



High-A Affiliate



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OFFICIAL GAME INFORMATION

Lake County Captains (2-1) at Lansing Lugnuts (1-2)
 Friday, May 7th • 7:05 p.m. • Jackson Field • Broadcast: WJCU.org
 Game #4 • Road Game #4 • Season Series: 2-1, 15 Games Remaining
 RHP Tanner Burns (Pro Debut) vs. RHP Reid Birlingmair (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

High-A Central League

Eastern Division

W L GB

Dayton (Cincinnati)	2	1	--
Fort Wayne (San Diego)	2	1	--

LAKE COUNTY (Cleveland)

Great Lakes (Los Angeles - NL)	1	2	1.0
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Lansing (Oakland)	1	2	1.0
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West Michigan (Detroit)	1	2	1.0
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Western Division

W L GB

Cedar Rapids (Minnesota)	2	1	--
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South Bend (Chicago - NL)	2	1	--
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Wisconsin (Milwaukee)	2	1	--
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Beloit (Miami)	1	2	1.0
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Peoria (St. Louis)	1	2	1.0
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Quad Cities (Kansas City)	1	2	1.0
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YESTERDAY: The Captains came from behind to beat the Lansing Lugnuts, 7-6. Lansing grabbed an early 4-0 lead with three runs in the first and another in the third. Lake County trimmed the deficit in half in the fifth on an RBI single by **Raynel Delgado** and an RBI double by **José Tena**. Lansing got one run back in the bottom of the fifth to push its lead to 5-2, but the Captains exploded for four runs in the seventh. Delgado walked, stole second, moved to third on a passed ball and scored on an infield single by Tena. Later in the frame, **Victor Nova** singled home Tena and **Austen Wade** knotted the score with an RBI ground out. **Brayan Rocchio** gave the Captains the lead, 6-5, with a sharp single through the right side that scored Nova. The Captains added an important insurance run in the eighth when **Bryan Lavastida** hit an infield single, stole second, moved to third on a passed ball and scored on a **Jonathan Engelmänn** ground out. In the bottom of the inning, the Lugnuts cut the Captains' lead to 7-6 when a double play ball off the bat of Jordan Diaz scored Michael Goldberg. The Lugnuts threatened in the ninth against reliever **Jared Janczak**. Max Schuemann singled with one out, stole second and moved to third on a balk with two outs. Shane Selman came up and hit a high fly ball to the gap in right-centerfield. Engelmänn sprinted over from right and made a game-ending basket catch to secure the win for Lake County. Janczak (1-0) picked up the win in relief for the Captains after allowing one run over 3.2 innings. Charlie Cerny (0-1) took the loss for the Lugnuts with five runs, four earned, allowed over 1.1 innings.

ON THE RUN: The Captains are tied for second in the High-A Central League with eight stolen bases (8-for-9). The Quad Cities River Bandits (Kansas City) lead the league with 10 steals (10-for-10).

IN THE WIN COLUMN: Wednesday was the Captains' first win in 608 days, since their victory in game two of the 2019 Midwest League Quarterfinals on September 5, 2019. It was also their first regular season victory in 611 days, since defeating the Great Lakes Loons on September 2, 2019.

HIGH-A: The 2021 season marks the Captains' first as the High-A Affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. Lake County had been Cleveland's Low-A Affiliate for 17 seasons (2003-2019) and 18 years (2003-2020).

NEW LEAGUE: The Captains begin 2021 playing in a brand new league. As part of the restructuring of the minor leagues, the Captains are now members of the High-A Central League (HA-C). This marks the third different league in the Captains' 19-year history. Lake County was a member of the South Atlantic League (SAL) from 2003-2009 (11 seasons) and the Midwest League from 2010-2020 (10 seasons; 11 years).

NEW SKIPPER: Greg DiCenzo was named the Captains' manager before the eventually-canceled 2020 season. DiCenzo spent the previous 12 seasons as the head baseball coach at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA. During his time at the helm, DiCenzo was twice named Patriot League Coach of the Year (2008 and 2013). Prior to his time at Holy Cross, DiCenzo was the pitching coach and recruiting coordinator at Northeastern University for five seasons. He also served as a coach for the Falmouth Commodores in the Cape Cod Baseball League and at his alma mater, St. Lawrence University. DiCenzo enters his second year and first season as a coach in Cleveland's organization.

