



High-A Affiliate



# OFFICIAL GAME INFORMATION

Lake County Captains (10-7) at Great Lakes Loons (8-9)  
 Sunday, May 23rd • 1:05 p.m. • Dow Diamond • Broadcast: [WJCU.org](http://WJCU.org)  
 Game #18 • Road Game #12 • Season Series: 2-3, 19 Games Remaining  
 RHP Mason Hickman (0-1, 3.12 ERA) vs. RHP Clayton Beeter (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

## High-A Central League

### East Division

	W	L	GB
Dayton (Cincinnati)	10	7	--
<b>LAKE COUNTY (Cleveland)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>
Great Lakes (Los Angeles - NL)	8	9	2.0
Lansing (Oakland)	8	9	2.0
Fort Wayne (San Diego)	7	9	2.5
West Michigan (Detroit)	7	9	2.5

### West Division

	W	L	GB
Quad Cities (Kansas City)	12	4	--
Beloit (Miami)	9	8	3.5
Cedar Rapids (Minnesota)	8	9	4.5
Wisconsin (Milwaukee)	8	9	4.5
South Bend (Chicago - NL)	7	9	5.0
Peoria (St. Louis)	6	11	6.5

**LAST NIGHT:** The Captains' losing streak extended to three games with a 12-1 loss to the Great Lakes Loons at Dow Diamond. Great Lakes hit three home runs in the first two innings. Leonel Valera hit a grand slam in the first inning. Ryan January homered to lead off the second inning and Joe Vranesh hit a three-run home run later in the second. The Captains' only run came in the fifth on an RBI double by **Will Brennan**. The 12 runs by the Loons were the most Lake County has allowed this season and the most scored by Great Lakes this year. Captains starter **Matt Turner** allowed eight runs, four earned, over four innings to take the loss. Loons reliever Kevin Malisheski was awarded the win after pitching two scoreless innings.

**LOSING STREAK:** During their three-game losing streak, the Captains have been outscored 25-6. Lake County's offense is slashing .163/.267/.250. The Captains' pitching staff has a 7.50 ERA. Since the start of the losing skid, Lake County's team ERA has jumped 77 points, from a league-best 2.78 ERA entering Thursday to a 3.55 ERA entering today, which places them fifth in the High-A Central League.

**ALUMNI UPDATE:** 2018 Captains RHP **Jean Carlos Mejia** made his major league debut for Cleveland on Friday. He was the 99<sup>th</sup> former Captain to reach the big leagues and the 19,999<sup>th</sup> player in MLB history. Seven former Captains have made their major league debuts this year – OF **Ka'ai Tom** (2016), RHP **Luis Oviedo** (2018-19), LHP **Sam Hentges** (2016), RHP **Louis Head** (2012-13), RHP **Nick Sandlin** (2018), INF **Ivan Castillo** (2014) and Mejia (2018). The record for the most former Captains to debut in a single year is nine (2013 and 2016).

**SCORE LATE:** The Captains have scored 47.06% of their runs from the seventh through the ninth innings (68 total runs; 32 runs from seventh through ninth).

**SWING AWAY:** The Captains' offense has walked just 59 times this season. That is the fewest in the High-A Central League and tied for the third fewest in all of High-A. The Captains also have four of the 10 lowest BB% rates among qualified hitters in the High-A Central League – **Brayan Rocchio** (3.1% - 2<sup>nd</sup>), **José Tena** (3.4% - 4<sup>th</sup>) and **Raynel Delgado** (3.5% - 5<sup>th</sup>) and **Joe Naranjo** (3.6% -- 9<sup>th</sup>).

**STAND STILL:** The Captains have gone three consecutive games without a stolen base for the first time this season. The drought has dropped the Captains from first in the High-A Central League to third. Lake County has stolen 32 bases and been caught five times for an 86.9% success rate. According to FanGraphs, **Raynel Delgado** is sixth in the High-A Central League in Weighted Stolen Base Runs (wSB) at 1.0, meaning Delgado's base stealing has contributed one more run for his team than the average league player. **Will Brennan** is 12<sup>th</sup> at 0.5.

**DEFENSIVE FLEXIBILITY:** The Captains' have shuffled their infield defenders in 2021. Lake County has used four different first basemen, six different second basemen, five different third basemen and two different shortstops.

**Raynel Delgado**, **Brayan Rocchio** and **José Tena** have each played three different infield positions. **Victor Nova** and **Daniel Schneemann** have played two different infield positions and left field.

**YOUNGSTERS:** The Captains have five of the 10 youngest players in the High-A Central League – 1B **Joe Naranjo** (20), INF **Aaron Bracho** (20), INF **José Tena** (20), INF **Brayan Rocchio** (20) and OF **George Valera** (20). Naranjo, Bracho and Tena are the three youngest players in the league. Naranjo, who turned 20 on Tuesday, is the youngest player in all of High-A. Bracho (born 4/21/00) is the second youngest in all of High-A. The Captains have eight players who are age 21 or younger.

### Top Prospects

The Cleveland farm system enters 2021 as the 13<sup>th</sup> best farm system in baseball according to *MLB.com*. Below are current Captains and their ranking in Cleveland's system, according to various publications.

