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TWINS REPORT

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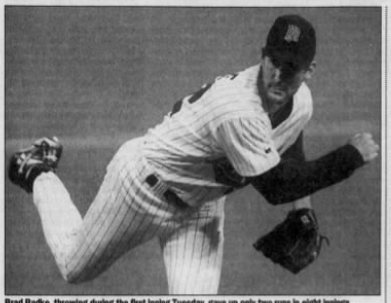

Brad Radke, throwing during the first inning Tuesday, gave up only two runs in eight innings.

Radke reins in Reds

Twins pitcher has continued success vs. NL

TWINS 5, CINCINNATI 2

By Patrick Reusse
Star Tribune Staff Writer

Twins pitcher Brad Radke has a contract through the 2000 season and would be eligible for free agency that winter. If present trends continue, Radke would be obliged to consider signing with a National League team.

Radke pitched the Twins to a 5-2 victory over Cincinnati on Tuesday night at the Metrodome. This was his third victory against the Reds since interleague play started in 1997, and he improved to 6-1 against NL opponents.

After the game, Radke was standing around in the Twins clubhouse with ice on his right arm when his NL domination was mentioned.

"What are you talking about?" Radke asked.

Told of his record against NL teams, Radke's puzzlement turned to bewilderment and he said: "Really? I didn't even think I had that many interleague starts."

"Radke pitched a wonderful game," manager Tom Kelly said. "He had to sit through a lot of long innings, but he kept doing what he was doing. It wasn't until the eighth, when the ball got up a middle."

The long innings were the result of the Twins' constant scoring chances — most of which they did not convert. The Twins had 20 base runners and managed to score only five runs. They left 14 on base.

Javier Valentin knocked in runs with two singles. Denny Hocking beat a double-play relay for an RBI. When he reached again on a fielder's choice, Hocking went to second on a steal and to third and then home on two wild pitches by Ron Villone.

But the ugliest of the night's runs was yet to come. The Twins were leading 4-0 when Radke issued his first walk with two outs in the eighth. Aaron Boone then hit his second home run of the season.

The Twins left 14 runners on base, and the score was 4-2. The Twins had reason to be feeling queasy. That feeling increased in the bottom of the inning, when lefthanded reliever Dennys Reyes hit Matt Lawton on the right ear, getting part of Lawton's cheekbone in the process.

Lawton was stretched at the plate for a couple of minutes before walking off the field with a minimum of assistance. "The best news of the night is Matt should be OK," Kelly said.

Cleatus Davidson, who ran for Lawton, scored when reliever Scott Williamson threw three wild pitches.

"It was definitely nice to get the three-run lead," reliever Mike Trombley said. "That makes things a little more comfortable."

Trombley pitched a 1-2-3 ninth for his fifth save, following a three-strikeout ninth for his fourth save vs. the Reds on Monday night.

Still, the pitching hero was Radke, who is 5-5 after a stretch of four starts when his pitching was fair to excellent, but the Twins' lack of punch resulted in three losses and a no-decision.

"Radke has been a No. 1-type pitcher for us," Kelly said. "He's tried to show us the way, set a good example for the other fellows [starters] to watch. Unfortunately, osmosis doesn't work in this game."

ELSEWHERE:

➤ *Twins to use supermarket kiosks, the telephone and Internet to sell tickets.* D1

Cincinnati	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Tosca, 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.308
Ma. Ward, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Casey, 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.300
N. Williams, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.286
D. Vaughn, dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	.222
Larkin, ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	.281
Taubensee, c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.318
O. Young, lf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.320
Cameron, cf	3	1	0	0	0	1	.240
A. Boone, 3b	3	1	1	2	0	1	.340
Totals	30	2	4	2	0	6	

