, home (total time)	
Weather delays, road (total time)	
Players used	16

**-INDIVIDUAL BATTING-**

Most hits, game	2, 3/26 at NYM (Lowe, O'Hearn & Gonzales)
Most consecutive hits	2, Lowe & O'Hearn (3/26)
Most runs, game	2, Lowe & O'Hearn (3/26 at NYM)
Most doubles, game	1, Davis, Triolo & Gonzales (3/26 at NYM)
Most triples, game	
Most home runs, game	2, Lowe (3/26 at NYM)
Most extra-base hits, game	2, Lowe (3/26 at NYM)
Most total bases, game	8, Lowe (3/26 at NYM)
Most runs batted in, game	3, Lowe (3/26 at NYM)
Most stolen bases, game	
Most walks, game	
Consecutive games, home run	
Longest hitting streak	
Grand slams	
Inside-the-park home runs	
Leadoff home runs	
Walkoff home runs	

**-INDIVIDUAL PITCHING-**

Most strikeouts, game	3, Ramirez (3/26 at NYM)
Longest winning streak	
Longest losing streak	
Fewest hits, complete game	
Most walks, game	3, Montgomery (3/26 at NYM)
Most innings pitched, game, starter	0.2, Skenes (3/26 at NYM)
Most innings pitched, game, reliever	2.1, Ramirez (3/26 at NYM)
Most consecutive scoreless innings pitched	2.1, Ramirez (3/26)
Most consecutive saves	

**RECENT TRANSACTIONS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TRANSACTION(S)</b>
3/19	<b>Endy Rodríguez</b> (C/1B) optioned to Triple-A Indianapolis.
3/21	<b>Tyler Callihan</b> (INF/OF) and <b>Jhostynxon Garcia</b> (OF) optioned to Triple-A Indianapolis... <b>Konnor Griffin</b> (INF/OF) reassigned to minor league camp.
3/22	<b>Rafael Flores Jr.</b> (C/1B) and <b>Cam Sanders</b> (RHP) optioned to Triple-A Indianapolis... <b>Chris Devenski</b> (RHP), <b>Carson Fulmer</b> (RHP), <b>Joe La Sorsa</b> (LHP) and <b>Alika Williams</b> (INF) reassigned to minor league camp.
3/23	<b>Mike Clevinger</b> (RHP) reassigned to minor league camp.

**2026 INJURED LIST (1 PLAYER, 1 APPEARANCE)**

<b>Player (injury)</b>	<b>On IL</b>	<b>Date Eligible</b>	<b>Off IL</b>	<b>Games Missed</b>
Jared Jones (R UCL surgery on 5/21/25)*	2/11	5/24	---	0-1