CAPTAINS AGAIN: 14 players on the Captains' Opening Day roster played for Lake County previously: RHP Nick Gallagher (2018-19), LHP Tim Herrin (2019), RHP Thomas Ponticelli (2018-19), LHP Kellen Rholi (2019), RHP Alex Royalty (2019), LHP Matt Turner (2019), C Gianpaul Gonzalez (2018-19), C Bryan Lavastida (2019), INF Raynel Delgado (2019), INF Daniel Schneemann (2018-19), OF/1B Jonathan Engelmänn (2019), OF Quentin Holmes (2019), OF George Valera (2019) and OF Austen Wade (2018).

LONG AWAITED: Tuesday marked the Captains' first game in 606 days. On September 6, 2019 the Captains lost the decisive game in a best-of-three Midwest League quarterfinal series to the Great Lakes Loons, 5-0, at Dow Diamond in Midland, MI. It was the Captains' first regular season game in 610 days. On September 2, 2019, the Captains defeated the Great Lakes Loons, 6-3, at Classic Park. The Captains will return to Classic Park for their home opener on May 11, which will mark Lake County's first home game in 615 days. On September 4, 2019, the Captains hosted the first game of the Midwest League quarterfinals against the Great Lakes Loons and lost, 6-4.

NOW IN THE DUGOUT: Grant Fink returns to Lake County in his first year as Captains Hitting Coach. Fink was a Captains infielder in 2014 and 2015, and was the team's starting third baseman in 2014 when the Captains reached the Midwest League Championship Series. The 2021 season is Fink's fifth season coaching in the Cleveland organization. Former Captains outfielder Jordan Smith also returns to Lake County in his second season as Bench Coach. Smith led the Captains with a .316 batting average in 2012 and led the Captains to a playoff berth. Smith was the Captains Bench Coach in 2019 and is entering his third season coaching in Cleveland's organization.

2020 DRAFT: The Captains have three players on their Opening Day roster who were selected by Cleveland in last year's draft. RHP Tanner Burns (Competitive Balance Round A), LHP Logan Allen (2nd Round), and RHP Mason Hickman (5th Round).

2017 INTERNATIONAL CLASS: There were four Captains acquired by Cleveland in the 2017 International free agent class, led by OF George Valera. According to Baseball America, Valera was the sixth overall international prospect that year. Also now on the Captains from that class are INF Aaron Bracho, INF Brayan Rocchio and INF Jose Tena. Brach received the highest signing bonus of Cleveland's 2017 international signees at \$1.5 million.

YOUNGSTERS: Eight Captains enter the 2021 season at the age of 21 or younger. INF Joe Naranjo is the youngest on the squad at 19, followed by INF Aaron Bracho (20), INF Jose Tena (20), INF Brayan Rocchio (20) and OF George Valera (20). There are three Captains who are 21 years old. INF Raynel Delgado is the youngest of the trio, which also includes INF Victor Nova and OF Quentin Holmes. The youngest pitcher on the team is RHP Tanner Burns, who is 22.

SWITCH IT UP: Only 1/3 of Captains' position players are true right-handed hitters. The Captains have four (3) switch-hitters, six (7) left-handed hitters and five (5) right-handed hitters.

Top Prospects

The Cleveland farm system enters 2021 as the 13th 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

- #3 George Valera
- #4 Brayan Rocchio
- #8 Aaron Bracho
- #20 Tanner Burns
- #21 Logan Allen
- #29 Hunter Gaddis
- #30 Bryan Lavastida
- #32 Jose Tena

Baseball America

- #6 George Valera
- #8 Brayan Rocchio
- #11 Aaron Bracho
- #16 Tanner Burns
- #21 Logan Allen

MLB.com

- #4 George Valera
- #7 Brayan Rocchio
- #8 Aaron Bracho
- #15 Tanner Burns
- #23 Logan Allen
- #24 Jose Tena
- #27 Bryan Lavastida


CURRENT SERIES SCHEDULE, RESULTS & PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

