

REDS RELIEVERS, CONTINUED

- 63 KEURY MELLA, rhp** **Louisville: 27gs, 8-14, 5.05, 142.2ip, 160h, 56bb, 102k**
- Name is pronounced KAY-oooh-ree MAY-uh.
 - Hasn't pitched for the Reds since he was promoted on 9/2, after Louisville's season ended.
 - Spent the minor league season with the Bats...led the staff in innings pitched and tied for the staff lead in starts.
 - For the Reds made 2 relief apps in 2017 and 4 relief apps last season.

Last pitched	Opp	Game	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP
Thu, 8/29	for Louisville vs Columbus (L, 1-9)	GS, L	5.0		8	5	5	5	1	1	1	85

47 SAL ROMANO, rhp **Homestand: 2g, 2ip, 2k**

- Has made 2 perfect apps since his September promotion (2ip, 2k).
- On 8/31 was promoted from Louisville as the 26th player for the day/night doubleheader at StL...did not pitch in either game...immediately following that day/night doubleheader was optioned back to Louisville, but then the next day was promoted again as 1 of 5 September callups.
- Including his appearance as the 26th player on the roster for the day/night doubleheader, is his third stint with the Reds this season...made 1 appearance while on the roster from 7/22-7/27 and 2 apps from 8/9-8/14.
- In each of his first 2 apps of the season recorded a 3-inning save (14-6 win on 7/23 at Mil, 10-1 win on 8/10 vs Cubs)...are the first saves of his Major League career.
- Is the first Reds pitcher with more than 1 save of at least 3.0 innings since 1999, when Rookie of the Year Scott Williamson (3 times) and Stan Belinda (twice) each did it.
- In 5 starts and 38 relief apps for the Bats went 4-8, 4.28 with 1 save (69.1ip, 72h, 26bb, 76k, 6hr).
- For Louisville on 7/18 at Pawtucket, tied his career high with 10 strikeouts.

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Fri, 9/6	vs Ari	142	L, 5-7	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11

39 LUCAS SIMS, rhp **Homestand: 2g, 1gs, 4ip, 5h, 2er, 1bb, 5k**

- Has made 2 starts and all 16 of his relief apps since he was promoted just after the All-Star break...was 1 of 7 roster moves that day (7/18).
- Filling in for injured LHP Alex Wood, made a spot start in the 6-2 loss on 9/3 vs Phi.
- Retired the first batter in 9 of his 16 relief apps and stranded 7 of 11 inherited runners.
- Is in his second stint with the Reds this season.
- Made his first appearance of the season in an 11-6 win on 5/28 vs Pit...started and threw 7.1 innings with 9 strikeouts, both career highs...was the longest outing by a Reds pitcher until Sonny Gray threw 8.0 innings on 7/3 in the club's 84th game... was optioned back to Louisville following the next afternoon's game and pitched for the Bats until his second promotion on 7/18.
- While pitching in relief, 7 times threw more than 1.0 inning, twice threw 2.0 innings and on 7/30 vs Pit threw a season-high 2.2 innings.
- In 16 starts overall for the Bats went 5-0, 4.56 (79ip, 69h, 36bb, 102k, 9hr).
- Is a 2019 International League All-Star and IL Pitcher of the Week for 7/1-7/7.

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Fri, 9/6	vs Ari	142	L, 5-7	-	1.1	2	1	1	1	3	0	33
Tue, 9/3	vs Phi	139	L, 2-6	GS	2.2	3	1	1	0	2	0	34

55 ROBERT STEPHENSON, rhp **Homestand: 3g, 3ip, 1h, 1er, 1bb, 5k, 1hr**

- In his last 18 apps beginning 7/26 has posted an ERA of 0.95 (19ip, 8h, 2er, 6bb, 23k, 2hr, .125baa), dropping his ERA from a season-high 5.35.
- With a minimum of 19 innings pitched and beginning 7/26, his 0.95 ERA is tied for the best of any Major League reliever (Min's Trevor May) and ranks T2nd of any Major League pitcher (StL's Jack Flaherty, 0.75)...teammate Sonny Gray's 1.82 ERA in that same span is seventh among all pitchers.
- In the eighth inning of last Thu's 11-inning, 4-3 win vs Phi allowed a leadoff HR to J.T. Realmuto that snapped career-high scoreless streaks of 13 apps (8/3-9/4) and 12.0 innings (7/30-9/4).
- From 5/31-6/15 was on the 10-day IL with a cervical strain.
- 13 times threw more than 1.0 inning, 7 times threw 2.0 innings and on 7/26 vs Col threw a season-high 3.0 innings that tied his career high in relief.
- 9 times threw on consecutive days...never in his career pitched on 3 straight days.
- Retired the first batter in 40 of his 51 apps and stranded 10 of 13 inherited runners.
- Last Thu vs Phi recorded the 200th strikeout of his career (Rhys Hoskins).
- Made his third Opening Day roster (2016, 2017, 2019).

