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AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS '25 '33 '65 '87 '91



WORLD CHAMPIONS '24 '87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS (76-79) vs. CHICAGO WHITE SOX (76-79)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2022 - 12:10 P.M. (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Louie Varland (0-2, 5.06) vs. RHP Lucas Giolito (10-9, 5.05)

GAME 156

HOME GAME 81

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

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

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Table with columns: Category, Value

THE TWINS: After beginning their final homestand of the season with a three-game series loss to the Angels over the weekend, the Twins began their final home series of 2022 with consecutive wins over the White Sox the last two nights...

TWINS SECURE SERIES WIN OVER SOX: The Twins beat the White Sox last night at Target Field by a score of 8-4, securing the series victory, their 21st of the season (21-22-6) and 15th at home (15-7-4)...

TWINS-SOX: Twins and White Sox are playing the 16th of 19 meetings this season...the Twins are 9-6 against the Sox in 2022, going 6-3 at Target Field and 3-3 at Guaranteed Rate Field...

THE HOME CLOSER: With one home game remaining, below are the Twins offensive (top) and pitching (bottom) numbers at Target Field since 2017:

Two tables showing offensive and pitching statistics for the Twins at Target Field from 2017 to 2022.

ALL EYES ON ARRAEZ: Luis Arraez went 2-for-5 last night and is now hitting .31332, trailing Aaron Judge (.31341) in the American League batting race...

Table comparing Aaron Judge, Luis Arraez, and Xander Bogaerts across various batting statistics.

SWEEPS WEEK: The Twins are seeking their ninth sweep of the season today...their eight sweeps were April 22-24 vs. Chicago-AL (3 games), April 26-28 vs. Detroit (3 games), May 6-8 vs. Oakland (3 games)...

TO THE WINDOW, TO THE WALLNER: In 25 September games between Triple-A St. Paul and Minnesota, Matt Wallner is hitting .309 (29-for-94) with 12 doubles, two triples, four home runs, 24 RBI, 12 runs scored, 10 walks, a .387 on-base percentage, a .606 slugging percentage and a .993 OPS.

TAKE THIS WORLD AND GIVE ME JESUS, THIS IS NOT WHERE I BELONG: Gio Urshela has recorded multiple hits in a career-high-tying four-straight games, hitting .625 (10-for-16) with a 1.375 OPS in that span...

SAINTS GO MARCHING: Triple-A St. Paul played their final game last night against Omaha, winning 3-1...they went 74-75 in their second season as the Twins' Triple-A affiliate...

HBD, MAHLE: Tyler Mahle is celebrating his 28th birthday today...he is currently on the 15-day Injured List with right shoulder inflammation...

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 1991, the Twins clinched the AL West despite a 2-1 loss against Toronto; second-place Chicago helped the Twins with a 2-1 loss to Seattle that day...

UPCOMING MILESTONES: Table listing players and their milestones within reach.

STREAKS

Table showing current and recent streaks for the team.

TWINS VS. WHITE SOX

Table showing record and statistics for the Twins vs. White Sox series.

2022 Game Logs:

Table listing game dates, sites, scores, and winners/losers for the 2022 season.

CURRENT HOMESTAND [3-2]

Table showing current homestand statistics like batting average, runs per game, etc.

Table showing season-long statistics for various positions like Team ERA, Starters W-L, etc.

TWINS YEAR-BY-YEAR WINS AT TARGET FIELD

Table showing the number of wins at Target Field for each year from 2010 to 2022.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Table listing recent player transactions, including returns from rehab and roster moves.

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LOUIE VARLAND

#49

Height: 6-1 Weight: 205 B/T: L/R Age: 24 (12/09/1997 in St. Paul, MN)

2022: 0-2, 5.06 ERA CAREER: 0-2, 5.06 ERA

- Making his fourth career start and appearance...facing Chicago-AL for the first time in his career.
Currently ranked as the No. 10 prospect in the Twins organization, per MLB.com.
Selected by the Minnesota Twins in the 15th round of the 2019 First-Year Player Draft out of Division II Concordia University in St. Paul, Minnesota.

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 2022 MLB TOTALS and CAREER MLB TOTALS.

2022 MINOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Dec., IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Left/Final, Notes, Pitches/K. Includes 2022 MiLB TOTALS and CAREER MiLB TOTALS.

LAST TIME OUT: Varland took the 4-2 loss in the homestand opener on September 23, opposite Shohei Ohtani and the Los Angeles Angels...

