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HOUSTON ASTROS (5-6) vs. PITTSBURGH PIRATES (6-4)

APRIL 11, 2023 at PNC Park, Pittsburgh, PA -- GAME #11/HOME #5

RHP CRISTIAN JAVIER (1-0, 3.27 ERA) vs. RHP MITCH KELLER (1-0, 3.86 ERA)

THE PIRATES:...Lost the first game of their three-game series against the Astros Monday night...Have won each of their last two series since dropping two of three games against the Reds at Great American Ball Park to begin the season...Won a season-high four straight games from 4/3-7...Swept a three-game series against the Red Sox at Fenway Park from 4/3-5.

ABOUT TONIGHT'S STARTER: Mitch Keller will make his third start tonight in the middle game of this three-game series against the Astros...In his last outing Wednesday against the Red Sox, Keller matched his career high with 7.0 innings pitched (he also tossed 7.0 innings on July 11, 2022, at Miami and on September 11, 2022 vs. St. Louis) while also throwing a career-high 107 pitches (his previous high was 105 on August 30, 2022 at Milwaukee).

- Keller also threw 78 strikes, the most by a Pirates pitcher since April 24, 2015, when Gerrit Cole threw 78 of his 108 pitches for strikes at Arizona.

- Prior to his last outing, the only instances of a Pirates pitcher throwing 78-plus strikes on 107 or fewer pitches since data started being tracked in 1988 were Zach Duke on May 1, 2010, at Los Angeles (107-78), Esteban Loaiza on September 29, 1996 at Chicago (107-79), and Rick White on August 2, 1994 at Philadelphia (104-78).

COMING INTO HIS OWN: Mitch Keller recorded a 3.22 ERA from May 31 through the end of the 2022 regular season, which ranked 12th among all National League pitchers in that time according to StatsPerform... Coming into today, Keller ranks 14th in all of MLB and sixth among all National League pitchers in ERA since May 31, 2022, among pitchers with at least 130.0 innings pitched.

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS IN ERA SINCE MAY 31, 2022 (MIN. 130 IP)

PITCHER	IP	ERA
Julio Urias	146.0	1.97
Sandy Alcantara	179.2	2.76
Zac Gallen	151.1	2.85
Yu Darvish	153.1	2.99
Logan Webb	148.0	3.04
Mitch Keller	132.0	3.27

Source: StatsPerform

ON THE HOME FRONT: Mitch Keller will make his 2023 PNC Park debut tonight against the Astros...In his last five starting assignments at PNC Park last season, Keller recorded a 1.55 ERA (29.0ip/5er).

JUMP FOR CHOI: Ji Man Choi connected for his first home run as a member of the Pirates with a solo shot in the second inning last night off Framber Valdez...Prior to last night, Choi's last homer vs. a left-handed pitcher actually came as a right-handed batter on July 26, 2020...The last time Choi homered as a left-handed batter vs. a left-handed hitter was on September 11, 2019, at Texas.

GETTING ON: Andrew McCutchen has reached base safely in eight of his first nine games and enters today ranked sixth in the National League with a .486 on-base percentage...McCutchen is also tied for sixth in the National League in walks... He enters today ranked fourth among all active players in walks with 991, trailing only Joey Votto (1338), Miguel Cabrera (1229) and Carlos Santana (1153).

DOWN ON THE FARM: Triple-A Indianapolis' Osvaldo Bido will make his second start of the season tonight after striking out three batters in 3.0 scoreless innings in his season debut on April 6...Since the beginning of last season, Bido ranks third among all Pirates minor leaguers with 125 strikeouts...The only two pitchers in Pittsburgh's minor league system with more punchouts since the beginning of last year are Luis Ortiz (149) and Jared Jones (148).

THE RENEGADE: David Bednar enters today tied for the Major League lead in saves with four along with Toronto's Jordan Romano...Bednar has scattered three hits in 4.0 scoreless innings while also recording seven strikeouts in his first four appearances of this season.

PIRATING: The Pirates enter today second in the National League and tied for sixth in all of MLB with 11 stolen bases.. The only National League team with more stolen bases coming into today are the Diamondbacks (17).

MAKE THAT A DOUBLE: Andrew McCutchen enters today with 294 career doubles as a member of the Pirates, which is tied with Bill Mazerowski for the eighth-most in club history...Dave Parker ranks seventh (296).

