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MINNESOTA TWINS (54-49) vs. SEATTLE MARINERS (51-50)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023 - 12:10 PM (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Joe Ryan (9-6, 3.88) vs. RHP Bryce Miller (6-3, 3.50)

GAME 104

HOME GAME 54

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Probable Pitchers, Time, Television, Radio / Spanish Radio. Rows for 7/27, 7/28, 7/29, 7/30, 7/31.

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Table with various season statistics: Under Baldelli (since '19), Home Record, Road Record, Record in series, Record in home series, Record in road series, Series Openers, Series Finales, 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, Record When Scoring, 1+, 2+, 3+, 4+, 5+, 6+, 7+, 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, CG (Twins), Average Time of Game (Twins), Attendance High, Attendance Total, Attendance Average, Target Field Sellouts - 2023/All-Time.

THE TWINS: The Twins have gone 4-1 through five games on their current six-game homestand, sweeping the White Sox in three over the weekend, followed by a win and a loss against the Mariners this week...Minnesota will complete the homestand today with the three-game series finale against Seattle...after today's game, the Twins will travel to Kansas City to begin a six-game, eight-day roadtrip with an off-day tomorrow, a three-game series with the Royals this weekend, an off-day in St. Louis on July 31, then three games against the Cardinals from August 1-3...the Twins have gone 30-23 at home and 24-26 on the road. Of the Twins' 59 remaining games, they have an opponent winning percentage of .475, the second-lowest strength of schedule, trailing only the White Sox (.465).

PEN PROBLEMS IN GAME TWO: The Twins lost to the Mariners last night at Target Field by a score of 9-7...Pablo López was the starter but did not factor into the decision, allowing two runs on six hits in 7.0 innings pitched, with one walk and eight strikeouts...Jovani Moran, Emilio Pagán and Oliver Ortega combined to allow seven runs in 2.0 innings of relief, losing a four-run lead...the offense recorded eight hits, walked five times and struck out a season-high 18 times - their most since June 27, 2019 vs. Tampa Bay, when they struck out 22 times in 18 innings; their most strikeouts in a 9.0-inning game since fanning 19 times on August 17, 2017 vs. Cleveland (Game 1)...Matt Wallner (2) and Michael A. Taylor (12) each hit home runs for Minnesota.

SUMMER SLAM: Since the All-Star break, the Twins have gone 9-3, leading baseball in wins in that span...below are the offensive numbers and MLB ranks pre-All-Star break vs. post-All-Star break:

Table with columns: AVG, R/G, H, HR, BB, OBP, SLG, OPS, TB, BA/RISP. Rows for PRE and POST.

STARTER STRENGTH: Pablo López gave the Twins their MLB-best 52nd quality start last night...Twins starters have combined to go 30-30, 3.77 ERA (585.1 IP, 245 ER) with 155 walks, 643 strikeouts and a .234 opponent batting average...below are Twins starting pitching ranks among the other MLB teams:

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

NOT AT THE TABLE, CARLOS: Carlos Correa has led off in 20 of the club's last 21 games, since June 30...since that date, he has reached safely in 18 of 20 games, hitting .296 (24-for-81) with a .376 on-base percentage and a .796 OPS, while leading the team in hits and times on base (35)...below are his numbers prior to June 30 and after that date.

Table with columns: AVG, R, H, 2B, HR, RBI, BB%, K%, OBP, SLG, OPS. Rows for FIRST 71, LAST 20.

ROSTER MOVE: The Twins have recalled right-handed pitcher Josh Winder from Triple-A St. Paul...Winder, 26, went 0-2, 7.36 ERA (7.1 IP, 6 ER), four walks and 12 strikeouts in five appearances for the Saints since July 5...he has gone 1-0, 4.76 ERA (5.2 IP, 3 ER), three walks and seven strikeouts in four games across three prior stints with the Twins this season...to make room for Winder on the 26-man roster, the Twins optioned right-handed pitcher Oliver Ortega to the Saints last night...Ortega went 0-1 with one hold, a 4.50 ERA (14.0 IP, 7 ER), four walks and 14 strikeouts in nine appearances for Minnesota this season.

