



MEDIA INFORMATION



Salem Red Sox (46-46 / 14-10, T-1st, – GB / Northern) Carolina League Affiliate of the Boston Red Sox

vs.

Wilmington Blue Rocks (43-49 / 12-10, 3rd, 1.0 GB / Northern) Carolina League Affiliate of the Kansas City Royals

Game No. 93 / 23 • Home Game No. 47 • Frawley Stadium • Monday, July 16, 2018 • 6:35 p.m.

BLUE ROCKS BREAKDOWN

HOME: 23-23 | AWAY: 20-26 | STREAK: L1 | LAST 5: 3-2 | LAST 10: 6-4

LATE BIG INNING FOR SALEM TOO MUCH FOR ROCKS: The Wilmington Blue Rocks had a late rally by the Salem Red Sox get the better of them on Sunday afternoon with the Rocks taking the loss by a final score of 7-4 at Frawley Stadium. Wilmington's starter **Gerson Garabito** had another quality outing on the mound. The right-hander went seven innings, giving up only three hits, two runs, and three walks while also fanning five batters. **Gabriel Cancel** drove in three of the four runs and picked up a pair of doubles and a home run in the setback.

CAN COUNT ON CANCEL: Infielder **Gabriel Cancel** has been a major run producer for the Blue Rocks over the last 30 games.

- With three more runs driven in on Sunday, Cancel has now driven in 34 runs during that stretch.
- Cancel has also put together 11 multi-RBI games during the stretch and leads the team with 14 games driving in multiple runs.
- He currently is the team leader in RBI with 54 and second in the Royals' system.
- Cancel has driven in 14 runs in 12 games this month.
- The 21-year-old slashed .333/.380/.478 in the month of June with three homers and 26 RBI.
- When he bats cleanup, Cancel is a .347 hitter (26-for-75) with 21 RBI.
- When Cancel hits anywhere else in the lineup, he is hitting .254 (53-for-209) with 33 runs driven in.

POWER SURGE: With **Gabriel Cancel's** two-run homer in Sunday's loss, the Rocks have now clubbed seven home runs over their last eight games.

- Meibry's Vitoria** hit a solo home run in Wilmington's 16-1 win on Saturday.
- Blake Perkins** and **Rudy Martin** both homered Wednesday night at Frederick.
- Nick Heath's** leadoff home run to start Tuesday's game was the first leadoff long ball hit by a Blue Rock since **Nicky Lopez** also did it at Frederick on May 22, 2017.
- It was the second homer of the season for Heath with his first being an inside-the-park homer at Frawley Stadium against Myrtle Beach on May 17.
- In the series opener at Frederick on July 9, the Blue Rocks hit back-to-back homers with **D.J. Burt** and **Emmanuel Rivera** achieving the feat for the first time since June 2, 2017 at Winston-Salem when **Brandon Downes** and **Chris DeVito** hit consecutive home runs with DeVito's completing his cycle.
- Burt's homer was his first of the season and first since August 10, 2016 when he was with Lexington.

OFFENSIVE EXPLOSION: The Blue Rocks put together their best offensive game of the season in the second game of the series against Salem on Saturday night.

- The 20 hits set a new single-game season high and was three shy of matching a franchise record for most hits in a game.
- Wilmington smacked 23 hits on April 18, 1999 at Myrtle Beach in a 20-3 win over the Pelicans.
- The 16 runs scored also set a new watermark this season and were the most run scored by the Blue Rocks since May 18, 2013 when the Blue Crew scored 18 runs in an 18-5 win in the second game of a doubleheader at Frederick.
- The previous high was 15 runs back on April 19, also at Frederick, when Wilmington scored all 15 runs through the first four innings.
- Seven different Blue Rocks had multi-hit efforts with **Nick Heath** leading the way with four hits.

STARTERS SETTING THE TONE: In their last 19 games, the Blue Rock's starting pitching has been very strong.

- The starting staff has allowed 39 earned runs over the last 109.1 innings of work to yield a solid 3.21 ERA.
- During those 19 starts, the Blue Rocks' hurlers have turned in eight quality starts and have allowed two earned runs or less in 13 of them.
- The Rocks are 10-9 through those 19 games.

ROCKS OFF AND RUNNING: The Blue Rocks have wasted no time getting back into base stealing mode as they have stolen 34 bases through the first 22 games of the second half.

- With **Nick Heath** stealing two bags on Sunday, the Blue Rocks have matched their stolen base total from last season with 111.
- Wilmington has four different active players with double-digit stolen bases including Heath who leads the team, Royals' system and Carolina League with 28 in just 52 games. **D.J. Burt** is second with 22, newcomer **Blake Perkins** has 17 between Potomac and Wilmington and **Rudy Martin** has 14 stolen bases on the year.
- The Blue Crew have stolen five bases in four different games this season.
- Wilmington is the only team in the Carolina League to steal 20 or more bases in each of the first three months of the season. (37 in April, 20 in May and 37 in June, currently have 17 in July.)
- On the season, the Rocks are second in the Carolina League with 108 stolen bases trailing Buies Creek. (117 SB)
- They also have an impressive 72% success rate stealing bases this season (111 out of 155).

HEATH LIVING ON THE BASES: **Nick Heath** pushed his season-high on-base streak to 16 games after drawing a pair of walks on Sunday.

- It is the third-longest active streak in the Carolina League and second-longest by a Blue Rock this season. (**Khalil Lee** 18 games from May 25 - June 12)
- During the stretch, Heath is hitting .293 (17-for-58) with 12 walks.
- Among qualified Blue Rocks, the speedy outfielder is third on the team with a .394 on-base percentage

BURT PROVIDING THE HURT: Second-year Blue Rock **D.J. Burt** is not suffering from a sophomore slump in the Carolina League and was named a Carolina League All-Star.

- He is second in the Carolina League in stolen bases (22), third in on-base percentage (.400) and fifth in batting average (.306)
- Hit his first homer of the season and first since August 10, 2016 Monday night at Frederick.
- Had 11-game on-base streak come to an end on July 5. He hit .417 (15-for-36) with an OBP% of .533 during the span.
- He has also picked up a hit in seven straight (.355, 11-for-31) games and in 21 of his last 27 games.
- Tied for team-lead with 23 multi-hit games. (Had 20 all of last season)
- The 22-year-old has served as the Rocks' utility man this season, making 24 starts at third base, 16 at second base, 10 at shortstop and eight in left field.

Tonight's Starters

WIL: RHP Nolan Watson (2-1, 5.09 ERA)

vs.

SAL: RHP Jake Thompson (4-7, 4.67 ERA)

-Righty **Nolan Watson** is making his fifth start as a Blue Rock tonight and first against the Red Sox.

- Was selected by the Kansas City Royals 33rd overall in the 2015 Draft out of Lawrence North High School in Indiana.
- In his last start at Frederick on July 10, he earned his second-career Advanced-A win.
- He turned in a quality start and lasted seven innings, allowed three runs (all earned), scattered 10 hits, walked one and struck out three as he duelled against big-league rehabber Chris Tillman.
- Making his second home start with Wilmington after he shined in his Frawley Stadium debut on June 29 against Lynchburg.
- The righty tossed 6.2 scoreless innings, allowed just three hits and walked five.
- Started the season in Low-A Lexington and went 4-6 with a 5.81 ERA in 13 starts with the Legends.
- Logged 66.2 innings, allowed 94 hits, 55R/43ER, walked 21, struck out 63 and opponents hit .331 against him.
- At time of promotion he was first on the team in starts made (13), second on the team in innings pitched (66.2), and strikeouts (63).
- Turned in his best start of his season in his last outing on June 15 and tossed a complete-game shutout against the Rome Braves.
- He worked all nine innings, allowed six hits, did not walk a batter and struck out seven.
- He needed just 89 pitches to earn his first-career complete game.
- Was named Lexington's Opening Day starter.
- Allowed three earned runs or less in 9 of his 13 starts with the Legends and over his final five starts, posted a 3.77 ERA.
- Features a fastball, slider, curveball and changeup.

-Fellow right-hander **Jake Thompson** makes his 18th start with Salem and third against the Blue Rocks.

- The 23-year-old was drafted by the Boston Red Sox in the fourth round of the 2017 Draft out of Oregon State.
- In his last start on July 11 against Winston-Salem, he did not factor in the decision.
- He lasted five innings, allowed four runs (three earned) on five hits, walked four and struck out two.
- Against Wilmington this season: 1-0, 2.08 ERA in two starts.
- 13.0 IP, 11H, 3R/3ER, 2BB, 8K, .234 BAA.
- Made professional debut last season with short-season Lowell and went 0-3 with a 3.18 ERA in seven starts.
- Features a fastball that can reach the upper 90's to go along with a sinker, slider and changeup.

2018 Regular-Season Series: WIL vs. SAL (SAL Leads Series 10-6) (WIL Won Series 14-13)

Date	Site	Result	WP	LP	Save
4-9	SAL	L, 6-2	Smith (1-0)	Ruxer (0-1)	Martinez (1)
4-10	SAL	L, 3-1	Mata (1-0)	Castillo (0-1)	Fernandez (1)
4-11	SAL	L, 7-4	Oliver (1-0)	Vines (0-2)	A. Martinez (1)
5-18	SAL	PPD	MAKE UP SCHEDULED FOR 5/20		
5-19	SAL	L, 6-5	Thompson (2-2)	Garabito (1-3)	Gorst (5)
5-20	SAL	L, 7-3	Hernandez, D (3-1)	Hernandez, A (4-2)	
5-20(G2)	SAL	L, 7-3	Oliver (2-1)	Tillo (0-1)	
5-25	WIL	W, 4-3	Hernandez, A (5-2)	Hernandez, D (3-2)	Brickhouse (8)
5-26	WIL	W, 6-1	Tillo (1-1)	Houck (2-6)	Hope (1)
5-27	WIL	L, 7-2	Mata (3-2)	Vines (2-6)	
5-28	WIL	W, 3-2 (10)	Gomez (2-3)	Oliver (2-2)	
6-1	SAL	L, 4-2	Martinez (2-0)	Vines (2-7)	
6-2	SAL	W, 7-5	Bender (2-2)	O'Linger (0-1)	
6-3	SAL	W, 5-4	Garabito (2-5)	Raudes (2-5)	Brickhouse (9)
7-13	WIL	L, 10-1	Hernandez, D (6-5)	Sotillet (0-1)	
7-14	WIL	W, 16-1	Gomez (3-8)	Gonzalez (7-4)	Hope (3)
7-15	WIL	L, 7-4	Cooney (2-0)	Pinto (1-3)	
7-16	WIL				
7-24	WIL				
7-25	WIL				
7-26	WIL				
8-7	SAL				
8-8	SAL				
8-9	SAL				
8-24	SAL				
8-25	SAL				
8-26	SAL				

Upcoming Probable Starters and Schedule

Tuesday, July 17 OFF DAY

OFF DAY

Wednesday, July 18 @ Lynchburg, 6:30 p.m.

LHP Daniel Tillo (2-1, 3.86 ERA) vs. TBD

Thursday, July 19 @ Lynchburg, 5:30 p.m. (DH)

RHP Andres Sotillet (0-1, 5.40 ERA) vs. TBD

MEDIA INFORMATION CONTINUED

HOME RUN NOTES

Blue Rocks

2-HR GAMES BY BLUE ROCKS (2 IN 2017 / 4 IN 2016)

4.21.18 Kort Peterson at FRE (2-R HR & go-ahead 3-R HR in 7th)
5.2.18 Chase Vallot at POT (Solo HR & 3-R HR)

3-HR GAMES BY BLUE ROCKS (HAS NEVER HAPPENED)

BACK-TO-BACK HOME RUNS (1 IN 2017 / 3 IN 2016)

7.9.18 D.J. Burt and Emmanuel Rivera at FRE (4th inning)

LEADOFF HOME RUNS (1 IN 2017 / 0 IN 2016)

7.10.18 Nick Heath at FRE (Off big-league rehabber Chris Tillman)

GRANDSLAM HOME RUNS (2 IN 2017 BOTH BY VALLOT / 3 IN 2016)

4.19.18 Chase Vallot at FRE (1st inning off Cody Sedlock)
6.12.18 Gabriel Cancel at DE (5th inning off Edgar Arredondo) (Game 1 of DH)
6.24.18 Meibrys Viloria at POT (3rd inning off Jeremy Hellickson) (Game 1 of DH)

WALK-OFF HOME RUNS (1 IN 2017 / 0 IN 2016)

7.24.17 Chase Vallot vs. SAL (10th inning, two out in 3-1 win)

PINCH-HIT HOME RUNS (0 IN BOTH 2016-17 / 1 IN 2015)

5.16.15 Dex Kjerstad at LYN

INSIDE-THE-PARK HOME RUNS (0 IN 2017 / 2 IN 2016)

5.17.18 vs. MB (8th inning, two-run HR down left field line)

BLUE ROCKS HOME RUNS: 46 (78 IN 2017 / 21 HOME & 57 AWAY)

Buies Creek	Lynchburg 7
Carolina 3	Myrtle Beach 1
Down East 1	Potomac 13
Frederick 11	Salem 10
	Winston-Salem

FRAWLEY 18

ROAD 28

Opponents

2-HR GAMES BY OPPONENT (2 IN 2017 / 2 IN 2016)

5.3.18 Juan Soto (3-R HR in 1st inning & Solo HR in 8th inning)
5.21.18 Rhett Wiseman (Solo HR in 7th inning & 2-R HR in 8th inning)

3-HR GAMES BY OPPONENT (1 IN 2017 / 0 IN 2016)

Michael Chavis (SAL) 4.19.17 at Hayley Toyota (2-R, Solo, 2-R)

BACK-TO-BACK HOME RUNS (0 IN 2016)

BACK-TO-BACK-TO-BACK (0 IN 2017 / 0 IN 2016)

LEADOFF HOME RUNS (0 IN 2017 / 2 IN 2016)

7.3.18 Luis Gonzalez (W-S) off Gerson Garabito at Wilmington
(Game currently suspended)

GRAND SLAM HOME RUNS (3 IN 2017 / 1 IN 2016)

5.27.17 Ian Sagdal (POT) off Colin Rodgers at Wilmington (7-6 Win)
6.28.17 Randolph Gassaway (FRE) off Luis Rico at Frederick (10-4 Loss)
7.21.17 Drew Turbin (FRE) off Cristian Castillo (5-3 Loss)

WALK-OFF HOME RUNS (1 IN 2017 / 1 IN 2016)

Michael Chavis (SAL) (9th inning of 7-6 Red Sox win)

PINCH-HIT HOME RUNS (0 IN 2016)

INSIDE-THE-PARK HOME RUNS (0 IN 2016)

HOME RUNS ALLOWED TO: 66 (81 in 2017/ 31 Home & 50 AWAY)

Buies Creek	Lynchburg 6
Carolina 4	Myrtle Beach
Down East 4	Potomac 20
Frederick 13	Salem 11
	Winston-Salem 6

FRAWLEY 26

ROAD 40

Blue Rocks vs. the Carolina League

Opponent	Record	Home	Road
Frederick	8-9	2-6	6-2
Lynchburg	11-5	9-3	2-2
Potomac	8-12	2-4	6-8
Salem	6-10	4-3	2-7
Northern Div.	33-36	17-16	16-19

Opponent	Record	Home	Road
Buies Creek	0-0	0-0	0-0
Carolina	2-5	1-2	1-3
Down East	1-2	0-0	1-2
Myrtle Beach	2-1	2-1	0-0
Winston-Salem	5-5	3-3	2-2
Southern Div.	10-13	6-6	4-7

Runners Left On Base

Blue Rocks: 649 | Opponents: 665

Numbers With RISP

Blue Rocks: .260 Avg. (218-for-839)

Blue Rocks On...