Twins	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Hocking ss-rf	5	1	1	0	0	0	.242
C. Walbeck, dh	3	0	1	0	0	0	.276
Coles, 2b	3	0	1	0	0	0	.291
Coomer, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.300
Lawton, rf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.262
Davidson pr-ss	0	1	0	0	0	0	.000
C. Allen, cf	4	1	2	0	0	1	.281
Koskie, 3b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.282
Ja. Valentin, c	4	0	0	2	0	0	.261
T. Hunter, cf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.225
Totals	27	5	12	2	0	5	

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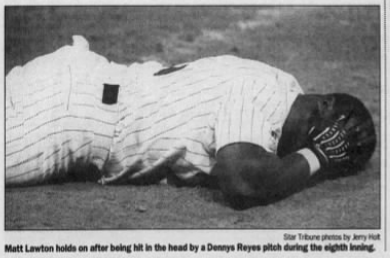
E—Larkin (8), A. Boone (4). LOB—Cincinnati 2, Twins 14. 2B—O. Young (6), A. Boone (6), Coles (7). HR—A. Boone 2(2) off Radke. SB—A. Boone 2 (7), Hocking (15), Ja. Valentin 2 (13). SB—Cameron (18), Hocking (5), Lawton (10). GIDP—Casey, O. Young, T. Hunter. DP—Cincinnati 1, Twins 2.

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Ritchie L, 1-0	4½	7	4	3	2	4	97	5.68
S. Reyes	3½	5	1	1	3	0	69	2.08
D. Williamson	1	0	0	0	1	0	18	1.68
Twins								
Radke W, 5-5	8	5	2	2	1	4	98	3.53
Trombley S, 5	1	0	0	0	0	1	10	2.45

Inherited runners-scored—D. Reyes 2-0, S. Williamson 1-1. HBP—by D. Reyes (Lawton), by Williamson 2-0, S. Williamson 3. Umpires—Home, McCoy; First, Barnett; Second, Merzwether; Third, Evans. T—2:54. A—13,157 (45,878).



Star Tribune photos by Jerry Holt

Matt Lawton holds on after being hit in the head by a Dennys Reyes pitch during the eighth inning.

Beaning gives Lawton, Twins a late scare

By Patrick Reusse
Star Tribune Staff Writer

Twins right fielder **Matt Lawton** was hit near the left eye by a pitch from Cincinnati's **Dennys Reyes**, a lefthanded reliever, in the eighth inning of Tuesday night's game at the Metrodome. Lawton was down in the dirt near home plate for a couple of minutes and then walked to the dugout.

Lawton was taken to Hennepin County Medical Center for X-rays. Dr. **VeeJay Eyunni**, the Twins' internist, said there was minor swelling near Lawton's cheekbone.

"It looked and sounded as though the pitch caught all ear flap," manager **Tom Kelly** said. "I think Matt will be fine, although I'll feel better when the X-rays come back and that's official."

Reyes was replaced by **Scott Williamson** after beaning Lawton. Williamson, a rookie righthander, has had his fastball clocked as high as 99 miles per hour. His first pitch sailed toward the head of **Chad Allen**, who was able to spin away from the fastball.

That was the first of three wild pitches Williamson threw in a relief appearance of 13 pitches. Kelly's view was that the wild pitch near Allen's head was the result of Williamson trying to throw with a slide step (a maneuver to release a pitch quickly with a runner on first) without using that delivery on any of his warmup pitches.

Etc.

➤ Reliever **Hector Carrasco**, out since spring training because of a circulation problem in his right shoulder, will leave today for Fort Myers, Fla. He will work out for a few days and could for the Class A Fort Myers team next Monday.

➤ Lefthander **Mark Redman**, the Twins' No. 1 draft choice in 1995, pitched seven innings, gave up four runs and was the winner in Class AAA Salt Lake's 10-4 victory over Oklahoma City on Tuesday night. After a horrendous beginning of the season, Redman has had a succession of solid starts to become the leading contender to be called up, if and when the Twins go to the minors for another starter.

