



WESTERN DIVISION CHAMPIONS '69 '70 '87 '91

CENTRAL DIVISION CHAMPIONS '02 '03 '04 '06 '07 '09 '10 '19 '20 '23

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

WORLD CHAMPIONS '24 '87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS (6-11-3) vs. TORONTO BLUE JAYS (9-9-1)

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024 – 1:05 PM (ET) – RADIO: TIBN // TV: NONE

RHP Bailey Ober vs. RHP Bowden Francis

Spring Game 21

Spring Home Game 11

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

DATE	OPP.	PITCHERS	TIME (ET)	RADIO / TV
3/15	at BOS	RHP Jordan Balazovic vs. RHP Garrett Whitlock	6:05 pm	TIBN, 830 WCCO, 102.9 The Wolf / None
3/16	vs. TB	RHP Pablo López vs. RHP Ryan Pepiot	1:05 pm	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / BSN
	vs. TB	Spring Breakout - Prospect Game	~ 4:05 pm	None / BSN
3/17	at TOR	TBA vs. TBA	1:07 pm	None / None

TODAY'S PITCHERS

Twins: Bailey Ober (R), Griffin Jax (R)
Blue Jays: Bowden Francis (R), Wes Parsons (R), Mason Fluaharty (L), Brandon Eisert (L), Connor Cooke (R), Hayden Juenger (R), Yosver Zulueta (R)

TOMORROW'S PITCHERS

Twins: Jordan Balazovic (R), Justin Topa (R), Caleb Thielbar (L), Brock Stewart (R), Matt Bowman (R), Ronny Henriquez (R)
Red Sox: Garrett Whitlock (R), Brennan Bernardino (L), Joe Jacques (L), Greg Weissert (R), Lucas Luetge (L)

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

44 players in camp (10 non-roster):
22 pitchers (4 non-roster)
4 catchers (2 non-roster)
9 infielders (3 non-roster)
6 outfielders (0 non-roster)
2 utility (1 non-roster)
1 60-day Injured List

TWINS AT A GLANCE

Spring Record: 6-11-3
Home Record: 5-2-3
Road Record: 1-9-0
vs. AL Teams: 4-5-0
vs. NL Teams: 2-6-2
When Twins score first: 3-5-0
When opponent scores first: 3-7-3
Most 6L games over .500: 1, 2/25
Most 6L games under .500: 5, 3/14
Longest winning-streak: 2, 3/4
Longest losing-streak: 3, 3/10-12
Team-high hits: 19, 3/9 vs. NYY
Team-high runs: 10, 3/9 vs. NYY
Opponent-high hits: 17, 2/28 vs. BAL
Opponent-high runs: 12, 2/28 vs. BAL

RECENT SPRING INFO

YEAR	HM ATTENDANCE (DATES)	RECORD
2012	117,503 (16)	18-15
2013	113,845 (17)	17-16
2014	107,806 (14)	9-16-3
2015	123,994 (16)	13-16-3
2016	121,005 (15)	19-11-2
2017	108,365 (15)	17-13-3
2018	115,147 (16)	14-14-3
2019	121,798 (18)	14-13-3
2020	69,998 (9)	7-9-4
2021	34,586 (14)	11-15-2
2022	45,055 (9)	9-10
2023	98,318 (16)	13-15-3
2024	69,490 (10)	6-11-3

DAYS UNTIL OPENING DAY

15 THURSDAY, MARCH 28 at KC

THE TWINS: Today the Twins will play the 21st of 35 scheduled Grapefruit League games (unofficially opened the spring schedule against the University of Minnesota on February 23)...seven more games will be played at Lee Health Sports Complex and six games will be played on the road...today the Twins host the Toronto Blue Jays at Lee Health Sports Complex before going down Daniels Parkway for a game under the lights against the Boston Red Sox tomorrow night.

SPLIT SQUAD DAY UNKIND TO TWINS: The Twins went 0-1-1 on their split-squad Wednesday, tying the St. Louis Cardinals 1-1 at Lee Health Sports Complex and falling to the Tampa Bay Rays, 4-3, at Charlotte Sports Park...at home, Louie Varland tossed 4.0 scoreless innings with one hit allowed, no walks and four strikeouts, while Christian Vázquez drove in the Twins' lone run on an RBI single in the seventh inning...the Twins went 1-for-5 with runners in scoring position and left six men on base...in Port Charlotte, Matt Wallner (1-for-3) slugged a two-run homer and Michael Helman (1-for-2) hit a solo shot; those Twins went 1-for-5 with runners in scoring position and left four men on base.