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME: Saturday night Andrew McCutchen's ninth innng home run was his first as a member of the Pirates since going deep twice on September 26, 2017, against the Orioles...McCutchen's 94 career home runs at PNC Park are the most in the ballpark's history...McCutchen ranks fourth in Pirates history with 204 home runs, trailing only Willie Stargell (475), Ralph Kiner (301) and Roberto Clemente (240).

BUCS WHEN...

Last five games	3-2
Last ten games	6-4
Leading after 6	5-0
Tied after 6	1-0
Trailing after 6	0-4
Leading after 7	5-0
Tied after 7	1-0
Trailing after 7	0-4
Leading after 8	6-0
Tied after 8	0-0
Trailing after 8	0-4
Scoring first	3-2
Opp. score first	3-2
Scoring 4+	5-1
Scoring less than 4	1-3
Outhitting Opp.	3-1
Being out-hit	3-3
Hits are equal	0-0
Comeback wins	4
Wins in final AB	0
Walkoff Wins	0
Losses in final AB	0
Extra Inning Games	0-0
Playing errorless	3-3
Homered	5-3
2+ homers	3-0
Series (W-L-T)	2-1-0
Series Sweeps	1
Swept in a Series	0
Interleague	5-2
Before the break	6-4
After the break	0-0
Starter goes 6.0ip+	2-0
Starter goes less than 6.0ip	4-4

ON THIS DATE IN PIRATES HISTORY

April 11, 1998: Jose Guillen delivered a pinch-hit walkoff home run in the 10th inning to lift the Pirates to a 7-6 win against the Marlins. Kevin Young also connected for his first home run of the season while finishing the game by going 3-for-5 with four RBI. Rich Loiselle picked up his first win of the year after working the final 2.0 innings of the game.

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLE PITCHERS

Wednesday vs. Houston	12:35	RHP José Urquidy (0-0, 3.86 ERA) vs. LHP Rich Hill (0-1, 10.00 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet
Thursday at St. Louis	6:45 CDT	RHP Vince Velasquez (0-2, 9.82 ERA) vs. LHP Jordan Montgomery (2-0, 2.25 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet 2
Friday at St. Louis	7:15 CDT	RHP Johan Oviedo (1-0, 3.18 ERA) vs. RHP Jake Woodford (0-2, 9.00 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet
Saturday at St. Louis	1:15 CDT	RHP Roansy Contreras (1-1, 8.00 ERA) vs. LHP Steven Matz (0-2, 8.18 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet
Sunday at St. Louis	1:15 CDT	RHP Mitch Keller (1-0, 3.86 ERA plus tonight) vs. RHP Miles Mikolas (0-1, 9.64 ERA plus tonight)	AT&T SportsNet

23 - RHP MITCH KELLER

YEAR	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2022	5-12	3.91	31	29	0	0	159.0	162	77	69	60	138
2023	1-0	3.86	2	2	0	0	11.2	10	5	5	6	15
M.L. CAREER	13-29	4.96	72	70	0	0	341.0	384	199	188	149	326

MITCH KELLER: The 27-year-old righthander will make his third start of the season this evening...Allowed one run in 7.0 innings while winning a 4-1 decision in his last start on 4/5 at Boston... Came away with a no-decision (4.2ip/4er) on Opening Day in Cincinnati in Pittsburgh's 5-4 win.

vs. HOUSTON: Has never faced the Astros...Has gone 2-6 with a 4.20 ERA (64.1ip/30er) in 13 career starts during interleague play...Went 0-3 with a 4.68 ERA (25.0ip/13er) in five starts last season against the American League.

DATE/OPP	W/L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PITCHES	ERA	SCORE	DATE/OPP	W/L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PITCHES	ERA	SCORE	
2/25 vs. TOR	ND	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	22	0.00	7-9 L												
3/2 vs. NYY	L	2.0	4	3	3	0	4	47	6.75	1-9 L												
3/7 vs. TOR	ND	3.0	3	0	0	0	3	40	3.86	7-2 W												
3/12 vs. ATL	ND	4.0	3	2	2	1	4	61	4.09	3-11 L												
3/18 vs. MIN	W	4.2	3	1	1	0	7	77	3.45	7-4 W												
SPRING TOTALS (1-1, 3.45 ERA) 15.2											14	6	6	1	20	247						
3/30 at Cincinnati	ND	4.2	6	4	4	4	8	100	7.71	5-4 W												
4/5 at Boston	W	7.0	4	1	1	2	7	107	3.86	4-1 W												
MARCH/APRIL TOTALS (1-0, 3.86 ERA) 11.2											10	5	5	6	15	207						