Date	Opp.	Time/Result	Captains Starter	Opponent Starter	Broadcast
5/4	at LAN	L, 8-1	Hunter Gaddis, RHP (0-1, 12.00)	Seth Shuman, RHP (1-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org
5/5	at LAN	W, 3-1	Logan Allen, LHP (1-0, 0.00)	Brady Basso, LHP (0-1, 2.25)	WJCU.org
5/6	at LAN	W, 7-6	Nathan Ocker, RHP (0-0, 8.10)	Richard Guasch, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org
5/7	at LAN	7:05 p.m.	Tanner Burns, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	Reid Birlingmair, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org
5/8	at LAN	7:05 p.m.	Matt Turner, LHP (0-0, 0.00)	Jeff Criswell, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org
5/9	at LAN	1:05 p.m.	Mason Hickman (0-0, 0.00)	Steve Emanuels, RHP (0-0, 0.00)	WJCU.org



TODAY'S CAPTAINS STARTING PITCHER

#32 **TANNER BURNS** RHP



Born (Age): December 28, 1998 (22)
Hometown: Decatur, AL
School: Auburn University
HT: 6'0" | **WT:** 180 lbs | **Bats:** R | **Throws:** R
Acquired: 2020 Draft – CBA Round (36th overall)
Pitch Selection: Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup

2021 Statistics

Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HBP	BB	SO
LC	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

NCAA Statistics

Year	Team	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	SO	BB	WHIP
2018	AUB	7	4	3.01	17	17	0	0	86.2	77	37	1.26
2019	AUB	4	4	2.82	16	15	0	0	79.2	101	23	1.01
2020	AUB	3	1	2.42	4	4	0	0	22.1	32	7	0.98
Total	NCAA	14	9	2.86	37	36	0	0	188.2	210	67	1.16

PRO DEBUT: Burns makes his professional debut tonight.

COLLEGE ACCOLADES: After a solid freshman campaign, Burns broke through in 2019 and was named a third team All-American by *Perfect Game*. Prior to the 2020 season Burns was Named Preseason All-SEC, Preseason All-America by *Baseball America*, *Collegiate Baseball*, *D1 Baseball* and *Perfect Game*. In just four games in 2020 Burns was off to a hot start striking out 12.9 per nine innings and had a 3-1 record with a 2.42 ERA.

TEAM USA: In 2018, Burns was selected to the USA Collegiate National Team. Burns appeared in four games allowing five runs over 7.2 innings. He allowed nine hits, struck out six and walked one. Also on the team were back to back first overall draft picks Adley Rutschman (2019) and Spencer Torkelson (2020).

2020 DRAFT: Cleveland selected Burns in the CBA round (36th overall) of the 2020 draft, which was shortened to five rounds. Burns was Cleveland's second selection in the draft, following SS **Carson Tucker** (1st Round – 23rd overall).

PREVIOUSLY DRAFTED: Originally drafted by the New York Yankees in the 37th round of the 2017 draft out of Decatur High School (Decatur, AL).

MR. ALABAMA: Burns was named Mr. Alabama his senior season of high school. Along with being one of the top pitchers in the state he hit .467 with 16 homers, 10 doubles, four triples and 46 RBI as a senior in High School.

RECRUITING BATTLE: A highly sought after recruit in Alabama, Burns originally committed to the University of Alabama but decided to weigh other options when Crimson Tide Head Coach Mitch Gaspard resigned in 2016, eventually committing to Auburn. Burns grew up an Alabama fan and only committed to the Tide's arch-rival Auburn due to Head Coach Butch Thompson's experience developing pitchers. He says he took a lot of heat for committing to Auburn from friends he grew up with.

STAR MENTORS: While at Auburn, Burns had a variety of people with great track records to learn from. Auburn Head Coach Butch Thompson has had 16 of his former pitchers make the big leagues including 10 since 2014. He previously worked as the Associate Head Coach and Pitching Coach at Mississippi State. Among the stars coached by Thompson is 2018 number one overall pick Casey Mize. Burns worked closely with Mize at Auburn, and was throwing partners with Mize during his freshman year of 2018. He took over the premier role in the rotation from Mize, operating as the teams Friday night starter in 2019 and 2020. Tim Hudson joined Thompson's staff in 2020 as a volunteer assistant and pitching coach, also getting the chance to mold Burns' game. The former Auburn great and 17 year MLB veteran worked with Burns for a short time in 2020 before the season was shortened but Burns says the two will have a relationship for the rest of his life.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT: Kevin Goldstein of *FanGraphs* says Burns brings "big stuff out of a small package" with good secondary pitches to go with solid velocity (sits 93-94) on his fastball. Eric Logenhagen, also of *FanGraphs*, describes Burns as "an org based bet." Logenhagen sees Burns as someone who's future value mostly revolves around Cleveland's recent ability to develop pitchers. "I've always been a little lower on him due to his middling velocity and projectionless frame, but he executes his secondary stuff very consistently" Logenhagen said. *Baseball America* sites Burns offspeed pitches as potential plus pitches, especially his curveball and slider. Burns earns praise for his dedication, makeup and desire to learn.