Mondays:	4-4	April:	11-12
Tuesdays:	3-8	May:	10-20
Wednesdays:	6-9	June:	15-11
Thursdays:	9-5	July:	7-6
Fridays:	6-7	Aug:	0-0
Saturdays:	9-4	Sept:	0-0
Sundays:	5-10		
First Game of Series:	11-14		
Last Game of Series:	10-11		
Series Won:	8		
Series Lost:	12		
Series Split:	2		
Series Swept:	1-3		
Rubber Matches:	4-5		

2018 Roster (40)

Pitchers (22)

Nolan Becker -
Anthony Bender
Bryan Brickhouse+
Justin Camp
Cristian Castillo*
Gabe Cramer#
Gerson Garabito
Grant Gavin +
Ofreidy Gomez
Arnaldo Hernandez+
Carter Hope
Josh Mitchell
Julio Pinto
Corey Ray
Jared Ruxer +
Walker Sheller +
Andres Sotillet
Vance Tatum-
Daniel Tillo
Jose Veras#
Jace Vines+
Nolan Watson
Matt Wynne#
Tyler Zuber

Catchers (4)

Nate Esposito
Xavier Fernandez+
Chase Vallot*#
Meibrys Viloria*

Names followed by an asterisk (*) were Opening Day starters on April 7.

Infielders (8)

John Brontsema +
D.J. Burt
Gabriel Cancel*
Angelo Castellano*
Chris DeVito*-
Travis Jones
Oliver Nunez
Emmanuel Rivera*

#: On disabled list
^: Inactive
%: MLB rehab
+: Promoted
-: Released

Outfielders (7)

Brandon Downes +
Nick Heath
Khalil Lee*+
Rudy Martin*
Blake Perkins
Kort Peterson*+
Vance Vizcaino

TONIGHT'S BLUE ROCKS STARTING PITCHER

#27 RHP Nolan Watson

Acquired: Drafted in the 1st round in MLB Draft in 2015 out of Lawrence North High School (IN)
Born: Indianapolis, IN **Age:** 21 (Jan 25, 1997)
Resides: Indianapolis, IN **Ht:** 6'2 **Wt:** 195
College: N/A **Bats/Throws:** R/R



Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Slider, Curveball and Changeup

THE BOOK ON NOLAN WATSON: Was the 33rd overall pick in the 2015 Draft by the Royals as Kansas City received the pick as compensation when James Shields signed with the San Diego Padres that offseason. Was a highly-touted high school prep pitcher and went 6-1 with an impressive 0.68 ERA in 51.2 innings of work while striking out 81 batters during his senior year. He was committed to Vanderbilt University before signing with the Royals for a reported \$1.8 million. Joins former prep arms in Ashe Russell, who was selected 21st overall in 2015, Foster Griffin (2014) and Scott Blewett (2014) as other top two round picks by the Royals during the 2014-15 MLB Drafts. Played against Russell in high school as Watson's North Lawrence High School team beat Russell's Cathedral High School in the state tournament.

LAST TIME OUT: Watson is coming off a winning effort in his last start on July 10 at Frederick. His seven innings of work were the most for the right-hander since joining Wilmington and he allowed three runs (all earned) scattered 10 hits, walked one and struck out three. It was his second-career Advanced-A win.

ADJUSTING TO NEW ROUTINE: Like many players who get drafted in the MLB Draft, Watson was a talented player on his high school team and played multiple positions, listing playing shortstop and being a designated hitter as his two favorite positions aside from pitching. However, Watson has realized that the schedule and preparation from being a high-school athlete to a professional athlete has major differences. "Just the preparation throughout the week," Watson said. "In high school, I played every position and hit and everything. I wasn't really focused on taking care of my arm because I had a whole six days of rest to recover but here, I have to do the most with my time, the little time that I have to prepare throughout the whole week. I'd say just judging how you feel each day, doing what you need to do that day is probably the hardest part."

BETTER COMPETITION IN CAROLINA LEAGUE: In addition to his routine to get himself ready for each start, Watson also has realized quickly how advanced the approach is at the plate for hitters in Advanced-A. "The approach. I can't just go out there and throw two fastballs on the corner and then throw a curveball in the dirt to get a strikeout. I've had problems getting strikeouts since I've been here because I have to get used to the way hitters approach their at-bats now. I'm not too worried about it. It's just an adjustment I need to make in the bullpen. But I'm confident I won't have a problem with that much longer."

NAMED AFTER THE RYAN EXPRESS: Watson's parents named him after an all-time pitching great in Nolan Ryan. "There was a poster on my brother's wall when he was real young, and it was a poster of Nolan Ryan and it said, "Read More Books". My mom told me she just looked at that poster every day and said "If we have another boy we're naming him Nolan." So it happened. I have no idea when I figured out who Nolan Ryan was, but I guess the day that I did, I fell in love."

A FAN OF MULTIPLE PLAYERS GROWING UP: Along with listing Nolan Ryan as one of his favorite players, Watson also had two other players he grew up watching. "I also really liked Jose Reyes and Alfonso Soriano." When asked why he liked Alfonso Soriano Watson said, "I think my parents gave me one of those little Macfarlane figures and I had that in my room and I just liked him ever since. I had his Cubs jersey, I had a Cubs hat. I started liking Jose Reyes because he was my brother's favorite player. Anything my brother did, I wanted to do as well because he was older. I just wanted to look up to him, if he did something or liked somebody, I liked him too."

GOALS FOR THE REST OF THE SEASON: Happy to be in Wilmington, Watson wants to put together a strong finish to the 2018 season. "I want to continue what I'm doing now, get better with my command and my delivery. Just working on getting everything together and staying healthy."

The Book on Watson (2018 with Wilmington)

At Home: 1-0, 0.00 ERA 1G/1GS
On the Road: 1-1, 7.16 ERA 3G/3GS
LH Opp Avg: .423
RH Opp Avg: .286
Record when he pitches: 2-1
Wilmington Record when he starts: 3-1
Run Support (overall): 6.5
Run Support (starting): 5.3
ERA: 5.09
Season-High K's: 9, (6/3 vs. Augusta GreenJackets)
Career-High K's: 9, (6/3 vs. Augusta GreenJackets)
Last Win: 7/10/18 @ Frederick Keys
Last Loss: 7/4/18 @ Lynchburg Hillcats
Most IP, 2018: 9.0 IP (6/15 @ Rome Braves)
Most IP, Career: 9.0 IP (6/15/18 @ Rome Braves)

Career Numbers

Year/Teams(s)	W-L	ERA	IP
2015/Burlington	0-3	4.91	29.1
2016/Lexington	3-11	7.57	96.1
2017/AZL Royals	0-1	25.07	4.2
2017/Burlington	0-1	7.36	11.0
2017/Lexington	1-10	6.78	69.0
2018/Lexington	4-6	5.81	66.2
2018/Wilmington	2-1	5.09	23.0
Totals	10-33	6.81	300.0

2018 Appearances with Lexington

Date	OPP	G	GS	DEC	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	HBP	WP	Score Upon Exit	Result	Notes
4/5	vs. CSC	1	1	ND	3.60	5.0	4	2	2	1	5	1	0	1	Tied, 2-2	LEX, 3-2	Second-career Opening Day Start
4/10	vs. GVL	2	2	ND	2.61	5.1	6	3	1	1	6	0	1	1	Tied, 3-3	LEX, 5-4	
4/17	@HIC	3	3	L	9.49	2.0	9	11	10	2	1	1	2	0	HIC, 11-0	HIC, 18-6	First loss of the season
4/22	vs. HAG	4	4	W	6.75	5.0	4	1	0	2	5	0	0	0	LEX, 5-1	LEX, 9-2	First win of the season
4/29	vs. WV	5	5	W	5.79	6.0	6	3	2	2	7	1	0	1	LEX, 9-2	LEX, 9-4	Back-to-back wins
5/5	@CSC	6	6	L	6.33	3.2	8	4	4	2	2	0	1	2	CSC, 4-0	CSC, 6-0	
5/11	vs. DEL	7	7	L	7.88	5.0	10	9	9	1	4	3	1	0	DEL, 9-2	DEL, 9-2	Most hits allowed in start
5/17	@WV	8	8	L	7.34	6.0	7	3	3	3	3	5	2	0	WV, 3-2	WV, 3-2	Third straight loss
5/22	vs. ROM	9	9	L	6.70	5.0	9	5	1	2	5	0	0	0	ROM, 5-3	ROM, 10-5	Allowed just ER
5/27	@ASH	10	10	W	6.56	5.0	7	3	3	2	5	0	0	0	LEX, 5-3	LEX, 5-3	First win since 4/29
6/3	vs. AUG	11	11	ND	6.37	5.2	9	5	3	3	9	1	0	0	AUG, 5-2	LEX, 6-5	Career-high in K's
6/9	@ASH	12	12	L	6.71	4.0	9	6	5	0	4	0	3	1	ASH, 6-0	ASH, 7-1	Most HBP in start
6/15	@ROM	13	13	W	5.81	9.0	6	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	LEX, 4-0	LEX, 4-0	1st career CG
6/24	@POT	1	1	ND	11.25	4.0	11	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	WIL, 10-4	WIL, 10-4	Carolina League Debut
6/29	vs. LYN	2	2	W	4.22	6.2	3	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	WIL, 1-0	WIL, 1-0	First-career Adv.-A Win
7/4	@LYN	3	3	L	5.63	5.1	10	6	5	2	3	0	1	0	LYN, 5-2	LYN, 6-4	First loss as a Blue Rock
7/10	@FRE	4	4	W	5.09	7.0	10	3	3	1	3	1	0	0	WIL, 6-3	WIL, 8-3	First quality start as a Blue Rock

Wilmington Blue Rocks 2018 Regular-Season Breakdown

Record:	43-49
First Half:	31-39
Second Half:	12-10
Home:	23-23
Road:	20-26
Vs. RH Starters:	27-34
Vs. LH Starters:	16-15
Day:	7-10
Night:	36-39
One-Run Games:	13-11
Two-Run Games:	11-10
Extra-Inning Games:	3-1
Doubleheaders (W-L-S)	1-2-1
Shutouts:	4-3
No-Hitters:	0-0
When Leading After 7:	32-2
When Trailing After 7:	3-41
When Tied After 7:	8-5
When Leading After 8:	35-0
When Trailing After 8:	2-40
When Tied After 8:	2-3
When the Rocks Score First:	25-22
When the Opponent Scores First:	18-27
Games Decided In Last At-Bat:	10-22
When Scoring 3 Or Less:	12-37
When Scoring 4 Or More:	30-11
When The Rocks Have 5 Hits or Less:	5-17
When The Rocks Have 10 Hits or More:	17-4
When The Rocks Hit A Home Run:	24-16
Most Games Above .500:	3
Most Games Below .500:	12
When The Rocks Commit an Error:	20-35
When The Rocks Starter Goes 6+ Inn:	15-19
Come-From-Behind Victories:	22
Postponements:	7
Cancellations:	-
Total Rainouts:	7
Currently Suspended Games:	1

Blue Rocks Shutouts (11 in 2017 | 5 in 2016)

Date	Score Opp.	Pitchers
1) 4/20	2-0 / @FRE	Amaldo Hernandez, Grant Gavin, Bryan Brickhouse
2) 4/26	5-0 / vs. POT	Amaldo Hernandez, Vance Tatum, Justin Camp
3) 4/29	3-0 / vs. W-S	Ofreidy Gomez, Anthony Bender
4) 6/29	3-0 / vs. LYN	Nolan Watson, Corey Ray, Julio Pinto

Opponent Shutouts (11 in 2017 | 15 in 2016)

Date	Score/Opp.	Pitchers
4/27	5-0 / vs. W-S	Jimmy Lambert/Kyle Kubat/Matt Foster
6/22	10-0 / @POT	Ben Braymer/Steven Fuentes/James Bourque
7/8	4-0 / @LYN	Eli Morgan, Ben Krauth, Dalbert Siri