KELLER PITCH USAGE, 2023			
PITCH	#	PCT.	VELO
Cutter	54	26.1%	90.6
Four-Seam Fastball	46	22.2%	95.7
Sinker	39	18.9%	93.7
Curve	32	15.5%	78.5
Sweeper	26	12.6%	83.4
Change	10	4.8%	91.0

Source: Baseball Savant

CATCHERS THROWING					
	CS/ATT	%	PICKOFFS	PB	ERA
Delay	0/4	0%	0	1	(46.0ip/34er) 6.65
Hedges	1/2	50%	0	1	(24.0ip/13er) 4.88
Heineman	0/1	0%	0	0	(18.0ip/1er) 0.50

CAUGHT STEALINGS BY PITCHERS	0
PITCHER PICKOFFS	0
SB OFF PITCHERS	1
NO THROWS	0
OTHERS (double steals)	0

TOMORROW'S STARTER	
RICH HILL:	The 43-year-old lefthander will make his third start of the season tomorrow in the finale of this three-game series against the Astros...Had a no-decision (4.0ip/7er) in his last start; a 13-9 comeback win against the White Sox in Pittsburgh's Home Opener on 4/7... Allowed three runs in 5.0 innings while losing a 6-2 decision in his Pirates debut on 4/1 at Cincinnati...Recorded the 1300th strikeout of his career in his outing against the Reds on 4/1...Went 8-7 with a 4.27 ERA (124.1ip/59er) in 26 starts last season as a member of the Red Sox...Went 0-1 with a 9.24 ERA (12.2ip/13er) in four official starts during spring training.
vs. HOUSTON:	3-2 with a 3.11 ERA (46.1ip/16er) in 12 appearances (eight starts)...Allowed four runs in 3.0 innings in his only start of 2022 on 8/3 at Houston.

2023 HIGHS & LOWS

TEAM BATTING	
Most runs, game, Pirates	13, (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most runs, game, Opponents	11, (4/8 vs. CWS)
Most runs, inning, Pirates	5, 4/7 vs. CWS (5th)
Most runs, inning, Opponents	5, 4/8 vs. CWS (7th) & 4/3 at BOS (1st)
Most hits, game, Pirates	19, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most hits, game, Opponents	14, 4/8 vs. CWS
Most hits, inning, Pirates	4, 4 times, last on 4/7 vs. CWS (5th)
Most consec. hits, inning	4, 3 times, last on 4/7 vs. CWS (5th)
Most consec. hits, game	4, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most hits, inning, Opponents	6, 4/8 vs. CWS (7th)
Fewest hits, game, Pirates	2, 4/9 vs. CWS
Fewest hits, game, Opponents	4, 4/4 at BOS
Most doubles, game	5, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most triples, game	1, 4/9 vs. CWS & 4/7 vs. CWS
Most home runs, game, Pirates	3, 4/3 at BOS
Most home runs, game, Opponents	4, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most consecutive games, home run	6, 4/2-8
Most consec. games, HR, Opponents	3, 3/30-4/2
Most extra-base hits	8, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most consecutive games, extra-base hit	9, 3/30-4/9
Most stolen bases, game, Pirates	3, 4/8 vs. CWS
Most stolen bases, game, Opponents	3, 4/8 vs. CWS
Most left on base	9, 4/5 at BOS & 3/30 at CIN
Most left on base (extra innings)	

TEAM PITCHING	
Most strikeouts, game, Pirates	15, 3/30 at CIN
Most strikeouts, game, Pirates (extra innings)	
Most strikeouts, game, Opponents	12, 4/1 at CIN
Most strikeouts, game, Opponents (extra innings)	
Most walks, game, Pirates	8, 4/10 vs. HOU
Most walks, game, Pirates (extra innings)	
Most walks, game, Opponents	9, 3/30 at CIN

TEAM MISCELLANEOUS	
Longest winning streak	4 games (4/3-7)
Longest losing streak	2 games (4/1-2)
Longest game, innings	9 innings
Longest game, time	3:04, 4/8 vs. CWS
Longest game, time, 9 innings	3:04, 4/8 vs. CWS
Shortest game, time, 9 innings	2:16, 4/1 at CIN
Largest margin of victory	4 runs, 4/7 vs. CWS (13-9)
Largest margin of defeat	6 runs, 4/10 vs. HOU (2-8) & 4/8 vs. CWS (5-11)
Largest come from behind victory	3 runs, 4/7 vs. CWS
Largest come from behind loss	1 run, 4/8 vs. CWS & 4/1 at CIN

