



# ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS (8-11-5) @ KANSAS CITY ROYALS (13-7-3)

RHP Luke Weaver (1-1, 6.75) vs. LHP Danny Duffy (1-1, 4.85)

Thu., March 25, 2021 · Surprise Stadium · 1:05 p.m.

Game No. 25 · Road Game No. 12 · Home: 4-6-3 · Road: 4-5-2

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## DIAMOND-FACTS

- ◆ Arizona is in its 24th Cactus League season and 11th at Salt River Fields at Talking Stick (Tucson from 1998-2010).

## 10TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2021

- ◆ Salt River Fields at Talking Stick is celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2021.
- ◆ Since the inaugural game on Sat., Feb. 26, 2011, the stadium has hosted 3+ million fans for baseball, 1+ million guests for special events and won 40+ "Best of" awards.
- ◆ The facility had 157 sellouts from 2011-20 and the D-backs and Rockies have drawn more than 300,000 fans 8 times, the only MLB complex to ever accomplish the feat.

## SINGLE-GAME TICKETS ON SALE

- ◆ D-backs single-game tickets for the first 3 homestands at Chase Field are on sale.
- ◆ The team is expecting to make 25 percent of the seats available each game with social distancing and increased safety, health and comfort measures in place.
  - Each of the first 3 homestands will feature a promotional item giveaway to the first 5,000 fans: Clear Tote Bags on April 9-11 (Gila River Hotels & Casinos); D-backs Grafitti Cap on April 30 – May 2 (Pepsi); Ketel Marte Switch-Hitter bobblehead on May 14-16 (Gila River Hotels & Casinos).

## WHAT'S NEW AT CHASE FIELD EVENT

- ◆ Today at 12:00 p.m., the D-backs are holding their annual "What's New at Chase Field" event, showcasing new health & comfort measures and what to expect at the stadium in 2021.
- ◆ D-backs President & CEO **Derrick Hall** and Special Assistant to President & CEO **Luis Gonzalez** will give the media a tour of what to expect in 2021, including:
  - New clear bag policy and mobile ticketing process;
  - Health & Comfort measures in place to provide a safe environment for fans;
  - New food items and mobile ordering presented by Chase;
  - New items available at the Team Shop.

## FRESH FACES AT SRF

- ◆ The D-backs added the following 12 players to their Spring Training player pool:
  - LHP: Tommy Henry and Blake Walston
  - RHP: Connor Grammes, Drey Jameson, Bryce Jarvis, Levi Kelly, Ryne Nelson and Matt Tabor
  - OF: Corbin Carroll, Ben DeLuzio, Dominic Fletcher and Alek Thomas

## YESTERDAY'S RECAP

- ◆ The D-backs won, 6-5, vs. Indians anchored by a 4-run third inning.
- ◆ **Caleb Smith** got the win, allowing 5 runs in 5.2 innings.
- ◆ **Taylor Guilbeau** (01. IP), **Jon Duplantier** (1.0), **Yohan López** (1.0) and **Anthony Swarzak** (1.0) each had scoreless outings.
- ◆ **Ketel Marte** hit a solo homer (3) and had 2 walks.
- ◆ **David Peralta** was 2-for-3 with 2 doubles.
- ◆ **Josh Rojas** was 2-for-3 with a 2-run double.
- ◆ **Asdrubal Cabrera** hit a 2-run homer (3).

## AT THE DISH

- ◆ **Asdrubal Cabrera** has an 8-game hitting streak, batting .480 (12-for-25)/1.440 OPS with 3 doubles, 3 home runs and 7 RBI.
- ◆ **Tim Lincecum** is batting .368 (7-for-19) with 3 doubles, 1 triple, 1 walk and 2 stolen bases in 7 games since returning to action on March 13.
- ◆ **Christian Walker**, who is tied for first in all of Spring Training with 14 RBI, is hitting .353 (12-for-34)/1.189 OPS with 3 doubles, 4 homers, 14 RBI and 3 walks in his last 12 games.
- ◆ **Josh VanMeter** has reached base safely in 8 of his last 11 games, hitting .348 (8-for-23)/1.100 OPS with 1 double, 2 home runs, 7 RBI and 4 walks.

