



WESTERN DIVISION CHAMPIONS '69 '70 '87 '91

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

WORLD CHAMPIONS '24 '87 '91

## MINNESOTA TWINS (8-18-3) at ATLANTA BRAVES (11-14-4)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024 — 1:05 PM (ET) — RADIO: NONE // TV: NONE

RHP Bailey Ober vs. LHP Chris Sale

Spring Game 30

Spring Road Game 15

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE					
DATE	OPP.	PITCHERS	TIME (ET)	RADIO / TV	
3/26	vs. ATL	RHP Louie Varland vs. RHP Charlie Morton	1:05 pm	None / None	
3/27		**Workout Day at Kauffman Stadium**			
3/28	at KC	RHP Pablo López vs. LHP Cole Ragans	3:10 pm (CT)	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf, lostwins.com / BSN	

TODAY'S PITCHERS
Twins: Bailey Ober (R), Daniel Duarte (R), Matt Bowman (R), Josh Staumont (R)
Braves: Chris Sale (L)

**THE TWINS:** This afternoon the Twins will travel to North Port to play the Braves at 1:05 pm...tomorrow afternoon, they will host the Braves and wrap-up their 34th season in Fort Myers, which will complete the exhibition season...after tomorrow's game, the Twins will travel to Kansas City...they will have a team workout on Wednesday afternoon (time TBA), then begin their 64th season of Twins baseball with the Season Opener at Kauffman Stadium on Thursday afternoon at 3:10 pm...Minnesota will play three games in four days at Kansas City, then travel to Milwaukee to play the Brewers for two games in three days.

⚡ The Twins will open Target Field for its 15th season on Thursday, April 4 against the Cleveland Guardians, the start of a six-game, seven-day homestand against the Guards and Dodgers.

**TWINS DROP ANOTHER SPRING GAME:** The Twins lost to the Orioles yesterday afternoon by a score of 8-3, dropping their season-long fourth-straight game...Joe Ryan was the starter, allowing two runs on two hits in 5.0 innings pitched, with one walk and five strikeouts...Steven Okert pitched 1.0 scoreless inning of relief, lowering his spring ERA to 2.16...the offense recorded 12 hits, two from both Royce Lewis and Ryan Jeffers...Lewis doubled twice, giving him the team-lead with six on the spring.

⚡ The attendance was announced at 7,874, giving Minnesota a spring total of 107,745, surpassing the 100K mark for the first time since 2019.

TOMORROW'S PITCHERS
Twins: Louie Varland (R), Jeff Bringham (R), Hobie Harris (R), Scott Blewett (R)
Braves: Charlie Morton (R)

**TWINS AND BRAVES:** The Twins and Braves are playing each other for the fifth of six scheduled meetings this spring...their fourth game was supposed to be on Friday at Lee Health but was canceled due to rain...the Twins are 1-2 against the Braves this exhibition season...these two met during the regular season for three games at Truist Park as Minnesota was swept from June 26-28...Minnesota will host the Braves in 2024 for three games from August 26-28, which will be their first trip to Target Field since August of 2019.

**UBER TIME:** Bailey Ober will be making his fifth and final spring start and appearance this afternoon...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	L1	2.2	4	3	2	1	1	3
SPRING TOTALS		1-1	10.0	9	10	5	3	3	16

.231 BAA / 1.20 WHIP

ROSTER BREAKDOWN
40 players in camp (8 non-roster):
21 pitchers (3 non-roster)
4 catchers (2 non-roster)
7 infielders (2 non-roster)
5 outfielders (0 non-roster)
2 utility (1 non-roster)
1 60-day Injured List

**THE BUCK STARTS HERE:** Byron Buxton is making his 12th spring start today, 10th in centerfield...he's hitting .323 (10-for-31) with two doubles, two triples, one home run, four RBI, two walks, five runs scored and a .995 OPS in his 11 prior games...Buxton is in his ninth official spring training, all with the Twins...his first was in 2014 as a non-roster invite, wearing number 70...last spring, he played in three official exhibition games but took live at-bats on minor league fields throughout...Buck played in 85 games last season, hitting .207 (63-for-304) with 17 doubles, one triple, 17 home runs, 42 RBI, 49 runs scored, 35 walks and a .731 OPS...he missed time with a left rib contusion from June 6-15 and with a right hamstring strain from August 4-end of regular season...in 2017, he was the American League Gold Glove winner and MLB Platinum Glove winner.

**OPENING DAY CREEPIN':** The Twins recently unveiled plans for the 2024 Home Opener at Target Field presented by Your Local Northland Ford Dealers — a daylong celebration on Thursday, April 4, culminating with a 3:10 first pitch against the Cleveland Guardians.

⚡ **Breakfast on the Plaza:** The Twins' tradition returns as fans are invited to drive, walk or bike down 7th Street (adjacent to the Twins New Era Team Store) between 6:00 and 9:00 a.m. to grab a free ballpark-inspired breakfast.

⚡ **Open the Gates:** Twins legends Tony Oliva (Gate 6) and Kent Hrbek (Gate 14) will open their namesake ballpark entrances at 1:00 p.m., while franchise icons Justin Morneau (Gate 3), Tom Kelly (Gate 6.5) and Dan Gladden (Gate 29), along with Kirby Puckett Jr. and Catherine Puckett (Gate 34), respectively, will also officially open the Target Field gates and welcome fans home for the 2024 season.