Largest crowd, home	39,167 (4/7 vs. CWS)
Smallest crowd, home	10,222 (4/10 vs. HOU)
Largest crowd, road	44,063 (3/30 at CIN)
Smallest crowd, road	14,421 (4/2 at CIN)
Most errors, game, Pirates	2, 4/4 at BOS
Most errors, game, Opponents	2, 4/5 at BOS
Consecutive innings w/out an error	25, 3/30-4/2
Most double plays turned	2, 4/8 vs. CWS
Rain delays, home (total time)	
Rain delays, road (total time)	
Players used	28

INDIVIDUAL BATTING	
Most hits, game	4, Joe (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most consecutive hits	4, Bae (4/5-7)
Most runs, game	3, Reynolds (4/7 vs. CWS & 4/3 at BOS)
Most 2bs, game	3, Joe (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most 3bs, game	1, Smith-Njigba (4/9 vs. CWS) & Reynolds, (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most HR, game	2, Reynolds (4/3 at BOS)
Most extra-base hits	3, Joe (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most total bases	9, Reynolds (4/3 at BOS)
Most RBI, game	6, Reynolds (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most SB, game	2, Bae (3/30 at CIN)
Most walks, game	3, McCutchen (3/30 at CIN)
Consec. games, home run	3, Reynolds (4/2-4)
Longest hitting streak	9 games, Reynolds (3/30-4/9)
Grand slams	
Inside-the-park home runs	
Leadoff home runs	
Walkoff home runs	

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING	
Most strikeouts, game	8, Keller (3/30 at CIN)
Longest winning streak	
Longest losing streak	2 games, Velasquez (4/2-8)
Fewest hits, complete game	4, 4 times, last by Contreras (4/10 vs. HOU)
Most walks, game	7.0, Keller (4/5 at BOS)
Most IP, game, starter	2.2, Crowe (4/10 vs. HOU) & De Jong (4/8 vs. CWS)
Most IP, game, reliever	6.0, Keller (4/5)
Most consec. scoreless IP	4, Bednar (3/30-4/9)
Most consecutive saves	