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Sun, 9/8	vs Ari	144	W, 4-3	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	3	0	19

REDS BATTERS, CONTINUED

9 JOSÉ PERAZA, inf **Road Trip: 2gs in LF, 3-5 (.600), 2 2b, 1.600ops**

- Tonight is making his team-high 43rd start of the season at 2B, his first since 8/8 vs Cubs...had been tied with Derek Dietrich for the team lead with 42 starts at 2B.
- Has a 3-game hitting streak (4-6, .667, 2 2b, 1.000slg, .667obp).
- Is hitting .500 (4-8, 2 2b, .556obp) in 6 apps and 3 starts (3gs in LF) since he was recalled from Louisville on 9/4, when IF/C Kyle Farmer went on the 10-day injured list.
- Began the season with the Reds and hit .237 in 119 apps and 72 starts before he was optioned to Louisville on 8/27, when Joey Votto was reinstated from the injured list... in his 4 apps for the Bats went 9-for-15 (.600, 1 2b, 1rbi, 2sb)...was recalled on 9/4.
- Between stints in Louisville, from 8/20/16 until he was optioned on 8/27, made 458 apps for the Reds (.277, 60 2b, 12 3b, 27hr, 145rbi, 62sb).
- In 66 apps for the Reds from 5/31 until his 8/27 option hit .276 (43-156, 8 2b, 2 3b, 1hr, 21rbi, 1sb), raising his season batting average from .199 to .237.
- Has made 75 starts (42gs at 2B, 18gs at SS, 12gs in LF, 2gs in CF, 1gs at 3B)...is his only career start at 3B (8/17 vs StL).
- His 18 starts at SS are second-most on the team at that position behind José Iglesias...most recently started at SS in 3 straight games from 8/9-8/11 while Iglesias recovered from soreness in his right biceps.
- Because of Scooter Gennett's injury in spring training, spent most of this season playing primarily 2B and occasionally CF or LF, while José Iglesias has been the team's starting SS...also made his first career apps (5) and start (1) at 3B.

15 NICK SENZEL, cf **Homestand: 5g, 2gs, 2-7 (.286)**

- Last name is pronounced sen-ZELL.
- Was scratched on 9/4 with right shoulder soreness and did not play...pinch hit last Thu vs Phi...pinch ran Fri and Sat vs Ari...has not played since.
- His .285 batting average through 8/2 is a season high.
- Has 3 leadoff HR (5/6 vs SF off Drew Pomeranz, 6/12 at Cle off Zach Plesac, 8/17 vs StL off Miles Mikolas)...Zack Cozart (4 in 2012) and Drew Stubbs (3 in 2009) are the only other Reds rookies with at least 3 leadoff HR in a season.
- Is the only player in franchise history, and 1 of only 21 players in Major League history, to produce 3 HR in his first 4 Major League apps.
- Began the season on Louisville's injured list with a right ankle sprain suffered on 3/25 during a spring training game in Goodyear...came off the IL on 4/23 and in 8 apps for the Bats prior to his 5/3 promotion hit .257 (1 2b, 1hr, 2rbi).