FanGraphs	Baseball America	MLB.com
#3 George Valera	#6 George Valera	#4 George Valera
#4 Brayan Rocchio	#8 Brayan Rocchio	#7 Brayan Rocchio
#8 Aaron Bracho	#11 Aaron Bracho	#8 Aaron Bracho
#20 Tanner Burns	#16 Tanner Burns	#15 Tanner Burns
#21 Logan Allen	#21 Logan Allen	#23 Logan Allen
#29 Hunter Gaddis		#24 Jose Tena
#30 Bryan Lavastida		#27 Bryan Lavastida
#32 Jose Tena		


## CURRENT SERIES SCHEDULE, RESULTS & PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

Date	Opp.	Time/Result	Captains Starter	Opponent Starter	Broadcast
5/18	at GL	W, 10-6	Hunter Gaddis, RHP (1-1, 4.09)	Alec Gamboa, LHP (0-2, 7.04)	WJCU.org
5/19	at GL	W, 3-2	Logan Allen, LHP (2-0, 1.15)	Bobby Miller, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org
5/20	at GL	L, 5-3	Raymond Burgos, LHP (0-1, 3.86)	Jose Martinez, RHP (0-0, 1.35)	WJCU.org
5/21	at GL	L, 8-2	Tanner Burns, RHP (0-1, 4.97)	Logan Boyer, RHP (0-0, 4.91)	WJCU.org
5/22	at GL	L, 12-1	Matt Turner, LHP (0-2, 4.38)	Robinson Ortiz, LHP (2-1, 0.77)	WJCU.org
5/23	at GL	1:05 p.m.	Mason Hickman, RHP (0-1, 3.12)	Clayton Beeter, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org



TODAY'S CAPTAINS STARTING PITCHER

#41 **MASON HICKMAN** RHP



**Born (Age):** December 23, 1998 (22)  
**Hometown:** Hendersonville, TN  
**School:** Vanderbilt University  
**HT:** 6'6" | **WT:** 228 lbs | **Bats:** R | **Throws:** R  
**Acquired:** 2020 Draft – 5<sup>th</sup> Round (154<sup>th</sup> overall)  
**Pitch Selection:** Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup

2021 Game-By-Game												
Date	Opp	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	HR	SO	BB	Result		
5/9	at LAN	L	3.2	5	3	3	2	6	1	L, 5-2		
5/16	vs. FW	ND	5.0	0	0	0	0	7	2	W, 3-0		
Total			0-1	8.2	5	3	3	2	13	3		

\* Relief Appearance

2021 Statistics															
Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HBP	BB	SO
LC	0	1	3.12	2	2	0	0	8.2	5	3	3	2	0	3	13
Total	0	1	3.12	2	2	0	0	8.2	5	3	3	2	0	3	13

NCAA Statistics												
Year	Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	SO	BB	WHIP
2018	VAN	8	2	5.21	16	13	0	1	74.1	66	30	1.36
2019	VAN	9	0	2.05	20	13	0	0	96.2	129	28	0.95
2020	VAN	2	0	0.48	3	3	0	0	18.2	26	3	0.59
Total	NCAA	19	2	3.13	39	29	0	1	189.2	221	61	1.07

**LAST TIME OUT:** Hickman pitched five hitless innings last Sunday against Fort Wayne. In his Classic Park debut, Hickman retired the first 11 batters he faced before walking Jonny Homza with two outs in the fourth. Hickman struck out seven TinCaps and allowed just three baserunners on two walks and an error. Hickman left the game with the score still 0-0, but the Captains scored three runs in the seventh to beat Fort Wayne, 3-0.

**COLLEGE ACCOLADES:** Hickman was named a Preseason All-American by *Collegiate Game*, and Second Team Preseason All-America by *Perfect Game* before the shortened 2020 season.

**2020 DRAFT:** Cleveland selected Hickman in the fifth round (154<sup>th</sup> overall) of the 2020 draft, which was shortened to five rounds. This was considered a bit of a steal by some outlets with both *Perfect Game* and *Baseball America* ranking Hickman as the 65<sup>th</sup> best draft prospect entering the draft.

**COLLEGE WORLD SERIES CLINCHER:** Hickman's shining moment at Vanderbilt came in 2019 as he helped lead the Commodores to their second National Championship in school history. In the series clinching win, Hickman started for Vanderbilt tossing six strong innings, allowing just one run while fanning 10 Wolverines in the 8-2 win. He also started in the CWS semifinals against Louisville throwing six scoreless frames and surrendering just two hits with three strikeouts. In four total NCAA Tournament starts he went 2-0 with a 1.57 ERA in 23 innings.

**CAPTAINS AND VANDY:** Hickman is just the second Captain ever to come out Vanderbilt. The first and only other Commodore to come to Lake County was catcher on the 2003 Captains and Lake County Manager in 2012, David Wallace.

**STAFF LEADER:** In 2019 Hickman found himself starting 2019 out of the bullpen despite being the teams Sunday starter as a freshman, appearing out of the bullpen three times in 2018. After coming out of the pen in his first six appearances of 2019 with a 2.50 ERA Hickman rejoined the rotation and thrived. He finished the year with a 2.05 ERA to lead the team and finish 4<sup>th</sup> in the SEC.

**COACHES WORDS:** Hickman worked with Tim Corbin at Vanderbilt who has built a powerhouse in Nashville churning out top baseball talent. In recent years Walker Buehler, Sonny Gray and David Price among others have all starred in the big leagues after pitching for Vandy. Corbin says "Mason has turned into one of the most dependable and reliable starting pitchers that we have had in our program. He continues to develop and get better as his craft while taking on a leadership role on our pitching staff. He is a quality young man that excels in the classroom as well. Very competitive in everything that he does."

**STRIKEOUT BUMP:** After striking out just eight batters per nine innings as a freshman in Nashville, Hickman saw an increase in whiffs towards the end of his sophomore season. In his final six starts of the season he struck out nine or more batters five times. He finished 2019 with 129 strikeouts to finish 13<sup>th</sup> in the country and struck out 12 per nine innings.