## THE ROJAS REPORT

- ◆ **Josh Rojas** has reached base safely in 16 of his last 18 games - including 13 straight from March 1-18 - batting .357 (20-for-56)/.991 OPS with 3 doubles, 3 homers, 10 RBI and 6 walks.
- ◆ He ranks among all qualified Major Leaguers this spring in hits (1st, 20), total bases (T-5th, 32), AVG (9th, .345) and OPS (16th, .958).

## ON THE SHELF

- ◆ **Zac Gallen** was scratched from his start on Monday with right lateral forearm soreness and diagnosed with a hairline fracture of his right forearm at the radial head.
- ◆ **Kole Calhoun** suffered a right knee medial meniscus tear and had a partial medial meniscectomy performed by Dr. Waslewski on March 4.
  - Progressed to outdoors activities, including hitting in the cage and throwing.
- ◆ **Tyler Clippard** was diagnosed with a sprained capsule in his right shoulder following his last outing on March 19 and will not participate in baseball activities for 6 weeks.

## SPRING SCHEDULE

DATE	OPP	RESULT	REC.	WIN	LOSS	ATT.
2/28	@ COL	L, 2-5	0-1	Diehl	Frankoff	*2,100
3/1	MIL	L, 1-7	0-2	Burnes	M. Kelly	*2,100
3/2	SD	L, 2-7	0-3	Weathers	C. Smith	*2,100
3/3	@ CLE	W, 9-4	1-3	Weaver	Plesac	1,869
3/4	LAA	W, 9-2	2-3	Bumgarner	Canning	*2,130
3/5	@ CIN	W, 5-2	3-3	Moll	Lorenzen	2,211
3/6	TEX	L, 6-7	3-4	de Geus	R. Smith	*2,215
3/7	CHI	W, 5-4	4-4	Soria	Alzolay	*2,299
3/8	@ SF	T, 2-2	4-4-1	-	-	1,059
3/9	COL	L, 4-11	4-5-1	C. González	Weaver	*2,232
3/10	@ LAD	L, 2-3	4-6-1	Cleavinger	Ginkel	2,311
3/11	OFF DAY					
3/12	@ LAA	L, 3-4	4-7-1	Barria	Soria	2,040
3/13	@ SD	W, 6-3	5-7-1	Bukauskas	Johnson	1,862
3/14	SF	L, 3-6	5-8-1	Menez	C. Smith	*2,253
3/15	@ SEA	W, 6-2	6-8-1	Widener	Newsome	1,875
3/16	OAK	W, 12-3	7-8-1	Bumgarner	Luzardo	*2,232
3/17	@ TEX	L, 0-3	7-9-1	Gibson	Gallen	2,068
3/18	LAD	T, 7-7	7-9-2	-	-	*2,283
3/19	@ MIL	L, 3-9	7-10-2	Suter	Clippard	2,248
3/20	KC	T, 6-6	7-10-3	-	-	*2,389
3/21	CWS	T, 4-4	7-10-4	-	-	*2,424
3/22	@ OAK	T, 4-4	7-10-5	-	-	1,998
3/23	SEA	L, 0-3	7-11-5	Flexen	M. Kelly	*2,306
3/24	CLE	W, 6-5	8-11-5	Smith	Civale	*2,197
3/25	@ KC		1:05 p.m.	FSAZ		
3/26	CIN		1:10 p.m.	620 AM		
3/27	OFF DAY					
3/28	@ CWS		1:05 p.m.			
3/29	@ CHI		12:05 p.m.	FSAZ		
3/30	CLE (Chase Field)		12:40 p.m.	FSAZ, 620 AM, 105.1 FM		

All Times Local | \*SRF Sellout

## MISCELLANEOUS

Home:	4-6-3	Away:	4-5-2
Day:	6-8-5	Night:	2-3
vs. AL:	5-4-3	vs. NL:	3-7-2

## ATTENDANCE

HOME	ROAD
Total: 29,160	Total: 21,641
Avg: 2,243 (13 G)	Avg: 1,967 (11 G)
Largest: 2,424 (3/21)	Largest: 2,311 (3/10)

