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WORLD CHAMPIONS '24 '87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS (59-55) vs. KANSAS CITY ROYALS (48-69)

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GAME 115

RHP Sonny Gray (6-3, 3.33) vs. RHP Zack Greinke (4-7, 4.29)

HOME GAME 58

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Probable Pitchers, Time, Television, Radio / Spanish Radio

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Table listing season statistics: Under Baldelli (since '19), Home Record, Road Record, Record in series, etc.

THE TWINS: After completing their five-game, seven-day southern California roadtrip with a record of 1-4 (0-2 against the Dodgers and 1-2 against the Angels), the Twins began their seven-game, eight-day homestand with a win over the Royals last night...

RYAN AND RELIEVERS TAKE CARE OF ROYALS: The Twins beat the Royals last night at Target Field by a score of 4-2...Joe Ryan (9-5) was the starter and winner, allowing two runs on six hits in 5.1 innings pitched...

TWINS AND ROYALS: The Twins and Royals are playing the 12th of 19 meetings in 2022...they are 7-4 against Kansas City this season, going 4-2 at Kauffman Stadium and 3-2 at Target Field...

☞ Twins batters have hit .294 (110-for-374) with 16 doubles, three triples, seven home runs, 46 walks and 52 runs scored against the Royals this season...

☞ Twins batters hit just one home run against KC pitching over the first seven meetings this season but have since hit six in four games.

☞ Luis Arraez is hitting .372 (51-for-137) with five doubles, one triple, 11 RBI, 19 walks, a .450 on-base percentage and an .873 OPS in 38 career games vs. the Royals...

☞ Byron Buxton is hitting .317 (19-for-60) with seven doubles, three home runs, six RBI, 14 runs scored and a .947 OPS in his last 14 games against the Royals...

☞ Carlos Correa is hitting .346 (27-for-78) with three doubles, four home runs, 10 RBI, 13 walks, a .440 on-base percentage and a .978 OPS in 21 games against the Royals since 2019.

FOUR POINT BUCK: Byron Buxton hit his 28th home run of the season on Sunday afternoon in Anaheim...he enters today third in the AL in homers, trailing Aaron Judge (46) and Yordan Alvarez (31)...

Table comparing HR and TWIN statistics for players like Harmon Killebrew, Gary Gaetti, Max Kepler, etc.

STARTING TO ROLL: Twins starters have combined to go 4-3, 3.63 ERA (74.1 IP, 30 ER) with 22 walks, 80 strikeouts and a .231 opponent batting average in their last 15 games since July 30...

Table with columns: DATE/OPPONENT, STARTER, W/L, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, K

FAST STARTS: The Twins' winning percentage in games in which they've scored the first run this season (.738, 48-17) is 514 points higher than their mark in games in which their opponent scored first (.224, 11-38)...

☞ The Twins have scored 24 first-inning runs this season, fourth-most in baseball, trailing New York-AL (30), Houston (29) and Atlanta (27).

C4, EXP-LOS-IVE: Carlos Correa has reached base 11 times in his last 14 plate appearances...he enters today with a six-game hitting streak, batting .400 (8-for-20) with six walks, a .519 on-base percentage and a 1.069 OPS in that span...

☞ On the season, Correa has a .484 xSLG, which is in the 90th percentile in baseball.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE: The Twins have gone 28-20 against the AL Central this season...28 wins trail Cleveland (29-22) for the most wins against the division...

TWO OUT OF THREE AIN'T BAD: The Twins are 16-14-5 in series play this season, going 9-5-3 at home and 7-9-2 on the road...they began the season going 11-5-4 in series play, but have gone 5-9-1 since...

GETTING OFFENSIVE: The Twins have recorded double-digit hit totals 47 times this season, the third-most in baseball, trailing Colorado (51) and Toronto (50)...

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 1975, the Twins set a major league mark with nine batters recording two-or-more hits, in a 9-1, nine-inning victory over Cleveland...in 1990, Kirby Puckett started off in rightfield and moved to shortstop, third base, and second base all in the second inning...

