

MINNESOTA TWINS (19-14) AT CLEVELAND GUARDIANS (14-18)

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023 - 6:10 PM (ET) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Sonny Gray (4-0, 0.77) vs. LHP Logan Allen (1-1, 2.45)

GAME 34

ROAD GAME 18

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Probable Pitchers, Time, Television, Radio / Spanish Radio. Row 1: 5/7 at Cleveland, RHP Joe Ryan (5-0, 2.37) vs. RHP Cal Quantrill (1-2, 4.73), 12:40 pm (CT), Bally Sports North, TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / twinsbeisbol.com. Row 2: 5/8 OFF DAY.

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Categories include Under Baldelli (since '19), Home Record, Road Record, Record in series, Record in home series, Record in road series, Series Openers, Series Finals, Rubber Games, Sweeps/Swept, March/April, June, July, August, September/October, Day Games, Night Games, vs. American League East, vs. American League Central, vs. American League West, vs. National League, Games vs. LH Starter, Games vs. RH Starter, Twins score first, Opponent scores first, Come-from-behind wins, Leading after 7/8 inn., Trailing after 7/8 inn., Tied after 7/8 inn., Extra-innings, 1-run games, Twins out-hit opp., Opp. out-hit Twins, Twins/Opp. have = hits, Run Differential, Twins get Quality Start, Twins starter goes 6+ IP, Most games over .500, Most games under .500, Longest win-streak, Longest losing-streak, When Twins score 4+, When Twins score 3-, Twins get 10+ hits, Days in First Place, Days in Second Place, Days in Third Place, Days in Fourth Place, Days in Fifth Place, Walk-Off WL, Shutouts WL, Complete Games (Twins), Average Time of Game (Twins), Attendance High, Attendance Total, Attendance Average, Target Field Sellouts - 2023/All-Time.

THE TWINS: Have gone 2-2 through four games on their current six-game roadtrip, going 1-2 at Chicago-AL, followed by a win in Cleveland last night...tonight, Minnesota will continue the trip with game two of this three-game weekend series at Progressive Field against the Guardians...after tomorrow afternoon's series finale, the Twins will travel to Minneapolis to enjoy an off-day on Monday, then begin a six-game Interleague homestand with three against the San Diego Padres (May 9-11) and three against the Chicago Cubs (May 12-14)...the Twins have gone 10-6 at Target Field and 9-8 on the road.

Twins are looking to win their third-straight road game, which would mark their longest since winning four straight to start the season (March 30-April 3). A victory tonight would secure the sixth series win of the season for the Twins...the Twins have gone 5-4-1 through their first 10 series this season (series results lower right).

LOVE IS A BATTENFIELD: The Twins shut out the Guardians last night at Progressive Field by a score of 2-0, marking their third shutout this season (3/30 at KC & 4/1 at KC)...Bailey Ober (2-0) was the starter and winner, pitching 7.0 shutout innings with three hits allowed, falling one out short of tying his career high for innings pitched (7.1, 9/27/22 vs. CWS)...Guardians starter Peyton Battenfield retired his first 17 batters until a two-out Christian Vázquez single, followed by Max Kepler two-run homer in the sixth inning, proving to be all the scoring on the night...Jorge Polanco had the third hit for the Twins as the three hits marked their fewest in a victory since a 2-1 win at Boston on September 5, 2019, when they had two hits.

TWINS-GUARDS: The Twins are playing the Guardians for the second of 13 times in 2023...since the start of 2022, 15 of the 20 games have been decided by three runs-or-less and nine by one run. A win tonight would give the Twins their first series victory vs. the Guardians since taking two of three games from May 13-15, 2022 at Target Field...Twins have gone 0-4-0 in head-to-head series play against them since...their last series win at Progressive Field came September 6-9, 2021, taking three of four.