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF:** The teammates Hickman worked with at Vanderbilt have been highly regarded around baseball. Pitchers that Hickman joined in the clubhouse that have recently been drafted include Tyler Brown (2020, HOU), Jake Eder (2020, MIA), Drake Fellows (2019, SD), Zach King (2019, MIA), Jackson Gillis (2019, MIL), Joe Goblott (2019, TB), AJ Franklin (2019, KC), Patrick Raby (2019, CIN), Maddux Conger (2018, DET) and Justin Wilson (2018, NYY). In 2021, Commodores Kumar Rocker and Jack Leiter are both expected to be first round draft picks in 2021 and were teammates of Hickman's in 2019 and 2020. Vanderbilt has also had 12 position players since 2018.

2021 Highs	
INNINGS.....	5.0 (5/16 vs. FW)
STRIKEOUTS.....	7 (5/16 vs. FW)
WALKS.....	2 (5/16 vs. FW)
HITS.....	5 (5/9 at LAN)
RUNS.....	3 (5/9 at LAN)
EARNED RUNS.....	3 (5/9 at LAN)
HR.....	2 (5/9 at LAN)
FEWEST HITS (5+IP).....	0 (5/16 vs. FW – 5 IP)
<b>LAST WIN: N/A</b>	
<b>LAST LOSS: 5/9/21 at LAN</b>	
<b>LAST HR ALLOWED: 5/9/21 at LAN (Michael Guldberg)</b>	
<b>NO-HITTER/PERFECT GAME: N/A</b>	

Career-Highs	
INNINGS.....	5.0 (5/16/21 vs. FW)
STRIKEOUTS.....	7 (5/16/21 vs. FW)
WALKS.....	2 (5/16/21 vs. FW)
HITS.....	5 (5/9/21 at LAN)
RUNS.....	3 (5/9/21 at LAN)
EARNED RUNS.....	3 (5/9/21 at LAN)
HR.....	2 (5/9/21 at LAN)
FEWEST HITS (5+IP).....	0 (5/16/21 vs. FW – 5 IP)



Season Totals	W-L	ERA	CG	SHO	Team Pitching Totals							
					SV/OPP	IP	H	R	ER	BB-I	SO	HR
Starters	3-6	3.69	-	-	N/A	70.2	63	38	29	20-0	80	11
Relievers	7-1	3.42	N/A	N/A	8/8	76.1	65	30	29	31-0	94	6
Classic Park	5-1	1.83	-	-	4/4	54.0	30	11	11	15-0	77	3
Road	5-6	4.55	-	-	4/4	93.0	98	57	47	36-0	97	14
May	10-7	3.55	-	-	8/8	147.0	128	68	58	51-0	174	17
June	0-0	0.00	-	-	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
July	0-0	0.00	-	-	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
August	0-0	0.00	-	-	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
September	0-0	0.00	-	-	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-

Pitcher	Last Game	IP, H, R, ER, BB, K	Last Win	Captains Bullpen Notes			SV/OPP	BQR/BQRS	IR/RS
				Last Save	Last Loss				
Coulter	5/22 at GL	1.1 IP, 5 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 2 BB, 1 K	5/13 vs. FW	-	-	-	-	4/1	-
Enright	5/18 at GL	2.1 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 2 K	5/18 at GL	-	-	-	-	2/0	2/1
Gallagher	5/21 at GL	1.0 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 1 BB, 0 K	-	5/19 at GL	5/15 vs. FW	-	2/2	0/0	4/0
Herrin	5/22 at GL	1.2 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 1 K	5/19 at GL	5/16 vs FW	-	1/1	-	1/0	6/1
Janczak	5/21 at GL	1.1 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 0 BB, 2 K	5/6 at LAN	-	-	-	-	2/0	4/1
Kelly	5/18 at GL	1.0 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 3 K	5/14 vs FW	5/18 at GL	-	-	3/3	1/1	5/0
Ocker	5/20 at GL	4.0 IP, 1 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 5 K	5/16 vs FW	-	-	-	-	1/0	-
Rholl	5/21 at GL	1.0 IP, 3 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 0 BB, 1 K	-	5/14 vs. FW	-	-	2/2	5/0	-

Starter Run Support						Starter Advanced Stats (As Starters)										
Pitcher	GS	W-L	Team W-L	Support	Per Game	Pitcher	K/9	BB/9	K/BB	HR/9	AVG	WHIP	BABIP	GB%	FIP	ERA
Allen	3	2-0	3-0	11	3.7	Allen	12.6	1.7	7.3	0.6	.220	1.02	.333	37.8%	1.69	1.15
Burgos	2	0-1	1-1	11	5.5	Burgos	9.0	1.3	7.0	1.3	.276	1.29	.333	45.5%	3.39	3.86
Burns	3	0-1	2-1	16	5.3	Burns	11.4	1.4	8.0	1.4	.229	1.03	.300	48.4%	3.10	4.97
Gaddis	3	1-1	2-1	14	4.7	Gaddis	7.4	3.3	2.3	0.8	.250	1.36	.294	33.3%	4.83	4.09
Hickman	2	0-1	1-1	5	2.5	Hickman	13.5	3.1	4.3	2.1	.156	0.92	.176	17.6%	4.13	3.12
Turner	3	0-2	0-3	4	1.3	Turner	7.3	2.2	3.3	2.9	.234	1.14	.212	44.4%	6.42	4.38
Total	17	3-6	10-7	68	4.0											