➤ The Twins signed three players taken in last week's draft, including catcher **Justin Morneau**, the third-round selection from New Minister, British Columbia. Morneau's signing bonus was roughly $275,000. The Twins also signed **Barry Quickstad**, a shortstop from Waseca, and **Sherwin Lockridge**, a righthanded pitcher from Florida A&M.

STATS ZONE

SECOND INNING
➤ Twins—With Ron Villone pitching, Matt Lawton singled to center. Chad Allen singled to center, moving Lawton to second. Corey Koskie singled to center, moving Lawton to third and Allen to second. Javier Valentin singled to center, scoring Lawton and moving Allen to third. Koskie to second. Torii Hunter struck out. Denny Hocking grounded into a fielder's choice, scoring Allen.
Twins 2, Reds 0

FOURTH INNING
➤ Twins—Hunter was safe on an error. Hocking grounded into a fielder's choice, Hunter out. Hocking stole second. On Villone wild pitch, Hocking went to third. Todd Walker struck out. On Villone's wild pitch, Hocking scored.
Twins 3, Reds 0

FIFTH INNING
➤ Twins—Lawton singled to center. Allen struck out. Lawton stole second. Koskie grounded out, Lawton to third. Valentin singled to center, scoring Lawton.
Twins 4, Reds 0

EIGHTH INNING
➤ Cincinnati—With Brad Radke pitching, Eddie Taubensee singled to right. Dmitri Young grounded into a double play, Taubensee out. Mike Cameron walked and stole second. Aaron Boone homered to left.
➤ Twins—With one out, Lawton was hit by a pitch. Cleatus Davidson ran for Lawton. Scott Williamson relieved Dennys Reyes. On Williamson's wild pitch, Davidson to second. Allen struck out. On Williamson's wild pitch, Davidson to third. On Williamson's wild pitch, Davidson scored.
Twins 5, Reds 2

TWINS STATS

Through Tuesday

Batters	Avg.	AB	H	HR	RBI	SB
Steinbach	.312	96	30	3	15	1
Cordova	.302	172	52	5	22	4
Coomer	.297	195	58	8	26	2
Koskie	.292	96	28	4	20	0
Allen	.281	178	50	5	18	6
Gaetes	.280	107	30	1	15	1
Walker	.275	211	58	3	19	2
Pierzynski	.267	15	4	0	1	0
Lawton	.262	202	53	5	26	10
Valentin	.261	92	24	1	13	0
Hocking	.245	139	34	2	15	5
M'kiewicz	.244	156	38	1	17	0
Hunter	.225	182	41	0	17	3
Davidson	.222	9	2	0	2	2
Guzman	.200	130	26	0	4	1
Latham	.091	22	2	0	3	0
Totals	.265	2002	530	40	233	42

Pitchers	W-L	ERA	IP	H	BB	SO
Miller	1-0	1.59	5⅔	5	3	5
Trombley	1-2	2.43	40⅓	34	11	42
Radke	5-5	3.53	88⅓	94	16	57
Wells	2-1	4.04	35⅓	33	15	18
Guardado	1-2	5.28	15⅓	13	6	21
Mays	0-2	5.93	44	58	21	27
Lincoln	2-6	6.09	54⅓	69	20	18
Milton	2-4	6.53	62	72	28	42
Sampson	1-0	6.82	34	39	19	32
Perkins	1-3	7.06	42⅓	54	24	18
Hawkins	2-7	8.36	63⅓	93	26	38
Reth	0-1	13.5	3⅓	5	1	1
Radosky	0-0	14.2	6⅓	12	2	2
Totals	21-36	5.55	515⅓	591	196	330

➤ Saves: 11 total; Trombley 5
Home attendance comparison (31 dates)

Year	Total	Avg.
1999	464,179	14,973
1998	410,738	13,249

TWINS NOTEBOOK

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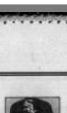

THE STAT

JAIME NAVARRO, White Sox
Won his third consecutive start by giving up only three runs and eight hits.