2018 Games Started by Position

1B – DeVito (65), Jones (13), Fernandez (6), Vallot (6), Vizcaino (3)
2B – Cancel (58), Burt (16), Nunez (14), Brontsema (4)
3B – Rivera (52), Burt (26), Cancel (8), Jones (4), Nunez (2)
SS – Castellano (75), Burt (10), Cancel (6), Nunez (1)
C – Viloría (58), Fernandez (21), Vallot (8), Esposito (5)
LF – Heath (25), Vizcaino (22), Martin (22), Downes (9), Burt (9), Peterson (3), Perkins (1), Jones (1)
CF – Lee (57), Perkins (19), Martin (10), Heath (5), Downes (1)
RF – Peterson (55), Heath (22), Lee (9), Martin (3), Downes (1), Vizcaino (1)
DH – Vallot (30), Nunez (11), Vizcaino (10), Viloría (10), Fernandez (9), Burt (6), Lee (5), Downes (2), Peterson (2), Cancel (2), Rivera (2), Heath (1), Jones (1), Perkins (1)

2018 Games Started by Batting Order

1) – Heath (29), Martin (23), Perkins (21), Peterson (11), Burt (7)
2) – Burt (49), Cancel (31), Heath (5), Castellano (2), Martin (2), Lee (1), Vizcaino (1),
3) – Lee (70), Cancel (11), Burt (6), Rivera (3), Peterson (2)
4) – Rivera (49), Cancel (20), Peterson (9), Jones (5), Downes (4), Fernandez (3), DeVito (1), Vallot (1)
5) – Peterson (20), DeVito (19), Viloría (19), Fernandez (11), Downes (9), Jones (7), Cancel (3), Vallot (3), Rivera (1)
6) – Viloría (29), Vallot (22), Fernandez (15), DeVito (9), Heath (7), Jones (6), Vizcaino (2), Cancel (1), Nunez (1)
7) – Viloría (20), DeVito (17), Vallot (12), Martin (10), Cancel (8), Castellano (5), Vizcaino (4), Fernandez (4), Heath (4), Esposito (3), Brontsema (2), Nunez (2), Jones (1)
8) – Peterson (17), Vizcaino (17), DeVito (17), Nunez (13), Castellano (8), Vallot (6), Heath (3), Viloría (2), Fernandez (2), Martin (2), Esposito (2), Burt (1), Brontsema (1), Cancel (1),
9) – Castellano (59), Vizcaino (12), Nunez (11), Burt (5), Peterson (2), Heath (2), Brontsema (1)

WALK-OFF WINS/LOSSES

WINS (1) (9 in 2017)			LOSSES (2) (3 in 2017)		
Date	Opp	Score/Inn	Date	Opp	Score/Inn
5/28	SAL	3-2/10th	4/8	POT	3-2/9th
			5/23	POT	6-5/9th

Wilmington Blue Rocks 2018 Notes Continued

Blue Rocks Pitching Breakdown

	W-L	Sv.	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Starters	21-35	0	4.48	482.1	519	273	240	207	332	40
Relievers	22-13	29	3.96	307.0	296	155	135	143	275	26
Totals	43-49	29	4.28	789.1	815	428	375	350	607	66

Wilmington Starts of 7+ Innings (23 in 2017, 14 in 2016)

Pitcher	IP	Date	Opponent	Dec.	Game Result
1) Gerson Garabito	7.0	5/6	vs. Frederick	ND	WIL lost 3-2
2) Jace Vines	7.0	5/16	vs. Myrtle Beach (G2)	W	WIL won 3-1
3) Anthony Bender	7.0	5/22	@ Potomac	ND	WIL won 7-4
4) Jace Vines	7.0	5/27	vs. Salem	L	WIL lost 7-2
5) Gerson Garabito	7.0	5/29	vs. Frederick	L	WIL lost 2-1
6) Jace Vines	7.0	6/1	@ Salem	L	WIL lost 4-2
7) Anthony Bender	7.0	6/7	vs. Lynchburg	W	WIL won 7-4
8) Ofreidy Gomez	7.0	6/8	vs. Lynchburg	L	WIL lost 3-2
9) Anthony Bender	7.0	6/13	@ Down East	W	WIL won 2-1
10) Gerson Garabito	7.0	6/28	vs. Lynchburg	W	WIL won 9-2
11) Jace Vines	7.0	7/1	vs. Lynchburg	W	WIL won 4-3
12) Nolan Watson	7.0	7/10	@ Frederick	W	WIL won 8-3
13) Gerson Garabito	7.9	7/15	vs. Salem	ND	WIL lost, 7-4

Inherited Runners/Scored

Pitcher	Runners	Inherited	Pct.
	Inherited	Runs Allowed	
Becker	1	1	1.000
Bender	3	0	.000
Brickhouse	8	1	.125
Camp	4	2	.500
Castillo	7	2	.286
Gavin	5	0	.000
Gomez			
Hernandez			
Hope	3	1	.333
Mitchell	6	1	.167
Pinto	1	1	1.000
Ray	1	0	.000
Ruxer	3	0	.000
Sheller	7	1	.143
Tatum	16	6	.375
Wynne	8	2	.250
Zuber	4	0	.000
Totals	78	18	.231

Catchers Totals

Catcher	CS	Att.	Pct.	PB
Esposito	1	2	.500	1
Fernandez	8	25	.320	0
Vallot	2	10	.200	3
Viloria	21	59	.356	5
Totals	32	96	.333	9

Starter Breakdown

Starter	Starts	WIL Rec.	No-Dec.	Rec.	Longest Outing
Cristian Castillo	9	4-5	3	1-5	6.0 IP (2x) Last: @ CAR 5/13
Jace Vines	17	7-10	7	2-8	7.0 IP (4x) Last: vs. LYN 7/1
Ofreidy Gomez	11	4-7	3	2-8	7.0 IP vs. LYN 6/8
Gerson Garabito	17	5-12	8	3-6	7.0 IP (4x) Last: vs. SAL 7/15
Arnaldo Hernandez	12	7-5	2	6-4	6.1 IP vs. SAL 5/25
Anthony Bender	9	6-3	3	5-2	7.0 IP (3x) Last: @ DE 6/13
Daniel Tillo	10	6-4	7	2-1	6.0 IP vs. SAL 5/26
Nolan Watson	4	3-1	1	2-1	7.0 IP @ FRE 7/10
Andres Sotillet	1	0-1	0	0-1	5.0 IP vs. SAL 7/13

Pickoffs

Pitchers	#	Last Time
Bender		
Brickhouse		
Camp		
Castillo	2	6/16 @ W-S
Garabito		
Gavin		
Gomez		
Hernandez	2	6/10 vs. FRE
Hope	2	7/4 @ LYN
Mitchell		
Pinto	1	6/15 @ W-S
Ruxer		
Sheller		
Tillo		
Vines		
Watson		
Wynne		
Zuber		
TOTAL	7	

Blue Rocks Hitting Breakdown

Month-by-Month Team Hitting

Month	G	Rec	Avg	AB	H	R	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	K	SB/ATT
April	23	11-12	.224	736	165	93	29	4	15	88	104	214	37/10
May	30	10-20	.243	953	232	117	51	7	13	106	120	210	20/15
June	26	15-11	.252	791	199	119	36	6	11	108	98	218	37/12
July	13	7-6	.272	460	125	72	20	2	7	64	50	111	17/7

August

September

Scoring by Inning

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13+	Total
Blue Rocks	48	54	43	47	40	40	41	38	36	5	3	3	2	401
Opponents	46	35	57	62	57	54	35	46	19	7	3	1	0	428

Wilmington Blue Rocks 2018 Notes Continued

Home Run Breakdown (With Wilmington)

Player	Total	Home	Road	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Last HR	Opposing Pitcher/Inn.	Games Since
John Brontsema	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8/22/17	Matthew Grimes (FRE)/2nd	13
D.J. Burt	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	7/9/18	Matthias Dietz (FRE)/4th	5
Gabriel Cancel	6	2	4	2	3	0	1	7/15/18	Harrison Cooney (SAL)/9th	-
Angelo Castellano	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	4/9/18	Tanner Houck (SAL)/4th	72
Brandon Downes	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	4/29/18	Bernardo Flores (W-S)/3rd	8
Chris DeVito	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	5/19/18	Algenis Martinez (SAL)/9th	30
Xavier Fernandez	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	5/10/18	Trey Supak (CAR) / 2nd	19
Travis Jones	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6/5/18	Max Kranick (WV) / 5th	31
Nick Heath	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	7/10/18	Chris Tillman (FRE)/1st	4
Khalil Lee	4	3	1	2	1	1	0	6/7/18	Tanner Tully (LYN)/3rd	15
Rudy Martin	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	4/12/18	Zach Plesac (LYN)/6th	31
Oliver Nunez	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	5/24/18	Matthew Crownover (POT)/1st	23
Blake Perkins	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	7/11/18	Zac Lowther (FRE) /5th	4
Kort Peterson	8	5	3	1	6	1	0	6/9/18	Cristian Alvarado (FRE)/5th	8
Emmanuel Rivera	4	1	3	3	0	1	0	7/9/18	Matthias Dietz (FRE)/4th	5
Chase Vallot	6	1	5	3	1	1	1	5/29/18	Alex Wells (FRE)/2nd	15
Meibrys Viloría	3	1	2	0	1	1	1	6/24/18	Jeremy Hellickson (POT)/3rd	16
Vance Vizcaino	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	6/1/18	Algenis Martinez (SAL)/9th	24

Multi-Hit Games

Player	Total	2	3	4	5	6+
John Brontsema	1	1	0	0	0	0
D.J. Burt	23	19	4	0	0	0
Gabriel Cancel	23	14	9	0	0	0
Angelo Castellano	9	6	3	0	0	0
Chris DeVito	8	7	0	1	0	0
Brandon Downes	3	2	1	0	0	0
Nate Esposito	1	1	0	0	0	0
Xavier Fernandez	9	8	1	0	0	0
Nick Heath	12	5	6	1	0	0
Travis Jones	4	3	1	0	0	0
Khalil Lee	19	17	2	0	0	0
Rudy Martin	3	2	1	0	0	0
Oliver Nunez	2	1	1	0	0	0
Blake Perkins	8	7	0	1	0	0
Kort Peterson	15	11	3	1	0	0
Emmanuel Rivera	14	10	2	2	0	0
Chase Vallot	2	2	0	0	0	0
Meibrys Viloría	14	12	2	0	0	0
Vance Vizcaino	9	8	1	0	0	0

Multi-RBI Games

Player	Total	2	3	4	5	6+
John Brontsema	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.J. Burt	5	4	1	0	0	0
Gabriel Cancel	15	7	7	1	0	0
Angelo Castellano	3	2	1	0	0	0
Chris DeVito	3	3	0	0	0	0
Brandon Downes	4	3	1	0	0	0
Nate Esposito	0	0	0	0	0	0
Xavier Fernandez	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nick Heath	4	4	0	0	0	0
Travis Jones	0	0	0	0	0	0
Khalil Lee	10	7	3	0	0	0
Rudy Martin	3	2	0	0	1	0
Oliver Nunez	2	2	0	0	0	0
Blake Perkins	3	2	1	0	0	0
Kort Peterson	10	9	0	0	1	0
Emmanuel Rivera	9	5	4	0	0	0
Chase Vallot	4	3	0	0	1	0
Meibrys Viloría	8	6	0	2	0	0
Vance Vizcaino	3	3	0	0	0	0

2018 Blue Rocks Pinch Hitters (2017: 5-for-31, 3 RBI, 5BB, 8SO)

Player	Avg.	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SAC/SF	HB	BB	SO
Angelo Castellano*												
Travis Jones	1.000	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0/0	0	0	0

*Pinch hit for Emmanuel Rivera in a 1-2 count and struck out. Strikeout charged to Rivera

BLUE ROCKS HITTERS NOTES

#7 D.J. Burt INF
Ht: 5'9 Wt: 160 Age: 22 B/T: R/R
Lives: Fuqay-Varina, N.C
LG: 3-for-5, 3R, 2B, RBL, BB (7/14 vs. SAL) Homestand: 4-for-8, 3R, 2B, RBL, 3BB, SO HS/OBS: +7/+7

Notes: Selected in the 4th round of the 2014 June MLB Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of Fuqay-Varina High School.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S/O.B.S.: +7, (7/7 - present) / +11 (6/22 - 7/4)
 -Named Carolina League mid-season All-Star
 -Second on team and third in the CL in stolen bases (22). Also third in CL in OBP (.400) and fifth in AVG (.306)
 -Hit first home run in 187 games on July 9 at Frederick. (Last HR was on Aug. 10, 2016)
 -Drove in season-high three runs on 5/4 against Frederick.
 -Made his first-career start in the outfield on 4/25 vs. POT (Started in LF) first-career start at third base on May 26 vs. SAL.
 -Has recorded a hit in 50 of 69 games played this season.
 -Tied for first on team with 23 multi-hit games.
 -Had 20 total multi-hit games last season and five games with at least three hits.
 -Has served as utility player, making starts at 2B, SS, 3B and LF this season.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Wilmington Blue Rocks and played in 103 games.
 -Was injured in early August and missed rest of the season.
 -Hit .227 with 19 doubles, five triples and drove in 29 RBI.
 -Led the team and finished fifth in the Carolina league with 32 stolen bases.
 -Finished second in organization in stolen base department and fell one shy of being tied for most by a farmhand.
 -Had a 10-game hitting streak from July 3-July 13. Went 11-for-41 during that span.