Player	Multi-Hit				Last MH	Multi-RBI				Last MRBI	HR Type/Last HR				
	2	3	4	5+		2	3	4	5+		solo	2R	3R	GS	Last HR
Amditis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	5/18 at GL	-	-	-	-	-
Bracho	1	-	-	-	5/13 vs. FW	3	-	-	-	5/18 at GL	1	-	-	-	5/18 at GL (1R)
Brennan	3	-	-	-	5/13 vs. FW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delgado	3	-	-	-	5/13 vs. FW	1	-	-	-	5/21 at GL	-	1	-	-	5/21 at GL (2R)
Donovan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engelmann	2	-	-	-	5/18 at GL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. Gonzalez	1	-	-	-	5/20 at GL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holmes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lavastida	2	-	-	-	5/6 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naranjo	2	-	-	-	5/13 vs. FW	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	5/11 vs. FW (1R)
Nova	1	1	-	-	5/13 vs. FW	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	5/13 vs. FW (1R)
Rocchio	4	-	-	-	5/18 at GL	2	-	-	-	5/15 vs. FW	1	1	-	-	5/19 at. GL (1R)
Schneemann	3	-	-	-	5/19 at GL	2	-	-	-	5/19 at GL	-	1	-	-	5/19 at GL (2R)
Tena	-	3	-	-	5/14 vs. FW	1	-	1	-	5/14 vs. FW	2	1	-	-	5/14 vs. FW (2R)
Valera	1	-	-	-	5/5 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wade	1	-	-	-	5/7 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	5/7 at LAN (1R)

Starts In The Order									
Player	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Amditis	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	1
Bracho	-	-	6	2	3	-	-	-	-
Brennan	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delgado	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	-	-
Donovan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engelmann	-	-	-	5	1	1	2	-	2
G. González	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Holmes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Lavastida	-	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naranjo	-	-	-	4	5	1	1	3	-
Nova	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	11
Rocchio	12	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Schneemann	-	-	-	-	1	1	5	2	1
Tena	4	3	3	-	-	1	2	1	-
Valera	-	-	1	6	-	-	-	-	-
Wade	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	1	1

Games Started by Position									
Player	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	RF	CF	DH
Amditis	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bracho	-	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	3
Brennan	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	-
Delgado	-	3	4	6	-	-	-	-	1
Donovan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engelmann	-	1	-	-	-	-	10	-	-
G. González	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Holmes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Lavastida	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Naranjo	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Nova	-	-	1	3	-	7	-	-	2
Rocchio	-	-	3	3	8	-	-	-	-
Schneemann	-	-	3	1	-	1	-	-	5
Tena	-	-	1	4	9	-	-	-	-
Valera	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	1	-
Wade	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	3	-



## CAPTAINS BATTING NOTES

## #4 Brayan Rocchio, INF

Age: 20

Resides: Caracas, VZ

Acquired: 2017 NDFA

5'10" — 150 lbs

Bats/Throws: S/R

Yesterday: 0-4, K

This Series: 4-20, HR, RBI, 3 R, 1-2 SB, 4 K

vs. GL: 4-20, HR, RBI, 3 R, 1-2 SB, 4 K

Streak: -1 (Since 5/22)

📌 Ranked as CLE's #4 prospect by *FanGraphs*, #7 by *MLB.com* and #8 by *Baseball America*... Did not play at the alt site or instructs in 2020 due to travel restrictions going to and from Venezuela

📌 2019 New York-Penn League All Star... Was the NYPL's youngest regular in 2019 and finished eighth in TB (100), SB (14) and H (67)... Made his stateside debut at the age of 17 in 2018.

📌 Nicknamed "The Professor" due to exceptional baseball IQ... Has played in big league spring training games each of the last three years, starting in 2019 when he was just 18 years old.

## #6 Joe Naranjo, 1B

Age: 20

Resides: Whittier, CA

Acquired: 3<sup>rd</sup> Round (2019) — Ruben S. Alaya High School

5'8" — 198 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/L

Yesterday:

This Series: 3-16, BB, 2 K

vs. GL: 3-16, BB, 2 K

Streak: +2 (Since 5/20)

📌 Originally committed to Cal State Fullerton before being drafted by Cleveland. Was also recruited a LHP as well as first baseman

📌 Played for both the U12 and U15 USA National team.

📌 Grew up as close friends with Texas infield prospect Cody Freeman, the younger brother of former Captains SS Tyler Freeman.

## #7 José Tena, INF

Age: 20

Resides: San Cristobal, DR

Acquired: 2017 NDFA

5'10" — 160 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/R

Yesterday: 0-4, 2 K

This Series: 2-17, BB, RBI, R, 6 K

vs. GL: 2-17, BB, RBI, R, 6 K

Streak: -2 (Since 5/21)

📌 Ranked as CLE's #24 prospect *MLB.com* and #32 by *FanGraphs*... Keith Law of *The Athletic* is the highest on Tena, [ranking him as CLE's #11 prospect](#). Law ranked Tena as [CLE's #6 prospect in 2020](#).

📌 "One of several prospects in the system who looks like they spent a lot of time working out during quarantine" — Eric Longenhagen, *FanGraphs*

📌 Nephew of 16-year big leaguer Juan Uribe... Regarded as having some of the best bat-to-ball skills in Cleveland's organization... A free swinger who walked in just 3% of his plate appearances in 2019

## #8 Daniel Schneemann, INF

Age: 24

Resides: Provo, UT

Acquired: 33<sup>rd</sup> Round (2018) — Brigham Young University

6'1" — 180 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/R

Yesterday: 1-3, BB

This Series: 4-14, HR, 3B, 2 BB, 2 RBI, R, 1-1 SB, 3 K

vs. GL: 4-14, HR, 3B, 2 BB, 2 RBI, R, 1-1 SB, 3 K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/22)

📌 Spent 2020 training at his home in Utah and in Arizona... Adopted a puppy that he and his wife Allie named Benny, after "Benny The Jet" from the movie *The Sandlot*.

📌 Wife, Allie Hancock-Schneemann, is a volunteer assistant softball coach at BYU and was a renowned defensive first baseman at BYU, posting the program's highest single-season fielding percentage in 2019.

📌 Was the Captains' starting shortstop at the end of 2019 and during the playoffs. He also spent time at second base and third base.