## UPCOMING PITCHING PROBABLES

### MARCH 25 @ ROYALS - 1:05 P.M.

RHP Luke Weaver (1-1, 6.75) vs. LHP Danny Duffy (1-1, 4.85)

ARI: RHP Stefan Crichton, RHP Kevin Ginkel  
KC: -

### MARCH 26 vs. REDS - 1:10 P.M.

LHP Madison Bumgarner (2-0, 3.00) vs. LHP Wade Miley (0-1, 8.31)

ARI: LHP Alex Young, LHP Joe Mantipty  
CIN: LHP Amir Garrett, LHP Sean Doolittle, RHP Lucas Sims, RHP Cam Bedrosian

### MARCH 27 - OFF DAY

### MARCH 28 @ WHITE SOX - 1:05 P.M.

TBA vs. TBA

ARI: TBA  
CWS: TBA

### MARCH 29 @ CUBS - 12:05 P.M.

TBA vs. TBA

ARI: TBA  
CHI: TBA

## SCHEDULED PITCHERS

### STARTING PITCHER

#### No. 24 - RHP Luke Weaver

- ◆ Has been teammates with Carson Kelly dating back to 2015 when they both played for Single-A Adv. Palm Beach, where they were roommates.
- Weaver and Kelly were traded with each other from the Cardinals to the D-backs.
- Kelly caught 14 of Weaver's 24 starts with Arizona in 2019-20.
- In 27 Minor League starts together, Weaver was 14-5 with a 1.58 ERA.
- ◆ In 2020, made 12 starts for the second straight season, going 1-9 with a 6.58 ERA (38 ER in 52.0 IP) and 55 strikeouts.
- Allowed 3 runs or fewer in 6 of his last 8 starts.
- ◆ In 2019, was limited to 12 starts due to right forearm tightness in his first season with the D-backs...was 4-3 with a 2.94 ERA.
- Yielded 2 walks or fewer and no more than 3 runs in 11 straight starts from April 6-end of season, the second longest such streak in club history...only Daniel Hudson (12 from Aug. 1, 2010-April 2, 2011) has more.

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
3/3	@ CLE	W	0.00	1-1	2.0	2	0	0	0	0	0
3/9	vs. COL	L	7.20	1-1	3.0	5	4	4	3	1	4
3/20	vs. KC	-	6.75	1-1	4.1	7	4	3	2	0	5
Totals			1-1	6.75	3-3	9.1	14	8	7	5	9

### ADDITIONAL PITCHERS

#### No. 37 - RHP Kevin Ginkel

- ◆ Worked on a new delivery with former Major Leaguer Luke Hagerty before the 2019 season.
- Hagerty owns a training facility, X2 Athletic Performance, in Scottsdale.
- The new delivery in which he is bent at the knees as he comes set helps him "activate" his legs and stay back.
- ◆ In 2020, was 0-2 with 1 save, a 6.75 ERA (12 ER in 16.0 IP) and 18 strikeouts in 19 games.
- Increased his 4-seam average fastball velocity from 93.5 mph in 2019 to 95.5 in 2020.
- Opponents hit .192 (5-for-26) off his slider.

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
3/2	vs. SD	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
3/7	vs. CHI	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
3/10	@ LAD	L	0.00	1-0	1.0	2	1	0	0	1	2
3/13	@ SD	-	2.25	1-0	1.0	3	1	1	0	0	0
3/18	vs. LAD	-	1.80	1-0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
3/21	vs. CWS	-	1.50	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals			0-1	1.50	6-0	6.0	6	2	1	0	4

#### No. 58 - RHP Stefan Crichton

- ◆ Turned 29 between Feb. 28 and March 1 as he was born on a leap year on Feb. 29, 1992.
- ◆ In 2020, made 26 appearances in his second season with Arizona and was 2-2 with 5 saves and a 2.42 ERA (7 ER in 26.0 IP).
- Went 5-for-5 in save opportunities with no hits allowed (13 BF) after moving into the closer's role on Sept. 11.
- Allowed 1 "barrel" out of 73 batted balls (1.4 pct.) [comparable hit types (exit velo. + launch angle) that led to a min. .500 BA/1.500 SLG].
- Earned his first save on Sept. 11 vs. Mariners.
- Finished with 7 straight outings with no hits/walks/HBP allowed (20 BF; 6.0 IP), 1 shy of the club record (8 by Jake Barrett from Sept. 3-16, 2016).