7 EUGENIO SUÁREZ, inf **Road Trip: 0-5, 3bb**

- First name is pronounced AY-you-hay-nee-oh.
- In his last 16 apps beginning 8/25 is hitting .362 (21-58, 2 2b, 10hr, 17rbi, 1.345ops).
- From 9/2-9/4 missed 3 starts with a bruised left hand suffered on 9/1 at StL when he was hit by a Daniel Ponce de Leon pitch...returned to the starting lineup on 9/5 vs Phi and in 6 apps since then is hitting .391 with three 3-hit games (9-23, 4hr, 8rbi, .913slg, .462obp).
- Leads all Major League third basemen with a career-high 44 HR, a modern franchise record for that position...Hall of Famer Tony Pérez in 1970 hit 40 HR overall and 39 HR while playing third base...Suárez and Pérez are the only third basemen in club history with at least 25 HR in 3 seasons and the only third basemen in club history with at least 30 HR in 2 seasons.
- Suárez' 44 HR are the most by a Reds batter since Adam Dunn hit 46 HR in 2004 and the most by a Reds righthanded batter since Greg Vaughn had 45 HR in 1999... Dunn (46hr, 102rbi) in 2004 was the last Reds batter with at least 40 HR and 100 RBI.
- Is the ninth player in modern Reds history with at least 40 HR, accomplished for the 16th time (Adam Dunn 4 times, Ted Kluszewski 3 times, Johnny Bench twice, George Foster twice, Greg Vaughn, Ken Griffey Jr., Tony Perez, Wally Post).
- Is 1 of 6 Major League players with 40 HR (Pete Alonso 47, Mike Trout 45, Suárez, 44, Cody Bellinger 44, Christian Yelich 44, Jorge Soler 43).
- Since the All-Star break leads the Major Leagues in HR (24; KC's Jorge Soler 2nd w/ 20) and leads the National League in slugging percentage (.688).
- The team records for HR in a season is 52 (George Foster, 1977) and for HR after the All-Star break is 27 (Ted Kluszewski, 1954).
- Is trying to become the sixth Reds batter to lead the National League in HR, the first since George Foster hit 40 HR in 1978...with a club record 52 HR in 1977, Foster is the last Reds batter to lead the Major Leagues in HR.
- In the first inning, leads all Major League batters with a club record 14 HR (26rbi).

17 JOSH VANMETER, inf/of **Road Trip: 1g as PH/LF, 1g as PH, 0-3**

- In his fourth stint with the Reds this season, is hitting .253 in 52 apps and 36 starts since he was promoted from Louisville just after the All-Star break (38-150, 9 2b, 1 3b, 6hr, 16rbi)...was 1 of 7 roster moves that day (7/18).
- Tonight is making his eighth start of the season at 1B, his first since Thu vs Phi.
- Beginning 8/12 has started 24 of the Reds' last 30 games (13gs in LF, 7gs at 1B, 3gs at 2B, 1gs in RF) and played in the other 6 games.
- Has made 43 starts (25gs in LF, 7gs at 2B, 7gs at 1B, 2gs at 3B, 1gs in RF, 1gs at DH).
- From 8/15-8/21, with Joey Votto recovering from a low back strain, started at 1B in 6 of the Reds' 7 games...were his first career starts at that position...hit .350 in those 6 starts (7-20, 1 2b, 2rbi).
- Is a 2019 International League All-Star...in 49 apps for the Bats hit .348 (14 2b, 1 3b, 14hr, 43rbi, 8sb, 1.097ops)...started at 1B (10g), 2B (20g), 3B (10g) and LF (3g).
- In April was the organization's Minor League Player of the Month and the International League's Player of the Month (.358, 11hr, 28rbi).
- In spring training came over from minor league camp to make 10 apps for Reds (1-13).
- Is a native and resident of Ossian (AH-see-in), Indiana, a town of about 3,400 located 3 hours from Cincinnati near Fort Wayne...graduated from Norwell High School.

19 JOEY VOTTO, 1b **Road Trip: 1-8 (.125), 1 2b, 1rbi, 1bb**

- Tonight is making the seventh start of his career and fourth of the season at designated hitter...in 6 career apps at DH is 4-for-22 (.182, 1 3b, 2hr, 5rbi), including 2-for-9 in his 3 starts this season (2hr, 2rbi)...made this season's other starts at DH on 6/12 at Cle and 6/25 & 6/26 at LAA.
- Prior to this season, made career starts at DH on 6/18/16 at Hou, 6/12/18 at KC and 6/13/18 at KC.
- In his last 7g is hitting .364 with 3 multi-hit games (8-22, 2 2b, 1hr, 3rbi, .481obp).
- In 16 apps since he was reinstated from the injured list on 8/27 is hitting .268 (15-56, 3 2b, 2hr, 5rbi, 11r, .373obp)...from 8/18-8/26 missed 11 games while on the 10-day IL with a low back strain.
- When he went on the injured list had a 6-game hitting streak (8-22, .364, 3 2b, 1hr, 3rbi, .636slg, .440obp) and a 13-game on-base streak (.261ba, .386obp)...both streaks were snapped in his first appearance after he was reinstated (0-5, 8/27 at Mia).
- Beginning 5/8 made his last 92 starts batting second in the order...made 15 starts this season batting leadoff (last, 5/7 at Oak)...entered this year with 1 career start batting leadoff (6/18/08 vs LAD).
- In his career has hit 64 HR on the first pitch, most recently on 8/9 off Yu Darvish.
- For the fifth straight season, per *Baseball America* was voted by managers, scouts and executives the batter with the best strike zone judgment in the National League.