JI HWAN BAE HOMESTAND: 3-10 (.300) 0 HR 1 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 3-10 (.300) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Struck out in his only at-bat off the bench Sunday...His three-hit game Friday afternoon was the first of his career. ☒ Took Boston's Nick Pivetta deep for his first career HR on 4/4; an opposite-field 359-foot shot over the Green Monster. ☒ Has appeared in the leadoff spot three times in his career...Has made four starts at second base & three in center. ☒ Has hit safely in three of his last four starts...Recorded each of his two stolen bases on Opening Day in Cincinnati. 	vs. LHP: 2-6 (.333) 0 HR vs. RHP: 5-22 (.227) 1 HR Home: 3-10 (.300) 0 HR Road: 4-18 (.222) 1 HR Last HR: 4/4/23 at BOS
RODOLFO CASTRO HOMESTAND: 3-6 (.500) 0 HR 1 RBI SERIES 1-1 (1.000) 0 HR 1 RBI LAST 3: 3-6 (.500) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 1 game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Reached base safely in all three of his plate appearances Monday on a hit by pitch, base hit and walk. ☒ Is 3-for-6 in his last three games...Hit 11 home runs in 71 games with the Pirates in 2022. ☒ Reached base safely in each of his last three plate appearances Saturday with a single, double and walk. ☒ Went hitless in his first three starts...Has made nine appearances at second base and three at shortstop. 	vs. LHP: 2-5 (.400) 0 HR vs. RHP: 2-13 (.154) 0 HR Home: 3-6 (.500) 0 HR Road: 1-12 (.083) 0 HR Last HR: 9/20/22 at NY
JI MAN CHOI HOMESTAND: 1-11 (.091) 1 HR 1 RBI SERIES 1-4 (.250) 1 HR 1 RBI LAST 3: 1-11 (.091) 1 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 1 game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Connected for his first homer as a Pirate on Monday with a 407-foot solo shot to left-center field. ☒ Started at first base for the first time this season on Sunday while going hitless in three at-bats. ☒ Singled in the first inning on 4/3 at Boston to pick up his first hit as a member of the Pirates. ☒ Was acquired by the Pirates from Tampa Bay on 11/10/22 in exchange for minor league pitcher Jack Hartman. 	vs. LHP: 1-4 (.250) 1 HR vs. RHP: 1-19 (.053) 0 HR Home: 1-11 (.091) 1 HR Road: 1-12 (.083) 0 HR Last HR: 4/10/23 vs. HOU
JASON DELAY HOMESTAND: 3-11 (.273) 0 HR 1 RBI SERIES 0-2 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 3-11 (.273) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Singled in each of his first three at-bats in Friday's Home Opener for the first three-hit game of his career. ☒ Has started five of the last seven games...Hit safely in each of his first three games of the season. ☒ Connected for his second career homer on 4/3 (and first since 7/22/22) while making his first start of the year. ☒ Made the Opening Day roster for his first time in his career...Made his MLB debut last year with the Pirates. 	vs. LHP: 1-5 (.250) 0 HR vs. RHP: 4-15 (.267) 1 HR Home: 3-11 (.273) 0 HR Road: 2-8 (.250) 1 HR Last HR: 4/3/23 at BOS
KE'BRYAN HAYES HOMESTAND: 2-16 (.125) 0 HR 1 RBI SERIES 0-4 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 0-11 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Played at Minute Maid Park as a teenager for Team USA's Junior National team in 2014. ☒ Went 2-for-5 with a double and RBI Friday afternoon for his first multi-hit game of the year. ☒ Has been charged with one error (came on 8/31) in his last 48 games dating back to 8/6. ☒ Led all players in MLB last season in Defensive Runs Saved (24) according to the Fielding Bible. 	vs. LHP: 1-9 (.122) 0 HR vs. RHP: 4-31 (.129) 0 HR Home: 2-16 (.125) 0 HR Road: 3-24 (.125) 0 HR Last HR: 9/13/22 at CIN
TYLER HEINEMAN HOMESTAND: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 1-6 (.167) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Started behind the plate in Sunday's 1-0 shutout against the White Sox while also going hitless in three at-bats. ☒ Went 1-for-3 with a walk and stolen base on 4/4 (his third career stolen base and first since 6/11/22). ☒ Had his contract selected on 4/4 from Triple-A Indy after Austin Hedges was placed on the concussion IL. ☒ Walked twice in three plate appearances in his only game with Indianapolis on 4/1 vs. Omaha. 	vs. LHP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 1-6 (.167) 0 HR Home: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR Road: 1-3 (.333) 0 HR Last HR: 9/26/19 at NY
CONNOR JOE HOMESTAND: 4-7 (.571) 0 HR 1 RBI SERIES 0-2 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 4-8 (.500) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Had a career-high tying four hits (also 6/16/22) and career-high three doubles in Friday's Home Opener. ☒ Has gone 7-for-14 with three doubles and a pair of RBI in his first four starts. ☒ Has made two starts in right field, two in left field and one appearance at first base (4/2). ☒ Had a run-scoring single in his first at-bat as a Pirate in his season debut on 4/1 at Cincinnati. 	vs. LHP: 2-4 (.500) 0 HR vs. RHP: 5-12 (.417) 0 HR Home: 4-7 (.571) 0 HR Road: 3-9 (.333) 0 HR Last HR: 9/18/22 at CHI