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/SAL)
 -Hit .257 with career-highs in home runs (4) and RBI (59) in 125 games.
 -Led the Legends with his 59 RBI and 74 runs scored.
 -Finished tied for second in the South Atlantic League with career-high 43 SB.
 -Had 27 stolen bags through his first two seasons in professional baseball.
 -Finished fourth in SAL with his 74 runs scored.
 -Hit .350/2/10 and stole 11 bases in month of June (22 games) after hitting .189 in May (28 games)

2015 Notes: Spent the season with the Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/PIO)
 -Hit .290 with a home run and 28 RBI in 65 games.
 -Ranked among Pioneer League leaders in sacrifice hits (first), runs and walks (third) and triples (tied for third).
 -Reached safely in 59 of his 62 starts with Idaho Falls, including his last 54 starts.
 -Ended the season on an 11-game hitting streak. Carried streak over through first four games with Lexington to set career-high 15 game hitting streak. (8/27/15-4/10/16)
 -Reached safely in 59 of his 62 starts with Idaho Falls, including his last 54 starts.
 -On-base streak of 62 games started on July 12 and went through first eight games with Lexington in 2016 and ended on April 16, 2016.

They said it: (On his style of play)... That's my game, speed and getting on and creating havoc on the bases. I told myself I had two pitches and then I'm out...It took its own form **(on 62-game on-base streak)**. I pretty much just rolled with it. I ended the season in Idaho and pretty much knew about my streak but when I started in Lexington in 2016. I didn't even think about it. **(On what is important to him on the field)** I think defense is the number one key to me. That helps wins games. I know hitting does too but if you have pitching and defense, that can help make a run in the playoffs... **(On players he tries to emulate)** I know Brandon Phillips doesn't really run like that but I compare myself to him. Jose Altuve as well."

#12 Gabriel Cancel INF
Ht: 6'1 Wt: 185 Age: 21 B/T: R/R
Lives: Arecibo, Puerto Rico
LG: 3-for-5, R, 2, 2B, HR, 3RBL, SO Homestand: 6-for-14, 2R, 4, 2B, GRBL, 2BB, 2SO HS/OBS: +5/+5

Notes: Selected in the 7th round of the 2015 June MLB Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of Belen, Hatillo, PR. Top second base prospect in organization and ranked No. 22 prospect according to MLB.com (Not rated in Top-30 by Baseball America)

2018 Notes: Longest H.S/O.B.S.: +5, (7/11 - present) / +11, (6/12 - 6/26)
 -Had his season-high 11-game on-base streak snapped on 6/27 vs. LYN. Slashed .368/.442/.605
 -Leads team in RBI (54) and multi-RBI games (14), and tied for first in multi-hit games (23)
 -Second in Royals' system in RBI.
 -Hit first-career Adv. A grand slam in first game of doubleheader at Down East on 6/12.
 -One of three Blue Rocks to hit a grand slam this season (Chase Vallot/Meibrys Viloría)
 -First three-RBI game of the season on 5/22 @ POT. First since Aug. 16, 2017.
 -Posted first three-hit game of the season on 5/6 vs. FRE (3-for-5, RBI)
 -Activated from the disabled list on 4/26 after suffering a lower body injury on 4/18 vs. CAR.
 -Had first multi-RBI game on 4/16 vs. CAR (2-for-4, 2B, 2RBI)
 -Smacked his first-career Advanced-A home run in his first at-bat of the season @ POT on 4/5.
 -Finished the game 2-for-4 with two runs scored, a home run, RBI and two strikeouts.
 -Has made eight starts at third base this season. It's the first time since 2016 season he's made starts at the position.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League) -Hit .277 with 30 doubles, 14 home runs and 49 RBI in 103 games.
 -He ranked sixth in the league and first among middle infielders with career-high 46 extra-base hits which was fifth most among Royals farmhands.
 -Had 30 multi-hit games including 12 games in which he collected at least three hits.
 -Had his first-career multi-home run game on April 28 vs. Hagerstown. (Two HRs)
 -Homered in back-to-back games three different times: June 22-24, July 9-10 and Aug. 3-5.
 -Named Organization All-Star at second base by MiLB.com.

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Hit a career-best .291 in 46 games to go along with 18 doubles, five homers and 26 RBI. -Ranked among Appalachian League leaders in doubles (tied for second), extra-base hits (24, tied for third) and slugging percentage (.494, fifth).

2015 Notes: Spent the season with the Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) in his pro debut
 -Hit .209 with a pair of homers and 14 RBI in 34 games.
 -Made the transition from shortstop to second base during the season.

#11 Angelo Castellano INF
Ht: 6'0 Wt: 165 Age: 23 B/T: R/R
Lives: San Diego, VZ
LG: 0-for-3, BB, SO Homestand: 5-for-11, R, RBI, 2BB, SO HS/OBS: -1/+3

Notes: Signed as a non-drafted free agent by Kansas City on July 16, 2011. Was named Dominican Summer League Player of the Year in 2013. Was recipient of 2017 Carlos Fortuna Award which awarded to a player who is dedicated to improving his English, genuine work ethic and conduct. Has versatility in the infield and can play second base, shortstop and third base.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S/O.B.S.: +6 (4/21 - 4/27) / +6, twice, (4/21 - 4/27)
 -Has picked up a hit in 10 of his last 15 games.
 -Broke an 0-for-20 skid with a go-ahead, three-run triple in sixth inning vs. LYN on 6/28.
 -Posted first, three-hit game of the season on 5/11 @ CAR
 -Has had three hitting streaks of at least five games this season.
 -Had six-game hitting streak end on 4/28 vs. W-S. Hit .333 during stretch. (7-for-21, 2R, 2B, 2RBI)
 -Posted first multi-hit game of the season on 4/26 vs. POT.
 -Hit first-career Adv. A home run on 4/9 @ Salem (2-R HR)

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Hit .245 with eight homers and 43 RBI in 116 games.
 -Ranked in the top-five on the team in multiple categories including walks (2nd, 51), stolen bases (3rd, 19), run scored (3rd, 63), games played (4th, 116) and hits (4th, 106).
 -Had 29 multi-hit games, including a trio of four-hit games.
 -Hit eight home runs in 433 at-bats (54.1 AB/HR) after hitting just two homers in his previous 957 at-bats (478.5 AB/HR).

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League)
 -Hit .283 with a pair of homers and 47 RBI in 64 games.
 -Struck out once every 10.50 plate appearances, the fifth-best rate in the league.

They said it: (On playing in most games in career last year)... "It's hard to do it that for the first time. I had to make a lot of adjustments and work every day. It's 140 games which is a lot more than where I was two years ago where I just played in 60 games. It was more of a mental adjustment for me. It's a lot of playing and a lot of games. If you didn't do good one week, you have to keep working. I dealt with my struggles by staying positive, trust in the process and come to work every day...**(On who helped him get through the season)** My hitting coach last year in Lexington really helped me a lot and talked to me a lot. My teammates as well, including (Meibrys) Viloría also helped me a lot...**(On Winning Carlos Fortuna Award)** That means a lot to me. I knew Carlos Fortuna and he was a great person. The organization recognized me and how I am like him in some ways and that means a lot to me...**(On learning how to speak English)** It's been hard. I didn't know too much when I came to the United States. I try to keep close to the American teammates and talk to them. I don't try to use a lot of translation because the more I talk to people without help, the more I can learn...**(Coming to the United States)** I first came in 2008 with my family and went to Orlando for a week on vacation. We went to Disney World and it was a lot of fun. I came later in 2013 and went to Kansas City because I won the Player of the Year in the Dominican Summer League...**(Culture shock moving to U.S.)** In the Dominican Leagues you are just in the complexes that they have 24/7. Here in the United States, we go to hotels, we can walk to different places, go to dinner and it is a bit of a shock...**(Goals this season)** I just want to keep going and have better numbers and stay healthy. It's a long season and I want to do what I can to help the team win."

#16 Nate Esposito C
Ht: 5'11 Wt: 195 Age: 25 B/T: R/R
Lives: Granite Bay, CA
LG: 0-for-2, BB, SO Homestand: 0-for-2, BB, SO HS/OBS: -2/+4

Notes: Selected in the 33rd round of the 2015 June MLB Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of Concordia University-Portland (Portland, OR). Originally attended Oregon State University in 2012 before transferring.

2018 Notes: Started the season with Double-A Northwest Arkansas.
 -Hit .156 with a pair of doubles and drove in a run in 18 games.
 -Picked up first multi-hit game of the season with WIL on 7-4 @ LYN (2-for-4)

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Blue Rocks.
 -Hit .225 with seven doubles, a triple and drove in 16 runs in 68 games with Wilmington.
 -Rejoined team on 8/2 after playing in four games with Triple-A Omaha.
 -Went 2-for-12 in the four AAA games.
 -Hit second-career triple on 7/26 vs. SAL.
 -Collected his third, three-hit game of the season on 7/17 vs. POT.
 -Had career-high 10-game hitting streak snapped on 6/9 vs. BC.
 -Picked up his first multi-hit game of the season while throwing out a pair of base runners on 4/18 @ SAL.
 -Collected first multi-RBI game of the season on 4/30 @ BC

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Hit .317 with two home runs and 17 RBI in 29 games.
 -Did not commit and error behind the dish. (250 innings)
 -Threw out 28% of would-be base stealers.

2015 Notes: Spent the season with the Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) and hit .250 with five RBI in 27 games. Made just one error behind the plate.

They said it: (Worked on in offseason) "I would say definitely attitude was huge for me. Learning how to take each at-bat at a time and move forward from the negative things and take the positives of each at-bat and that's helped me relax at the plate... **(On driving in seven runs in a game)** No. Absolutely not. I never had seven RBIs before. It was really cool. I guess the coolest thing about it was that I had no idea how many RBIs I had until the game was over and my teammates were telling me. I think that's the only reason why it happened. If I went in to each at-bat saying I already have four, let me get another RBI, it wouldn't have happened for me and messed with my attitude. I don't think it would've been as successful as a game... (On importance of defense behind the plate) I think that's the reason why I'm here. I really pride myself on defense. I try to come out every day to run a pitching staff, keep the ball in front of me and not let runners advance. I think that's what I pride myself on the most... I don't have a specific catcher. I can give you one guy. **(Player grew up idolizing)** I was a big Jorge Posada fan of the New York Yankees. Just the way he was so agile behind the plate and lanky. He wasn't a big stocky dude because I'm not like that either, but I liked the way he moved behind the plate for sure... **(On type of teammate he is in the clubhouse)** Definitely an energizer bunny for these guys, I think I provide a lot of energy on the field, in the bullpen or the clubhouse. Someone that can provide energy day in and day out because we all know the season can get long."

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#3 Nick Heath **OF**
Ht: 6'1 Wt: 187 **Age: 24 B/T: L/L**
Lives: Milford, KS
LG: 0-for-3, R, 2BB, 2SO, 2SB **Homestand: 5-for-13, 2R, 2B, 2RBI, 2BB, 5SO, 2SB** **HS/OBS: -1/+16**

Notes: Drafted in the 16th round of the 2016 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of Northwestern State University of Louisiana. In 2016, he set the school's single-season record with 35 stolen bases in 42 attempts (83.3 percent) and ranks third in school history with 75 steals. Also led the team with 43 runs and recorded a career-high 27 RBI, earning All-Southeast Conference Third-Team honors.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S. / O.B.S.: +5, (5/31 - 6/6) / +16 (6/25 - present)
 -Riding season-high 16-game on-base streak and hitting .293 (17-for-58) with 12 walks.
 -Leads the team, Royals' system and Carolina League with 28 stolen bases (caught nine times) in 51 games.
 -Started the season with Wilmington, but played in just seven games before suffering a lower body injury.
 -Activated from the disabled list on 5/17 after spending more than three weeks on the shelf.
 -In his first game back, he picked up three hits, including a go-ahead, two-run, inside-the-park home run in the eighth inning.
 -First inside-the-park homer for a Blue Rock since 2016 when Ryan O'Hearn hit two in a span of six days.
 -Posted back-to-back three-hit games after return from DL.

2017 Notes: Started the season with Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Came back in late May from a hamstring injury and played in only two games with Legends and went 2-for-5 in small sample size with Lexington.
 -Played in four games in Arizona Rookie League before being added to Wilmington.
 -With Wilmington hit .250 with a homer and 12 RBI in 60 games.
 -Picked up first-career four-hit game on 8/8 vs. DE.
 -Hit walk-off RBI single on 7/13/17 vs. LYN in bottom of 9th inning to give WIL 6-5 win.
 -Stole 25 bases in 66 total games. (21 SB in 60 games with WIL.)
 -Finished fifth in organization in stolen bases despite missing a total of five weeks due to injury.
 -Hit first-career Class-A Adv. homer on 7/6/17 @LYN.

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League).
 -Put together a solid pro debut season, hitting .291 with eight doubles, four triples, a pair of homers and drove in 28 runs.
 -Stole 36 bags which led the Pioneer League and were ten more than anyone else in the league.
 -He finished with the third most stolen bases of any farmhand in the Royals system.