⚡ **Opening Weekend Gate Giveaway:** The first 10,000 fans through the gates for the April 4 Home Opener, as well as the Saturday, April 6 game, will receive a Twins Beanie, courtesy of Your Local Northland Ford Dealers. (Sunday, April 7 is "Kids Opening Day", with the first 5,000 fans 12-and-under getting a Kids Twins Beanie.)

⚡ **Celebrating 40 Years of Dick Bremer:** The 2024 Home Opener will include a celebration of legendary broadcaster Dick Bremer, who stepped away from the booth following the 2023 season — his 40th as the television voice of the Twins — to become a special assistant with the club.

⚡ **Dedication of TV Broadcast Booth (1:30 p.m.):** The Twins will formally dedicate the home television broadcast booth in the Herb Carneal Press Box as the "Dick Bremer Broadcast Booth"...beginning with that afternoon's Home Opener, the call of every Twins home game at Target Field will originate from a booth bearing the name of the broadcaster who called that space home for the ballpark's first 14 seasons.

⚡ **Ceremonial First Pitch:** Twins fans will have an opportunity to hear some of Bremer's most memorable calls and to applaud the master storyteller, as he takes the field with his family prior to the game and delivers the Home Opener's ceremonial first pitch.

⚡ **Honoring Burnsville and Dakota County First Responders:** The Twins will recognize, honor and celebrate the everyday heroism of Burnsville and Dakota County first responders, while paying tribute to the three individuals who tragically lost their lives in the line of duty on February 18.

⚡ **A Special Starting Lineup:** First responders from Dakota County and the City of Burnsville, along with representatives from the Minneapolis and Metro Transit Police Departments, and the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, will ring the infield and join the Twins and Guardians along the first and third baselines, respectively, following pregame introductions.

⚡ **In Memoriam:** A video and moment of silence will pay tribute to Burnsville Police Officers Paul Elmstrand and Matthew Ruge, and Firefighter/Paramedic Adam Finseth, along with members of the Twins family and military from throughout Twins Territory that we have lost this past offseason.

**SPRING LEADERS:** Below are the Twins batting (top row) and pitching (bottom row) leaders this spring (MiLB call-ups not included):

Games: Williams, 18	Hits: Castro/Santana, 13	BB: Julien, 8	RBI: Lewis, 8	HR: Jeffers, 4
Games: Alcalá, 9	ERA (10.0+ IP): Duarte, 3.38	IP: Ryan, 19.0	BB: Funderburk, 9	SO: Ryan, 19

TWINS AT A GLANCE
Spring Record: ..... 8-18-3
Home Record: ..... 7-5-3
Road Record: ..... 1-13-0
vs. AL Teams: ..... 6-11-0
vs. NL Teams: ..... 2-7-2
When Twins score first: ..... 3-7-0
When opponent scores first: ..... 5-12-3
Most 6L games over .500: ..... 1, 2/25
Most 6L games under .500: ..... 10, today
Longest winning-streak: ..... 2, 3/4
Longest losing-streak: ..... 4, 3/20-now
Team-high hits: ..... 19, 3/9 vs. NYY
Team-high runs: ..... 13, 3/21 at WAS
Opponent-high hits: ..... 17, 2/28 vs. BAL
Opponent-high runs: ..... 12, 2x, last 3/20 vs. DET

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	107,745 (15)	8-18-3

**DAYS UNTIL OPENING DAY**

**3** THURSDAY, MARCH 28 at KC

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	Nicholas	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	Bringham	Cleavinger	2,910
2/26	at New York-AL	L, 2-9	Morris	Jensen	--	8,329	3/14	Toronto	L, 1-5	Francis	Ober	Parsons	8,347
2/27	Philadelphia	T, 3-3	--	--	--	7,133	3/15	at Boston	L, 5-8	Cepeda	Blewett	Luetge	9,138
2/28	Baltimore	L, 3-12	Kremer	López	--	5,565	3/16	Tampa Bay	W, 6-5	Sands	Cleavinger	--	7,240
2/29	at Atlanta	L, 0-5	Strider	Funderburk	--	4,450		Tampa Bay	T, 8-8	--	--	--	--
3/1	Boston	W, 5-3	Varland	Giulito	Harris	5,801	3/17	at Toronto	L, 4-9	White	Harris	--	5,826
3/2	at Philadelphia	L, 2-3	Bellatii	Balazovic	Baker	10,007	3/18	Boston	W, 5-2	Ryan	Cellucci	Balazovic	6,415
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	L, 3-12	Mize	Varland	--	8,379
	at Baltimore (ss)	W, 7-2	Sands	Kremer	Labas	5,182	3/21	at Washington	L, 8-9	Weems	Bentley	--	2,915
3/5	at St. Louis	L, 4-5	Mikolas	Paddack	Rajcic	4,785	3/22	Atlanta	Game canceled due to rain	--	--	--	--
3/6	Boston	W, 7-1	Ryan	Criswell	--	6,249		at Tampa Bay	Game canceled due to rain	--	--	--	--
3/7	OFF DAY	--	--	--	--	--	3/23	at Boston	L, 6-8	Winckowski	Bringham	Cepeda	8,698
3/8	at Pittsburgh	L, 3-6	Anderson	Sands	--	4,557	3/24	Baltimore	L, 3-8	Irvin	Stewart	--	7,874
3/9	New York-AL	W, 10-7	Ober	Cortes	Bowman	9,430*	3/25	at Atlanta	1:05 pm (ET)	--	--	--	--
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