UPCOMING MILESTONES

Table with columns: PLAYER, CURRENT NO., MILESTONE WITHIN REACH

STREAKS

Table listing streaks: Current Streak, Last 5 games, Last 10 games, Last 15 games, Last 20 games

TWINS VS. ROYALS

Table listing series records: 2022 Record, Current Streak, 2022 at Home, 2022 at Kansas City, Under Baldelli (since '19), All-Time Record, All-Time at Home, All-Time at Kansas City

2022 Game Logs:

Table listing game logs with columns: Date, Site, Score, Winner/Loser/Save

CURRENT HOMESTAND (1-0)

Table listing current homestand statistics: 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 listing recent transactions: 8/8 RHP Duffey released, 8/6 OF Kepler reinstated from 10-day IL, 8/5 RHP Sands recalled from AAA, etc.

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SONNY GRAY

#54

Height: 5-10 Weight: 190 B/T: R/R Age: 32 (11/7/1989 in Smyrna, TN)

2022: 6-3, 3.33 ERA CAREER: 88-75, 3.59 ERA

- Making his 18th start and appearance of the season...will mark his 241st career appearance and 232nd start.
Will be making his second start against Kansas City this season, after earning the 7-3 win on May 29 at Target Field (6.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R/ER, 0 BB, 4 K)...is 5-2, 2.08 ERA (52.0 IP, 12 ER) with 10 walks and 41 strikeouts in eight career starts against the Royals.
Acquired by Minnesota from Cincinnati on March 13, 2022, along with minor league right-handed pitcher Francis Peguero, in exchange for minor league right-handed pitcher Chase Petty.

2022 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Dec., IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Left/Final, Notes, Pitches/K. Includes rows for 4/9, 4/16, APRIL TOTALS, 5/7, 5/13, 5/18, 5/24, 5/29, MAY TOTALS, 6/15, 6/22, 6/27, JUNE TOTALS, 7/2, 7/7, 7/14, 7/24, 7/30, JULY TOTALS, 8/4, 8/10, AUG. TOTALS, 2022 TOTALS, CAREER TOTALS.

LAST TIME OUT: Did not factor into the decision against the Dodgers in Los Angeles on August 10, as the Twins fell, 8-5...allowed four runs (3 ER) on six hits, with two walks and five strikeouts over 4.2 innings of work...left with the lead after being supported by a Jorge Polanco three-run homer, however the Dodgers scored two runs in the fifth inning, one in the sixth and three in the seventh to solidify their victory...marked the first time Gray was unable to complete 5.0 innings since July 14 vs. Chicago-AL (3.2 IP) and was also the first time he has given up more than one run in a start over that stretch.

TWO STARTS AGO: Did not factor into the decision on August 4 vs. Toronto at Target Field, despite tossing 5.0 scoreless innings, with one hit and five walks allowed, and five strikeouts...the Blue Jays plated three runs in the sixth inning and six runs in the eighth to win, 9-3...marked his second scoreless start of at least 5.0 innings this season in which he had no part in the decision (also June 15 at Seattle, 5.0 IP, 3 H, 0 BB, 3 K)...walked at least five batters for the sixth time in his career (career high is 7) and first time since August 26, 2019 at Miami (with Cincinnati)...became the second Twins pitcher this season to allow one-or-fewer hits while also walking at least five batters in a start, joining Chris Archer on June 30 at Cleveland (4.0 IP, 1 H, 6 BB).

ROYAL CONQUEROR: Will be facing the Royals for the second time this season, after earning the win on May 29 at Target Field (6.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R/ER, 0 BB, 4 K)...that game also featured a Gray vs. Greinke pitching matchup, with Greinke taking the loss (4.0 IP, 6 H, 5 R/ER, 2 HR, 2 BB, 2 K)...Gray is 5-2, 2.08 ERA (52.0 IP, 12 ER) with 10 walks and 41 strikeouts in eight career starts against Kansas City...those numbers improve to 3-1, 1.13 ERA (24.0 IP, 3 ER) with just three walks and 22 strikeouts in four career starts vs. Kansas City at his home ballpark.

- Has won five-straight starts against the Royals since April 16, 2016, boasting a 1.41 ERA (32.0 IP, 5 ER) with six walks and 27 strikeouts in that span.
His 2.08 career ERA against the Royals is his lowest mark against any single opponent which he has faced at least three times.
Has pitched 5.0-or-more innings in each of his eight career starts against the Royals, and has given up two-or-fewer earned runs in seven of the eight.