#### No. 58 - RHP Stefan Crichton (cont.)

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
3/5	@ CIN	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	2	0	0	0	1	2
3/9	vs. COL	-	0.00	1-0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
3/17	@ TEX	-	0.00	1-0	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/21	vs. CWS	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Totals			0-0	0.00	4-0	3.0	4	0	0	0	5

#### No. 64 - RHP Keury Mella

- ◆ Pronounced: KAY-oo-ree MAY-uh.
- ◆ Reassigned to Minor League camp on March 20.
- ◆ In 2020, made 11 appearances in his first season with the D-backs and went 2-0 with a 1.80 ERA (2 ER in 10.0 IP) and 10 strikeouts.
- Earned his first Major League win on Sept. 15 @ Angels (0 ER in 1.0 IP).
- 8 of his last 9 outings were scoreless (1.08 ERA; 1 ER in 8.1 IP).
- ◆ Spent most of the 2019 season with Triple-A Louisville in the Reds' organization, going 8-14 with a 5.05 ERA (80 ER in 142.2 IP) and 102 strikeouts in 27 starts.

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
3/12	@ LAA	-	0.00	1-0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/15	@ SEA	-	0.00	1-0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	1
3/18	vs. LAD	-	3.86	1-0	1.0	1	1	1	1	0	2
3/21	vs. CWS	-	3.00	1-0	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/23	vs. SEA	-	2.70	1-0	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals			0-0	2.70	5-0	3.1	2	1	1	1	5

#### No. 73 - RHP J.B. Bukauskas

- ◆ Optioned to Triple-A Reno on March 16.
- ◆ Roomed with college teammate Zac Gallen during 2020 Spring Training.
- ◆ Spent the 2020 season at the D-backs' Alternate Training Site.
- Entered 2020 as Arizona's No. 10 prospect by MLB.com and Baseball America.
- ◆ In 2019, spent the majority of the season with Double-A Corpus Christi (Astros) before being acquired by Arizona...went 2-5 with a 5.44 ERA (56 ER in 92.2 IP) in 22 games (16 starts) between Corpus Christi and Double-A Jackson (D-backs)...did not pitch after Aug. 10 due to right elbow inflammation.

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
2/28	@ COL	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
3/4	vs. LAA	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
3/9	vs. COL	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
3/13	@ SD	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3
3/22	@ OAK	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals			0-0	0.00	5-0	5.0	0	0	0	0	10

#### No. 76 - RHP Carlos Navas

- ◆ Reassigned to Minor League camp on March 20.
- ◆ Signed by D-backs as a Minor League free agent on Dec. 18, 2020.
- ◆ Spent the entire 2020 season at the Giants' Alternate Training Site.
- ◆ Combined to go 2-7 with a 3.40 ERA in 35 games (7 starts) with Double-A Richmond and Triple-A Sacramento in 2019.
- Was a non-roster invitee to Spring Training with San Francisco.

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
3/15	@ SEA	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/20	vs. KC	-	0.00	1-0	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/22	@ OAK	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals			0-0	0.00	3-0	2.2	2	0	0	0	2

#### No. 79 - LHP Sam Moll

- ◆ Was reassigned to Minor League Camp on March 14.
- ◆ Did not pitch in 2020 due to no Minor League season.
- ◆ In 2019, was 2-2 with 2 saves, a 2.39 ERA (13 ER in 49.0 IP) and 54 strikeouts in 41 games with Double-A Richmond and Triple-A Sacramento.
- ◆ Made his Major League debut on Sept. 1, 2017 vs. Mariners and retired his lone batter faced (Yonder Alonso).
- ◆ Played 3 seasons with the University of Memphis (2011-13).