## #10 Austen Wade, OF

Age: 25

Resides: Midland, TX

Acquired: 5<sup>th</sup> Round (2017) — Texas Christian university

6'1" — 185 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/L

Yesterday: 1-3, BB, R

This Series: 3-13, 4 BB, RBI, 2 R, 3 K

vs. GL: 3-13, 4 BB, RBI, 2 R, 3 K

Streak: +2 (Since 5/21)

📌 Captains starting CF at the beginning of 2018... Suffered an injury in a collision with SS [Ernie Clement](#) at West Michigan in late May... Returned July 26 after rehab... Promoted to High-A on August 1

📌 Finished his degree in economics and got married in the offseason following his season with Lake County in 2018... Austen and his wife, Emily, adopted a puppy during 2020.

📌 Part of TCU's Big 12 championship team in 2016... Led TCU in AVG (.332), H (82)

## #11 Bryan Lavastida, C

Age: 22

Resides: Hialeah, FL

Acquired: 15<sup>th</sup> Round (2018) — Hillsborough CC (FL)

6'0" — 200 lbs

Bats/Throws: R/R

Yesterday:

This Series:

vs. GL:

Streak: +1 (Since 5/12)

📌 2019 New York-Penn League All-Star (starting catcher)... Hit .335/.408/.483 with Short Season Mahoning Valley... NYPL's lowest K% (11.3%)... Finished second in NYPL with a 165 wRC+

📌 Transferred to Lake County at the end of 2019... Played one regular season game and three postseason games... Won NYPL August Player of the Month before promotion, hitting .413/.486/.554

📌 Drafted by Cleveland as a catcher, despite mostly playing third base as an amateur... Worked on receiving during 2020 in virtual training sessions with former Captains managers Luke Carlin and Larry Day

## #13 George Valera, OF

Age: 20

Resides: San Pedro de Macoris, DR

Acquired: Signed as a NDFA in 2017

5'10" — 160 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/L

Yesterday:

This Series:

vs. GL:

Streak: -1 (Since 5/12)

📌 Ranked as CLE's #3 prospect by *FanGraphs*, #4 by *MLB.com* and #6 by *Baseball America*... Ranked as the #100 prospect in MLB by *MLB.com*

📌 2019 New York-Penn League All-Star... 10<sup>th</sup> in NYPL in OPS (.802) when promoted to Lake County at the end of August, 2019... Missed all but six (6) games in 2018 with a broken hamate bone.

📌 Born in Queens, NY... Moved to the family's ancestral home in San Pedro de Macoris, DR, when he was 13... Father had severe car accident... Metal rods in his arms and legs were sensitive to cold.

## #15 Raynel Delgado, INF

Age: 21

Resides: Miami Lakes, FL

Acquired: 6<sup>th</sup> Round (2018) — Calvary Christian Academy (FL)

6'2" — 185 lbs

Bats/Throws: S/R

Yesterday: 0-4, 2 K

This Series: 2-16, HR, BB, 3 RBI, 2 R, 6 K

vs. GL: 2-16, HR, BB, 3 RBI, 2 R, 6 K

Streak: -1 (Since 5/22)

📌 Born in Cuba and came to the United States with his mother when he was seven years old... Won a gold medal with the 18U USA National Team at the 2017 World Cup.

📌 Was previously rated as CLE's #18 prospect by *MLB.com* and #23 by *Baseball America* at the start of the 2019 season.

📌 Finished the 2019 season with the Captains, playing second base, third base and shortstop. During the playoffs, Delgado played one game at second base and two games at third base.



CAPTAINS BATTING NOTES

#16 Will Brennan, OF

Age: 23

Resides: Stilwell, KS

Acquired: 8th Round (2019) — Kansas State 6'0" — 190 lbs Bats/Throws: L/L
Yesterday: 1-3, 2B, RBI This Series: 4-10, 2 2B, 5 BB, 2 RBI, 4 R vs. GL: 4-10, 2 2B, 5 BB, 2 RBI, 4 R Streak: +5 (Since 5/16)

- Was a two-way player all three years at Kansas State... Played outfield and pitched, both as a starter and reliever... No home runs in college until his junior year (2019) when he hit four.
All Big 12 First Team (2018)... Collegiate Freshman Baseball All American (2017)... Played for Falmouth in the Cape Cod Baseball League and Anchorage in the Alaska Baseball League.
Posted a .824 OPS in 31 games in the Arizona League in 2019. Brennan tallied 11 extra-base hits, 15 walks and only six strikeouts.

#17 Aaron Bracho, INF

Age: 20

Resides: El Tigrito, VZ

Acquired: 2017 NDFA 5'11" — 175 lbs Bats/Throws: S/R
Yesterday: This Series: 2-13, HR, 3 BB, 3 RBI, 2 R, 1-1 SB, 5 K vs. GL: 2-13, HR, 3 BB, 3 RBI, 2 R, 1-1 SB, 5 K Streak: -2 (Since 5/20)

- Ranked as CLE's #8 prospect by MLB.com, #8 by FanGraphs and #11 by Baseball America... Received the highest bonus in Cleveland's 2017 international signing class (\$1.5 million)
At age 19, Bracho was the youngest player at Cleveland's alternate site in Lake County in 2020.
Missed 2018 with a broken right arm... Missed a month during his pro debut season (2019) with an oblique injury... Would have finished sixth in the Arizona League in OPS (1.009) if qualified.