SEATTLE'S BEST: The Twins and Mariners are playing each other for the seventh and final time this season...a win today would secure the season series for the Twins for the second-consecutive season after going 4-3 in 2022.

The Twins are 7-4 in their last 11 vs. Seattle, dating back to April 10, 2022. Donovan Solano is a career .340 (17-for-50) hitter with three doubles, one triple, five RBI, three walks, 10 runs scored and an .822 OPS in 15 games vs. the Mariners. Notable individuals vs. Seattle this season: Edouard Julien is 10-for-19 (.526) with two home runs and five walks...Max Kepler is 11-for-22 (.500) with three doubles, two home runs, eight RBI and one walk...Ryan Jeffers is 4-for-11 (.364) with two walks...Willi Castro is 6-for-19 (.316) with three RBI and two walks.

SERIES BUSINESS: The Twins are seeking their 16th series victory this season...they are 15-13-4 in series play in 2023, going 9-5-2 at home and 6-8-2 on the road. Twins are seeking their first series win over the Mariners since June 13-15, 2022 at T-Mobile Park...they are 1-0-2 in their last three series' vs. the M's, their last loss coming in a three-game series from June 14-16, 2021 in Seattle (1-2).

Entering today, the Twins have gone 5-2-1 in their last eight series', dating back to their June 23-25 series at Detroit.

KEEPING UP WITH KEPLER: In his last 21 games, since June 30, Max Kepler is hitting .316 (24-for-76) with four doubles, four home runs, 15 RBI, 13 runs scored, six walks, a .361 on-base percentage, a .526 slugging percentage and an .888 OPS...in that span, he is slashing .340/.390/.642 with a 1.031 OPS vs. right-handed pitching.

JUNE, JULY, JULIEN: Edouard Julien hit his first career triple last night and is hitting .352 (37-for-105) with nine doubles, one triple, five home runs, nine RBI, 17 walks, 20 runs scored, a .439 on-base percentage and a 1.039 OPS in his last 35 games since June 10...in that span, he ranks among the major league leaders (minimum of 100 at-bats) in on-base percentage (4th), batting average (6th) and OPS (8th).

HOLDING DOWN THE FORT: The Twins, in conjunction with Major League Baseball, yesterday announced the home schedule for their 2024 spring training campaign, the club's 34th at Lee County Sports Complex in Fort Myers, FL...the Twins' 2024 spring schedule features 34 total games (18 home, 16 road), a slate that begins with a home exhibition contest at Hammond Stadium against the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers on Friday, February 23...the first of 33 official Grapefruit League games occurs the next day, Saturday, February 24, when the Twins host the Pittsburgh Pirates at Hammond...the Twins conclude their spring training schedule on Tuesday, March 26 with a home game against Atlanta, before beginning the 2024 regular season on Thursday, March 28, with an Opening Day contest against the Kansas City Royals at Kauffman Stadium.

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 2010, Joe Mauer went 5-for-5 with seven RBI as the Twins beat Zack Greinke and the Royals, 19-1...Danny Valencia also went 4-for-4 and hit a grand slam for his first major league home run.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

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

STREAKS

Table with columns: Streak Name, Count. Rows for Current Streak, Last 5 games, Last 10 games, Last 15 games, Last 20 games.

TWINS VS. MARINERS

Table with columns: Record Name, Count. Rows for 2023 Record, Current Streak, 2023 at Home, 2023 at Seattle, Under Baldelli (since 2019), All-Time Record, All-Time at Home, All-Time at Seattle.

2023 Game Logs:

Table with columns: Date, Site, Score, Winner/Loser/Save. Rows for 7/17 SEA, 7/18 SEA, 7/19 SEA, 7/20 SEA, 7/24 MIN, 7/25 MIN, 7/26 MIN.