2021 Game-By-Game

Date	Opp	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	HR	SO	BB	Result
Total		0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

* Relief Appearance

2021 Highs

INNINGS.....
 STRIKEOUTS.....
 WALKS.....
 HITS.....
 RUNS.....
 EARNED RUNS.....
 HR.....
 FEWEST HITS (5+IP).....

LAST WIN:
LAST LOSS:
LAST HR ALLOWED:
NO-HITTER/PERFECT GAME:

Career-Highs

INNINGS.....
 STRIKEOUTS.....
 WALKS.....
 HITS.....
 RUNS.....
 EARNED RUNS.....
 HR.....
 FEWEST HITS (5+IP).....



Season Totals	W-L	ERA	CG	SHO	Team Pitching Totals							
					SV/OPP	IP	H	R	ER	BB-I	SO	HR
Starters	1-1	8.10	-	-	N/A	11.1	12	11	7	7-0	11	1
Relievers	1-0	2.45	N/A	N/A	1/1	14.2	11	4	4	5-0	14	1
Classic Park	0-0	0.00	-	-	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Road	2-1	3.80	-	-	-	26.0	23	15	11	12-0	25	2
May	2-1	3.80	-	-	-	26.0	23	15	11	12-0	25	2
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			Last Loss	SV/OPP	IBF/R	IR/RS
				Last Save						
Enright	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gallagher	5/5 at LAN	3 IP, 1 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 0 BB, 4 K	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Herrin	5/6 at LAN	2 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 3 BB, 2 K	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/0
Janczak	5/6 at LAN	3.2 IP, 4 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 1 K	5/6 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/0
Kelly	5/5 at LAN	1 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 1K	-	5/5/21 at LAN	-	-	1/1	-	-	1/0
Ocker	5/6 at LAN (GS)	3.1 IP, 4 H, 4 R, 3 ER, 4 BB, 3 K	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rholl	5/4 at LAN	1 IP, 1 H, 1R, 1 ER, 1BB, 1 K	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	1	1-0	1-0	3	3	Allen	14.4	1.8	8	0	.063	0.40	.125	50%	0.50	0.00
Burns	-	0-0	0-0	-	-	Burns	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gaddis	1	0-1	0-1	1	1	Gaddis	0.0	6.0	0.0	3.0	.412	3.00	.375	20%	11.43	12.00
Hickman	-	0-0	0-0	-	-	Hickman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ocker	1	0-0	1-0	7	7	Ocker	8.1	10.8	0.75	0	.286	2.40	.364	10%	5.80	8.10
Turner	-	0-0	0-0	-	-	Turner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3	1-1	2-1	11	3.66											

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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bracho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brennan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delgado	1	-	-	-	5/5 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engelmann	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. Gonzalez	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holmes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lavastida	2	-	-	-	5/6 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naranjo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rocchio	2	-	-	-	5/6 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Schneeman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tena	-	1	-	-	5/6 at LAN	1	-	-	-	5/6 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-
Valera	1	-	-	-	5/5 at LAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

Player	Games Started by Position								
	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	RF	CF	DH
Amditis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bracho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Brennan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Delgado	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Engelmann	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
G. Gonzalez	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holmes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Lavastida	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Naranjo	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
Rocchio	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
Schneeman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Tena	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-
Valera	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-
Wade	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-



CAPTAINS BATTING NOTES

#4 Brayan Rocchio, INF

Age: 20

Resides: Caracas, VZ

Acquired: 2017 NDFA

5'10" — 150 lbs

Bats/Throws: S/R

Yesterday: 2-5, RBI, 2B 0-1 SB

This Series: 4-14, 2B, RBI, 2-3 SB, 2 K

vs. LAN: 4-14, 2B, RBI, 2-3 SB, 2 K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/6)