#26 Mike Amditis, C

Age: 23

Resides: Boca Raton, FL

Acquired: 21st Round (2019) — University of Miami 5'11" — 190 lbs Bats/Throws: R/R
Yesterday: 0-3 This Series: 1-15, 2B, BB, 3 RBI, R, 4 K vs. GL: 1-15, 2B, BB, 3 RBI, R, 4 K Streak: -3 (Since 5/19)

- Originally drafted by Cleveland out of college in 2016 (37th round) as a favor, according to a Miami Herald article. His father, also named Michael, was sick with diabetes and passed away two months later.
Broke his leg after five (5) games with the University of Miami in 2017 and took a medical redshirt... Played 24 games in 2018... Hit seven (7) HR his junior year (2019) after hitting none in 2017-18.
Played for the Wareham Gatemen in the summer collegiate Cape Cod Baseball League in 2018.

#27 Gianpaul González, C

Age: 25

Resides: Toa Alta, PR

Acquired: 20th Round (2014) — Discipulos De Cristo HS (P.R.) 6'0" — 185 lbs Bats/Throws: R/R
Yesterday: This Series: 2-4, R, 2 K vs. GL: 2-4, R, 2 K Streak: +1 (Since 5/20)

- González hit his first and, thus far, only career home run on May 8, 2018 for the Captains at Kane County. The homer came on Gonzalez's 100th career professional game, in his fifth season.
Learned how to play guitar during the 2020 shutdown... Favorite baseball player is Yadier Molina
Missed a month during the 2019 season with a hand injury sustained on a catcher's interference.

#28 Joe Donovan, C

Age: 22

Resides: Clarendon Hills, IL

Acquired: 2020 NDFA 5'11" — 180 lbs Bats/Throws: R/R
Yesterday: This Series: vs. GL: Streak:

- Starting catcher on the University of Michigan team that reached the 2019 College World Series Finals (first UM team to reach CWS Finals in 35 years)... 10 career HR (nine in his sophomore season, 2019).
Was Cleveland's first non-drafted signee after the shortened 2020 draft... "Scouts believe Donovan has the tools to be an asset behind the plate at the big league level" — Baseball America
Joe's brother, Charlie, passed away unexpectedly at age 18... Charlie was Illinois' Gatorade Player of the Year and was committed to Michigan where he would have been a senior on the 2019 team.

#31 Victor Nova, INF/OF

Age: 21

Resides: Santo Domingo, DR

Acquired: Trade with San Diego (July 31, 2019) 5'9" — 160 lbs Bats/Throws: L/R
Yesterday: 0-2, BB This Series: 0-9, 4 BB, R, K vs. GL: 0-9, 4 BB, R, K Streak: -7 (Since 5/14)

- Acquired by Cleveland from San Diego in the seven-player, three-way trade with the Padres and Reds that sent Trevor Bauer to Cincinnati and Franmil Reyes to Cleveland.
Split time between left field, centerfield, second base and third base in 2019. His 41 career starts at third base are Nova's most at any position.
Noted as a "Young Hit Tool Sleeper" by FanGraphs... "Nova is a powerfully-built 5-foot-9, has feel to hit, a somewhat advanced idea of the strike zone, and well-regarded makeup" — Eric Longenhagen

#37 Quentin Holmes, OF

Age: 21

Resides: Queens, NY

Acquired: 2nd Round (2017) — Monsignor McClancy HS (NY) 6'3" — 175 lbs Bats/Throws: R/R
Yesterday: This Series: vs. GL: Streak: +1 (Since 5/6)

- Was ranked as CLE's #27 prospect by MLB.com at the start of the 2019 season... Was Cleveland's first pick in 2017 (64th overall) after the club forfeited its first round pick to sign Edwin Encarnación.
Played all of 2019 with the Captains as the team's starting centerfielder... Holmes missed all but seven games in 2018 due to a hamstring injury.
Won gold with the 18U USA National Team at the 2016 Pan-American on a team that included Royce Lewis and Hunter Greene... Holmes was considered one of the fastest players in the 2017 MLB Draft.

#43 Jonathan Engelman, 1B/OF

Age: 24

Resides: Burlingame, CA

Acquired: 31st Round (2018) — University of Michigan 6'4" — 210 lbs Bats/Throws: R/R
Yesterday: 0-3, BB, K This Series: 4-11, 2 2B, 6 BB, RBI, R, 1-1 SB, 3 K vs. GL: 4-11, 2 2B, 6 BB, RBI, R, 1-1 SB, 3 K Streak: -1 (Since 5/22)

- Spent the 2020 training with former Captains SS Tyler Freeman and Cleveland OF prospect Steven Kwan in Texas. Faced professional pitchers, including major leaguers Jake Arrieta and Zack Britton.
Hit a pinch-hit, walk-off home run against West Michigan on June 23, 2019. His home run came immediately after a homer by Miguel Jerez, who tied the game with a solo shot.
All-Big 10 First Team and ABCA/Rawlings All-Mideast Region Second Team last year... Hit .351/.431/.521 with six homers at Michigan last season



CAPTAINS BULLPEN NOTES

#9 Nick Gallagher, RHP

Age: 25

Resides: Iowa City, IA

Acquired: 16th Round (2017) — University of Iowa 6'3" — 200 lbs Pitches: Fastball, slider, cutter, changeup
Vs. LH: .083/.267/.083 vs. RH: .200/.273/.500 Home: .214/.214/.429 Road: .111/.304/.278 Scoreless: 3.0 (Since 5/15)

- Started 2019 with High-A Lynchburg... Suffered shoulder injury in late May... Assigned to Low-A Lake County in mid-August after six rehab appearances in the Rookie Level Arizona League.
Was a walk-on at Iowa in 2015. Became the Hawkeyes' Friday starter in 2017. Tied for the Big Ten lead in wins (8) and earned Second Team All-Big Ten in 2017.
Was planning on being the Hawkeyes' basketball manager before his fastball jumped up nearly 10 MPH (high-70's to high 80's) ahead of his senior year in high school.