SONNY DAYS AHEAD: After yielding 14 runs combined in 13.1 innings in his three starts from July 2-14 (9.45 ERA), has a 2.18 ERA (20.2 IP, 5 ER) in his last four starts since July 24...Gray is 2-0 in that span, while the Twins are 2-2.

- Gray has historically been successful in the month of August, producing a 2.78 ERA (262.1 IP, 81 ER), the lowest monthly ERA (including March/April and September/October) in his career...his career .213 opponent batting average (205-for-964) in August is also the lowest of a single month in his career.
His 247 career strikeouts in the month of August are his second-highest monthly total, trailing the 250 strikeouts he has recorded in July.

HOME SWEET HOME: Slated to make his 10th start at Target Field this season, producing a 2-1 record, 3.50 ERA (43.2 IP, 17 ER) in his previous nine efforts (Twins are 5-4)...numbers are skewed by a six-run outing on July 14 vs. Chicago-AL (L, 3.2 IP, 9 H, 1 BB, 3 K)...has allowed three-or-fewer earned runs in all his other home starts this season...if his July 14 start is excluded, his ERA at Target Field drops to 2.48 (40.0 IP, 11 ER)...in comparison is 4-2, 3.15 ERA (40.0 IP, 14 ER) in eight starts on the road this year.

KEEP IT IN THE PARK: Has allowed just eight home runs through his first 17 starts of the season (83.2 IP)...is tied for the fourth-fewest home runs surrendered by an American League starter this season (min. 17 GS), trailing Los Angeles-AL's Patrick Sandoval (5 HR in 19 GS/100.0 IP), Toronto's Kevin Gausman (7 HR in 22 GS/122.1 IP) and Houston's Framber Valdez (7 HR, 22 GS/142.0 IP).

- Has given up just one home run to a Kansas City hitter in his career, a solo home run by Raúl Ibáñez on August 1, 2014...the home run produced the lone run of the game, as Kansas City defeated Gray and the Oakland Athletics, 1-0.

THE ARSENAL: Gray has consistently relied on six different pitches throughout his big league career and again in 2022, per Baseball Savant...43 of his 79 strikeouts this season have come on his sinker and opponents are hitting .206 (26-for-126) against the pitch...here's a look at his repertoire.

Table with columns: PITCH (AVG. MPH), PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB), RESULTS. Lists pitches like Sinker (92.1 mph, 29.0%), 4-Seam Fastball (92.2 mph, 27.2%), Curveball (78.8 mph, 22.6%), Slider (81.5 mph, 12.6%), Cutter (83.3 mph, 8.2%), Changeup (88.0 mph, 0.4%).

- His fastball spin ranks in the 96th percentile among all major league pitchers this season and his curve spin is in the 88th percentile.

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP TYLER MAHLE (2022 SEASON: 6-7, 4.26 ERA // CAREER: 32-38, 4.32 ERA)

Right-handed pitcher Tyler Mahle is scheduled to make his third start for the Twins in Wednesday's series finale vs. Kansas City...earned the win in his last start on August 12 at Los Angeles-AL, tossing 6.0 scoreless innings and allowing just three hits and two walks while striking out six...is 4-2, 2.86 ERA (69.1 IP, 22 ER), with 19 walks and 75 strikeouts in his last 11 starts, including eight quality starts...will face Kansas City for the third time in his career (2nd start) after going 1-0, 2.79 ERA (9.2 IP, 3 ER) with five walks and seven strikeouts in his prior two outings (1 GS).

2022 HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 7.0, 2x, last: 6/27 at CLE
SO's: 10, 5/24 vs. DET
Walks: 5, 8/4 vs. TOR
Hits: 9, 7/14 vs. CWS
Home Runs: 1, 8x, last: 8/10 at LAD
Win-Streak: 4, 5/18-6/27
Loss-Streak: 2, 7/8-7/14

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: 1, 5x, last: 8/7/15 vs. HOU
SHO's: 1, 4x, last: 7/28/15 at LAD
CG Low-Hit: --
Innings: 9.0, 5x, last: 8/7/15 vs. HOU
SO's: 12, 2x, last: 7/3/19 vs. MIL
Walks: 7, 5/3/15 at TEX
Hits: 11, 2x, last: 5/3/16 vs. SEA
Home Runs: 3, 5x, last: 7/25/21 vs. STL
Win-Streak: 5, 2x, last: 7/30-9/1
Loss-Streak: 4, 8/1-8/16/14