Central	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Str.	Home	Away	Intr.
Cleveland	36	19	.655	...	4-6	1L	17-12	19-7	2-2
Chicago	27	28	.491	9	6-4	1W	13-14	14-14	3-2
Detroit	25	33	.431	12½	5-5	2W	15-17	10-16	3-2
Kansas City	24	32	.429	12½	1-9	1W	11-18	13-14	1-4
Twins	21	36	.368	16	4-6	3W	12-19	9-17	3-2

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Str.	Home	Away	Intr.
Boston	33	24	.579	...	5-5	4L	18-11	15-13	1-4
New York	32	24	.571	½	5-5	3L	18-11	14-13	2-3
Toronto	27	33	.450	7½	3-7	2L	16-16	11-17	2-3
Tampa Bay	24	34	.414	9½	2-8	5L	10-17	14-17	0-5
Baltimore	21	35	.375	12	3-7	3L	13-14	8-22	1-4

West	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Str.	Home	Away	Intr.
Texas	34	22	.607	...	8-2	1W	16-11	18-11	2-2
Seattle	30	27	.526	4½	6-4	3W	16-14	14-13	3-2
Oakland	29	28	.509	5½	5-5	1L	18-11	11-17	1-3
Anaheim	27	31	.466	8	5-5	2L	13-13	14-18	1-4

Twins year ago: 26-31, GB 8½

RESULTS

TUESDAY
Interleague
➤ Twins 5, Cincinnati 2
➤ Atlanta 11, Tampa Bay 2
➤ Chicago White Sox 4, Houston 3
➤ Detroit 11, Pittsburgh 4
➤ Florida 2-5, Baltimore 1-3
➤ Kansas City 11, St. Louis 10
➤ Milwaukee 2, Cleveland 1, 10 innings
➤ Montreal 5, Boston 1
➤ N.Y. Mets 11, Toronto 3
➤ Philadelphia 11, N.Y. Yankees 5
➤ San Diego 5, Oakland 3
➤ San Francisco 6, Anaheim 2
➤ Seattle 10, Colorado 5
➤ Texas at Los Angeles, late

MONDAY
Interleague
➤ Twins 6, Cincinnati 6
➤ Atlanta 8, Tampa Bay 5
➤ Detroit 8, Pittsburgh 4
➤ Montreal 8, Boston 2
➤ Houston 8, Chicago White Sox 2
➤ N.Y. Mets 8, Toronto 2
➤ Philadelphia 6, N.Y. Yankees 5
➤ St. Louis 7, Kansas City 5
➤ San Francisco 5, Anaheim 2
➤ Seattle 4, Colorado 2
➤ Texas 2, Los Angeles 2
➤ Baltimore at Florida, ppd. rain

SCHEDULE

TODAY
Interleague
➤ Cincinnati at Twins, 7:05 p.m.
➤ Anaheim at San Francisco, 2:35
➤ Baltimore at Florida, 6:05 p.m.
➤ Boston at Montreal, 6:05 p.m.
➤ Milwaukee at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.
➤ Pittsburgh at Detroit, 6:05 p.m.
➤ N.Y. Yankees at Philadelphia, 6:35 p.m.
➤ Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 6:40 p.m.
➤ Toronto at N.Y. Mets, 6:40 p.m.
➤ Houston at Chicago White Sox, 7:05 p.m.
➤ St. Louis at Kansas City, 7:05 p.m.
➤ Seattle at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.
➤ Oakland at San Diego, 9:35 p.m.
➤ Texas at Los Angeles, 9:35 p.m.

THURSDAY
Interleague
➤ Oakland at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
➤ Milwaukee at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.