They said it: (On injury earlier last season) I got hurt in (Low-A) Lexington, pulled my hamstring. I went down to Arizona (Rookie League) for a while, rehabbed it. I took that rehab processes really seriously so I could get back on the field. I thought I would end up going back to Lexington to keep on playing, but they ended up asking me to come up to Wilmington and hop in the lineup. Like I said, I took that rehab process pretty seriously. I guess leg injuries aren't too much to mess around with and I want to be able to stay on the field and try to contribute to the team...**(On having any other major injuries during career)** I had Tommy John surgery, but that was back in college. In my professional career, the (hamstring injury) was the first injury I've had. My first leg injury as well, so it was kind of new to me; the steps, the process to get through it. A little bit of prayer and a little bit of work with our trainers, I'm able to get back on the field. **(On seeing familiar faces with the Rocks)** I think it makes that transition to a different level of ball easier. You are not so in awe of everything that is going on. You are realizing you are really cool with the guys that are around you and you fit in with them so it makes that transition easier, a lot more fun and less hectic...I think what led to the success (with Idaho Falls) was me buying into the process that these guys told me to buy into when they first drafted me. It was kind of new to me how they did everything around here. The offseason and prepping myself before games, staying up the middle and being able to go the other way, not necessarily pull the ball so much, just try to get myself on base, let my legs work and do what it can for the team. I think that helped me out a lot. It took a lot of stress and pressure off of me at the plate...**(If base stealing is majority of his game)** "I wouldn't say (stealing) is the name of my game. I definitely want to get on and be able to score runs, put myself into a position where guys get pitches that they can drive and make the pitcher have to work when I'm on base. Stealing bases helps me out, helps the team out and I just want to do whatever

#19 Travis Jones **INF**
Ht: 6'4 Wt: 195 **Age: 22 B/T: R/R**
Lives: Humble, TX
LG: 2-for-3, 3R, RBI, 2BB, SO (7/14 vs. SAL) **Homestand: 3-for-6, 4R, 2B, RBI, 3BB, 3SO** **HS/OBS: +5/+6**

Notes: Drafted in the 29th round of the 2017 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of the University of Texas. In his junior year, he hit .253/.393/.401 with 23 extra-base hits and 32 RBI in a team-high 63 games. Earned the first James and Huston Street Longhorn Award which is given to the player who most embodies what it means to be a Longhorn through leadership, selflessness and integrity both on and off the field.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S. / O.B.S.: +10, (5/11 - 5/22) / +12 (5/11-5/24)
 -Has reached base in 17 of his first 20 games since joining Wilmington and has an OBP% of .463.
 -Has played first base, third base and left field with the Blue Rocks.
 -Made his Wilmington debut on June 21 at Potomac.
 -Went 1-for-3 with a walk, strikeout and stole a base.
 -Started the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Hit .285 with five home runs and 32 RBI in 62 games.
 -Led the Legends in batting average, hits (65), doubles (13), stolen bases (14), second in runs scored (41) and tied for second in RBI (32).
 -Fourth in the Royals' organization in stolen bases with 18.
 -Posted 18 multi-hit games with Lexington.
 -Started the year with a seven-game hitting streak and has had three different hitting streaks span at least seven games including a 10-game hit streak from May 11-22 (.415/.489/.634)

2017 Notes: Spent the season between the Surprise Royals (Rookie/Arizona League), Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League) and Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League).
 -Turned in an impressive professional debut season and slashed a composite .364/.445/.541 in 58 total games between the three stops.
 -Played in just nine games in the Arizona League and hit .485 (16-for-33) with six RBI.
 -Played in seven games with Burlington and hit .391 (9-for-23) with four RBI.
 -Spent majority of the season with Idaho Falls and in 42 games hit .335 with four home runs and drove in 42 RBI.
 -Smacked 15 doubles, three triples in addition to stealing 20 bases.
 -He started his pro career reaching in 20 of his first 22 games.
 -Ranked first among Royals farmhands in average (.364), on-base percentage (.445), and second in slugging percentage (.541).
 -Also ranked sixth with 24 stolen bases despite not making his debut until June 25.

#4 Rudy Martin **OF**
Ht: 5'7 Wt: 155 **Age: 22 B/T: L/L**
Lives: Olive Branch, MS
LG: 0-for-3, BB, 2SO **Homestand: 1-for-7, R, 2RBI, BB, 3SO** **HS/OBS: +1/+47**

Notes: Drafted in the 25th round of the 2014 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City from Lewisburg High School. Won 4A State Championship his junior year. Has 70 career stolen bases and has been caught just 11 times.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S./O.B.S.: +9 (4/24 - 6/27) / +10, (4-24 - 6/28 vs. LYN)
 -Rejoined team on June 26 after missing time since May 2 due to injury.
 -Had season-high 10-game on-base streak come to an end on 6/30 vs. W-SO. Hit .278 (10-for-36) with eight runs scored, a triple, RBI and three walks during the streak.
 -Fell HR shy of cycle on 4/19 @ PRE (3-for-5, 3R, 2B, 3B, 5RBI, 2SB)
 -Hit first Adv. A home run to break up LYN starter Zach Plesac no-hit bid in the sixth inning on 4/12.
 -Has stolen 14 bases in 37 games played and is fourth on the team in stolen bases.
 -At time of injury, he was tied for first in all of MiLB in stolen bases.
 -Has stolen multiple bases in three games this season and at least one base in 10 of 37 games.
 -Last season, had six games where he stole 2+ bases. (Played in 37 total games last season)

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Played in 37 games before missing rest of the season due to injury.
 -He hit .277 with a pair of homers and 19 RBI during that span.
 -Led the team with an impressive 26 stolen bases in 30 attempts.
 -Had six multi-stolen base games, including July 4 when he stole swiped three bags.
 -Finished fourth overall in stolen bases in entire farm system.
 -Earned Willie Wilson Base Runner of the Year Award for organization's top base runner.

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) and Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League).
 -Started the season with a 12-game hitting streak in both AZL and Pioneer League.
 -In the Arizona League, Martin played in just five games and went 5-for-16 (.313).
 -With the Chukars, he hit .244 with two homers and 14 RBI in 41 games.
 -He stole 19 bases in 22 attempts.

2015 Notes: Spent the season with the Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) and the Idaho Falls Chukars.
 -Had a tremendous professional debut in the Arizona League and hit to the tune of .338 with six doubles, nine triples and one home run in 40 games.
 -He was the Surprise Player of the Year, ranking among Arizona League leaders in on-base percentage (.477, first), triples (tied for first), runs (41, tied for first), walks (34, tied for first), slugging percentage (.541, second) and batting average (fourth).
 -He also reached safely in 26 consecutive games (July 24-Aug. 28), the second-longest streak in the AZL.
 -Named Arizona League post-season All-Star.

They Said It: On his goals at the plate... "I really just want to get on base and keep my on-base percentage high. I know my teammates will do their job and drive me in. As long as I get on, I can do my job steal second or third, or even if I don't steal a base, I feel they can drive me in from first base. **(On his great success at stealing bases)** "We really worked on it at Spring Training. We harp on keying on what certain pitchers do, studying them and the game so it could help me during the season. I might notice that a pitcher has a quick pickoff move, but he's slow to home. So things like that help me. Stealing bases is what I have to do. **(Player he tries to emulate)** "A guy I look at now is Mookie Betts. He doesn't strikeout a lot, he can steal bases, he's not the biggest guy and he plays hard every day... **(On dealing with injuries past two seasons)** "The year before last I broke my hamate bone and that was in Spring Training. That was pretty frustrating because I couldn't get a chance to go to a full-season club and show what I could do. I overcame that and then last season, I suffered the face injury when I ran into **Gabriel Cancel**, our second baseman. I was having decent years, but I have good teammates and they have helped me overcome those injuries. If a play like that happens (collision with Cancel) again, I still won't think twice about going for the ball.

#6 Oliver Nunez **INF**
Ht: 5'10 Wt: 170 **Age: 23 B/T: S/R**
Lives: Bani, D.R.
LG: 0-for-4, 2SO (7/15 vs. SAL) **Homestand: 0-for-4, 2SO** **HS/OBS: -1/-1**

Notes: Signed by the Kansas City Royals as an international free agent on December, 10, 2013

2018 Notes: Longest H.S. / O.B.S. : +5 (5/20 - 5/29) / +5 (5/20 - 5/29)
 -Hit his first-career HR as a Blue Rock on 5/24 @ POT (Solo HR)
 -Picked up first-career Adv. A hit with an RBI single in second game of doubleheader @ SAL on 5/20.
 -Made Advanced-A debut on 5/11 @ CAR (0-for-4, SO)
 -Drove in first run as a Blue Rock in second game of doubleheader against Myrtle Beach.
 -Started the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -In 19 games, he hit .219 (14-for-64) with a pair of doubles, one triple, three RBI, walked four times and had 16 strikeouts.
 -Stole two bases and did not get caught.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Put together his best season and hit .321 with two home runs and 20 RBI in 59 games.
 -Had 71 hits during the campaign including 10 doubles and three triples.
 -Stole a career-high 19 bases.
 -Ranked among Appalachian League leaders in stolen bases (second), runs (44, second), and batting average (seventh)
 -Finished second on the team in AVG, tied for fourth in doubles, and seventh in RBI.

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Surprise Royals (Rookie/Arizona League)
 -In his first season stateside, he hit .273 with four doubles, a triple and drove in nine runs in 27 games.

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#29 Blake Perkins OF
Ht: 6'1 Wt: 165 Age: 21 B/T:S/R
Lives: Litchfield Park, AZ
LG: 2-for-4, 2R, BB, SO **Homestand: 4-for-13, 4R, RBI, 2BB, 6SO** **HS/OBS: +2/+2**

Notes: Acquired by the Kansas City Royals on June 18, 2018 when the Royals traded Kelvin Herrera to the Washington Nationals for Perkins, third baseman Kelvin Gutierrez and right-handed pitcher Yohanse Moral. Was originally drafted by Washington in second round of the 2015 June Amateur Draft out of Verrado High School in Buckeye, AZ. Received the highest bonus by a Nationals' pick with \$800,000 for his five-tool potential. Was ranked 11th-best prospect in the National's system and is now ranked 15th in the Royals' system per MLB Pipeline.com.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S./O.B.S.: +8 (4/9-4/16) / +12 (6/8 - 6/21)
 -Leads CL with 56 walks and runs scored (59)
 -Had a strong debut with WIL on June 21 against former team at POT.
 -Went 2-for-3, with two runs scored, two walks, and stole a base.
 -Posted a season-high 12-game on base streak from June 8-21 (.286/.434/.310)
 -Started the season with the Potomac Nationals.
 -Was one of three players traded from Washington to Kansas City in the Kelvin Herrera trade on June 18.
 -Hit .234 with one home run and 21 RBI with the P-Nats in 65 games.
 -Has stolen 12 bases this season and has been caught five times.
 -Has 15 multi-hit games this season.
 -Vs. RHP: .224 / vs. LHP: .276
 -Can play all three outfield spots.
 -Was named the Nationals' Best Defensive outfielder entering this season according to *Baseball America*.

2017 Notes: Spent season with the Hagerstown Suns (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Hit .255 with eight home runs and 48 RBI in 129 games.
 -Also collected five doubles and a triple while drawing 72 walks and stealing 31 bases.
 -Led the South Atlantic League in runs (105) and walks (72) and was named a South Atlantic League All-Star.
 -Made great strides as a converted switch-hitter and showed great progress from the left side after being a natural right-handed hitter.
 -Hit all of his home runs from the left side of the plate.

2016 Notes: Spent the season between both the Hagerstown Suns and Auburn Doubledays (Short-Season/NY-Penn League)
 -Hit a composite .230 with one home run, 18 RBI in 63 games.
 -Spent majority of the season with Auburn and in 56 games hit .233 with seven extra-base hits to go along with 16 RBI.

#26 Emmanuel Rivera INF
Ht: 6'2 Wt: 195 Age: 22 B/T: R/R
Lives: Mayaguez, Puerto Rico
LG: 0-for-4, BB **Homestand: 1-for-8** **HS/O.B.S.: -1/+2**

Notes: Drafted in the 19th Round of the 2015 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City from Interamerican Univ. of Puerto Rico. Ranked 11th-best prospect in system according to MLB.com, and also ranked No.27 according to *Baseball America*. Played in his hometown during Puerto Rican Winter League in both 2016-17. His hometown was damaged by Hurricane Irma (Category 5) in which the island is still trying to recover from.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S./O.B.S.: +8 (4/14 - 4/22) / +8 (4/14 - 4/22)
 -In first game back with the team he picked up four hits and drove in three runs on July 7 @ LYN
 -Rejoined team on July 6 after missing over a month due to injury (Last played with WIL on May 25)
 -At the time of injury, he led the team in RBI and tied for first on the team in doubles and hits.
 -Set season-highs in hits (4) and RBI (4) on 5/2 @ POT.
 -Leads the team with two, four-hit games on the season. (5/2 @ POT & 7/7 @ LYN)
 -Third amongst active players on team with four home runs.
 -Posted first three-hit game of the season on 4/26 vs. POT.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Won the batting title hitting .310 to go along with 12 homers and 72 RBI in 122 games.
 -Also led the league in hits (144), third in total bases (217), tied for fourth in slugging percentage (.468), and fifth in on-base percentage (.364).
 -Set career-highs with 27 doubles, 12 home runs and his team-leading 72 RBI, which were fourth most by a Royals minor leaguer.
 -Led the team with 37 multi-hit games including a trio of four-hit contests.
 -Hit an impressive .336 against LHP and .301 against RHP.
 -Was named MiLB.com Organizational All-Star and Lexington Player of the Year.

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Hit .249 with 13 doubles, four triples and two homers in addition to 27 RBI in 58 games.

2015 Notes: Spent the season with the Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) and in 38 games hit .174 with five doubles and 14 RBI in his professional debut. He stole a career-high nine bases in 13 attempts.

They said it: (On success in Lexington last season) Just going to the cages every day with my hitting coach in Lexington really helped me. We did a bunch of different drills hitting of the tee and front toss. I continued to work hard every day and it was a good year... **(On bouncing back after tough first two seasons in system)...** The first two seasons in the organization was very hard for me. I never saw pitchers throw 90-94 m.p.h. It took me about a season to get adjusted to that kind of pitching. Last year, I was able to see the pitches better and it was great. It's important to make adjustments and I was late at the plate when I first started and worked on my timing and now I feel comfortable... **(On going through a transition on defense)**... Before I was signed, I played shortstop. After my first practice, the coaches moved me to third base. I played shortstop for five years before joining the Royals. I miss it sometimes. I played it since I was five years old. At third base, the reaction time is the biggest difference from the two positions. It takes a lot of practice to get better with my reaction... **(On coming to the U.S.)**... I came to the U.S. four years ago and the biggest difference was the language. I try to speak English the best I can. My family and friends are still in Puerto Rico and were effected by Hurricane Irma. They had no lights, no gas, no power for months. It was bad. I've talked to my friends and family and they were telling me how bad it was. It's getting better now, but where I grew up, it was hit by the storm. My family still lives in the house I grew up and it was damaged."