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: 19

Resides: Whittier, CA

Acquired: 3rd Round (2019) — Ruben S. Alaya High School

5'8" — 198 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/L

Yesterday:

This Series: 1-6, RBI, K

vs. LAN: 1-6, RBI, K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/5)

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: 3-5, 2B, 2 RBI, R

This Series: 3-11, 2B, 2 RBI, BB, R, 2 K

vs. LAN: 3-11, 2B, 2 RBI, BB, R, 2 K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/6)

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: 33rd Round (2018) — Brigham Young University

6'1" — 180 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/R

Yesterday:

This Series: 0-4, 3 K

vs. LAN: 0-4, 3 K

Streak: -1 (Since 5/4)

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: 5th Round (2017) — Texas Christian university

6'1" — 185 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/L

Yesterday: 0-2, RBI, K, 1-1 SB

This Series: 0-4, RBI, BB, R, 2 K, 1-1 SB

vs. LAN: 0-4, RBI, BB, R, 2 K, 1-1 SB

Streak: -2 (Since 5/4)

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: 15th Round (2018) — Hillsborough CC (FL)

6'0" — 200 lbs

Bats/Throws: R/R

Yesterday: 2-3, 2 BB, R, 1-1 SB, K

This Series: 4-11, 2 BB, R, 2-2 SB, 2 K

vs. LAN: 4-11, R, 2 BB, 2-2 SB, 2 K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/6)

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: 1-5, R, 3 K

This Series: 3-13, 3B, 2 R, 1-1 SB, 5 K

vs. LAN: 3-13, 3B, 2 R, 1-1 SB, 5 K

Streak: +2 (Since 5/5)

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... 10th 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: 6th Round (2018) — Calvary Christian Academy (FL)

6'2" — 185 lbs

Bats/Throws: S/R

Yesterday: 1-3, BB, RBI, R, 1-1 SB, 2 K

This Series: 3-11, 2B, BB, RBI, 2 R, 2-2 SB, 6 K

vs. LAN: 3-11, 2B, 2 R, BB, RBI, 2-2 SB, 6 K

Streak: +2 (Since 5/5)

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: Colorado Springs, CO

Acquired: 8th Round (2019) — Kansas State

6'0" — 190 lbs

Bats/Throws: L/L

Yesterday:

This Series: 2-8, 2B, RBI, K

vs. LAN: 2-8, 2B, RBI, K

Streak: +2 (Since 5/4)

- 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: 1-4, RBI, 3 K

vs. LAN: 1-4, RBI, 3 K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/5)

- 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: 1-4, BB, R, 3 K

This Series: 1-4, BB, R, 3 K

vs. LAN: 1-4, BB, R, 3 K

Streak: +1 (Since 5/6)

- 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:

vs. LAN:

Streak:

- 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.

#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: 1-5, RBI, R, 2 K

This Series: 2-9, RBI, 2 R, 4 K

vs. LAN: 2-9, RBI, 2 R, 4 K

Streak: +2 (Since 5/5)

- 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: 1-2

This Series: 1-2

vs. LAN: 1-2

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 Engelmann, 1B/OF

Age: 24

Resides: Burlingame, CA

Acquired: 31st Round (2018) — University of Michigan

6'4" — 210 lbs

Bats/Throws: R/R

Yesterday: 0-5, RBI, R, K

This Series: 0-5, RBI, R, K

vs. LAN: 0-5, RBI, R, K

Streak: -1 (Since 5/6)

- Spent the 2020 training with former Captains SS *Tyler Freeman* and Cleveland OF prospect *Steven Kwan* in Texas. The trio 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 vs. LH: .000/.000/.000 vs. RH: .125/.125/.500 Home: Road: .100/.100/.400 Pitches: Fastball, slider, cutter, changeup Scoreless: 1.0 (Since 5/5)

- 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 vs. LH: vs. RH: Home: Road: Pitches: Fastball, curveball Scoreless:

- 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 vs. LH: .000/.000/.000 vs. RH: .400/.455/.500 Home: Road: .308/.357/.385 Pitches: Fastball, curveball, slider Scoreless: 2.0 (Since 5/6)