CAREER NOTES

- Twins are fourth organization (Oakland 2011-17, New York-AL 2017-18 and Cincinnati 2019-21).
Acquired by Minnesota on March 13, 2022 in a trade with the Reds, along with right-handed pitcher Francis Peguero, in exchange for right-handed pitcher Chase Petty.
Has made seven Opening Day rosters with the Athletics (2014-2016), Yankees (2018), Reds (2019-2020) and Twins (2022).
Named to American League All-Star team in 2015 for Oakland and the National League squad in 2019 for Cincinnati (did not pitch in either).
2019 recipient of the Johnny Vander Meer Award as the Reds' Most Outstanding Pitcher and finished second to Atlanta's Josh Donaldson in voting for the MLBPA's National League Comeback Player of the Year Award.
Named to Baseball America's 2019 major league All-Star second team...named American League Pitcher of the Month for April in 2014...in 2013 was the Athletics' Minor League Pitcher of the Year and a Baseball America Triple-A All-Star.
Originally selected by Oakland in first round (18th overall) in 2011 First-Year Player Draft out of Vanderbilt University...led Vandy to its first NCAA College World Series berth in 2011.
Is 0-2, 2.95 ERA (21.1 IP, 7 ER) with 12 walks, 18 strikeouts and a .189 opponent batting average in four career Postseason starts.

2022 MISC. NUMBERS

Table with columns: W, L, ERA, G/GS, IP, ER, AVG, H, AB, HR, BB, SO. Includes rows for Home, Road, Day, Night, Grass, Turf, Vs. Left, Vs. Right, TOTALS, None On, Runners On.

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

Table with columns: YEAR, STARTS, 6+ IP, QS. Includes rows for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, TOTALS.

MORE 2022 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

Table with columns: BASE RUNNERS, PICK-OFFS, SB-ATT, GDP. Includes row for GRAY: 101, 1, 6-7, 7.

2022 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

Table with columns: INNING, RUNS/HITS. Includes rows for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.

GRAY VS. KANSAS CITY

2022 vs. Kansas City (1 start): 1-0, 1.50 ERA (6.0 IP, 1 ER), 0 BB, 4 K
2022 vs. Kansas City at Home (1 start): 1-0, 1.50 ERA (6.0 IP, 1 ER), 0 BB, 4 K
2022 vs. Kansas City on Road (0 games): --
Career vs. Kansas City (8 starts): 5-2, 2.08 ERA (52.0 IP, 12 ER), 10 BB, 41 K
Career vs. Kansas City at Home (4 starts): 3-1, 1.13 ERA (24.0 IP, 3 ER), 3 BB, 22 K
Career vs. Kansas City on Road (4 starts): 2-1, 2.89 ERA (28.0 IP, 9 ER), 7 BB, 19 K

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Table with columns: Player, AVG, AB, H, HR, BB, SO. Compares Gray vs. the Royals and Greinke vs. the Twins.

SONNY AND HOT STREAK: Is one of three Twins pitchers this season to win three consecutive starts (May 18-29), joining Dylan Bundy (April 11-April 23) and Joe Ryan (April 15-April 27)...the Twins have also won in 10 of his last 15 starts dating back to May 7, including six straight from May 7-June 15, marking the longest streak for a Twins starter this season; the Twins have won in four-consecutive starts by Joe Ryan (April 15-May 3) and Bailey Ober (April 22-May 27).

WINNING THE BATTLE: Allowed three-or-fewer earned runs each of his first 11 starts this season, his longest streak to begin the season in his career...allowed two-or-fewer runs in his first eight starts of the season, also his longest such streak to begin the season (prior career best was three starts, done four times)...his streak of two-or-fewer runs allowed in eight-straight starts to begin the season is the longest such streak by a starting pitcher in Twins history (1961-present).

TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

- Has combined to go 2-2-5, 4.91 ERA (40.1 IP, 22 ER) with 13 holds, 18 walks & 40 strikeouts vs. KC this season...combined for 3.2 scoreless IP, save, 3 holds, 4 strikeouts last night vs. KC.
They enter today 1st in the AL with 476 & 2nd in MLB in K's, trailing the Cubs (525)...5th in MLB in IP (459.1), 3rd in holds (80) and T-9th in wins (25)...ranks 30th with lowest save % (50.0).
Is 16-12-14, 3.65 ERA (246.1 IP, 100 ER) w/ 107 BB & 255 SO in 57 home games this season...overall 25-25-22, 3.94 ERA (459.2 IP, 201 ER) with 80 holds, 177 walks & 476 strikeouts in 114 games.

