

MINNESOTA TWINS (35-34) vs. DETROIT TIGERS (28-39)

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023 - 7:10 PM (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Joe Ryan (7-3, 2.90) vs. RHP Will Vest (2-0, 3.20)

GAME 70

HOME GAME 36

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Probable Pitchers, Time, Television, Radio / Spanish Radio. Rows for 6/17 and 6/18.

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Table listing season statistics: 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, May, 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 W/L, Shutouts W/L, Complete Games (Twins), Average Time of Game (Twins), Attendance High, Attendance Total, Attendance Average, Target Field Sellouts - 2023/All-Time.

THE TWINS: Began their 10-game homestand with a two-game series sweep over the Brewers, followed by a loss to the Tigers last night...tonight, they will continue the homestand with the second of four games against the Tigers through the weekend...after this series, the Twins will welcome the Red Sox to Target Field for four games from Monday-Thursday...the Twins have gone 20-15 at home and 15-19 on the road.

Ⓢ The Twins are on game four of a 16 games in 16 days stretch, their next off-day being in Baltimore on June 29...the Twins have 22 games in 24 days leading up to the All-Star Break (July 10-13).

(T)-PAINFUL DEFEAT: The Twins lost to the Tigers last night at Target Field and in front of T-Pain, by a score of 8-4...Sonny Gray was the starter but did not factor into the decision, allowing two runs on three hits in 4.0 innings pitched, with four walks and three strikeouts, exiting after 79 pitches...Jovani Moran (0-2) was issued the loss, allowing three runs on three hits in 1.0 inning of relief...the offense recorded seven hits and walked just once...Willi Castro played his first game against his former team, going 2-for-3 with a double, an RBI and a run scored.

TWINS AND TIGERS: The Twins and Tigers are playing the second of 13 meetings in 2023...Twins went 11-8 against Detroit last season, going 7-2 at Target Field and 4-6 at Comerica Park. Ⓢ Six of the Twins next 10 games will be against Detroit as they will travel to Michigan for a three-game series next weekend to kick-off a nine-game roadtrip.

Ⓢ Carlos Correa is hitting .340 (18-for-53) with five doubles, two home runs, nine RBI and a .954 OPS in his last 13 games vs. the Tigers.

Ⓢ Michael A. Taylor is hitting .325 (13-for-40) with an .886 OPS in his last 12 games vs. Detroit. Ⓢ Christian Vázquez is hitting .329 (26-for-79) with seven doubles, three home runs, 15 RBI and a .902 OPS in 23 career games vs. the Tigers.

C4 IGNITING: Carlos Correa hit a go-ahead grand slam on Saturday at Toronto, a walk-off home run Tuesday night against Milwaukee and the game-tying triple Wednesday afternoon vs. Milwaukee...he has hit safely in each of his last seven games, hitting .321 (9-for-28) with three doubles, one triple, three home runs, 10 RBI, a .387 on-base percentage, an .821 slugging percentage and a 1.209 OPS in that span...he also has an extra-base hit in a season-high-tying five-straight games, one shy of his career-best streak...since May 10, he has raised his batting average 34 points, from .185 to .219 in 27 games...below are his first 32 games and last 27 games (since May 10) by comparison:

Table with columns: AVG, H, 2B, HR, RBI, BB, K, OBP, SLG, OPS, OPS w/ RISP. Rows for FIRST 32 and LAST 27.

PITCHING-IN IN 2023: Twins starters have averaged 5.6 innings-per-outing, up from 4.8 in 2022...they have pitched 6.0-plus innings 39 times this season, which matches their total from last season...by June 16, 2022, they had reached 6.0-plus just 16 times...additionally, below are the starting staff's rankings in a few categories among other AL teams:

Table with columns: INNINGS, ERA, BAA, BB/9.0, FIP, WHIP, K's, OPS. Rows for MIN, HOU, TOR, TEX, CWS.

JOE CY-AN: Through 13 starts, Joe Ryan has gone 7-3, 2.90 ERA (77.2 IP, 25 ER) with 15 walks, 84 strikeouts and a 0.97 WHIP...of his six home runs allowed, just two have come in his last nine starts (Bregman and McCormick on 5/30 at HOU)...the Twins are 8-5 in his starts, but have gone 1-2 in his last three...below are a few of his rankings among all AL starters:

Table with columns: OPS, SLG, WHIP, FIP, WAR, K/BB. Rows for Ryan, Rodriguez, Valdez, J. Gray, Ohtani, Ohtani, Valdez, Eovaldi, Eovaldi, Ryan, Gausman.

ADDITIONALLY: Ryan has a .210 opponent batting average on his fastball this season, the eighth lowest in the AL...also, he has the sixth lowest BAA on offspeed at .163.