The Twins have hit 33 home runs at Cleveland since the start of 2021, tied with their total at Guaranteed Rate Field for the most outside of Target Field in that span. Since 2019, Carlos Correa is hitting .325 (37-for-114) with four doubles, eight home runs, 16 RBI, 20 runs scored, 14 walks, a .430 on-base percentage and a .973 OPS in 30 games vs. Cleveland...he slashed .324/.452/.500 at Cleveland in 2023, reaching base 19 times (11 hits, 7 walks, 1 HBP), the most for any opponent in this park.

MAD MAX, FURY ROAD: For his career, Max Kepler has 44 hits, 15 home runs, 31 runs scored and 33 RBI at Progressive Field (48 games), all his most in any opposing ballpark...his homers are tied with Nelson Cruz (15) for the second most for any active visiting player, behind Miguel Cabrera (26). Kepler hit three home runs in a game here twice in his career: August 1, 2016, and June 6, 2019...according to Elias, he is the only active player with more than one three-homer game as a visitor at any venue...the last visiting player to do this at any ballpark was Albert Pujols at Wrigley Field (2004 and 2010).

LAND OF 10,000 RAKES: The Twins have homered in a season-long 17-straight games, since April 18, setting an all-time franchise record (since 1901)...since that date, they have hit 27 home runs, the third most in baseball in that span, trailing Tampa Bay (32) and Atlanta (31)...the current streak is the second longest of 2023, trailing the Rays' stretch of 22 straight to begin the season (March 30-April 23).

Table with columns: STREAK, DATES, HOME RUNS, TEAM LEADER DURING STREAK. Rows: 17 April 18, 2023-present, 27 Buxton - 6; 16 May 20 (2)-June 5, 2021, 27 Sanó - 5; 16 September 1-17, 2017, 31 Escobar - 7; 16 April 25-May 16, 2017, 26 Sanó - 6; 16 April 28-May 15, 1979, 28 Smalley - 6.

LOW ON LEFTIES: The Twins are facing a left-handed starter for just the sixth time this season, the previous five being Jesús Luzardo on April 5 at Miami (5-2 loss), Nestor Cortes on April 14 at New York-AL (4-3 win), Chris Sale on April 18 at Boston (5-4 loss), Patrick Corbin on April 23 vs. Washington (3-1 win) and Cortes again on April 25 (6-2 win)...the Twins have the fewest at-bats in baseball vs. left-handed pitching at just 206.

Twins are slashing just .194/.273/.359 vs. lefties, compared to .232/.310/.405 vs. righties. SHINING STARTS: Twins starters have combined to go 14-8, 3.13 ERA (186.2 IP, 65 ER) with 45 walks, 210 strikeouts and a .220 opponent batting average...below are Twins starting pitching ranks in all of baseball:

Table with columns: INNINGS, ERA, BAA, BB, FIP, WHIP, K's, OPS. Rows: MIN - 186.2, TB - 3.05, BAA - .219, SF - 34, FIP - 3.19, WHIP - 1.06, K's - 210, OPS - .622; TOR - 183.2, MIN - 3.13, MIN - .220, SEA - 43, MIN - 3.32, TB - 1.12, CWS - 194, MIN - .632; SD - 179.2, CHC - 3.20, NYY - .231, CLE - 44, SEA - 3.59, SEA - 1.14, TOR - 186, SEA - .647; PIT - 178.2, HOU - 3.45, CHC - .232, MIN - 45, ATL - 3.71, CHC - 1.14, NYY - 181, CHC - .649; CWS - 177.1, ATL - 3.46, LAA - .236, TEX - 47, HOU - 3.74, NYY - 1.18, ATL/HOU - 178, ATL - .687.

STEAL AWAY: The Twins have stolen seven bases on the season, five of which have come in their last seven games and four coming in their last five games...they have been caught five times overall...their seven steals are the fewest in baseball...by comparison, four Guardians have stolen six-or-more bases (Kwan - 8, Straw - 8, Giménez - 6 and Rosario - 6).

Michael A. Taylor leads the team with four stolen bases, swiping three in his last eight games...last night's stolen base in the eighth inning was the 99th of Taylor's career...27 active players have reached the 100-stolen base mark.