CURRENT HOMESTAND (4-1)

Table with columns: Statistic, Value. Rows for Batting average, Runs Per Game, Home Runs, RISP, Errors, Team ERA, Starters W-L, Starters ERA, Relievers W-L-S, Relievers ERA, Saves/Opps.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Table with columns: Date, Transaction. Rows for 7/26 RHP Winder recalled from AAA, 7/25 RHP Ortega optioned to AAA, 7/24 DH Buxton placed on Paternity List, 7/15 IF Miranda placed on 10-day IL, 7/5 RHP Sands returned from rehab assignment, 7/4 RHP J. López reinstated from 15-day IL, 6/27 RHP Stewart placed on 15-day IL.

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JOE RYAN

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Height: 6-2 Weight: 193 B/T: R/R Age: 27 (6/5/1996 in San Francisco, CA)

2023: 9-6, 3.88 ERA CAREER: 24-15, 3.73 ERA

- Making his 21st start and appearance of 2023 and his 11th home start of the year...also his 53rd career start and appearance. Facing Seattle for the first time this season and third time in his career; is 0-2, 6.23 ERA (8.2 IP, 6 ER) with five walks and seven strikeouts in two previous starts vs. the Mariners. Owns the most strikeouts (322) and is tied for the fifth-most wins (24) through a pitcher's first 52 career games in Twins history (since 1961).

2023 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Dec., IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Left/Final, Notes, Pitches/K. Includes sub-totals for APRIL, MAY, JUNE, and JULY, along with RECORD and CAREER TOTALS.

LAST TIME OUT: Earned the win on July 21 vs. Chicago-AL, a 9-4 Twins' victory at Target Field...pitched 6.0 innings and allowed four runs on seven hits (2 HR), with one walk and a season-high-tying 10 strikeouts...

- Struck out a season-high 10 batters for the fifth time this season (also, April 8 vs. Houston, April 13 at New York-AL, May 13 vs. Chicago-NL and July 9 vs. Baltimore)...was one short of his career high of 11 (September 22, 2021 at Chicago-NL). Ryan's 11 homers allowed in his last five starts are the most by a Twin in a five-game span since Martin Pérez did so from July 17-August 8, 2019. Through 20 starts, Ryan is among the American League leaders in walks-per-9.0 innings (1.67 - 4th), WHIP (1.07 - 8th), quality starts (12 - T-6th), strikeouts (141 - 6th) and WAR (2.4 - 11th).

TWO STARTS AGO: Did not factor into the decision on July 16 at Oakland in the Twins' 5-4 win over the Athletics...pitched 5.1 innings and allowed three runs on five hits (1 HR), with a season-high-tying three walks and seven strikeouts...

- Tied his season high with three walks issued, also walking three on May 30 at Houston. Threw only 55 of his 91 pitches for strikes, a 60.4 strike percentage; marked his lowest strike percentage of the season and second lowest of his career (70/42 - 60.0% on April 8, 2022 vs. Seattle).

SEA SICK: Seeking his first career win vs. the Mariners today; is 0-2, 6.23 ERA (8.2 IP, 6 ER) with five walks and seven strikeouts in two career starts against Seattle, both in the 2022 season...lost to the Mariners on Opening Day last season in the Twins' 2-1 defeat on April 8, 2022; pitched 4.0 innings and allowed two runs on two hits (1 HR), with four walks and four strikeouts...

- Is 1-5, 5.89 ERA (44.1 IP, 29 ER) with 24 walks and 53 strikeouts in nine career starts vs. American League West opponents...Twins have gone 2-2 in his four starts vs. the AL West this year.

ON TARGET: In 10 home starts this year, Ryan is 6-3, 3.57 ERA (63.0 IP, 25 ER) with nine walks and 80 strikeouts, recording a quality start in five of his 10 home outings...Twins have gone 7-3 in his starts at Target Field this season...