RUN THE JULS: Since being recalled from Triple-A St. Paul on Saturday, Edouard Julien is hitting .400 (6-for-15) with four doubles, four walks, a .526 on-base percentage and a 1.193 OPS in five games...in his last 12 major league games (dating back to May 24), he is hitting .317 (13-for-41) with six doubles, two home runs, four RBI, nine walks, a .431 on-base percentage, a .610 slugging percentage and a 1.041 OPS.

OH D!: Donovan Solano homered for the second time in his last four games last night after going homerless in his first 54 games to start the season...he has reached safely in each of his last six games, hitting .421 (8-for-19) with two doubles, two home runs, six RBI, six walks, a .560 on-base percentage, an .842 slugging percentage and a 1.402 OPS in that span.

RUNNING MAN: Twins have stolen 35 bases in 41 attempts this season, for a 85.4 success rate, best in the AL and third best in baseball...since May 15, they have successfully stolen a club-record 25 consecutive bases, their last caught stealing being Ryan Jeffers on May 13...their previous successful stolen base streak was 21, from September 25, 2006-April 21, 2007 (Elias)...the longest streak in baseball this season is Tampa Bay's streak of 35, which was snapped on June 11.

JOEY METRICS: Joey Gallo has an average exit velocity of 93.6 mph, ranking sixth best in the AL and eighth best in baseball...additionally, he ranks fourth in baseball in hard hit percentage at 58.5%...Gallo leads the Twins in both home runs (11) and slugging percentage (.476). Ⓢ Gallo has an average exit velocity of 95.7 mph on fastballs, the ninth best in baseball.

FYI ON TWINS FUTURE MINOR LEAGUE PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Triple-A St. Paul catcher/first baseman Chris Williams went 1-for-4 last night at Louisville, extending his hitting streak to 11 games, one short of his career high...Williams has homered in three-straight games, totaling six in that span...the Saints will play game four of their six-game series in Louisville tonight at 6:15 pm (CT).

THIS AND THAT:

Ⓢ Twins have won four of their last six games overall.

Ⓢ Twins have averaged 6.0 runs-per-game in their last five (30 runs scored)...they have an OPS of .862 in that five-game span.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

Table with columns: PLAYER, CURRENT NO., MILESTONE WITHIN REACH. Rows for Byron Buxton, Carlos Correa, Joey Gallo, Jorge López, Max Kepler.

STREAKS

Table with columns: Current Streak, Last 5 games, Last 10 games, Last 15 games, Last 20 games. Values: 1 loss, 3-2, 4-6, 7-8, 10-10.

TWINS VS. TIGERS

Table with columns: 2023 Record, Current Streak, 2023 at Home, 2023 at Detroit, Under Baldelli (since 2019), All-Time Record, All-Time at Home, All-Time at Detroit. Values: 0-1, 3 losses, 0-1, 42-26, 486-436-1, 257-208, 229-229-1.

2023 Game Logs:

Table with columns: Date, Site, Score, Winner/Loser/Save. Rows for 6/15 MIN, 6/16 MIN, 6/17 MIN, 6/18 MIN, 6/23 DET, 6/24 DET, 6/25 DET, 8/7 DET, 8/8 DET, 8/9 DET, 8/10 DET, 8/15 MIN, 8/16 MIN.

CURRENT HOMESTAND (2-1)

Table with columns: Batting average, Runs Per Game, Home Runs, RISP, Errors, Team ERA, Starters W-L, Starters ERA, Relievers W-L-S, Relievers ERA, Saves/Opps. Values: .253, 5.0, 4, .389, 1, 5.00, 1-0, 3.94, 1-1-1, 6.55, 1/1.

FOR THE RECORD

Table with columns: WHEN SCORING..., RECORD. Rows for 1+, 2+, 3+, 4+, 5+, 6+, 7+.

HR VS. DETROIT SINCE 2019

Table with columns: Minnesota, Chicago-AL, Cleveland, Kansas City, Los Angeles-AL. Values: 103, 91, 88, 75, 36.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Table listing recent transactions: 6/15 OF Buxton reinstated from 10-day IL, OF Larnach optioned to AAA, 6/13 OF/1B Gallo returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 10-day IL, OF Garlick optioned to AAA, 6/10 IF Polanco placed on 10-day IL, IF Julien recalled from AAA, 6/9 LHP Thielbar placed on 15-day IL, RHP Winder recalled from AAA, 6/6 OF Buxton placed on 10-day IL, OF Larnach returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 10-day IL, 6/4 LHP Thielbar returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 15-day IL, RHP Sands placed on 15-day IL, 6/3 OF/1B Gallo placed on 10-day IL, OF Garlick recalled from AAA, 6/1 IF Polanco reinstated from 10-day IL, IF Julien optioned to AAA, 5/30 MiLB IF White traded to NYM in exchange for cash considerations.

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