INTERLEAGUE PITCHING MATCHUPS

Away Home	Pitcher	1999 record W-L	ERA	W-L	Record last 3 starts IP	ERA	AHWG
Cin Twins	Tomko (R)	1-3	5.76	0-0	11½	6.94	17.0
	Milton (L)	3-4	6.03	1-0	15½	4.70	14.7
Ana SF	Belcher (R)	3-0	7.23	0-0	19	4.74	11.4
	Brock (R)	5-4	4.34	1-1	17	5.29	13.8
Balt Fla	Erickson (R)	1-6	7.11	0-3	15½	10.34	19.0
	Springer (R)	2-6	3.97	1-0	19	2.84	12.3
Bos Mil	Abbott (L)	1-5	6.99	1-0	18½	3.86	13.5
Cle	Wright (R)	4-3	7.61	0-2	13½	12.83	20.3
Sea Mon	Martinez (R)	11-1	1.91	3-0	23	1.96	7.4
	Thurman (R)	1-2	6.25	1-0	16½	3.86	11.0
Pit Det	Cordova (R)	1-2	5.28	1-0	16½	2.70	12.4
	Mlicher (R)	0-5	4.22	1-0	19½	4.58	9.2
KCY Phil	Core (R)	5-2	2.39	1-0	18½	4.42	11.8
	Ogea (R)	3-3	4.43	1-0	18	2.00	14.0
TB Atl	Rupe (R)	1-3	5.60	0-2	16½	6.48	10.8
	Glavine (L)	3-7	5.00	0-3	16½	7.02	17.8
Tor NYM	Wells (L)	6-5	5.08	2-1	19½	5.49	13.3
	Reed (R)	3-3	5.33	0-2	20½	4.43	11.5
Hou White	Hampton (L)	6-2	3.07	1-1	20½	5.23	13.9
	Baldwin (R)	3-4	4.85	1-0	20½	1.74	9.1
SL KC	Jimenez (R)	2-7	6.75	0-3	13½	9.88	20.4
	Mathews (R)	2-0	3.38	—	—	—	—
Sea Cole	Fassero (L)	3-6	4.90	1-1	14½	6.16	17.9
	Bohanon (L)	0-0	4.56	0-0	19½	5.12	15.8
Tex LA	Clark (R)	3-4	7.55	1-1	15½	7.47	13.2
	Brown (R)	6-3	3.73	1-1	22	3.27	10.6
Oak SD	Haynes (R)	3-0	5.31	1-0	18½	3.24	14.0
	Clement (R)	1-6	5.10	1-2	17½	8.23	15.1

W-L - Won-lost record. IP - Innings pitched. ERA - Earned run average. AHWG - Average hits and walks per game.

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THE STAT

DAN SMITH, Expos
He retired 20 consecutive Red Sox batters in his major league debut.

Central	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Str.	Home	Away	Intr.
Houston	34	23	.596	...	5-5	1L	16-10	18-13	3-2
Chicago	32	23	.582	1	7-3	2W	15-10	17-13	1-2
Cincinnati	30	24	.556	2½	6-2	2L	12-14	18-10	3-2
Pittsburgh	29	28	.509	5	6-4	4L	18-11	11-17	1-4
St. Louis	29	30	.509	5	5-5	1L	9-13	20-15	3-2
Milwaukee	25	32	.439	9	4-6	1W	8-18	17-14	1-0

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Str.	Home	Away	Intr.
Atlanta	36	22	.621	...	6-4	4W	20-11	16-11	4-1
Philadelphia	30	27	.526	5½	6-4	3W	14-15	16-12	4-1
New York	30	28	.517	6	3-7	3W	15-15	15-13	3-2
Montreal	22	33	.400	12½	6-4	2W	13-20	9-13	3-2
Florida	23	36	.390	13½	7-3	7W	11-24	12-12	5-0

West	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Str.	Home	Away	Intr.
Arizona	34	25	.576	...	6-4	2L	19-8	15-17	2-1
San Francisco	33	26	.559	1	6-4	2W	20-11	13-15	4-1
Los Angeles	28	29	.500	4½	4-6	2L	14-14	14-15	2-2
Colorado	25	30	.455	7	5-5	2L	11-12	14-18	0-2
San Diego	23	33	.411	9½	5-5	1W	15-13	8-20	2-1

RESULTS

TUESDAY
➤ Chicago 5, Arizona 3

MONDAY
➤ Chicago 7, Arizona 0

SUNDAY
➤ Colorado 10, Milwaukee 5

SCHEDULE

TODAY
➤ Chicago at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.