MARK MATHIAS HOMESTAND: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-3 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Started at second base while going hitless in three at-bats in his Pirates debut Monday vs. Houston. ☒ Was hitting .333 (10-for-30) with a .926 OPS in nine games at Triple-A Indy at time of his promotion Monday. ☒ Was acquired by the Pirates from Texas on 3/8 for a player to be named (pitcher Ricky DeVito on 3/10). ☒ Has played six different positions in his big league career...Split 2022 between Milwaukee & Texas organizations. 	vs. LHP: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR Home: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR Road: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR Last HR: 9/14/22 vs. OAK
ANDREW McCUTCHEN HOMESTAND: 5-12 (.417) 1 HR 2 RBI SERIES 0-3 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 5-13 (.417) 1 HR 2 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Ended his three-hit night Saturday with a home run in the ninth inning for his first as a Pirate since 9/26/17. ☒ Doubled and homered Saturday (had eight games with multi extra base hits in 2022; last on 9/13). ☒ Is 7-for-16 over his last four games after starting off 2-for-11 in his first five contests. ☒ Is one of two active players with at least 200 home runs and 200 stolen bases (Mike Trout is the other). 	vs. LHP: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 9-21 (.429) 1 HR Home: 5-12 (.417) 1 HR Road: 4-15 (.267) 0 HR Last HR: 4/8/23 vs. CWS
BRYAN REYNOLDS HOMESTAND: 5-17 (.294) 1 HR 7 RBI SERIES 0-4 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 2-12 (.167) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Was named the National League Player-of-the-Week Monday for the week of 4/3-9 (his first weekly honors). ☒ Had a career-high tying six RBI Friday (also 6/29/22)...Enters today ranked first in the NL with 14 RBI. ☒ Recorded an RBI in six straight games from 4/2-8...Had his nine-game hitting streak come to an end Monday. ☒ Recorded the fourth multi-homer game of his career on 4/3 and his first since 8/18/22 (also vs. Boston). 	vs. LHP: 1-9 (.111) 0 HR vs. RHP: 14-32 (.438) 5 HR Home: 5-17 (.294) 1 HR Road: 10-24 (.417) 4 HR Last HR: 4/7/23 vs. CWS
CARLOS SANTANA HOMESTAND: 5-15 (.333) 1 HR 3 RBI SERIES 1-4 (.250) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 4-11 (.364) 0 HR 2 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 1 game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Doubled in his second at-bat while making the start at first base Monday night...Has batted cleanup in his 10 games. ☒ Went 3-for-4 with a pair of RBI while celebrating his 37th birthday Saturday night. ☒ Homered in back-to-back games on 4/5 and 4/7 (the 32nd time in his career he has done in at least two straight). ☒ Has made nine of his 10 starts at first base...Has made one error at first base in his last 57 games (since 6/5). 	vs. LHP: 4-8 (.500) 0 HR vs. RHP: 5-30 (.167) 1 HR Home: 5-15 (.333) 0 HR Road: 4-23 (.174) 1 HR Last HR: 4/7/23 vs. CWS
CANAAN SMITH -NJIGBA HOMESTAND: 1-3 (.333) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 2-9 (.222) 0 HR 2 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 1 game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Tripled in his first at-bat on Sunday and later scored in his first game played at PNC Park in his career. ☒ Recorded his first career multi-RBI game after delivering a two-run double in the first inning on 4/3 at Boston. ☒ Started Opening Day in right field while going 1-for-5 (recorded second career hit with a single off Hunter Greene). ☒ Has made two starts apiece in left and right field...Has reached base safely in three of his four starts. 	vs. LHP: 0-1 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 3-14 (.214) 0 HR Home: 1-3 (.333) 0 HR Road: 2-12 (.167) 0 HR Last HR: No MLB HR
JACK SUWINSKI HOMESTAND: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR 1 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 0-8 (.000) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Recorded the only RBI in Sunday's win on a sacrifice fly...Has made three starts in center and two in right. ☒ His 16 home runs at home last year were the most in a single season in Pirates history for a rookie. ☒ Finished 2022 tied for the National League lead in home runs (19) among rookies with Atlanta's Michael Harris II. ☒ His 19 home runs last year were the sixth-most in a single season by a Pirates rookie. 	vs. LHP: 0-2 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 1-13 (.077) 0 HR Home: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR Road: 1-9 (.111) 0 HR Last HR: 10/3/22 vs. STL