- Ryan is 13-8, 3.53 ERA (160.2 IP, 63 ER) with 42 walks and 185 strikeouts in 28 career starts at Target Field...among pitchers with at least 10 career starts at Target Field, he owns the lowest WHIP (0.99) and opponent batting average (.196), fifth-lowest opponent OPS (.601), and 10th-lowest ERA since the park opened in 2010. Is 11-7, 3.97 ERA (131.1 IP, 58 ER) with 32 walks and 137 strikeouts in 24 career road starts.

LEFT LEADER: Left-handed batters are batting just .199 (42-for-211) with a .568 OPS and 56 strikeouts against Ryan this year...his .568 opponent OPS against left-handed hitters is the sixth lowest in the American League this season...

- Over his career, lefties are batting .196 (103-for-525) with a .605 OPS against him...right-handed hitters are hitting .230 (130-for-565) with a .699 OPS off Ryan.

THE ARSENAL: Ryan has utilized a four-pitch mix in his first 20 starts of the 2023 season...has leaned on his four-seam fastball and split finger, combining to throw the two pitches 85.8 percent of the time this year...

Table with columns: PITCH (AVG, MPH), PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB), RESULTS. Lists pitches like 4-Seam Fastball, Split Finger, Sweeper, Slider with their respective percentages and results.

- Ryan has accumulated a run value of 13 on his four-seam fastball, tied for the sixth-best run value on a four-seamer in baseball this season, according to Baseball Savant...also has a run value of 5 on his splitter, tied for the sixth-best run value on a splitter in the majors. His .224 opponent batting average against his four-seam fastball is the 10th-lowest batting average vs. a four-seamer in baseball (min. 150 plate appearances)...his .195 opponent batting average against his splitter is the 14th-lowest batting average against a splitter in baseball (min. 50 plate appearances).

FRIDAY'S STARTER - RHP SONNY GRAY (2023: 4-4, 3.15 ERA // CAREER: 94-81, 3.53 ERA)

Sonny Gray is scheduled to start the three-game series opener against the Kansas City Royals on Friday night at Kauffman Stadium...recorded his eighth quality start of the season but took a no-decision in his last start on July 22 vs. Chicago-AL, a 3-2 Twins' win at Target Field...pitched 6.0 innings and allowed two runs on seven hits, with one walk and four strikeouts...

2023 HIGHS

- CG's: 1, 6/22 vs. BOS
SHO's: 1, 6/22 vs. BOS
CG Low-Hit: 3, 6/22 vs. BOS
Innings: 9.0, 6/22 vs. BOS
SO's: 10, 5x, last 7/21 vs. CWS
Walks: 3, 2x, last 7/16 at OAK
Hits: 9, 6/27 at ATL
Home Runs: 5, 6/27 at ATL
Win-Streak: 5, 4/2-4/25
Loss-Streak: 3, 5/30-6/16

CAREER HIGHS

- CG's: 1, 6/22/23 vs. BOS
SHO's: 1, 6/22/23 vs. BOS
CG Low-Hit: 3, 6/22/23 vs. BOS
Innings: 9.0, 6/22/23 vs. BOS
SO's: 11, 9/22/21 at CHC
Walks: 5, 5/10/22 vs. HOU
Hits: 9, 2x, last 6/27/23 at ATL
Home Runs: 5, 2x, last 6/27/23 at ATL
Win-Streak: 8, 9/13/22-4/25/23
Loss-Streak: 3, 5/30-6/16/23