O CANADA: The Twins and Toronto are facing off today for the first of two Grapefruit League contests...Twins will head to Dunedin on Sunday, March 17 for a St. Patrick's Day tilt...Twins went 1-1 against the Blue Jays in 2023 spring training, winning 7-0 in Dunedin and falling 3-0 in Fort Myers...the two clubs are scheduled for a pair of three-game sets this coming regular season, May 10-12 at Rogers Centre and August 30-September 1 at Target Field.

OBBER TIME: Bailey Ober will be making his fourth spring start and appearance this afternoon...enters today leading all Twins pitchers and tied for ninth in the Grapefruit League with 13 strikeouts...earned the win in his last start on March 9 vs. New York-AL, allowing two runs on two hits (1 HR), with no walks and three strikeouts in 3.0 innings of work...on March 2 at Philadelphia, tossed a 94.8 mph four-seam fastball that struck out Bryce Harper to end the bottom of the first inning, the fastest pitch of his career...his seven strikeouts also marked his most in a spring outing in his career...2024 marks his third career spring training (all with Minnesota)...last spring he went 0-0, 2.70 ERA (10.0 IP, 3 ER) with three walks and nine strikeouts in four official starts...he did not make the Opening Day roster and was the odd man out of the starting rotation (Pablo López, Sonny Gray, Joe Ryan, Tyler Mahle and Kenta Maeda), starting the season at Triple-A St. Paul...was eventually recalled by the Twins in late April and finished with 26 starts for Minnesota, going 8-6, 3.43 ERA (144.1 IP, 55 ER), 29 walks and 146 strikeouts...he set career highs in wins, innings pitched, starts and strikeouts...ranked fourth on the staff in starts, innings pitched and strikeouts.

DATE	TEAM	W-L	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
2/25	at BOS	ND	1.1	2	4	0	0	2	3
3/2	at PHI	ND	3.0	1	1	1	1	0	7
3/9	vs. NYY	W1	3.0	2	2	2	1	0	3
3/14	vs. TOR	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SPRING TOTALS		1-0	7.1	5	7	3	2	2	13

.185 BAA / 0.95 WHIP

NEW JAX CITY: Griffin Jax is scheduled to pitch today; has worked 5.0 scoreless innings with one hit allowed and 10 strikeouts in five outings so far...2024 marks his fifth career spring training, all with the Twins...Jax made the Twins Opening Day roster in 2023 for the first time in his career...he held right-handed batters to a .228 batting average with a .599 OPS, compared to a .238 batting average and a .697 OPS vs. left-handed batters...he led the Twins and tied for ninth in AL in holds (23)...he set career highs in games (71) and holds (23).

HOW DO YOU SAY ON-BASE PERCENTAGE IN FRENCH: Edouard Julien enters today tied for third on the Twins with eight hits this spring...he is making his 11th spring appearance today; is 8-for-23 (.348) with one double, two home runs, five RBI, three walks, one stolen base, six runs scored, a .444 on-base percentage and a 1.096 OPS in 10 games...in 2023, hit .263 (89-for-338) with 16 doubles, one triple, 16 home runs, 37 RBI, 64 walks, three stolen bases, 60 runs scored and an .839 OPS in 109 games for the Twins...ranked second among all MLB rookies in on-base percentage (.381, minimum of 350 plate appearances) and walks-per-strikeout (0.50), fourth in batting WAR (1.7), fifth in wOBA (.369) and runs created-per 27 (6.14), third in OPS+ (132.8), eighth in overall WAR (3.0), ninth in slugging percentage (.459) and 12th in batting average (.263).

ROYCE REPPIN': Royce Lewis is in his third official spring training with Minnesota...is scheduled to make his 10th start of spring today; hitting .273 (6-for-22) with two doubles, one home run, six RBI, two runs scored...hit a grand slam to left field on March 1 vs. Boston...was the 2023 recipient of the Bill Boni Award as Twins Most Outstanding Rookie, as voted on by the Twin Cities chapter of the BBWAA.

☞ On October 3, 2023, Game 1 of the Wild Card Series vs. Toronto at Target Field, Lewis homered in each of his first two plate appearances...hit .643 (9-for-14) with two home runs, five RBI, two walks, four runs scored and a 1.759 OPS in four games against the Blue Jays in 2023, including two regular season games (in which he went 7-for-8 in two games from June 9-11) and the two playoff games, in which he went 2-for-6.