#22 Meibrys Vitoria C
Ht: 5'11 Wt: 220 Age: 21 B/T:L/R
Lives: Cartagena, Columbia
LG: 0-for-5, SO **Homestand: 3-for-13, 3R, 2RBI, BB, 2SO** **HS/OBS: -1/-1**

Notes: Signed as non-drafted Free Agent by Kansas City on July 2, 2013. Enters this season Rated as the 18th-best prospect according to MLB.com and 24th-best prospect in the organization per *Baseball America* and only player on Blue Rocks roster on Royals' 40-man roster. Was on the 2017 Columbia WBC Team Roster. Can speak both English and Spanish and hails from same city as Atlanta Braves pitcher Julio Teheran and Reds outfielder Dilson Herrera. Was a shortstop when the Royals first saw him play.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S./O.B.S.: +6 (6/30 - 7/9) / +13 (5/19 - 6/7)
 -Had season-high six-game hitting streak end on July 9. Hit 417 (10-for-24) during the stretch.
 -Smacked second-career grand slam on June 24 at Potomac against big-league rehabber Jeremy Hellickson.
 -Hit go-ahead two-run single in bottom of the sixth in game two of doubleheader against LYN on 6/6.
 -Had his 13-game on-base streak snapped on 6/7 vs. LYN. Tied for longest on-base streak by Wilmington hitter this season.
 -Posted fourth-career, four-RBI game on 6/3 @ SAL. (Last: 8/18/17 with Low-A Lexington)
 -Posted first, three-hit game of the season on 4/19 @ FRE. (3-for-6, 2R, 2TB, RBI).
 -Hit first homer of the season on 4/14 vs. LYN. (Game-Tying 2-R HR in 7th)
 -Recorded first multi-hit game of the season in the same game (2-for-4 with 2B and HR.)
 -Has 13 multi-hit games this season.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Was one of the youngest catchers in the circuit at just 20-years-old.
 -He hit .259 with 25 doubles, eight homers and 52 RBI in a career-high 101 games.
 -He finished third on the team in doubles, RBI and fifth in hits (94).
 -Ranked second among South Atlantic League catchers in doubles (25) and RBI (52)
 -Also led the league's catchers in runners caught stealing (45) and percentage (.398)
 -After struggling in the first half, batted .287/.333/.425 (48-for-167) after the All-Star break, including .312 (24-for-77) with six doubles, two homers and 15 RBI from Aug. 1 to the end of the season (22 games).

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League)
 -Put together his best pro season and hit .376 with 28 doubles, three triples, six homers and 55 RBI in 58 games.
 -Had a league-best 20-game hitting streak (July 7- Aug. 7) to help earn him MLB.com Pioneer League Player of the Month for July.
 -Was a mid-season All-star, led the Pioneer League in hitting and earned MVP honors in the league and Idaho Falls Player of the Year.
 -Behind the plate, he threw out 34% of base stealers.

2015 Notes: Spent the season with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Hit .260 in 45 games with no 39 hits, all being singles.

They Said It: (Thoughts on last season) "It was a long season last year. I tried to go out and play hard every night. I started out struggling, but I worked with my hitting coach and it helped me a lot. I watched a lot of video on my swing to watch my mechanics. I hit with a leg kick which is more difficult. If you don't have your timing down with a leg kick, you don't have a chance. I had to make adjustments mentally during the first month of the season. If you aren't strong mentally, you can't play this game... **(On feeling pressure as one of the youngest player in the SAL)** I felt pressure being in A-ball for the first time in my career. I just wanted to go out and just play. I wanted to just play my game and put the ball in play... **(Lifestyle in Columbia)** It's too hot. Where I'm from in Cartagena it is really hot. We have everything though. We have a lot of beaches and lakes and it's fun. I miss the food the most, especially the fish. I miss my family too.

#15 Vance Vizcaino OF
Ht: 6'1 Wt: 200 Age: 23 B/T: L/R
Lives: Wake Forest, N.C.
LG: 1-for-3, BB **Homestand: 2-for-7, R, 2RBI, BB** **HS/OBS: +4/+5**

Notes: Drafted in the 11th round of the 2016 June Amateur Draft out of Stetson University by the Kansas City Royals. Was drafted out of Wakefield High School (N.C.) by the New York Mets in the 31st round of the 2012 Draft but did not sign. In 2013, he attended the University of Tennessee. Kansas City drafted him in the 29th round in 2014 despite him taking the season off. In 2015 attended Stetson University, where he matched a school record with five stolen bases in a game and finished eighth in the Atlantic Sun Conference with a .341 batting average. Was selected by the Arizona Diamondbacks in the 31st round that year but did not sign. Son of Junior Vizcaino, a former national scouting supervisor for the Royals, who played five seasons in the Pittsburgh organization.

2018 Notes: Longest H.S./O.B.S.: +10 (5/26 - 6/13) / +13 (5/26 - 6/17)
 -Had his 13-game on-base streak snapped on June 17.
 -Slashed .388/.400/.490 during the streak.
 -Hit first-career Advanced-A home run on 6/1 at Salem in first three-hit game as a Blue Rock (3-for-4, R, 2B, HR, RBI)
 -Turned in first multi-hit game of the season on 5/26 vs. SAL (2-for-4, SO)
 -Picked up his first-career Advanced-A hit on 5/10 @ Carolina
 -Made Wilmington debut on 5/6 vs. FRE (0-for-3, BB, SO)
 -Started the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A / South Atlantic League)
 -Played in 16 games with the Legends and hit .192 (10-for-52) with seven runs scored, two doubles, a triple, a home runs, six RBI, eight walks and struck out 10 times.
 -Stole one base in three attempts.
 -Had an on-base percentage of .311

2017 Notes: Spent the year between Lexington and the Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/ Pioneer League)
 -Started the season with the Chukars and hit .287 with two homers and 16 RBI in 22 games.
 -Also scored 17 runs, had five doubles, two triples, seven walks and 20 strikeouts. Posted a .344 OBP%
 -Promoted to Lexington on July 15 and finished the season with the team.
 -Hit .315 with nine doubles and 14 RBI in 42 games.
 -Has 47 hits in 42 games and scored 22 runs.
 -Stole a career-best 21 bases between the two levels.

2016 Notes: Made his professional debut with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Part of team that won a Division title and made it to the championship series. (Burlington lost to Johnson City 2-0 in the finals)
 -Played in 53 games and hit .265 with five doubles, a pair of triples, 11 RBI and stole 16 bases.
 -Finished second on team in stolen bases (Nicky Lopez, 2017 Blue Rock led team with 24)
 -Scored 25 runs and had 49 total hits.

BLUE ROCKS BULLPEN NOTES

#37 Anthony Bender RHP
Ht: 6'4 Wt: 205 Age: 23 B/T: R/R
Lives: Petaluma, CA
Last App: 7/13 vs. SAL, IP, 2K Record: 5-2 SV: 0/1 IR/IRS: 0/3

Notes: A hard-throwing righty, Bender was selected by the Kansas City Royals in the 20th round of the 2016 Draft out of Santa Rosa Junior College where he started as a shortstop and moved around the diamond in addition to being a pitcher for the team.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup

2018 Notes: vs. LHB: .261 / vs. RHB: .259
 -Rejoined the team from the disabled list on 7/13.
 -Has spent the season with the Blue Rocks as both a starter and reliever.
 -Started the year piggybacking with starting pitcher Ofreidy Gomez.
 -On the season, Bender is 5-2 with a 4.37 ERA in 15 outings including nine starts.
 -As a starter, Bender is 3-2 with a 4.20 ERA in nine starts.
 -Coming out of the bullpen, the righty is 2-0 with a 4.82 ERA in six relief appearances.
 -Turned in a fantastic month of June when he went a perfect 4-0 with a 2.42 ERA in five outings with three of them being starts.

2017 Notes: Spent the majority of the season with Low-A Lexington and made a spot start with Wilmington.
 -Went 5-5 with a 3.93 ERA in 23 total appearances including eight starts with Lexington.
 -Worked 73.1 innings, allowed 69 hits, 35 runs (32 earned) walked 20 and struck out 74.
 -Earned four saves in five opportunities.
 -Opponents hit .246 against him.
 -Made a start with Wilmington on the last day of the season against Lynchburg.
 -Suffered the loss and worked four innings, allowed three runs (two earned) on five hits.

2016 Notes: Made his professional debut with the AZL Royals.
 -Posted a 2-0 record with a 3.03 ERA in nine games with five being starts.
 -Also earned two saves in as many opportunities.
 -Worked 32.2 innings, allowed 31 hits, 15 runs (11 earned) walked four and struck out 32.

Career Notes: In his third season with the Royals' organization and is 12-8 with a 3.92 ERA in 49 total appearances with 23 being strikes.
 -Also seven of eight in save opportunities.
 -Logged 179.0 innings, 171 hits, 87 runs (78 earned), walked 58 and struck out 140.
 -Opponents hitting .248 against him.

#46 Justin Camp RHP
Ht: 5'11 Wt: 230 Age: 25 B/T: R/R
Lives: Decatur, AL
Last App: 7/13 vs. SAL, 1.1 IP, 5H, 2R/2ER, BB, 2K Record: 1-1 SV: 0/2 I IR/IRS: 4/2

Notes: Drafted in the 37th round of the 2016 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of Auburn University. Grew up in an Auburn family and decided to play there. Missed 2012 season due to Tommy John surgery. With Auburn, he served as both a reliever and starter during three different coaching changes. In 2015 he recorded eight saves as the team's closer and the following season paced the staff with 14 starts. In 2015, recorded eight saves as Auburn's closer before leading the team in 2016 with 14 starts.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Slider, Changeup

2018 Notes: vs. LHB: .235 / vs. RHB: .310
 -Earned first-career win on 7/11 @ FRE. (63rd professional appearance)
 -Made an appearance with Triple-A Omaha on July 3. (1.2 IP, H, 0R, 2BB, 4K)
 -Leads Wilmington's pitching staff in appearances (23).
 -Has pitched at least two innings or more in nine relief appearances with Wilmington.
 -Had his nine inning scoreless streak snapped on 6/30 vs. W-S (Allowed two earned runs)
 -Has allowed earned runs in just 8 of his 23 relief appearances this season.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/ South Atlantic League), Wilmington Blue Rocks and Omaha Storm Chasers (Triple-A/Pacific Coast League).
 -With the Legends, the right-hander made 11 appearances and dominated opposing batters and allowed just an earned run in 26.2 inning of work for a 0.34 ERA.
 -He also struck out 32 batters during that frame of work and just walked six while holding opponents to a .124 batting average.
 -With the Blue Rocks, Camp made 11 appearances and went 0-2 with a 3.63 ERA.
 -Earned first-career Advanced-A save on 8/10 @ DE.
 -Made Class-A Adv. debut on 6/2 @ WS and tossed 1.2 innings, allowed two earned runs on six hits.

2016 Notes: Made professional debut with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League).
 -Posted an 0-3 record but did yield a spectacular 1.85 ERA in 16 appearances.
 -He struck out 32 batters in 34 innings of work while opposing batters hit .252 against him.

Career Notes: In his third season with the Royals' organization and is 1-6 with a respectable 2.74 ERA in 63 relief appearances.
 -He also is 5 of 8 in save opportunities.
 -In 119.2 innings of work he has allowed 106 hits, 48R/38ER, 50 walks and has struck out 107 batters. Opponents are hitting .237 against him.

#43 Cristian Castillo LHP
Ht: 6'0 Wt: 190 Age: 23 B/T: L/L
Lives: Monterrey, Mexico
Last App: 7/12 @ FRE, W, 3.0 IP, 4H, R/ER, BB, 2K Record: 4-5 SV: 0/0 IR/IRS: 7/1

Notes: Signed by the Kansas City Royals as a 20-year-old out of Mexico in December of 2014. Was named Appalachian League Pitcher of the Year in 2016 with the Burlington Royals before earning the Royals' Pitcher of the Year Award for his 2015 campaign in the Dominican Summer League.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Changeup, Curveball, Slider

2018 Notes: vs. LHB: .284 / vs. RHB: .280
 -Had his scoreless innings streak snapped on 7/12 @ FRE (16.1 IP)
 -Struck out five in 2.1 innings of work at Lynchburg on July 8.
 -Earned his first win as a reliever in game two of doubleheader against LYN on 6/6 (2.2 IP, 0R, H, 2K)
 -Made first-career relief appearance on May 30 against Frederick. (3.0 IP, 2H, ER, K, HR)
 -Activated from the disabled list on May 28 after being out of action for over a week and now transitions to a bullpen role.
 -Was the Opening Day starter for the Blue Rocks this season.
 -Went 1-5 with a 7.45 ERA as a starter in eight starts.
 -In his first three starts of the year, Castillo looked poised to build off his successful 2017 season. (1-1, 3.52 ERA)
 -However, in his last five starts, the southpaw yielded four earned runs or more in all but one start. (26 ER in 23.1 IP)

2017 Notes: Spent the season with the Wilmington Blue Rocks.
 -Put together a solid campaign and went 7-12 with a 4.13 ERA in 26 starts.
 -Logged a career-high 141.2 innings of work, allowed 155 hits, 79 runs (65 earned), 38 walks and struck out 105 batters.
 -Was a Carolina League All-Star.
 -Between May and June, the lefty went 5-1 with a respectable 2.32 ERA to help earn the All-Star selection.
 -Overall, he allowed three earned runs or less in 19 of his 26 starts.
 -Ranked fifth in the Carolina League in innings pitched (141.2 IP)

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the Burlington Royals (Rookie/Appalachian League)
 -Named the league's pitcher of the year after going 6-3 with a solid 3.13 ERA in 12 starts.
 -72.0 IP, 57H, 28R/25ER, 14BB, 73K, 212 BAA.
 -He led the league in innings pitched, strikeouts and WHIP, and was fourth in earned run average.