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
3/2	vs. SD	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
3/5	@ CIN	W	0.00	1-0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	1
3/8	@ SF	-	0.00	1-0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
3/15	@ SEA	-	0.00	1-0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
3/23	vs. SEA	-	0.00	1-0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals			1-0	0.00	5-0	3.2	1	0	0	0	4

#### No. 88 - LHP Tyler Gilbert

- ◆ Reassigned to Minor League camp on March 12.
- ◆ Selected by the D-backs in the Triple-A phase of the 2020 Rule 5 Minor League draft.
- ◆ In 2020, made 3 relief appearances for the Dodgers (2.1 IP, 5 H, 4 R, 2 K).
- His locker was next to Mookie Betts as a non-roster invitee to the Dodgers' Spring Training in 2020.
- ◆ In 2019, appeared in 4 games with the Phillies, going 1-0 with a 3.60 ERA (2 ER in 5.0 IP)...allowed 5 hits, 0 walks and 6 strikeouts.
- Was 2-4 with 2 saves and a 2.83 ERA in 36 games with Triple-A Lehigh Valley.

DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	G-GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
2/28	@ COL	-	9.00	1-0	1.0	2	1	1	0	1	1
3/3	@ CLE	-	6.75	1-0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/6	vs. TEX	-	3.86	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
3/14	vs. SF	-	3.00	1-0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/19	@ MIL	-	2.70	1-0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
3/22	@ OAK	-	2.08	1-0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals			0-0	2.08	6-0	4.1	2	1	1	0	5

## TRANSACTIONS

- 3/24 Optioned to Triple-A Reno: C/OF **Daulton Varsho**; Reassigned to Minor League camp: LHP **Miguel Aguilar**, LHP **Ryan Buchter**, RHP **Seth Frankoff**, INF **Domingo Leyba**, INF **Juniel Querecuto**.
- 3/21 Reassigned to Minor League camp: RHP **Ben Heller**.
- 3/20 Optioned to Triple-A Reno: RHP **Riley Smith**; Reassigned to Minor League camp: LHP **Taylor Guilbeau**, RHP **Keury Mella**, RHP **Carlos Navas**, C **Jose Herrera**, OF **Jake McCarthy**.
- 3/16 Optioned RHP **J.B. Bukauskas**, OF **Stuart Fairchild**, INF **Gerardo Pardo** and RHP **Corbin Martin** to Triple-A Reno; Reassigned INF **Seth Beer** to Minor League camp.
- 3/14 Optioned to Triple-A Reno: RHP **Matt Peacock**; Reassigned to Minor League camp: RHP **Josh Green**, LHP **Sam Moll**.
- 3/12 Optioned to Triple-A Reno: RHP **Jeremy Beasley**, RHP **Humberto Castellanos**, RHP **Luis Frias**, RHP **Humberto Mejia**, INF/OF **Andrew Young**; Reassigned to Minor League camp: LHP **Tyler Gilbert**, C **Jamie Ritchie**.
- 3/7 Reassigned to Minor League camp: RHP **Bradley Roney**, C **Dominic Miroglio**, INF **Drew Ellis**, INF **Christian Lopes**.
- 3/4 Added RHP **Anthony Swarzak** as a non-roster invitee. Released OF **Drew Weeks**.
- 3/1 Outrighted RHP **Keury Mella** to Triple-A Reno and assigned him to Major League Spring Training.
- 2/28 Traded LHP **Travis Bergen** to the Blue Jays for cash considerations.
- 2/26 Agreed to terms with RHP **Tyler Clippard** on a 1-year contract with a mutual option for 2022...reinstated RHP **Luis Frias** from the injured list...designated LHP **Travis Bergen** and RHP **Keury Mella** for assignment.
- 2/25 Added RHP **Ben Heller** as a non-roster invitee.
- 2/22 Added C **Dominic Miroglio** as a non-roster invitee.
- 2/22 Agreed to terms with INF **Asdrubal Cabrera** on a 1-year con-