- 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 vs. LH: 1.000/1.000/2.000 vs. RH: .143/.333/.143 Home: Road: .250/.455/.375 Pitches: Fastball, cutter, slider, changeup Scoreless: 0.2 (Since 5/6)

- 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 vs. LH: .000/.000/.000 vs. RH: .333/.333/.333 Home: Road: .250/.250/.250 Pitches: Fastball, sinker, slider, curveball, changeup Scoreless: 1.0 (Since 5/5)

- 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 vs. LH: vs. RH: Home: Road: Pitches: Scoreless:

- 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: 24

Resides: Hugo, MN

Acquired: 25th Round (2018) — Angelo State University vs. LH: vs. RH: .333/.500/.667 Home: Road: .333/.500/.667 Pitches: Fastball, slider, cutter Scoreless: 0.2 (Since 5/4)

- 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.



CAPTAINS BREAKDOWN

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Overall (2-1), Last 5 (2-1), Longest Winning Streak (2), and various game performance metrics.

IN THE SYSTEM

MLB – Cleveland (AL)

17-13 • 1st AL Central • 0.0 GB
Yesterday: W, 4-0 at Kansas City
Today: vs Cincinnati (7:10 p.m.)

AAA - Columbus (TA-E)

2-1 • T-2nd TA-E West • 0.5 GB
Yesterday: L, 9-0 at Louisville
Today: at Louisville (7:00 p.m.)

AA – Akron (DA-NE)

3-0 • T-1st DA-NE Western • 0.0 GB
Yesterday: W, 9-2 vs. Binghamton
Today: vs. Binghamton (7:05 p.m.)

Low-A – Lynchburg (LA-E)

3-0 • 1st LA-E Northern • 0.0 GB
Yesterday: W, 8-2 vs. Fredericksburg
Today: vs. Fredericksburg (6:30 p.m.)

2021 HIGHS & LOWS

Team Batting

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Runs, Game (7), Most Hits, Game (12), and other batting metrics.

Individual Batting

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Runs, Game (1), Most Hits, Game (3), and individual player performance.

Team Pitching

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs Allowed, Game (8), Most Hits Allowed, Game (10), and other pitching metrics.

Individual Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Innings, Game (5), Most Runs, Game (7), and individual pitcher performance.

Game Times/Attendance

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Longest Game, Innings (9), Longest Game Time, Extra Innings (4:18), and other game metrics.

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 batting events.

Pitching/Defense

Table with 2 columns: Event and Date/Context. Includes Team No-Hitter (9 IP) (4/11/11), CG No-Hitter (9 IP), and other pitching/defense events.

Miscellaneous

Table with 2 columns: Event and Date/Context. Includes 7+ game win streak (5/7-5/14/15), 7+ game losing streak (7/30-8/6/18), and other miscellaneous events.

Postponed/Suspended/Cancelled

Delays

CAPTAINS SEASON RECORDS

Table with 7 columns: Overall, Home, Road, May, June, July, August, September, Total. Shows season performance across months.

SCORE BY INNING

Table with 12 columns: Inning (1-10+), Captains, Opponents, Total. Shows score 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	GREAT LAKES									
7/21	GREAT LAKES									
7/22	GREAT LAKES									
7/23	GREAT LAKES									
7/24	GREAT LAKES									
7/25	GREAT LAKES									
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	LANSING									
8/4	LANSING									
8/5	LANSING									
8/6	LANSING									
8/7	LANSING									
8/8	LANSING									
8/9	OFF DAY									
8/10	WEST MICHIGAN									
8/11	WEST MICHIGAN									
8/12	WEST MICHIGAN									
8/13	WEST MICHIGAN									
8/14	WEST MICHIGAN									
8/15	WEST MICHIGAN									
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	GREAT LAKES									
8/25	GREAT LAKES									
8/26	GREAT LAKES									
8/27	GREAT LAKES									
8/28	GREAT LAKES									
8/29	GREAT LAKES									
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	DAYTON									
9/8	DAYTON									
9/9	DAYTON									
9/10	DAYTON									
9/11	DAYTON									
9/12	DAYTON									
9/13	OFF DAY									
9/14	BELOIT									
9/15	BELOIT									
9/16	BELOIT									
9/17	BELOIT									
9/18	BELOIT									
9/19	BELOIT									

END OF REGULAR SEASON



2021 TRANSACTIONS

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