C4: Carlos Correa is scheduled to make his ninth start of spring today; is hitting .333 (7-for-21) with two RBI, three runs scored and one walk in eight games so far...was 2023 Twins Opening Day shortstop for second-straight season...played in 135 regular season games last season, hitting .230 (118-for-514) with 29 doubles, two triples, 18 home runs, 65 RBI, 60 runs scored, 59 walks and a .711 OPS...played in all six games of the Twins' Postseason run, hitting .429 (3-for-7) in two games of the American League Wild Card Series vs. Toronto and hitting .400 (6-for-15) with three RBI in four games of the AL Division Series vs. Houston...led 2023 Twins in games (135), hits (118) and doubles (29)...was a 2023 Twins nominee for Roberto Clemente Award...recipient of the Bob Allison Award for Twins leadership and Jim Kaat Award for Twins Defensive Player of the Year, both awards voted on by the Twin Cities Chapter of the BBWAA.]

☞ Went 3-for-7 with one RBI in the two-game 2023 Wild Card Series vs. Toronto at Target Field...along with starting pitcher Sonny Gray, was the architect of a crucial pickoff play in the fifth inning of Game 2; with the tying run on second base and the Twins ahead 2-0, Correa realized second base runner Vladimir Guerrero Jr. couldn't hear the third base coach over the roar of the crowd, leading Gray to pick Guerrero Jr. off second base and kill a potential game-tying rally.

2024 SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	WINNER	LOSER	SAVE	ATTENDANCE	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	WINNER	LOSER	SAVE	ATTENDANCE
2/23	U of Minnesota	W, 13-2	Carr	Whelan	Schulfer	4,307	3/12	at Detroit	L, 0-1	Maeda	Ryan	Jobe	7,131
2/24	Pittsburgh	W, 5-3	Duarte	Nicolas	Rodriguez	7,810	3/13	St. Louis (ss)	T, 1-1	--	--	--	8,153
2/25	at Boston	L, 6-8	DiValerio	Boushley	Scroggins	9,352		at Tampa Bay (ss)	L, 3-4	J. Lopez	Brigham	Cleavinger	2,910
2/26	at New York-AL	L, 2-9	Morris	Jensen	--	8,329	3/14	Toronto	1:05 pm (ET)				TIBN
2/27	Philadelphia	T, 3-3	--	--	--	7,133	3/15	at Boston	6:05 pm (ET)				TIBN/WCCO/The Wolf
2/28	Baltimore	L, 3-12	Kremer	López	--	5,565	3/16	Tampa Bay (ss)	1:05 pm (ET)				BSN TIBN/WCCO/The Wolf
2/29	at Atlanta	L, 0-5	Strider	Funderburk	--	4,450		Tampa Bay	4:05 pm (ET)				
3/1	Boston	W, 5-3	Varland	Giolito	Harris	5,801	3/17	at Toronto	1:07 pm (ET)				TIBN/WCCO/The Wolf
3/2	at Philadelphia	L, 2-3	Bellatii	Balazovic	Baker	10,007	3/18	Boston	1:05 pm (ET)				BSN TIBN
3/3	Tampa Bay	T, 4-4	--	--	--	6,816	3/19	OFF DAY					
3/4	Atlanta (ss)	W, 4-3	Stewart	Holmes	Harris	4,519	3/20	Detroit	1:05 pm (ET)				BSN
	at Baltimore (ss)	W, 7-2	Sands	Kremer	Labas	5,182	3/21	at Washington	1:05 pm (ET)				
3/5	at St. Louis	L, 4-5	Mikolas	Paddack	Rajcic	4,785	3/22	Atlanta	1:05 pm (ET)				BSN TIBN/WCCO/The Wolf
3/6	Boston	W, 7-1	Ryan	Criswell	--	6,249		at Tampa Bay	1:05 pm (ET)				
3/7	OFF DAY						3/23	at Boston	6:05 pm (ET)				TIBN/WCCO/The Wolf
3/8	at Pittsburgh	L, 3-6	Anderson	Sands	--	4,557	3/24	Baltimore	1:05 pm (ET)				BSN TIBN/WCCO/The Wolf
3/9	New York-AL	W, 10-7	Ober	Cortes	Bowman	9,430*	3/25	at Atlanta	1:05 pm (ET)				BSN
3/10	Washington	L, 3-7	Adon	López	--	8,014	3/26	Atlanta	1:05 pm (ET)				
3/11	at Atlanta	L, 0-3	Strider	Paddack	Walsh	6,047							

Bold - Denotes Home Game | * - Denotes Sellout | ^ - Rain Shortened