#22 Nathan Ocker, RHP

Age: 24

Resides: Middletown, PA

Acquired: 29th Round (2019) — College of Charleston 6'4" — 190 lbs Pitches: Fastball, curveball
Vs. LH: .059/.111/.059 vs. RH: .250/.382/.586 Home: .167/.211/.278 Road: .185/.333/.407 Scoreless: 4.0 (Since 5/20)

- Was a closer throughout his career at Charleston, made 85 career relief appearances with seven starts. He is second all-time in saves (26), WHIP (0.98), total appearances (92) and relief appearances (85)
Told PressandJournal.com he made some major adjustments to his mechanics after going pro - "It's a lot shorter and compact and more powerful. The main thing is health."
2019 All-CAA in 2019 with a career best 12 saves in 30 appearances

#24 Jared Janczak, RHP

Age: 25

Resides: Belton, TX

Acquired: 31st Round (2019) — Texas Christian University 6'1" — 205 lbs Pitches: Fastball, curveball, slider
Vs. LH: .286/.333/.357 vs. RH: .304/.360/.739 Home: .231/.333/.538 Road: .333/.360/.625 Scoreless: 1.1 (Since 5/21)

- Spent 5 seasons at TCU due to a Red-Shirt season in 2015. His best season came as a sophomore when he finished 2nd-team All-American (Perfect Game, NCBWA, ABCA) finishing with a 2.31 ERA
Started 15 games in 2017 2nd Team All-American season. TCU went 12-3 in those games. He struck out 102 in 93.1 IP and walked only 24.
Worked out of the bullpen in his first pro season notching one save and striking out 13.8/9 IP

#30 Tim Herrin, LHP

Age: 24

Resides: Terre Haute, IN

Acquired: 29th Round (2018) — Indiana University 6'5" — 225 lbs Pitches: Fastball, cutter, slider, changeup
Vs. LH: .091/.167/.182 vs. RH: .313/.353/.406 Home: .308/.308/.462 Road: .233/.303/.300 Scoreless: 6.2 (Since 5/13)

- Split 2019 with Low-A Lake County and Short Season Mahoning Valley... Allowed 0 ER in 17 IP for MV with 10 K and 2 BB... Posted a 4.85 ERA in 26 IP for LC with 19 K and 12 BB.
Drafted by Cleveland after his junior season at Indiana... Enjoyed his best collegiate season as a junior, posting a 3.22 ERA... One of four Hoosiers selected in last year's draft (10 selected this year)
Was a First Team All-State quarterback at South Vigo High School (Terre Haute, IN) and led his team to Sectional and Conference titles in 2015.

#35 Kevin Kelly, RHP

Age: 23

Resides: Springfield, VA

Acquired: 19th Round (2019) — James Madison University 6'2" — 200 lbs Pitches: Fastball, sinker, slider, curveball, changeup
Vs. LH: .000/.000/.000 vs. RH: .353/.389/.412 Home: .111/.111/.111 Road: .294/.333/.353 Scoreless: 4.0 (Since 5/14)

- Computer Science Major - He helped develop a web application to improve the NCAA statistics website. Says that coding is his passion outside of baseball. Went back and finished his degree in fall of 2019
Primarily a reliever in first professional season (2 saves). Split time in the rotation and bullpen in college with 26 starts and 28 appearances in relief
Only 48 career walks in 189.2 IP at JMU but he did hit 26 batters in his career. Only walked two and hit none in 17.1 Professional innings

#36 Nic Enright, RHP

Age: 24

Resides: Richmond, VA

Acquired: 20th Round (2019) — Virginia Tech 6'3" — 205 lbs Pitches: Fastball, curveball
Vs. LH: .250/.250/.500 vs. RH: .211/.286/.368 Home: .385/.429/.769 Road: .111/.158/.167 Scoreless: 2.1 (Since 5/18)

- Made his pro debut in the Rookie Level Arizona League in 2019... Allowed just one earned run over 18 innings (0.50 ERA), all in relief... Registered 26 K and 8 BB.
Pitched three years at Virginia Tech... Redshirted 2017 due to injury... Best season was RS-Jr year when he posted a 3.93 ERA (only year below a 5.00 ERA)
Virginia's Gatorade State Player of the Year his senior year of high school... Posted a 0.79 ERA for The Steward School... Drafted by the Mets in the 19th round of the 2015 draft out of high school.

#40 Kellen Rholl, LHP

Age: 25

Resides: Hugo, MN

Acquired: 25th Round (2018) — Angelo State University 6'3" — 200 lbs Pitches: Fastball, slider, cutter
Vs. LH: .000/.400/.000 vs. RH: .304/.467/.435 Home: .111/.333/.222 Road: .300/.500/.400 Scoreless: 1.0 (Since 5/21)

- Secured the final three outs of the Captains' seven-inning combined no-hitter on June 21, 2021 against West Michigan at Classic Park. Eli Lingos pitched the first four innings and Luis Araujo pitched two.
High school teammates former Captains LHP Sam Hentges, who made his big league debut with CLE this year. The pair won back-to-back state championships for Mounds View High School (Arden Hills, MN)
Rholl can play the cello/bass and says he would be making music if he wasn't playing baseball.

#45 Kevin Coulter, RHP

Age: 24

Resides: Buford, GA

Acquired: 33rd Round (2019) — Mercer University 6'5" — 227 lbs Pitches: Fastball, curveball, slider, splitter
Vs. LH: .250/.381/.375 vs. RH: .320/.414/.400 Home: .000/.143/.000 Road: .414/.500/.552 Scoreless: 0.0 (Since 5/22)

- 2.23 ERA in the Rookie Level Arizona League during his pro debut season in 2019... 47 strikeouts and 14 walks in 36.1 innings... Allowed just one earned run over eight appearances in July (14.1 IP).
Posted a 4.74 ERA over four years at Mercer University, in which he both started and relieved (73 G, 45 GS)... Best season as a senior (3.90 ERA)... Teammates with former Captains RHP Robert Broom.
Played baseball, basketball and ran for the cross country at Buford High School (Mascot: Wolves)... Helped Buford win the 2015 state title in baseball.