THE NASTY BOYS: The bullpen has combined to post a .281 wOBA this season, the fifth best in baseball, trailing Los Angeles-AL (.259), Tampa Bay (.268), Texas (.270) and Seattle (.275)...additionally, the 'pen has allowed the fifth-fewest hits in baseball with 90, trailing New York-AL (86), Chicago-NL (87), Texas (87) and Houston (88).

The Twins bullpen has averaged 94.2 mph on fastballs, the seventh-hardest-throwing 'pen in baseball...however, they have thrown just 846 fastballs, second fewest in the majors...they have thrown 360 offspeed pitches, second most in baseball.

IN THE NICK OF TIME: On this day in 2021, Nick Gordon made his major league debut vs. Texas, batting seventh and playing second base...he went 1-for-2 with a single, a walk, a strikeout and two stolen bases...Gordon is hitting .294 (5-for-17) with one double, one triple, two home runs, five RBI and just one strikeout with a 1.118 OPS in his last six games.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

Table with columns: PLAYER/MANAGER, CURRENT NO., MILESTONE WITHIN REACH. Rows: Byron Buxton...106 home runs...Needs 4 to tie Roy Smalley (110) for 17th on Twins all-time list (since 1961). Carlos Correa...191 doubles...Needs 9 to reach 200 for career. Joey Gallo...92 doubles...Needs 8 to reach 100 for career. Griffin Jax...98 games...Needs 2 to reach 200 for career. Max Kepler...133 home runs...Needs 8 to tie Michael Cuddyer (141) for 13th on Twins all-time list (since 1961). Michael A. Taylor...99 stolen bases...Needs 1 to reach 100 for career. Christian Vázquez...92 doubles...Needs 8 to reach 100 for career.

STREAKS

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Rows: Current Streak...2 wins; Last 5 games...3-2; Last 10 games...6-4; Last 15 games...8-7; Last 20 games...10-10.

TWINS VS. GUARDIANS

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Rows: 2023 Record...1-0; Current Streak...1 win; 2023 at Home...; 2023 at Cleveland...1-0; Under Baldelli (since 2019)...34-34; Under Baldelli at Cleveland...16-17; All-Time Record...446-474; All-Time at Home...241-220; All-Time at Cleveland...205-254.

2023 Game Logs:

Table with columns: Date, Site, Score, Winner/Loser/Save. Rows: 5/5 CLE 2-0 Ober/Battenfield/Duran; 5/6 CLE 5:10 pm (CT); 5/7 CLE 12:40 pm (CT); 6/1 MIN 6:40 pm (CT); 6/2 MIN 7:10 pm (CT); 6/3 MIN 6:15 pm (CT); 6/4 MIN 1:10 pm (CT); 8/28 MIN 6:40 pm (CT); 8/29 MIN 6:40 pm (CT); 8/30 MIN 12:10 pm (CT); 9/4 CLE 5:10 pm (CT); 9/5 CLE 5:10 pm (CT); 9/6 CLE 12:10 pm (CT).

CURRENT ROADTRIP (2-2)

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Rows: Batting average...140; Runs Per Game...3.75; Home Runs...5; RISP...194; Errors...1.

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Rows: Team ERA...2.33; Starters W-L...1-0; Starters ERA...2.19; Relievers W-L-S...1-2-1; Relievers ERA...2.57; Saves/Opps...1/2.

THAT'S PROGRESSIVE

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Rows: TWINS ALL-TIME HOMERS PER OPPOSING YARD; Guaranteed Rate Field...320; Kauffman Stadium...310; Angel Stadium...287; Fenway Park...268; Tiger Stadium...256; Progressive Field...254.