\*60-day injured list

**2026 DAY-BY-DAY RESULTS**

Game											Game															
Date	No.	OPP.	W/L	Score	Record	Pos.	GB/A	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Attendance	Total Home Attendance	Date	No.	OPP.	W/L	Score	Record	Pos.	GB/A	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Attendance	Total Home Attendance	
-MARCH (0-1)-												-JULY (0-0)-														
26	1	at NYM	L	7-11	0-1	T3	-1.0	Peralta (1-0)	Skenes (0-1)		41,449		1	87	at Phi											
28	2	at NYM											2	88	at Phi											
29	3	at NYM											3	89	at Was											
30	4	at Cin											4	90	at Was											
31	5	at Cin											5	91	at Was											
-APRIL (0-0)-												7	92	ATL												
1	6	at Cin											8	93	ATL											
3	7	BAL											9	94	ATL											
4	8	BAL											10	95	MIL											
5	9	BAL											11	96	MIL											
6	10	SD											12	97	MIL											
7	11	SD											13-16 - ALL-STAR BREAK													
8	12	SD											17	98	at Cle											
10	13	at Chc											18	99	at Cle											
11	14	at Chc											19	100	at Cle											
12	15	at Chc											20	101	at NYY											
13	16	WAS											21	102	at NYY											
14	17	WAS											22	103	at NYY											
15	18	WAS											24	104	CHC											
16	19	WAS											25	105	CHC											
17	20	TB											26	106	CHI											
18	21	TB											27	107	ARI											
19	22	TB											28	108	ARI											
21	23	at Tex											29	109	ARI											
22	24	at Tex											30	110	at Cin											
23	25	at Tex											31	111	at Cin											
24	26	at Mil											-AUGUST (0-0)-													
25	27	at Mil											1	112	at Cin											
26	28	at Mil											2	113	at Cin											
27	29	STL											3	114	at Mil											
28	30	STL											4	115	at Mil											
29	31	STL											5	116	at Mil											
30	32	STL											6	117	at Mil											
-MAY (0-0)-												7	118	NYM												
1	33	CIN											8	119	NYM											
2	34	CIN											9	120	NYM											
3	35	CIN											11	121	at Mia											
5	36	at Ari											12	122	at Mia											
6	37	at Ari											13	123	at Mia											
7	38	at Ari											14	124	BOS											
8	39	at SF											15	125	BOS											
9	40	at SF											16	126	BOS											
10	41	at SF											17	127	DET											
12	42	COL											18	128	DET											
13	43	COL											19	129	DET											
14	44	COL											21	130	at LAD											
15	45	PHI											22	131	at LAD											
16	46	PHI											23	132	at LAD											
17	47	PHI											24	133	at SD											
19	48	at Stl											25	134	at SD											
20	49	at Stl											26	135	at SD											
21	50	at Stl											28	136	at Stl											
22	51	at Tor											29	137	at Stl											
23	52	at Tor											30	138	at Stl											
24	53	at Tor											-SEPTEMBER (0-0)-													
25	54	CHC											1	139	SF											
26	55	CHC											2	140	SF											
27	56	CHC											3	141	SF											
28	57	CHC											4	142	LAA											
29	58	MIN											5	143	LAA											
30	59	MIN											6	144	LAA											
31	60	MIN											8	145	at CWS											
-JUNE (0-0)-												9	146	at CWS												
2	61	at Hou											10	147	at CWS											
3	62	at Hou											11	148	at Chc											
4	63	at Hou											12	149	at Chc											
5	64	at Atl											13	150	at Chc											
6	65	at Atl											15	151	MIL											
7	66	at Atl											16	152	MIL											
9	67	LAD											17	153	MIL											
10	68	LAD											18	154	KC											
11	69	LAD											19	155	KC											
12	70	MIA											20	156	KC											
13	71	MIA											22	157	STL											
14	72	MIA											23	158	STL											
15	73	at Ath											24	159	STL											
16	74	at Ath											25	160	at Det											
17	75	at Ath											26	161	at Det											
19	76	at Col											27	162	at Det											
20	77	at Col											BOLD - COMPLETE GAME Doubleheaders (---) Sellouts (---)													
21	78	at Col																								
23	79	SEA																								
24	80	SEA																								
25	81	SEA																								
26	82	CIN																								
27	83	CIN																								
28	84	CIN																								
29	85	at Phi																								
30	86	at Phi																								

**STARTS BY POSITIONS AND BATTING ORDER**

1B - Horwitz (0-1)  
 2B - Lowe (0-1)  
 3B - Gonzales (0-1)  
 SS - Triolo (0-1)  
 LF - Reynolds (0-1)  
 CF - Cruz (0-1)  
 RF - O'Hearn (0-1)  
 C - Davis (0-1)  
 DH - Ozuna (0-1)

1st - Cruz (0-1)  
 2nd - Lowe (0-1)  
 3rd - Reynolds (0-1)  
 4th - Ozuna (0-1)  
 5th - O'Hearn (0-1)  
 6th - Triolo (0-1)  
 7th - Horwitz (0-1)  
 8th - Gonzales (0-1)  
 9th - Davis (0-1)

**PRONUNCIATION AND PRESENTATION GUIDE (ACTIVE PLAYERS AND COACHES)**

Cam Balego ("buh-LAY-go")	Matt Hague ("HAIG")	Carmen Mlodzinski ("ma-JINSK-ee")	Jared Triolo ("TREE-olo")
Tarrik ("TAR-ick") Brock	Raúl Hernández	Kristopher Negrón ("neh-GRONE")	Chris Truby ("TRUE-bee")
Jordan Comadena ("COMMA-deena")	Brandon Lowe (rhymes with "now")	Yohan Ramírez	José Urquidy ("ur-KEE-dee")