CAPTAINS BREAKDOWN

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Includes Overall (10-7), Last 5 (2-3), Longest Winning Streak (4), and various performance metrics.

2021 HIGHS & LOWS

Team Batting

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Runs, Game (10), Most Hits, Game (17), and other batting metrics.

Individual Batting

Table with 2 columns: Player Statistic and Value. Includes Runs, Game (3), Most Hits, Game (3), and individual player performance.

Team Pitching

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs Allowed, Game (12), Most Hits Allowed, Game (13), and other pitching metrics.

Individual Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Player Statistic and Value. Includes Most Innings, Game (5.2), Most Runs, Game (7), and individual pitching/defense stats.

Game Times/Attendance

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Longest Game, Innings (9), Largest Home Crowd (2,473), and other game-related data.

Ejections

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Batting

Table with 2 columns: Event and Date/Context. Includes Win on a Walk-off (8/15/19), Grand Slam (8/26/19), and other notable batting events.

Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Event and Date/Context. Includes Team No-Hitter (7 IP), CG No-Hitter (9 IP), and other pitching/defense milestones.

Miscellaneous

Table with 2 columns: Event and Date/Context. Includes 7+ game win streak (5/7-5/14/15), 20+ hits, game (6/8/16), and other miscellaneous events.

Postponed/Suspended/Cancelled

Delays

IN THE SYSTEM

MLB - Cleveland (AL)

24-19 • 2nd AL Central • 1.5 GB
Yesterday: W, 5-3 at Minnesota
Today: vs. Minnesota (1:10 p.m.)

AAA - Columbus (TA-E)

8-8 • 4th TA-E Midwest • 3.0 GB
Yesterday: W, 5-3 at Toledo
Today: at Toledo (2:05 p.m.)

AA - Akron (DA-NE)

11-5 • 3rd DA-NE Southwest • 1.0 GB
Yesterday: W, 11-0 vs. Reading
Today: vs. Reading (2:05 p.m.)

Low-A - Lynchburg (LA-E)

13-4 • 1st LA-E North • 0.0 GB
Yesterday: W, 11-1 vs. Myrtle Beach
Today: vs. Myrtle Beach (3:00 p.m.)

CAPTAINS SEASON RECORDS

Table with 6 columns: Overall, May, June, July, August, September, Total. Shows performance across months and overall totals.

SCORE BY INNING

Table with 11 columns: Inning (1-10+), Captains, Opponents. Shows run distribution by inning for both teams.







2021 REGULAR SEASON DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opponent	Result	Record	Pos.	GA/GB	WINNING PITCHER	LOSING PITCHER	SAVE	TIME	ATT.
7/13	at Lansing									
7/14	at Lansing									
7/15	at Lansing									
7/16	at Lansing									
7/17	at Lansing									
7/18	at Lansing									
7/19	OFF DAY									
7/20	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
7/21	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
7/22	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
7/23	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
7/24	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
7/25	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
7/26	OFF DAY									
7/27	at Dayton									
7/28	at Dayton									
7/29	at Dayton									
7/30	at Dayton									
7/31	at Dayton									
8/1	at Dayton									
8/2	OFF DAY									
8/3	<b>LANSING</b>									
8/4	<b>LANSING</b>									
8/5	<b>LANSING</b>									
8/6	<b>LANSING</b>									
8/7	<b>LANSING</b>									
8/8	<b>LANSING</b>									
8/9	OFF DAY									
8/10	<b>WEST MICHIGAN</b>									
8/11	<b>WEST MICHIGAN</b>									
8/12	<b>WEST MICHIGAN</b>									
8/13	<b>WEST MICHIGAN</b>									
8/14	<b>WEST MICHIGAN</b>									
8/15	<b>WEST MICHIGAN</b>									
8/16	OFF DAY									
8/17	at Dayton									
8/18	at Dayton									
8/19	at Dayton									
8/20	at Dayton									
8/21	at Dayton									
8/22	at Dayton									
8/23	OFF DAY									
8/24	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
8/25	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
8/26	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
8/27	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
8/28	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
8/29	<b>GREAT LAKES</b>									
8/30	OFF DAY									
8/31	at South Bend									
9/1	at South Bend									
9/2	at South Bend									
9/3	at South Bend									
9/4	at South Bend									
9/5	at South Bend									
9/6	OFF DAY									
9/7	<b>DAYTON</b>									
9/8	<b>DAYTON</b>									
9/9	<b>DAYTON</b>									
9/10	<b>DAYTON</b>									
9/11	<b>DAYTON</b>									
9/12	<b>DAYTON</b>									
9/13	OFF DAY									
9/14	<b>BELOIT</b>									
9/15	<b>BELOIT</b>									
9/16	<b>BELOIT</b>									
9/17	<b>BELOIT</b>									
9/18	<b>BELOIT</b>									
9/19	<b>BELOIT</b>									

END OF REGULAR SEASON



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## 2021 TRANSACTIONS

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4/29 – Captains Announce 2019 Opening Day Roster

5/6 – RHP **Alex Royalty** transferred to Akron from Lake County

5/7 – RHP **Thomas Ponticelli** transferred to Akron from Lake County; RHP **Nic Enright** transferred to Lake County from AZ

5/8 – OF **Quentin Holmes** placed on the 7-day Injured List

5/16 – C **Bryan Lavastida** placed on the 7-day Injured List; C **Joe Donovan** transferred to Lake County from AZ