CAREER NOTES

- 2023 marks his sixth professional season, including 2020. In 2022, his first full major-league season, was Twins Opening Day starter and led both the club and all AL rookies in wins (13), innings pitched (147.0) and strikeouts (151). Made his major league debut for the Twins on September 1, 2021 vs. Chicago-NL (L, 5.0 IP, 3 H, 3 R/3 ER, 1 HR, 1 BB, 5 K). Helped Team USA win the silver medal in baseball at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics...went 1-0, 1.74 ERA (10.1 IP, 2 ER), one walk and eight strikeouts in two starts. Acquired by the Twins on July 22, 2021 from the Tampa Bay Rays, alongside right-handed pitcher Drew Strotman, in exchange for designated hitter Nelson Cruz...learned about the trade while in Japan with Team USA. In 2020, was part of the Rays 60-man player pool and spent the summer at the alternate training site in Port Charlotte, Florida...ranked by Baseball America as the No. 12 prospect in the Rays system following the season. In 2019, was named Rays minor league Pitcher of the Year after going 9-4, 1.96 ERA (123.2 IP, 27 ER) in his first full professional season...divided the year between Low-A Bowling Green (6 starts), High-A Charlotte (15 games, 13 starts) and Double-A Montgomery (3 starts). Garnered several other awards in 2019, including: MiLB.com organization All-Star honors, Baseball America High Class A All-Star, two-time Florida State League Pitcher of the Week (June 17-23 and August 5-11) and Rays minor league Pitcher of the Month for July and August. Made professional debut in 2018 for Short-A Hudson Valley...went 2-1, 3.72 ERA (36.1 IP, 15 ER) in 12 games (7 starts) for the Renegades, with 14 walks and 51 strikeouts. Selected by the Rays in the seventh round of the 2018 First-Year Player Draft out of Division II California State University, Stanislaus. Went 8-1, 1.65 ERA (98.1 IP, 18 ER) in 14 starts as a senior at Stanislaus and led all divisions of college baseball with 127 strikeouts...earned three selections to All-America teams...pitched three seasons at California State University, Northridge before transferring to Stanislaus.

2023 MISC. NUMBERS

Table with columns: W, L, ERA, G/GS, IP, ER, AVG, H, AB, HR, BB, SO. Includes Home, Road, Day, Night, Grass, Turf statistics and Vs. Left/Right/TOTALS.

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

Table with columns: YEAR, STARTS, 6+ IP, QS. Shows 2021 and 2022 stats and a TOTALS row.

MORE 2023 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

Table with columns: BASE RUNNERS, PICK-OFFS, SB-ATT, GDP. Shows Ryan's stats for these categories.

2023 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

Table with columns: INNING, RUNS/HITS. Shows runs and hits per inning for innings 1 through 9+.

RYAN VS. SEATTLE

- 2022 vs. Seattle (2 starts): 0-2, 6.23 ERA (8.2 IP, 6 ER), 5 BB, 7 K
2022 vs. Seattle at Home (1 start): 0-1, 4.50 ERA (4.0 IP, 2 ER), 4 BB, 4 K
2022 vs. Seattle on Road (1 start): 0-1, 7.71 ERA (4.2 IP, 4 ER), 1 BB, 3 K
Career vs. Seattle (2 starts): 0-2, 6.23 ERA (8.2 IP, 6 ER), 5 BB, 7 K
Career vs. Seattle at Home (1 start): 0-1, 4.50 ERA (4.0 IP, 2 ER), 4 BB, 4 K
Career vs. Seattle on Road (1 start): 0-1, 7.71 ERA (4.2 IP, 4 ER), 1 BB, 3 K

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Table with columns: PLAYER, AVG, AB, H, HR, BB, SO. Compares Ryan vs. the Mariners and Miller vs. the Twins.

TOP SHELF: Ryan is among the top 10 percent of all pitchers in baseball in 2023 in several advanced metrics, per Baseball Savant...here are his numbers and where he ranks in the majors this year:

Table with columns: METRIC, RYAN'S #'s, PERCENTILE (MLB RANK). Lists metrics like xOBP, Chase Rate, Walk Rate, xwOBA with their respective values and percentiles.

- Also ranks in the 86th percentile in strikeout rate (29.4) and the 84th percentile in xBA (.212) despite ranking in the 31st percentile in fastball velocity (92.4). Owns a career-low 2.94 xERA this season, which ranks in the 93rd percentile in all of baseball...had a 3.57 xERA in 2022, putting him in the 63rd percentile in MLB...also owns a career-low 6.4 barrel percentage this year, which ranks in the 73rd percentile in baseball.