SECOND START SUMMARY: Took the loss in game one of the doubleheader on September 17 at Cleveland as the Twins fell, 5-1...allowed four runs on nine hits (1 home run), with two walks and three strikeouts in 5.0 innings pitched...

DEBUT DEBRIEF: Did not factor into the decision in his major league debut in game one of the doubleheader on September 7 at New York-AL, as the Twins fell 5-4 in 12 innings...allowed two runs on three hits, with one walk and seven strikeouts in 5.1 innings pitched...

2022 MINORS RECAP: Varland was named Twins 2022 Minor League Player of the Year by Baseball America...posted an 8-5 record, 3.06 ERA (126.1 IP, 43 ER) with 42 walks and 146 strikeouts in 24 games (23 starts) between Double-A Wichita and Triple-A St. Paul this season...

Currently leads all Twins minor league pitchers in regular season innings pitched and strikeouts, and is tied for first in games started (with Brent Headrick).

MINNESOTA MADE: Varland was born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota and attended North St. Paul High School, where he was an All-Metro East Conference performer and letterwinner in three sports (baseball, wrestling and football)...

With his MLB debut on September 7, became the eighth Minnesota-born player to make a start for the Twins...is one of 32 Minnesota natives to play for the Twins (1961-present).

PITCH BREAKDOWN: Table with columns: PITCH (AVG. MPH), PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB), RESULTS. Lists 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, and Changeup with their respective usage percentages.

MECHANICAL WORK: During the COVID-19 pandemic and 2020 cancelled minor league season, Varland worked on refining his mechanics to become more efficient with his delivery...changing his arm action to reduce joint stress led to increased velocity and movement on his fastball...

BREAKING OUT IN 2021: Varland was named the 2021 Jim Rantz Award winner as Twins Minor League Pitcher of the Year, after going 10-4 with a 2.10 ERA (103.0 IP, 24 ER), 30 walks, 142 strikeouts and a 1.09 WHIP in 20 games (18 starts) between Low-A Fort Myers and High-A Cedar Rapids.

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP JOE RYAN [2022 SEASON: 12-8, 3.70 ERA // CAREER: 14-9, 3.76 ERA]

Right-hander Joe Ryan is scheduled to start tomorrow night's series opener against the Detroit Tigers at Comerica Park...did not factor into the decision in his last start on September 24 vs. Los Angeles-AL, an 8-4 Twins win...

2022 HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 5.2, 9/23 vs. LAA
SO's: 7, 9/7 at NYY (G1)
Walks: 2, 9/17 at CLE (G1)
Hits: 9, 9/17 at CLE (G1)
Home Runs: 2, 9/23 vs. LAA
Win-Strike: --
Loss-Strike: 2, 9/17-present

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low-Hit: --
Innings: 5.2, 9/23/22 vs. LAA
SO's: 7, 9/7/22 at NYY (G1)
Walks: 2, 9/17/22 at CLE (G1)
Hits: 9, 9/17/22 at CLE (G1)
Home Runs: 2, 9/23 vs. LAA
Win-Strike: --
Loss-Strike: 2, 9/17/22-present

CAREER NOTES

- Made his major league debut in game one of the doubleheader on September 7 at New York-AL, becoming the 10th player to make his major league debut for the Twins in 2022 (5th pitcher).
Began the 2022 season with Double-A Wichita...fanned 10 batters on April 14 at North-west Arkansas, his fifth career 10-plus strikeout game.
Had allowed three-or-fewer earned runs in 18-straight minor league starts from May 18-August 31, going 4-4, 2.85 ERA (94.2 IP, 30 ER) with 31 walks and 111 strikeouts in that span...his teams went 12-6.
Went 7-4, 3.34 ERA (105.0 IP, 39 ER) with 39 walks and 119 strikeouts in 20 games (19 starts) for Wichita in 2022 - was promoted to Triple-A St. Paul on August 8.
Earned the win in his first career Triple-A start/appearance on August 12, 2022 vs. Columbus (5.1 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 2 BB, 8 K).
In 2021, combined to go 10-4, 2.10 ERA (103.0 IP, 24 ER) with 30 walks, 142 strikeouts, a .214 opponent batting average and a 1.09 WHIP in 20 games (18 starts) between Low-A Fort Myers and High-A Cedar Rapids...held right-handed batters to a .225 (34-for-151) average and left-handed batters to a .250 (28-for-112) average.
Led all Twins minor leaguers in ERA, strikeouts and WHIP...ranked second in ERA (minimum 100.0 IP) in 2021.
Named starting pitcher on 2021 Twins MiLB.com organizational All-Star team.
Named 2021 Jim Rantz Award winner as Twins minor league Pitcher of the Year.
In 2020, did not pitch due to the cancellation of the minor league season (COVID 19)...used the time to work on refining his mechanics to become more efficient with his delivery...changing his arm action to reduce joint stress led to increased velocity and movement on his fastball
In 2019, made his professional debut with Rookie-Elizabethton...made three appearances, including one start...struck out 10 batters in 8.2 innings pitched.
Selected by Twins in 15th round of 2019 First-Year Player Draft out of Concordia University in St. Paul.