2023 SERIES RESULTS

Table with columns: DATES/OPP, RECORD, W/L. Rows: 3/30-4/2 at KC...3-0...W; 4/3-5 at MIA...1-2...L; 4/7-9 vs. HOU...2-1...W; 4/10-12 vs. CWS...2-1...W; 4/13-16 at NYY...2-2...T; 4/18-20 at BOS...1-2...L; 4/21-23 vs. WAS...1-2...L; 4/24-26 vs. NYY...2-1...W; 4/27-30 vs. KC...3-1...W; 5/2-4 at CWS...1-2...L.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Table with 2 columns: Date and Transaction. Rows: 5/6 RHP Alcalá recalled from AAA; RHP Winder optioned to AAA; 5/5 RHP Rodríguez contract selected from AAA; LHP Thielbar placed on 15-day IL; OF/1B Kirilloff recalled from AAA; OF Larnach optioned to AAA; RHP Mahle transferred to 60-day IL; RHP Mahle placed on 15-day IL; RHP Varland recalled from AAA; 4/30 OF/1B Kirilloff returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 10-day IL, optioned to AAA; RHP Megill traded to MIL in exchange for PTBNL and cash considerations; 4/29 RHP Maeda placed on 15-day IL; RHP Ober recalled from AAA; 4/27 RHP Winder returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 15-day IL; LHP Headrick optioned to AAA; 4/25 RHP Stewart contract selected from AAA; RHP Megill designated for release or assignment.

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TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

Pen has pitched 7.0 consecutive scoreless innings over last two games after Jovani Moran allowed an eighth inning run on Wednesday night at Chicago-AL. Pen has averaged 94.2 mph on fastballs, 7th hardest throwing team in baseball...have thrown 846 fastballs, 2nd-fewest in MLB...have thrown 360 offspeed pitches, 2nd most in baseball. Pen has gone 2-4, 4.26 ERA (57.0 IP, 27 ER) in 17 road games, compared to 3-2, 3.02 ERA (53.2 IP, 18 ER) in 16 home games...10-run game on 4/20 at BOS was main blemish on road. In 19 G vs. CLE last season, went 1-8, 4.63 ERA (81.2 IP, 42 ER) w/ 39 BB, 9 HR and 76 K...they blew seven leads which led to losses to CLE in 2022. Pen is 5-6, 3.66 ERA (110.2 IP, 45 ER), 10 SV (16 opp.), 49 BB, 114 K & 30 HD in 33 G...they have struck out 37 batters in their last nine games, tied for 7th-most in baseball since 4/26. After ranking 3rd in MLB with 654.1 IP in 2022, pen has thrown 110.2 innings in 2023, 5th fewest in baseball...also .221 BAA ranks 9th in baseball.

JORGE ALCALA - RHP #66
Height: 6-3 Weight: 203 Age: 27 (7/28/95 in Bajos De Haina, DR) Acquired: Trade with HOU, 7/27/18
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series at CLE: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .083 vs. Right .273

Recalled prior to tonight's game...made Twins OD roster and made 6 appearances before being optioned to AAA on 4/21. 4 apps during recent stint with StP, going 1-1, 1.93 ERA (4.2 IP, 1 ER) w/ 4 BB & 6 K...last G was Wed. vs. Nashville throwing 42 pitches in 1.2 IP. Began season with 5.2 scoreless IP from 4/1-12, but allowed 5 ER in 4.1 IP from 4/15-20 before option on 4/21. Lefties are 1-for-12 w/ 2 BB (Chisolm 1B on 4/3 at MIA)...right-handers are 6-for-22 w/ 2 2B, 3 BB and 5 K this season. 2023 arsenal: slider - 89 pitches (48.9%), changeup - 37 pitches (20.3%), sinker - 32 pitches (17.6%), 4-seam FB - 24 pitches (13.2%)...4-Seam FB averages 95.2 mph...opponents are 2-for-17 (.118) w/ 6 K vs. slider...

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes AAA Game Logs and Major League Game Logs.