JHOAN DURAN - RHP

Height: 6-5 Weight: 245 Age: 24 (1/8/98 in Esperanza, DR) Acquired: via trade with Arizona, 7/2/22 #59

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .195 vs. Right .221

- Five career games, one save, recorded 4th hold last night, 5.2 scoreless innings, one walk & nine strikeouts vs. KC...also recorded his 14th hold on 8/13, but allowed a solo HR to Ohtani in the 8th...one ER in last 12 outings...owns a 2.09 ERA w/ 67 strikeouts & 12 walks in 51.2 IP... 1st among Twins' relievers in strikeouts (67) & enters today 3rd in the AL in relief K's...also ranks T-6th in MLB (w/ Tanner Scott - MIA).
Has thrown 771 pitches this season, only 121 of those have been batted balls & only 6 barrels...32.8 K% (top 5% of league) & 5.9 BB%.
Leads baseball with 291 pitches thrown over 100 mph...4-seam FB avgs 100.6 mph (1st in MLB)...splitter avgs 96.1 mph (1st in MLB).
Statcast arsenal: 4-seam (396 pitches/51.4%), curveball (218 pitches/28.3%), split finger (126 pitches/16.3%), cutter (31 pitches/4.0%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Jhoan Duran.

MICHAEL FULMER - RHP

Height: 6-3 Weight: 224 Age: 29 (3/15/93 in Oklahoma City, OK) Acquired: Trade with DET, 8/2/22 #52

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .375 vs. Right .214

- Recorded his 21st hold of the season on 8/12...0-1, 6.00 ERA (3.0 IP, 2 ER) with two strikeouts during previous roadtrip...career 2-6-5, 4.72 ERA (74.1 IP, 39 ER) with 12 walks & 60 strikeouts vs. KC...one save, 2.45 ERA (3.2 IP, 1 ER) with one walk & 4 strikeouts this season vs. KC (w/ DET).
Has held RHB to a .150 (15-for-100) BA and LHB to a .308 (20-for-65) BA...2 XBH to RHB this season...allowed C. HR to Taylor on 8/10 at LAD.
His 21 holds so far this season rank 2nd-most in the AL and T-3rd-most (A.J. Minter - ATL) in baseball.
Made his Twins debut 8/3 vs. DET...acquired from Tigers 8/2...1.0 scoreless IP, allowing 1 hit & striking out one batter, recording 19th hold of the season vs. former club...acquired in exchange for minor league right-handed pitcher Sawyer Gipson-Long.
Statcast arsenal in 2022: slider (473 pitches/65.1%), sinker (100 pitches/13.8%), 4-seam (96 pitches/13.2%), changeup (37 pitches/5.1%), curveball (21 pitches/2.9%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Michael Fulmer.

GRIFFIN JAX - RHP

Height: 6-2 Weight: 196 Age: 27 (11/22/94 in Phoenix, AZ) Acquired: 3rd RD, 2016 MLB Draft #65

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 1 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 1 BB vs. Left .222 vs. Right .226

- Has appeared in 3 G vs. KC this season, 3.38 ERA (2.2 IP, ER) 2 holds, three walks & four strikeouts...career 1-1 (3 GS), 11 ER, 9 BB & 14 K vs. KC.
T-12th in AL in relief K's (59)...among Twins relievers, ranks 1st in IP (53.0), 3rd in strikeouts (59), T-2nd in holds (14) & T-2nd in games (44).
Holds in back-to-back outings...appeared on 8/10 at LAD, tossed 1.0 inning, allowed 3 ER on two hits, (3-run HR to Gallo) one walk & one strikeout.
Began career as starter, converted to reliever in 2022...is 6-3, 4.66 ERA (65.2 IP, 34 ER), 70 K as reliever // 3-5, 6.10 ERA (69.1 IP, 47 ER), 54 K as starter.
Statcast arsenal in 2022: slider (394 pitches/45.4%), 4-seam (308 pitches/35.5%), changeup (117 pitches/13.5%), curveball (49 pitches/5.6%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Griffin Jax.