2022 MISC. NUMBERS

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

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

Table with columns: YEAR, STARTS, 6+ IP, QS. Shows 2022 with 3 starts and 0 quality starts.

MORE 2022 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

Table with columns: BASE RUNNERS, PICK-OFFS, SB-ATT, GDP. Shows Varland with 23 base runners, 0 pick-offs, 0-0 SB-ATT, and 2 GDP.

2022 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

Table with columns: INNING (1-9) and RUNS/HITS. Shows runs and hits per inning across the game.

VARLAND VS. CHICAGO-AL

2022 vs. Chicago-AL (0 games/starts): --
2022 vs. Chicago-AL at Home (0 games/starts): --
2022 vs. Chicago-AL on Road (0 games/starts): --
Career vs. Chicago-AL (0 games/starts): --
Career vs. Chicago-AL at Home (0 games/starts): --
Career vs. Chicago-AL on Road (0 games/starts): --

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Table with columns: PLAYER, AVG, AB, H, HR, BB, SO for Varland vs. the White Sox and Gioiolo vs. the Twins.

FAMILY MATTERS: Louie's older brother, Gus, is also a professional baseball player, currently in the Los Angeles-NL system...Gus, who is 13 months older than Louie, was selected by the Oakland Athletics in the 14th round of the 2018 First-Year Player Draft out of Concordia University...

- Louie faced off against his brother Gus earlier this season as the Wind Surge took on the Tulsa Drillers on May 6 in Wichita...it marked the first time brothers started against each other in a minor league game since at least 2000...Louie tossed 5.0 innings and allowed two runs on four hits, with two walks and six strikeouts, while Gus went 3.0 innings, allowing six runs on eight hits, with two walks and two strikeouts in the 7-2 Wichita win in game one of a doubleheader.
On June 15, Wichita and Tulsa faced off in another doubleheader, with the brothers pitching in opposite games and each earning a win (Louie in G1 and Gus in G2).





MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Table listing various team and individual statistics such as Most Runs, Consecutive Hits, and Fastest Game.

LONGEST HOME RUNS table listing players like Sánchez, Buxton, and Correa with their longest home run distances and dates.

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY table listing players like Sánchez, Correa, and Kepler with their highest exit velocities.

STARTS BY POSITION table showing the number of starts for each player at various positions (C, 1B, 2B, etc.).

SCORE BY INNING table showing run, hit, and error totals for each inning from 1 to 9, plus extra innings and totals.

INJURED LIST table listing players, their injuries, dates they became injured, dates they returned, and the number of games missed.

EJECTIONS table listing players, the umpire who ejected them, and the reason for the ejection.

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER table showing the number of starts for each player at each batting order position (1-9).

MOST USED LINEUP [3X] and OUTFIELD ASSISTS tables listing player positions and the number of assists recorded by outfielders.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS: HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco... Grand Slam: N. Gordon... PITCHING: No-Hitter: F. Liriano... MISCELLANEOUS: Triple Play: J. Miranda/C. Correa...

AGAINST THE TWINS: HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré... PITCHING: No-Hitter: Jer. Weaver... MISCELLANEOUS: Triple Play: J. Donaldson/A. Rosales/C. Carter...

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Includes April (12-9) and May (18-12) game logs.

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^ - Denotes Extra-Innings (5-10)
\* - 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
% - PPD game from September 6 at NYY

2022 WALK-OFF VICTORIES [9]
Table with columns: DATE, SCORE, NOTES. Lists walk-off victories from 4/24 to 8/27.

2022 PLAYERS ON ROSTER [61]
Pitchers: (35)
Position Players: (26)
List of players and their positions.

HOME GAMES ROAD GAMES

(\* - on Opening Day roster)
(# - did not appear in game)