JHOAN DURAN - RHP #59
Height: 6-5 Weight: 259 Age: 25 (1/8/98 in Esperanza, DR) Acquired: Trade with ARI, 7/27/18
Roadtrip: 0-0-1, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 3 BB Series at CLE: 0-0-1, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 1 BB vs. Left .158 vs. Right .095

8 of last 9 G have been scoreless (1.08 ERA)...has walked 7 batters in last 5 G (4.1 IP), 2 of which were intentional. 7 saves (8 opps), tied for 4th in AL...only BS came on 4/11 vs. CWS...has converted 5 successful saves since. Has appeared in 12 of Twins 19 wins & Twins are 12-2 in games which he has appeared...twins are 53-18 in games which he's appeared (since '22). 91 of 215 pitches over 100 mph, topping out at 103.4 4/29 vs. KC vs. Witt Jr. (foul)...91 pitches rank 2nd in MLB trailing J. Hicks - 126...has thrown 483 pitches over 100 mph since start of last season, the most in baseball. 0-1, 0.77 ERA (11.2 IP, 1 ER) w/ 2 SV, 5 BB & 14 K in 9 career G vs. CLE...1 blemish vs. CLE was 9/26/22 at PF as Clement scored on WP in bot 8 (Twins lost 4-3). Ranks in the 94th percentile in baseball in whiff% (36.9)...also in the 98th percentile in xBA (.154). Batters are 1-for-14 (.071) off his splitter this season - W. Calhoun 1B'd off the pitch on 4/25 vs. NYY...2 hits allowed on FB and 2 hits off curve. 2023 arsenal: 4-seam FB (avg. 101.4 mph) - 88 pitches (40.9%), curveball (avg. 88.0 mph) - 37 pitches (34.0%), splitter (avg. 98.6 mph) - 54 pitches (25.1%).

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

GRIFFIN JAX - RHP #22
Height: 6-1 Weight: 195 Age: 28 (11/22/94 in Phoenix, AZ) Acquired: 3rd RD, 2016 Draft
Roadtrip: 0-1-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 1 BB Series at CWS: 0-1-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 1 BB vs. Left .120 vs. Right .300

Issued 3rd L Wed. night at CWS, allowing 1 ER on 3 H and 1 BB...just 6th time in 84 career relief appearances allowing 4 baserunners or more. 10 of 15 outings have been scoreless...has allowed Rs in 3 of last 6 after going scoreless in 8 of 1st 9 G. 2nd on club in G (15)...needs 2 games to reach 100 for career...84 career games have been in relief and 14 have been starts. Is 2-3, 5.25 ERA (24.0 IP, 14 ER) in 11 career G (2 GS) vs. CLE...0-2, 2.70 ERA (6.2 IP, 2 ER) in last 7 G vs. CLE (mostly since moving to 'pen)...first career win was vs. CLE on 6/25/21 at Target Field w/ 4.1 innings of relief (4th career ML game). Lefties are 3-for-25 w/ 2B, 9 K and righties are 9-for-30 w/ 4 BB and 6 K this season...has allowed 10 H in last 7 G after 2 H in previous 8 G. 2023 arsenal: sweeper - 157 pitches (70.7%), 4-seam FB - 51 pitches (23.0%), changeup - 14 pitches (6.3%)...146 BAA on sweeper, .571 on FB.

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

JORGE LÓPEZ - RHP #48
Height: 6-4 Weight: 206 Age: 30 (2/10/93 in Caguas, PR) Acquired: Trade with BAL, 8/2/22
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 6.00 (3.0 IP, 2 ER), 1 K, 2 BB Series at CLE: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .053 vs. Right .229