DAVID BEDNAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> His four saves are tied with Toronto's Jordan Romano for the MLB lead...Has not allowed a hit with his four-seam fastball (six at-bats). Struck out two of the four batters he faced in the ninth inning while earning the save in Sunday's 1-0 win vs. the White Sox. Has multiple strikeouts in three of his four outings...Has not allowed a hit in eight at-bats with runners on base. Went 19-for-23 in save opportunities last year...Has an 0.90 ERA (10.0ip/1er) in his last 10 outings at PNC Park dating back to 7/2.
BA AGAINST: 3-16 .188	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 0/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 4/3	

WIL CROWE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Struck out three batters while also stranding his inherited runner in 2.2 scoreless innings in his last outing Monday against the Astros. Closed out Friday's Home Opener by recording his first save of the season (fifth career) while allowing two runs in 3.0 innings vs. the White Sox. Worked 2.0 scoreless innings (2h/1bb/0so) in his season debut on 4/2 against the Reds. Finished third among all National League relievers in innings pitched (74.0) last year (his 1347 pitches thrown paced NL relievers).
BA AGAINST: 5-28 .179	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 1/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 3/3	

CHASE DE JONG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stranded his two inherited runners while also allowing one run in 2.2 innings in his second appearance Saturday against the White Sox. Allowed three runs in 2.0 innings in his season debut on 4/1 on a pinch-hit home run by Cincinnati's Jake Fraley in the sixth inning. Was a member of an Opening Day roster for the second time...Made his MLB debut on Opening Day 2017 while pitching for Seattle. Ranked fourth among all NL relievers last season in innings pitched (71.2) while making 42 appearances with the Pirates.
BA AGAINST: 4-17 .235	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 2/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 2/0	

JOSE HERNANDEZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Was scored upon for the first time after allowing one run on four hits in 2.0 innings Monday night against the Astros. Retired each of the six batters he faced while also recording a pair of strikeouts in his appearance Saturday against the White Sox. Recorded his first career strikeout (Christian Arroyo looking) on 4/4 at Boston while stranding his inherited runner at second base. Faced a total of four batters while tossing a scoreless eighth inning in his Major League debut on 4/1 at Cincinnati.
BA AGAINST: 5-20 .250	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 1/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 4/4	

COLIN HOLDERMAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked a 1-2-3 eighth inning in his last outing Sunday against the White Sox...Has made each of his four appearances in the eighth inning. Has retired each of the six batters he has faced in his last two outings...Has not allowed a home run in his first 32.1 innings of his career. Has been scored upon in three of his 13 outings since being acquired by Pittsburgh (five of his eight runs allowed came in his outing on 8/24). Went 4-0 with a 2.04 ERA (17.2ip/4er) in 15 appearances with the Mets before being acquired by Pittsburgh on 7/22/22 for Daniel Vogelbach.
BA AGAINST: 2-13 .154	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 0/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 4/2	

DAURI MORETA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Struck out the only batter he faced (Yasmani Grandal) in his last outing Sunday...His six inherited runners are third-most in the NL. Picked up the first win of his big league career in Friday's Home Opener while working a career-high tying 2.0 scoreless innings. Has eight punchouts in 4.2 innings...His only hit allowed in his first five outings came on a double by Reese McGuire on 4/4 at Boston. Has recorded an 0.90 ERA (20.0ip/2er), .123 batting average against and 0.80 WHIP in his last 16 outings dating back to 7/10/22.
BA AGAINST: 1-15 .067	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 6/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 5/3	

DUANE UNDERWOOD, JR.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allowed two runs on three hits in 0.2 inning in his last outing Saturday vs. the White Sox (his two inherited runners also scored). Faced three batters in 1.0 scoreless inning for his second career save on 4/5 at Boston (his other save came on 9/13/22). Worked 1.1 scoreless innings while picking up his first win of the year on 4/3 at Fenway Park. Surrendered just one home run during the 2022 season, averaging 0.16 per 9.0 innings pitched (his only homer allowed came on 7/29).
BA AGAINST: 6-17 .353	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 4/3	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 4/0	

ROB ZASTRYZNY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tossed a 1-2-3 ninth inning while throwing a total of nine pitches in his last outing Monday night against the Astros. Needed a total of eight pitches to get through a scoreless eighth inning in his appearance on 4/5 against the Red Sox. Has been scored upon twice in his first six outings...Pitched for Canada in this year's World Baseball Classic. Worked 1.1 scoreless innings while earning the win in his Pirates debut on Opening Day in Cincinnati (his first win since 6/19/18).
BA AGAINST: 5-20 .250	
INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED: 0/0	
1ST BAT FACED/RET: 6/3	

		Runs By Inning										
		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Xtra	Total
Bucs		5	7	6	12	7	1	3	2	1	0	44
Opps		12	5	10	3	6	4	7	0	2	0	49