THURSDAY
➤ No games scheduled

FRIDAY
➤ San Diego at Houston, 7:05 p.m.

NL PITCHING MATCHUP

Away Home	Pitcher	1999 record W-L	ERA	W-L	Record last 3 starts IP	ERA	AHWG
Chi Ariz	Mulholland (L)	3-1	3.00	1-0	21	2.14	10.3
	Johnson (L)	7-2	2.65	3-0	25	1.08	6.1

W-L - Won-lost record. IP - Innings pitched. ERA - Earned run average. AHWG - Average hits and walks per game.

NOTES

Cleveland's Cordero breaks his left wrist

From News Services

Wil Cordero broke his left wrist while making a sliding catch in the sixth inning of Cleveland's 2-1 loss to Milwaukee on Tuesday and could be out for 10 weeks.

Cordero, making his 20th start in left field, bent his wrist back awardly as he caught a sinking liner hit by Milwaukee's **Jeromy Burnitz**.

After making the grab, Cordero threw the ball back into the infield as he attempted to catch a runner at second base. He then fell down in pain as his teammates and a team trainer came to his aid.

Cordero was taken to the hospital where X-rays revealed a break similar to the one that sidelined Seattle's **Ken Griffey Jr.** for 10 weeks in 1995. Cordero will undergo surgery today.

Cordero, signed by Cleveland during the offseason, is batting .316 with five homers and 26 RBI.

➤ Cleveland outfielder **Manny Ramirez** dropped his appeal and began serving his three-game suspension for charging the mound against Detroit last month. Ramirez will miss Cleveland's three-game series against Milwaukee.

San Francisco

All-Star outfielder **Barry Bonds** is ahead of schedule in his rehabilitation of an elbow injury and is expected to be activated sometime this weekend in Seattle.

Bonds, who is on the disabled list, hasn't played since April 17. He underwent surgery April 20 to remove a bone spur and repair a damaged triceps tendon.

At the time, team officials estimated he would be sidelined at least 10 weeks, meaning an anticipated return in early July.

Los Angeles

Dodgers pitcher **Chan Ho Park** was suspended for seven games and fined $3,000 for hitting and kicking Anaheim Angels pitcher **Tim Belcher** on Saturday. The Dodgers said Park wouldn't appeal the suspension, which started Tuesday night against the Texas Rangers. He will be eligible to return June 17 against Pittsburgh.

New York Yankees

Pitching coach **Mel Stottlemyre** was struck in the forehead by a line drive hit by **Tino Martinez** during batting practice Tuesday but was not seriously hurt.

Stottlemyre, 57, was standing behind a screen in short center field when the line drive struck him while the Yankees took batting practice before their game at Philadelphia. He received 11 stitches and returned to the stadium before the game was over, then went to the team hotel. A CT scan proved normal.

Hamelin calls it quits

Bob Hamelin, a former American League rookie of the year now playing for the Toledo Mud Hens, retired in the middle of Monday's game with Ottawa in Toledo, Ohio. Hamelin grounded out in the sixth inning and then walked into the clubhouse and said his career was over.

Hamelin, 31, was hitting .226 with five home runs and 20 RBI for Toledo, the Tigers' Class AAA affiliate.

Hamelin won the 1994 rookie award when he hit 25 homers for Kansas City.

Etc.

➤ Atlanta placed starting shortstop **Walt Weiss** on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to Monday, because of a strained left quadriceps.

➤ Righthanded pitcher **Kyle Snyder**, Kansas City's top pick in this year's draft, signed a contract with the Royals. Snyder, 21, was selected seventh overall in last week's draft.

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