JORGE LÓPEZ - RHP

Height: 6-2 Weight: 205 Age: 29 (2/10/93 in Caguas, PR) Acquired: Trade with BAL, 8/2/22 #48

Homestand: 0-0-1, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-1, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .417 vs. Right .250

- Appeared in 47 games (25 GS) with KC between 2018-2020 (158.1 IP, 113 ER) with 132 strikeouts in that span...career 0-1-2, 3.48 ERA (10.1 IP, 4 ER) w/ 4 BB & 8 SO in 7 games vs. KC (1 GS)...recorded 21st save last night...5.1 IP, three walks, two saves & four strikeouts vs. KC this season.
Enters today T-5th in the AL in SV's (21)...ranks tied for T-10th in baseball in saves...ranks 6th among relievers in MLB in IP (54.1).
Since joining the Twins, has gone 0-0-2, two blown saves, 4.50 ERA (6.0 IP, 3 ER) with two walks & five strikeouts in 6 appearances.
Earned the SV in Twins debut after being acquired from the Orioles on 8/2...needed just seven pitches to complete a scoreless 9th, fewest pitches thrown by Twins reliever to earn a SV since Alex Colomé threw five in a save on 9/24/21 vs. TOR.
Statcast arsenal in 2022: sinker (440 pitches/50.5%), curveball (168 pitches/19.3%), changeup (127 pitches/14.6%), slider (92 pitches/10.6%), 4-seam (44 pitches/5.1%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Jorge López.

TREVOR MEGILL - RHP

Height: 6-8 Weight: 252 Age: 28 (12/5/93 in Long Beach, CA) Acquired: Claimed off waivers from CHC, 11/30/21 #58

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .233 vs. Right .227

- Appeared on 8/14 & recorded 2.0 scoreless innings, with two walks & one strikeout...career 1-0, 5.1 IP, one walk & six strikeouts vs. KC.
Is 1-0, 4.1 scoreless innings with one walk & four strikeouts vs. KC this season...is 3-1, 4.05 ERA (13.1 IP, 6 ER) in 10 home games this season.
3-1, 3.10 ERA (29.0 IP, 10 ER) with 10 walks & 28 strikeouts in 23 games season... .233 (10-for-43) vs. LHB and .227 (15-for-66) vs. RHB.
Statcast arsenal in 2022: 4-seam (253 pitches/56.9%), curveball (162 pitches/36.4%), slider (29 pitches/6.5%), sinker (1 pitch/0.2%).
Has gone 4-3 with a 5.47 ERA (52.2 IP, 32 ER), 18 walks & 58 strikeouts in 51 career major league appearances (Cubs & Twins).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Trevor Megill.

EMILIO PAGÁN - RHP

Height: 6-2 Weight: 209 Age: 30 (5/7/1991 in Simpsonville, SC) Acquired: via trade with Padres, 4/7/22 #12

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .141 vs. Right .323

- 3 saves, 2.70 ERA (3.1 IP, 1 ER) one walk & two strikeouts vs. KC this season...allowed walk-off HR to Taylor Ward on 8/13 & earned 6th loss of the season & has allowed 18 HR in last 53.0 innings...appeared on 8/14, recorded 1.0 scoreless innings with 2 SO...currently ranks 4th highest among AL relievers in K/9 IP at 12.76 & his career rate of 1.8 HR/9.0 IP allowed is the highest for a reliever in baseball history.
Was 1-2, 2.45 ERA (22.0 IP, 6 ER), nine saves and a .183 (15-for-82) opponent batting average in his first 22 appearances...is 2-4, 7.97 ERA (20.1 IP, 18 ER) and a .306 (26-for-85) opponent batting average in his last 22 outings (beginning 6/21).
Has thrown 777 pitches this season, only 108 of those have been batted balls & only 14 barrels...32.3 strike %, top 6% of MLB.
Statcast arsenal in 2022: 4-seam (381 pitches/49.0%), split finger (206 pitches/26.5%), cutter (168 pitches/21.6%), slider (22 pitches/2.8%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Emilio Pagan.