14 of 16 app. this season have been scoreless; 2 ER 5/2 at CWS were his 1st ER allowed this season, 1st since allowing 4 ER on 9/19/22 at CLE. Has 0.90 ERA (20.0 IP, 2 ER) in last 21 games since 9/24/22, 5th best ERA in baseball since that date (min. 20 IP). Has 2 saves and 6 holds this season, joining Yennier Cano, Jason Foley and Jose Quijada as only pitchers in baseball w/ 2+SV and 5+HD. Leads Twins in appearances (16)...3 BB, 11 K...167 BAA (9-for-554) and 0.80 WHIP this season. Is 1-3, 8.70 ERA (30.0 IP, 29 ER) in 17 career G (3 GS) vs. CLE...7.82 ERA (12.2 IP, 11 ER) in 8 career G (1 GS) at Progressive...posted a 11.57 ERA (4.2 IP, 6 ER) w/ 1 HR, 6 BB & 3 K in 4 G vs. CLE last season...HR was hit by Luke Maile. Lefties are 1-for-18 (Melendez 1B on 4/28 vs. KC) w/ 2 BB and 5 K this season and righties are 8-for-36 w/ 1 BB and 6 K. 2023 arsenal: sinker - 61 pitches (31.6%), slider - 42 pitches (21.8%), curveball - 33 pitches (17.1%), changeup - 33 pitches (17.1%), 4-seam FB - 24 pitches (12.4%)...ranks in the 94th percentile in MLB in fastball velocity (97.3 mph)...batters are 0-for-9 off changeup this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

JOVANI MORAN - LHP #71
Height: 6-1 Weight: 199 Age: 26 (4/24/97 in Mayaguez, PR) Acquired: 7th RD, 2015 Draft
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series at CWS: 0-0-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .267 vs. Right .263

Opponents have scored in 7 of 11 appearances this season and has walked at least 1 batter in 7 of those. Is 0-0, 4.70 ERA (7.2 IP, 4 ER) w/ 1 BB & 9 K in 6 career G vs. CLE...4 ER in 1.2 vs. CLE on 9/15/21 (2nd career G) but 5-straight scoreless apps since. LHB are 4-for-15, 5 BB & 5 K against him and RHB are 10-for-38 (2 HR - J. Peña & M Duffy), 4 BB & 10 K. 2 HR allowed in 13.2 IP this season...HR allowed on 4/2 at KC (M. Duffy) was 1st of career...J. Peña hit 2nd on 4/8 vs. HOU...pitched 41.1 IP homerless innings to start career, the 2nd-longest homerless IP streak to begin career in MIN history (1961-), behind Paul Abbott (59.2 IP from 1990-91). Posted a 11.95 K/9.0 IP ratio in 2023, ranking 14th among AL relievers...also set a Twins rookie record and is 11th-best in club history among all relievers. 2023 arsenal: changeup - 128 pitches (48.5%), 4-seam FB - 116 pitches (43.9%), slider - 20 pitches (7.6%)...batters are 6-for-30 (.200) off changeup. Pitched for Puerto Rico in WBC, going 1-0, 3.38 ERA (2.2 IP, 1 ER) w/ 1 HR (Juan Soto), 2 BB & 5 K in 3 games.

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

EMILIO PAGÁN - RHP #15
Height: 6-3 Weight: 216 Age: 31 (5/7/91 in Simpsonville, SC) Acquired: Trade with SD, 4/7/22
Roadtrip: 1-0-0, 0.00 (2.1 IP, 0 ER), 4 K, 1 BB Series at CWS: 1-0-0, 0.00 (2.1 IP, 0 ER), 4 K, 1 BB vs. Left .450 vs. Right .194

0 ER in 8 of last 9 app. but allowed 6 ER on 4/20 at BOS in emergency relief role, entering for Maeda who was hit in ankle with come-backer. 0-1, 8.80 ERA (15.1 IP, 15 ER) in 16 career G vs. CLE...0-1, 9.90 ERA (10.0 IP, 11 ER) w/ 2 HR, 6 BB & 13 K in 10 G vs. CLE last season...had stretch of games vs. CLE last year where he allowed 2-plus runs per outing in 4-straight from 6/21-29. Lefties are 9-for-19 w/ 4 2B, 2 BB & 4 K this season, while righties are 6-for-32 w/ 2 2B, 1 BB and 8 K's. Struck out 400th career batter 5/3 at CWS, fanning Luis Robert Jr...just 8.76 K/9.0 IP ratio this season, lowest of career. Has struck out at least 1 batter in 23 of last 24 games since 8/21/22 (36 total K's in that span)...did not K a batter on 4/9 vs. HOU for 1st time since 8/17/22 vs. KC, snapping streak of 16-straight app. w/ at least 1 K. 2023 arsenal: 4-seam FB - 95 pitches (45.9%) cutter - 71 pitches (34.3%), curveball - 20 pitches (9.7%), splitter - 21 pitches (10.1%).