2015 Notes: Spent his first season in the organization with the Royals Dominican Summer League team
 -Went 0-4 with respectable 2.67 ERA in 14 starts.
 -In 67.1 innings of work allowed just 28 runs (20 earned) on 52 hits, walked 15 and struck out 58.
 -Was named the organization's DSL Pitcher of the Year thanks to his solid pro debut.

Career Notes: In his career, Castillo has spent most of his time as a starter. He's made 61 total starts and eight relief appearances through his fourth season in the system.
 -He has a 17-24 record with a 3.81 ERA.
 -340.1 IP, 330H, 170R/144ER, 90BB, 285K, .252 BAA

#30 Carter Hope RHP
Ht: 6'3 Wt: 195 Age: 23 B/T: L/R
Lives: Magnolia, TX
Last App: 7/14 vs. SAL, SV, 4.0 IP, H, 0R, 2K Record: 4-2 SV: 3/5 IR/IRS: 3/1

Notes: Drafted in the 3rd round of the 2013 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of The Woodlands High School (Texas) where he was named MVP as his team won the Texas 5A Championship. His brother Mason, played three seasons in the Miami Marlins' organization. Attended same high school as fellow Blue Rocks reliever Bryan Brickhouse.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Slider, Changeup

2018 Notes: vs. LHB: .286 / vs. RHB: .296
 -Tossed three scoreless innings of relief on 6/30 against W-S.
 -Earned second save of the season on 6/5 vs. LYN. Second time with WIL he's earned a save going 3+ innings.
 -Notched first save as a Blue Rock on 5/26 vs. SAL (3.0 IP, R, ER, 4K)
 -Earned first-career win in Advanced-A in his debut on 5/4 vs. FRE (2.0IP, H, R, 0ER, K)
 -Started the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Made six relief appearances and went 4-0 and earned a save to go with an impressive 1.32 ERA
 -13.2 IP, 6H, 3R/2ER, BB, 16K, .128 BAA.
 -Worked multiple innings in every relief outing with Lexington.
 -At time of promotion, Hope was leading the South Atlantic League in wins (4), had the fourth-lowest batting average against (.128) and the fourth lowest BB/9 ratio (1BB/13IP).

2017 Notes: Spent the season with both the Surprise Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) and Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League)
 -Posted a composite 1-0 record with a 4.96 ERA in nine relief appearances.
 -Pitched in 16.1 innings, allowed 24 hits, nine earned runs, one walk, and struck out 11.

2016 Notes: Did not play

2015 Notes: Spent the season between the Surprise Royals and Idaho Falls Chukars.
 -Went a combined 0-3, 6.07 ERA in 14 games including 13 starts.
 -Pitched in 67 innings, allowed 88 hits, 44 earned runs, 13 walks and 33 strikeouts.
 -It was his final season pitching as a starter.

Career Notes: In his career, Hope owns a 10-11 record with a 4.54 ERA in 62 games including 27 starts.
 -He also has earned five saves in seven opportunities.
 -206.0 IP, 242H, 124R/104ER, 13HR, 48BB, 135K.
 -Opponents are hitting .289 against him.

BLUE ROCKS BULLPEN NOTES

<p>#40 Josh Mitchell Ht: 6'3 Wt: 200 Lives: Ridgeway, PA Last App: 7/15 vs. SAL, IP, K</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">LHP Age: 23 B/T: R/L</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Record: 2-0 SV: 00 IR/IRS: 6/1</p>
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Notes: Drafted in the 22nd round of the 2017 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of the University of Pittsburgh. From 2015-17 he made 41 total appearances (16 starts) over three seasons with Pitt. Attended Ridgeway High School (PA) where he had a 1.98 ERA and 100 strikeouts on the mound as a junior and he also hit .530 with six home runs and 50 RBI.

Pitch Repertoire: 4-seam fastball, 2-seam fastball, Slider, Changeup

2018 Notes: vs. LHB: .276 / vs. RHB: .311
 -Earned second win with Wilmington on July 1 against W-S. (2 IP, H, ER)
 -In 16 appearances with WIL, he has allowed earned runs in seven of them (7ER 6/22 @POT)
 -Earned first win as a Blue Rock on 5/17 vs. MB (IP, BB, 2K)
 -Made Adv.-A debut on 5/12 @ CAR (0.2 IP, 2H, 2ER, BB)
 -Started the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A/South Atlantic League)
 -Made seven appearances and went 1-0 with an impressive 0.90 ERA in 10 innings pitched.
 -Allowed eight hits, four runs, one earned, walked one and struck out 11.
 -Opponents hit just .205 against him.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with both the Surprise Royals (Rookie/Arizona League) and Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie/Pioneer League)
 -Went a composite 3-1 with a 8.24 ERA in 18 games including two starts.
 -31.2 IP, 51H, 31R, 29ER, 5HR, 6BB, 35K, BAA .357.
 -Made four appearances with Surprise (4G/2GS) and made 14 relief appearances with the Chukars.

Career Notes: Mitchell is 6-2 with a 6.94 ERA in 41 appearances including two starts.
 -Has earned four saves in five opportunities.
 -59.2 IP, 81H, 52R/46ER, 14BB, 60K, .316 BAA.

<p>#45 Julio Pinto Ht: 6'3 Wt: 185 Lives: San Joaquin, VZ Last App: 7/15 vs. SAL, L, IP, 4H, 5ER, BB, K</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">RHP Age: 22 B/T: R/R</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Record: 1-3 SV: 5/6 IR/IRS: 1/1</p>
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Notes: Signed by the Kansas City Royals as an international free agent on July 7, 2012 at the age of 16-years-old for a reported \$375,000. Was the pitching MVP in the Dominican Prospect League's Perfect Game International Series all-tournament showcase game. Has spent time as both a starter and reliever since joining the organization.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Curveball, Splitter

2018 Notes: vs. LHB: .433 / vs. RHB: .300
 -Earned third save of the season on 6/29 vs. LYN. (IP, 2BB, 2K)
 -Notched second save of the season in dominant fashion on 6/25 vs. LYN and struck out the side in the ninth inning.
 -Earned first-career Adv. A save and just second in overall on 6/6 vs. LYN in game two of doubleheader. (Tossed a scoreless seventh inning and picked up a strikeout)
 -Made Advanced-A debut on 5/24 @ POT (1.2 IP, 2H, 2ER, 3BB, 2K)
 -Snapped a 10.1 scoreless innings streak.
 -Started the season with the Lexington Legends (Low-A / South Atlantic League)
 -Went 2-0 with a 4.86 ERA in 10 relief appearances.
 -16.2 IP, 12H, 9R/9ER, 4HR, 7BB, 21K, .200 BAA.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with Idaho Falls Chukars (Rookie / Pioneer League) and Lexington Legends.
 -Went a composite 4-10 with a 10.97 ERA in 26 appearances including 14 starts.
 -With Idaho Falls, he went 4-8 with a 10.33 ERA in 14 starts.
 -61.0 IP, 91H, 80R/70ER, 47BB, 54K, .338 BAA
 -With the Legends, he posted an 0-2 record with a 13.83 ERA in 12 relief appearances.
 -13.2 IP, 22H, 22R/21ER, 16BB, 14K, .349 BAA.

2016 Notes: Split the season between the Lexington Legends and Surprise Royals (Rookie/Arizona League)
 -Went a combined 2-4 with a 5.67 ERA in 21 games including 15 starts.
 -In his first year in full-season baseball, he went 2-4 with a 5.84 ERA in 16 outings including 11 starts.
 -In the Arizona League, he posted a 4.91 ERA and did not earn a decision in five appearances with four being starts.

Career Notes: In his sixth season in the Royals' system.
 -Has an overall record of 19-25 with a 6.15 ERA in 107 total appearances with 56 being starts.
 -He is 6 for 9 in save opportunities.
 -308.2 IP, 333H, 242R/211ER, 32 HR, 191 BB, 264 K, .277 BAA.

<p>#31 Corey Ray Ht: 6'4 Wt: 195 Lives: Spring, TX Last App: 7/13 vs. SAL, 1.2 IP, 3H, 5R/5ER, 2BB, 4K</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">RHP Age: 25 B/T: R/R</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Record: 0-0 SV: 0/0 IR/IRS: 1/0</p>
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Notes: Drafted in the 5th round of the 2014 June Amateur Draft by Kansas City out of Texas A&M. Posted a 6-1 record with a 1.91 ERA in 37.2 innings as a junior. Prior to joining the Aggies, Ray attended Klein High School in Spring, Texas, where he helped the school reach consecutive state tournament appearances.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Curveball, Slider, Changeup

2018 Notes: vs. LHB .111 / vs. RHB .294
 -Started the season with Double-A Northwest Arkansas.
 -Pitched in eight games as a reliever and went 0-1 with a 10.80 ERA before suffering an injury.
 -In 8.1 innings, he allowed 11 runs, 10 earned on 13 hits, walked 11 and struck out eight batters.
 -In his last three relief appearances prior to the injury, he did not allow a run in three innings.
 -In his first five outings, he allowed 10 earned runs in 5.1 innings of work.

2017 Notes: Spent the season with Double-A Northwest Arkansas.
 -With the Naturals, he posted a 6-12 record with a 5.41 ERA in 29 starts.
 -He logged 143 innings, allowed 170 hits, 97R/86ER, 59 walks and struck out 93 batters.
 -Matched former Blue Rock Emilio Ogando for most starts by a Royals farmhand (29) and also tied the Texas League lead, matching former Oakland prospect Heath Fillmyer, who is now in the Royals' organization.
 -Tossed a complete game shutout on June 8 against Springfield. (9IP, four hits, no walks, four strikeouts).

2016 Notes: Spent the season with the both Low-A Lexington and Wilmington.
 -Posted a composite 10-7 record with a 4.07 ERA in 27 starts.
 -With the Blue Rocks he went 8-6 with a 4.13 ERA in 19 starts.
 -In 100.1 innings of work he allowed 97 hits, 58R/46ER, walked 35 and struck out 87 batters.
 -He finished third on the pitching staff in innings pitched and fourth in strikeouts.
 -With Lexington, he went 2-1 with a 3.92 ERA in eight starts and tossed a complete game.
 -He worked 39 innings, allowed 46 hits, 26R/17ER and had a solid strikeout to walk ratio of 32:10.

Career Notes: In his career, Ray is 22-29 with a 4.99 ERA in 104 total appearances including 83 starts.
 -He has logged 447.1 innings, allowed 515 hits, 294R/248ER, walked 172 and has struck out 346 batters.
 -Opponents hitting .289 against him.

<p>#23 Tyler Zuber Ht: 5'11 Wt: 190 Lives: White Hall, AR Last App: 7/11 @ FRE, BS, IP, 3H, 2R/2ER, BB</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">RHP Age: 23 B/T: R/R</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Record: 0-0 SV: 2/3 IR/IRS: 4/0</p>
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Notes: Drafted in the sixth round of the 2017 draft by Kansas City out of Arkansas State University. From 2014-17 he racked up 258 strikeouts which ranked second in school history and his 89 appearances rank third. During his junior season in 2017, he led the team with a 2.06 ERA and whiffed 8- batters in just 52.1 innings pitched (13.8 K/9). Became the highest drafted player from Arkansas State.

Pitch Repertoire: Fastball, Curverball, Slider, Changeup

2018 Notes: vs. LHB .400 / vs. RHB .125
 -Earned second save with WIL on 7/7 and struck out the two batters he faced in the bottom of the 13th inning.
 -Earned first-career Advanced-A save on 7/5 @ LYN (Entered with bases loaded and no outs in bottom of ninth and stranded all three runners)
 -Made Advanced-A debut on 7/2 at home against Winston-Salem and tossed a scoreless inning.
 -Started the season Low-A Lexington.
 -Posted a 2-2 record with a 3.10 ERA in 23 appearances.
 -Also went a perfect nine-for-nine in save opportunities.
 -Worked 29 innings, allowed 26 hits, 11R/10ER and had an impressive strikeout to walk ratio of 48 to 4.
 -Led pitching staff in appearances, third in strikeouts (48)

2017 Notes: Spent last season with Low-A Lexington and Rookie Burlington
 -Went a composite 1-0 with a 3.62 ERA in 19 relief appearances.
 -He spent majority of the season with Burlington and made 16 relief appearances and earned six saves.
 -25 innings, 26 hits, 12R/6ER, walked seven and struck out 38 batters.

Career Notes: In his first full-season with the organization after being drafted last season.
 -Owns a 3-2 record with a 3.45 ERA in 46 total relief appearances .
 -He has earned 17 saves in 18 opportunities.
 -60.0 IP, 63H, 30R/23ER, 4HR, 15BB, 90SO, .270 BAA.