COLE SANDS - RHP

Height: 6-3 Weight: 215 Age: 24 (7/17/1997 in Tallahassee, FL) Acquired: 5th RD, 2018 MLB Draft #77

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .225 vs. Right .326

- No career appearances vs. KC...recalled on 8/5 (Duffey - DFA)...entered in relief on 8/7 vs. TOR, making 1st appearance since June 12 vs. TB after being recalled from Triple-A St. Paul on 8/5...marked the longest relief appearance of his career, after his previous two relief efforts were both 2.0 innings (May 1 at TB and May 12 vs. HOU)...was the 1st scoreless appearance of his major league career & was his 2nd career effort with two-or-fewer hits allowed (also allowed one hit on May 12 vs. HOU).
Making sixth stint with Twins this season...has appeared in 6 games (3 starts) with Minnesota in 2022...2 stints were as 27th man for DH.
Made his major league debut on 5/1 against TB (2.0 IP, 3 H 2 ER, 2 K)...was his only appearance before being optioned back on May 2.
He was selected by Minnesota in the fifth round of the 2018 First-Year Player Draft out of Florida State University and is currently ranked as the 13th-best prospect in the organization, per MLB.com.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Cole Sands.

CALEB THIELBAR - LHP

Height: 6-0 Weight: 214 Age: 35 (1/31/1987 in Northfield, MN) Acquired: Signed as ml FA, 11/29/19 #56

Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.2 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.2 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .173 vs. Right .245

- Career 0-2, 4.57 ERA (21.2 IP, 11 ER) with four holds, four walks & 15 strikeouts in 24 games vs. KC...has recorded 3 holds, 4.50 ERA (4.0 IP, 2 ER) with one walk & five strikeouts vs. KC this season...appeared last night, recorded his 13th hold of the season, back-to-back outings with a hold.
Has made a team-leading 46 relief appearances for the Twins this season, going 2-1-1, a 4.14 ERA (41.1 IP, 19 ER), 16 walks & 54 strikeouts.
Has not allowed ER in 17 of his last 19 appearances since June 22, posting a 1.00 ERA (18.0 IP, 2 ER) with 4 walks & 24 strikeouts in that span.
32 of his last 39 outings have been scoreless, going 2-1-1, 2.50 ERA (36.0 IP, 10 ER), 11 walks, 12 holds & 49 strikeouts.
Has thrown 683 pitches this season, only 101 of those have been batted balls & only 7 barrels...31.6 K% & 9.4 BB% so far this season.
Statcast arsenal in 2022: 4-seam (333 pitches/48.8%), curveball (177 pitches/25.9%), slider (162 pitches/23.7%), changeup (11 pitches/1.6%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows show recent appearances for Caleb Thielbar.

2022 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. Rows list players and their stats.

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs, Game (Team) 14, 5/18 at OAK; Most Hits, Game (Team) 16, 6/5 at TOR; Longest Hitting Streak (Individual) 11, Arraez 5/21-5/31; Most Cons. Batters Retired (Team) 11, 2x, last 4th-7th inn., 7/1 vs. BAL.

LONGEST HOME RUNS

Table with 2 columns: Player and Distance. Includes Buxton...469 ft, 4/24 vs. CWS (Hendriks); Correa...458 ft, 4/10 vs. SEA (Ramirez); Buxton...446 ft, 6/17 at ARI (Bumgarner).

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Table with 2 columns: Player and Velocity. Includes Sánchez...114.7, 6/13 at SEA (2B) Correa...114.6, 5/26 vs. KC (1B); Lewis...114.0, 5/13 vs. CLE (LO); Kepler...113.8, 5/24 vs. DET (GO).

SCORE BY INNING

Table with 12 columns: Inning (1-9, XTRA, TOTAL) and 2 rows: Opponent (51, 43, 53, 58, 65, 48, 57, 68, 31, 16, 490) and Twins (74, 47, 63, 60, 63, 44, 47, 57, 39, 15, 509).

INJURED LIST

Table with 7 columns: Player, Injury, Date On, Retro, Date Off, Games Missed. Includes Kenta Maeda#...TJ Surgery Recovery...3/20...114; Randy Dobnak#...Right Middle Finger Strain...3/21...114; Cody Stashak...Right Biceps Tendinitis...4/7...8; Alex Kirilloff...Right Wrist Inflammation...4/13...21; Jhon Romero#...Right Biceps Tendinitis...4/23...101.