THE LAST TIME...	
The Pirates Hit Back-to-Back HRs.....	6/30/22 vs. MIL (Suwinski & Cruz)
The Pirates Hit a Grand Slam.....	4/10/22 at STL (Chavis)
The Pirates Hit an Inside-The-Park HR.....	5/21/22 at STL (Reynolds)
The Pirates Hit a Leadoff HR.....	5/13/22 vs. CIN (Gamel)
The Pirates Hit Back-to-Back HR's Leading Off Game.....	9/23/20 vs. CHI (Frazier & Hayes)
The Pirates Hit a Leadoff Inside-The-Park HR.....	4/20/12 vs. STL (Presley)
The Pirates Hit a Pinch-Hit Grand Slam.....	8/24/19 vs. CIN (Moran)
The Pirates Hit Three HR's in One Inning.....	5/7/22 at CIN - 2 (Reynolds, Tsutsugo & Castillo)
The Pirates Hit Three Consecutive HR's in One Inning.....	5/24/17 at ATL (Freese, Osuna & Mercer)
The Pirates Hit Four HR's in One Inning.....	8/20/03 at STL (Sanders-2, Kendall & Giles)
The Pirates Hit Five Home Runs in a Game.....	6/30/22 vs. MIL (Perez-3, Cruz & Suwinski)
The Pirates Hit Six Home Runs in a Game.....	4/14/14 at CIN
The Pirates Hit Seven Home Runs in a Game.....	8/20/03 at STL (club record, done 3 times)
The Pirates Allowed A Leadoff HR.....	India, 4/1/23 at CIN
The Pirates Were Walked Off.....	9/20/22 at NYY
The Pirates Were Walked Off By A Home Run.....	Stanton, 9/20/22 at NYY
A Pirate Hit A HR Into The Allegheny River.....	Cruz, 9/6/22 vs. NY
An Astro Hit A HR Into The Allegheny River.....	Ward, 7/6/02

2023 Walkoff Wins	
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		Pirates vs. Houston									
		2023					CAREER				
		AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI
Bae		.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Castro		1.000	1	1	0	1	1.000	1	1	0	1
Choi		.250	4	1	1	1	.266	64	17	4	11
Delay		.000	2	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	0
Hayes		.000	4	0	0	0	.000	4	0	0	0
Heineman		.000	0	0	0	0	.500	6	3	0	1
Joe		.000	2	0	0	0	.100	10	1	0	0
Mathias		.000	3	0	0	0	.000	8	0	0	0
McCutchen		.000	3	0	0	0	.280	257	72	7	34
Reynolds		.000	4	0	0	0	.000	8	0	0	0
Santana		.250	4	1	0	0	.219	201	44	9	28
Smith-Njigba		.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Suwinski		.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
		W-L-S	ERA	G	IP	ER	W-L-S	ERA	G	IP	ER
Bednar		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Contreras		0-1-0	18.90	1	3.1	7	0-1-0	18.90	1	3.1	7
Crowe		0-0-0	0.00	1	2.2	0	0-1-0	0.00	1	2.2	0
De Jong		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-1-0	40.50	1	0.2	3
Hernandez		0-0-0	4.50	1	2.0	1	0-0-0	4.50	1	2.0	1
Hill		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	3-2-0	3.11	12	46.1	16
Holderman		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Keller		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Moreta		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Oviedo		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Underwood Jr.		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Velasquez		0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-1-0	9.00	4	9.0	9
Zastrzyny		0-0-0	0.00	1	1.0	0	0-0-0	0.00	1	1.0	0

2023 Injured List (6 players, 6 appearances)				
Player (injury)	On IL	Date Eligible	Off IL	^ Games Missed
Max Kranick (TJ surgery on 6/3/22) *	3/8	5/7	---	6-4
JT Brubaker (R elbow discomfort)*	3/30 (retro to 3/27)	5/26	---	6-4
Jarlín García (nerve injury in upper L arm)	3/30	5/29	---	6-4
Robert Stephenson (R elbow inflammation)	3/30 (retro to 3/27)	4/11	---	6-4
Austin Hedges (concussion)	4/4	4/11	---	4-2
Oneil Cruz (L ankle fracture)	4/10	4/20	---	0-1
* 60-day		^ Team record in games missed		

2023 Ejections

MOST RECENT TRANSACTIONS	
DATE	TRANSACTION
3/30	Jason Delay (C) and Rob Zastryzny (LHP) contracts selected from Indianapolis... Jarlín García (LHP) placed on 60-day injured list... Ryan Vilade (OF) designated for assignment... JT Brubaker (RHP) and Robert Stephenson (RHP) placed on 15-day injured list (retro to 3/27).
3/31	Robert Stephenson (RHP) begins rehab assignment with Indianapolis.
4/2	Edwin Uceta (RHP) claimed off waivers from Detroit and optioned to Indianapolis... JT Brubaker (RHP) transferred from 15- to 60-day injured list.
4/4	Austin Hedges (C) placed on seven-day concussion injured list... Tyler Heineman (C) selected from Indianapolis... Edwin Uceta (RHP) designated for assignment... Ryan Vilade (OF) cleared waivers and outrighted to Indianapolis.
4/6	Edwin Uceta (RHP) claimed off waivers by New York (NL).
4/10	Oneil Cruz (INF) placed on 10-day injured list... Mark Mathias (INF) recalled from Indianapolis.