Wilmington Blue Rocks 2018 Season Highs & Lows

Blue Rocks Offense

Most Runs, Game: 16, (7/14 vs. SAL)
Most Runs, Inning: 7, 2x (4/19 @ FRE in 4th inning & 6/5 vs. LYN 2nd inning)
Most HRs, Inning (Team): 2, (7/9 @ FRE)
Most Hits, Game: 20, (7/14 vs. SAL)
Fewest Hits, Game: 1, (5/9 vs. POT)
Most Walks, Game (Team): 10, (4/7 @ POT)
Most Doubles, Game (Team): 5, (5/2 @ POT)
Most Triples, Game (Team): 2, 2x (5/23 & 5/24 @ POT)
Most HRs, Game (Team): 2, 6x (Last: 7/11 @ FRE)
Most SB, Game (Team): 5, 4x, (Last: 6/25 vs. LYN)**
10 + Hits, Game: 21, (Last: 7/14 vs. SAL)
Most Doubles, Game (Indiv.): 2, 12x, (Last: Gabriel Cancel 7/15 vs. SAL)
Most Triples, Game (Indiv.): 1, 12x, (Blake Perkins 7/5 @ LYN)
Most HRs, Game (Indiv.): 2, 2x (Kort Peterson, 4/21 @FRE & Chase Vallot 5/2 @ POT)
Consecutive Games W/HR (Indiv.): 2, (Chase Vallot 5/1 - 5/2 @ POT)
Consecutive Games W/HR (team): 6, (4/9 @SAL - 4/14 vs. LYN)
Consecutive Games W/O HR: 7, (6/13 @ DE- 6/23 @ POT)
Most RBI, Game (Indiv.): 5, 3x, (Last: Kort Peterson 4/21 @FRE)
Most Hits, Game (Indiv.): 4, 6x, (Last: Nick Heath 7/14 vs. SAL)
Most SB, Game (Indiv.): 3, 3x, (Last: Nick Heath 6/25 vs. LYN)
Longest Hitting Streak: 11 games, Kort Peterson (6/1 - 6/12)
Most Runners LOB, Team: 14, 2x (7/2 vs. W-S & 7/11 @ FRE 12-inning game)
Longest Scoreless Innings Streak: 12, (7/8 @LYN - 7/9 @ FRE 3rd inning)
Longest Hitless Innings Streak: 8.0, (5/9 vs. POT)

Opponents Offense

Most Runs, Game: 12, 2x, (5/3 @ POT & 5/5 vs. FRE)
Most Runs, Inning: 8, (5/24 @ POT)
Most Hits, Game: 17, 2x, (4/21 @ FRE & 7/11 @FRE)
Fewest Hits, Game: 3, (6/29 vs. LYN)
Most HRs, Game (Team): 3, 3x (5/3 @ POT)
Most SB, Game (Team): 3, 2x, (4/8 @ POT & 4/21 @ FRE)
10 + Hits, Game: 39, (Last: 7/13 vs. SAL)
Most Home Runs, Game (Indiv.): 2, 2x (Juan Soto 5/3 @ POT & Rhett Wiseman 5/21 @POT)
Most RBI, Game (Indiv.): 5, (Juan Soto 5/3 @ POT)
Most Hits, Game (Indiv.): 4, 4x, (Last: Luis Gonzalez 6/30 vs. W-S)
Most SB, Game (Indiv.): 2, 2x (Ryan McKenna 4/22 @ FRE & Keston Hiura 5/11 @ CAR)
Most Runners LOB, Team: 15, (5/5 vs. FRE)

Blue Rocks Individual Pitching

Most Runs Allowed, Game: 8, 2x, (Castillo 4/21 @ FRE & Garabito 5/24 @ POT)
Most ER Allowed, Game: 8, 2x, (Castillo 4/21 @ FRE & Garabito 5/24 @ POT)
Most Hits Allowed, Game: 11, 4x (Last: Nolan Watson 6/24 @ POT)
Most HRs Allowed, Game: 3, 2x, (Cristian Castillo, 4/21 @ FRE & Gerson Garabito 5/1 @ POT)
Most Walks Allowed, Game: 6, 2x (Last: Anthony Bender 5/5 vs. FRE)
Most Strikeouts, Game (Starter): 9, 2x Gerson Garabito (4/8 @POT) & Ofriedy Gomez (4/29 vs. W-S)
Most Strikeouts, Game (Reliever): 7, (Grant Gavin 4/27 vs. W-S)
Most IP, Game for Starter: 7.0, 12x (Last: Nolan Watson 7/10 @FRE)
Most IP, Game for Reliever: 5.0, Anthony Bender (5/2 @ SAL)
Fewest IP, Game for Starter: 2.2, 3x, (Last: 5/1 @ POT)
Longest Winning Streak (Dec): 4, 2x (Hernandez 4/20@ FRE - 5/7 vs. POT & Bender 6/2 @SAL - present)
Longest Losing Streak (Dec): 4, 2x (Jace Vines 4/6 @ POT - 4/22 vs. W-S & Cristian Castillo 4/27 vs. W-S - 5/30)
10+ Strikeouts, (Indiv.):
Complete Games: 1, Jace Vines (7 innings, 5/16 vs. Myrtle Beach Game Two of Doubleheader)

Blue Rocks Team Pitching

Fewest Hits Allowed, Game: 3, (6/29 vs. LYN)
Most Hits Allowed, Game: 17, 2x, (4/21 @ FRE & 7/11 @FRE)
Most Runs Allowed, Game: 12, 2x, (5/3 @ POT & 5/5 vs. FRE)
Most Runs Allowed, Inning: 8, (5/24 @ POT)
10 + Hits Allowed, Game: 39, (Last: 7/13 vs. SAL)
Most HRs Allowed, Game: 3, 4x (Last: 5/3 @ POT)
Most Strikeouts, Game (9 Innings): 14, 2x (Last: 4/18 vs. CAR)
Most Strikeouts, Game (Extra Innings): 8 (7/7 @ LYN)
Most Walks Allowed, Game: 12, (5/5 vs. FRE)
Most SB Allowed, Game: 3, 5x (Last: 5/11 @ CAR)
Longest Scoreless Innings Streak: 20, (4/28 vs. W-S 1st inning w/one out - 5/1 @ POT Bot. 3 one out)
Consecutive Games Allowing HR: 6 (4-5 @ POT - 4/10 @ SAL)
Consecutive Games W/O Allowing HR: 9, (6/15 @ W-S - 6/26 vs. LYN)
Most Pitchers Used, Game: 6, (7/7 @ LYN - 13 innings)
10 + Strikeouts, Staff: 16, (Last: 7/13 vs. SAL)
Most Consecutive Shutouts:

Opponents Pitching

Most Strikeouts, Game (Team, Extra Innings): 14, (7/11 @ FRE)
Most Strikeouts, Game (Team, 9 Innings): 18, (4/5 @ POT)
Most Strikeouts, Game (Indiv.): 11, Matthew Crownover (4/5 @ POT)
10 + Strikeouts, Staff: 25, (Last: 7/13 vs. SAL)
10+ Strikeouts, Indiv.: 1, Matthew Crownover, 11 (4/5 @ POT)

Blue Rocks Miscellaneous Season Highs & Lows

Longest Winning Streak: 6, (6/2 @ SAL - 6/7 vs. LYN)
Longest Winning Streak, Home: 4, (6/5 vs. LYN - 6/7 vs. LYN)
Longest Winning Streak, Road: 3, 4x (Last: 7/10 @ FRE - present)
Longest Losing Streak: 4, 3x, (Last: 5/29 vs. FRE - 6/1 @ SAL)
Longest Losing Streak, Home: 4, (4/17 vs. CAR - 4/25 vs. POT)
Longest Losing Streak, Road: 4, 2x (4/8 @ POT- 4/11 @ SAL & 5-19 @ SAL - 5/22 @POT)
Largest Margin of Victory: 15, (7/14 vs. SAL)
Largest Margin of Defeat: 10, 2x (5/3 @ POT, Lost 12-2 & 6/22 W POT, Lost 10-0)
Largest Come-From-Behind Win: 5, (4/21 @ FRE, Down 8-3 after 3rd inning)
Largest Fall-From-Ahead Loss: 4, (5/24 @ POT, Leading 4-0 after 4th inning)
Longest Game, Innings: 13, (7/7 @ LYN)
Longest Game, Time (9 Innings): 3:43 (5/5 vs. FRE)
Longest Game, Time (Extra Innings): 4:20 (7/11 @FRE)
Shortest Game, Time (9 Innings): 2:11, (4/13 vs. LYN)
Shortest Game, Time (Overall): 1:45, (4/16 vs. MB, G1 of doubleheader)
Longest Weather Delay: 1:18 (5/10 @ CAR)
Most DP Turned, Game: 4*, 3x, (4/11 @ SAL & 4/21 @ FRE & 6/29 vs. LYN)
Most DP Against, Game: 3, (6/29 vs. LYN)
Triple Plays Turned, Season:

Most Errors, One Game, Player: 2, 6x (Last: Travis Jones & Carter Hope 6/26 v s. LYN)
Most Errors, One Game, Team: 6*, (6/26 vs. LYN)
Consecutive Games W/Error: 7, 2x (4/11@SAL - 4/18 vs. CAR & 5/1 - 5/7 vs. POT)
Consecutive Games W/O Error: 3, (5/28 vs. SAL - 5/30 vs. FRE)
Most Errors, One Game, Opp. Player: 3, Jakson Reetz (6/21 @ POT)
Most Errors, One Game, Opp. Team: 3, 2x (5/4 vs. FRE & 6/21 @ POT)
Largest Home Crowd: 6,302 (6/29 vs. LYN)
Smallest Home Crowd: 1,978 (7/2 vs. W-S)
Home Sellouts (6,537):
Largest Road Crowd: 5,048 (5/12 @ CAR)
Smallest Road Crowd: 1,069 (4/9 @ SAL)

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Blue Rocks 2018 Regular-Season Day-by-Day -- Second Half

Date	OPP.	W/L	SCORE	BLUE ROCKS				OPPONENT				Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Record	Pos.	GB	Daily	
				R	H	E	LOB	R	H	E	LOB							Att.	Time
6-21	POT	W	2-0	2	6	0	9	1	9	3	5	Bender (5-2)	Pantoja (0-4)	Gomez (1)	32-39/1-0	T-1st	-	3,153	2:31
6-22	POT	L	10-0	0	4	0	6	10	11	0	8	Braymer (3-1)	Garabito (2-6)		32-40/1-1	T-2nd	0.5	2,211	2:45
6-23	POT	PPD		POSTPONED DUE TO RAIN (MAKE UP SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 24)															
6-24	POT	W	11-5	11	11	0	5	5	12	0	8	Castillo (3-5)	Hellickson (0-1)		33-40/2-1	3rd	0.5	4,307	2:41
6-24 (G2)	POT	PPD		POSTPONED DUE TO RAIN (MAKE UP SCHEDULED TBD)															
6-25	LYN	W	6-5	6	6	2	5	5	8	1	9	Tatum (3-2)	Karinchak (0-1)	Pinto (2)	34-40/3-1	T-1st	-	3,077	3:16
6-26	LYN	L	8-3	3	7	6	4	8	9	0	8	Linares (1-0)	Hope (3-2)	Krauth (2)	34-41/3-2	T-2nd	0.5	2,944	2:58
6-27	LYN	L	5-1	1	4	1	7	5	7	1	3	Morgan (4-2)	Gomez (2-6)	Karinchak (7)	34-42/3-3	T-2nd	1.5	2,887	2:33
6-28	LYN	W	9-2	9	12	1	9	2	5	0	4	Garabito (3-6)	Plesac (4-4)		35-42/4-3	2nd	0.5	3,271	3:05
6-29	LYN	W	3-0	3	7	0	7	0	3	1	9	Watson (1-0)	Garza (3-6)	Pinto (3)	36-42/5-3	1st	-	6,302	3:02
6-30	W-S	L (F/10)	6-3	3	7	0	3	6	12	1	8	Johnson (1-0)	Camp (0-1)		36-43/5-4	T-2nd	0.5	2,934	3:04
7-1	W-S	W	4-3	4	7	0	4	3	8	1	7	Mitchell (2-0)	Henzman (0-1)	Pinto (4)	37-43/6-4	2nd	0.5	2,064	2:16
7-2	W-S	L	5-2	2	10	2	14	5	6	2	3	Parke (1-1)	Gomez (2-7)	Dopico (3)	37-44/6-5	2nd	1.5	1,978	3:06
7-3	W-S			SUSPENDED DUE TO RAIN (GAME TO RESUME IN AUGUST WHEN WILMINGTON VISITS WINSTON-SALEM)															
7-4	LYN	L	6-4	4	8	1	4	6	14	2	10	Garza (4-6)	Watson (1-1)	Karinchak (9)	37-45/6-6	2nd	3.0	4,521	2:58
7-5	LYN	W	7-6	7	9	0	7	6	10	0	10	Pinto (1-2)	Siri (1-3)	Zuber (1)	38-45/7-6	2nd	2.0	1,261	3:19
7-6	LYN			POSTPONED DUE TO RAIN (MAKE UP SCHEDULED FOR JULY 19)															
7-7	LYN	W (F/13)	9-7	9	15	1	13	7	10	0	10	Hope (4-2)	Strode (2-1)	Zuber (2)	39-45/8-6	T-2nd	1.0	2,812	4:08
7-8	LYN	L	4-0	0	3	1	5	4	6	0	7	Morgan (6-2)	Gomez (2-8)		39-46/8-7	3rd	2.0	1,393	2:46
7-9	FRE	L	4-2	2	7	0	8	4	9	0	9	Trowbridge (3-1)	Mitchell (2-1)	Erwin (9)	39-47/8-8	3rd	3.0	3,148	2:44(12)
7-10	FRE	W	8-3	8	8	0	5	3	13	2	9	Watson (2-1)	Tillman (0-1)		40-47/9-8	3rd	2.0	3,191	2:46
7-11	FRE	W(F/12)	12-11	12	17	0	14	11	17	2	12	Camp (1-1)	Silva (0-1)		41-47/10-8	3rd	1.0	3,077	4:20
7-12	FRE	W	3-2	3	7	0	4	2	6	1	7	Castillo (4-5)	Alvarado (8-7)	Pinto (5)	42-47/11-8	T-1st	-	3,526	2:39(17)
7-13	SAL	L	10-1	1	8	0	7	10	13	1	11	Hernandez (6-5)	Sotillet (0-1)		42-48/11-9	3rd	1.0	4,958	3:32
7-14	SAL	W	16-1	16	20	0	9	1	6	1	7	Gomez (3-8)	Gonzalez (7-4)	Hope (3)	43-48/12-9	T-1st	-	4,486	3:09
7-15	SAL	L	7-4	4	6	0	10	7	7	2	3	Cooney (2-0)	Pinto (1-3)		43-49/12-10	3rd	1.0	3,271	3:10
7-16	SAL																		
7-17	OFF DAY (8)																		
7-18	LYN																		
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7-30	OFF DAY (9)																		
7-31	BC																		
8-1	BC																		
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8-5	FRE																		
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8-8	SAL																		
8-9	SAL																		
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8-12	MB																		
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End of Second Half of Season