EJECTIONS

Table with 4 columns: Date, Player/Mgr/Ch, Umpire, Reason, Career. Includes 5/14 vs. CLE...Rocco Baldelli...John Tumpane...Arguing an interference call...6; 6/7 vs. NYY...Rocco Baldelli...Alex Tosi...Arguing a tipped foul ball off bat of Kepler...7.

STARTS BY POSITION

Table with 11 columns: Position (C, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B, LF, CF, RF, DH) and 23 rows of player statistics. Luis Arraez: C 0, 1B 45, 2B 25, SS 0, 3B 4, LF 0, CF 0, RF 0, DH 16.

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Table with 10 columns: Batting Order (1-9) and 23 rows of player statistics. Luis Arraez: 1 57, 2 18, 3 5, 4 1, 5 5, 6 3, 7 0, 8 0, 9 1.

MOST USED LINEUP [2X]

Table with 2 columns: Player and Pos. Includes Arraez DH, Correa SS, Buxton CF, Kepler RF, Polanco 2B, Kirilloff 1B, Miranda 3B, Gordon LF, Sánchez C.

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Table with 2 columns: Player and Assists. Includes Trevor Larnach 4, Byron Buxton 3, Gilberto Celestino 3, Nick Gordon 3, Max Kepler 2, Mark Contreras 1, Kyle Garlick 1, Alex Kirilloff 1, Total 18.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time); Grand Slam: L. Arraez 6/11/22 vs. TB (4 as a team in 2022); Inside-the-Park Home Run: B. Buxton, 9/15/20 at CWS (1 as a team in 2020, 55 all-time); Three Consecutive Home Runs: L. Arraez/B. Buxton/C. Correa, 6/9/22 vs. NYY (1 in 2022); Four Home Runs, One Inning: M. Sanó/R. Jeffers/M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/28/21 vs. DET (1 in 2021).

AGAINST THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré, 8/24/12 at TEX (5 allowed all-time); Grand Slam: L. Robert, 7/14/22 vs. CWS (2 allowed as team in 2022); Inside-the-Park Home Run: R. Arozarena, 6/10/22 vs. TB (46 allowed all-time); Three Consecutive Home Runs: C. Bellinger/G. Lux/A. Barnes, 4/13/22 vs. LAD; Four Home Runs, One Inning: C. Everett/T. O'Leary/J. Varitek/M. Burkhardt, 7/3/00 vs. BOS; Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Jon Lester, 7/1/18 at CHC.

2022 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

Table with 3 columns: DATE, DELAYED/PPD, NOTES. Includes 4/7 vs. SEA Postponed Home Opener moved to Friday, April 8 due to cold weather and rain/potential snow in the forecast.

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: APRIL (12-9). Batting: .226 (153-for-676). Pitching: 12-9-3, 3.16 (185.0 IP, 65 ER).

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: MAY (18-12). Batting: .262 (266-for-1014). Pitching: 18-12-10, 3.64 (267.0 IP, 108 ER).

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: JUNE (13-15). Batting: .261 (252-for-967). Pitching: 13-15-5, 4.18 (247.1 IP, 115 ER).

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: JULY (9-9). Batting: .254 (158-for-622). Pitching: 9-9-2, 4.87 (160.2 IP, 87 ER).

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: JULY (10-12). Batting: .243 (183-for-752). Pitching: 10-12-2, 5.30 (193.2 IP, 114 ER).

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: AUGUST (6-7). Batting: .250 (112-for-448). Pitching: 6-7-2, 3.97 (118.0 IP, 52 ER).

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Section: SEPT/OCT (- - -). Batting: --- (-for-). Pitching: --- (-IP, -ER).

^ - Denotes Extra-Innings (4-7)

* - Denotes Sellout (12 in 2019; 0 in 2020; 8 in 2021; 2 in 2022)

- Opener on 4/7 vs. SEA rescheduled for 4/8

- SUSP game from May 11 vs. HOU

HOME GAMES ROAD GAMES

2022 WALK-OFF VICTORIES [8]

Table with columns: DATE, SCORE, NOTES. Lists 8 walk-off victories with dates, scores, and descriptions of the plays.

2022 PLAYERS ON ROSTER [56]

Table with columns: PITCHERS: (32), POSITION PLAYERS: (24). Lists 56 players on the 2022 roster, categorized by position.