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

DERECK RODRÍGUEZ - RHP #58
Height: 6-0 Weight: 208 Age: 30 (6/5/92 in Arlington, TX) Acquired: Minor league free agent, 1/11/22
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series at CWS: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .000

Contract selected from AAA 5/5, taking vacant pen spot from Thielbar (IL)...last app. w/ Saints was on Tuesday, throwing 42 pitches in 2.1 innings vs. Nash. Went 2-0, 4.66 ERA (19.1 IP, 10 ER) w/ 10 BB & 20 K and .206 BAA in 7 G with Saints...LHB 5-for-38 (.132) and RHB 10-for-35 (.286). Last ML appearance was G2 on 9/17/22 at CLE in 15-inning loss to Guardians, allowing 2 UER in 3.2 innings pitched. Is son of Hall-of-Fame catcher Ivan "Pudge" Rodríguez...originally draft by MIN in 6th RD of 2011 Draft but made ML debut w/ SF in 2018.

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

BROCK STEWART - RHP #61
Height: 6-3 Weight: 218 Age: 31 (10/3/91 in Normal, IL) Acquired: Minor league free agent, 7/14/22
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 3 K, 5 BB Series at CWS: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 3 K, 5 BB vs. Left .167 vs. Right .000

Escaped bases loaded jams in each of last 2 outings at CWS - 1 forced an X-inning loss and 1 forced X-inning win...has never faced CLE. Has made 4 apps w/ MIN, allowing 1 H, while walking 6 (3 IBB) and striking out 7...opponents hitting .067...lefties 1-for-6, righties 0-for-9. Season/Twins debut 4/27 vs. KC, 2.0 scoreless IP & W in 1st MLB app. since 9/24/19 & 1st MLB W since 9/18/19. Contract selected by MIN from AAA StP on 4/25...posted 2.08 ERA (8.2 IP, 2 ER), 2 SV, 2 BB, 17 K, 1.04 WHIP and .219 (7-for-32) BAA in 7 G for Saints...6 of 7 G were scoreless...with Saints, RHP hit .154 and LHB hit .263. 2023 arsenal at MLB: 4-Seam FB - 31 pitches (38.3%), cutter - 19 pitches (23.5%), sweeper - 22 pitches (27.2%), changeup - 9 pitches (11.1%)...averaging 95.8 mph on 4-Seam FB w/ batters going 0-for-4. Originally selected by LAD in 6th round of 2014 Draft out of Illinois State University...MLB appearances w/ LAD (2015-19 and TOR (2019)).

RECENT APPEARANCES table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO.

2023 BULLPEN INFO

Table with columns: Player name, 1st Batter Avg, BB/9, K/9, Saves/Opps, Holds, IRS%, WHIP, HR, Last game, 2 games ago, 3 games ago.





MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Table with 2 columns: Category (e.g., Most Runs, Game) and Value/Context (e.g., 11, 2x, last 4/13 at NYY)

LONGEST HOME RUNS

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Two side-by-side tables: Longest Home Runs and Highest Exit Velocity.

STARTS BY POSITION

Table showing starts by position for various players (C, 1B, 2B, etc.)

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Table showing starts by batting order for various players (1, 2, 3, etc.)

MOST USED LINEUP (3X)

Table showing most used lineup for various positions (Player, Pos.)

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Table showing outfield assists for various players

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Large block containing 'FOR THE TWINS' and 'AGAINST THE TWINS' with categories: HITTING, PITCHING, MISCELLANEOUS.

2023 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

Table with 3 columns: DATE, DELAYED/PPD, NOTES

