

Pregame Notes

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TAMPA BAY RAYS (46-44) vs. DETROIT TIGERS (40-53)

RH Ryne Stanek (1-2, 2.12) vs. LH Matthew Boyd (4-7, 4.58)

Tuesday, July 10, 2018 • **First Pitch:** 7:10 p.m. • **Location:** Tropicana Field • **TV:** FOX Sports Sun • **Radio:** WDAE 620 AM, WGES 680 AM (Sp.)
Game No.: 91 (46-44) • **Home Game No.:** 42 (24-17) • **All-Time Game No.:** 3,329 (1546-1782) • **All-Time Home Game No.:** 1,663 (846-816)
March: 1-2 • **April:** 12-12 • **May:** 15-13 • **June:** 13-14 • **July:** 5-3 • **AL East:** 18-19 • **AL Central:** 10-3 • **AL West:** 13-12 • **Interleague:** 5-10

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Upcoming Games	Time (ET)	Probable Starting Pitchers (Rays vs. Opp.)	TV & Radio
Wed., 7/11 vs. DET	12:10 p.m.	TBD vs. RH Jordan Zimmermann (4-0, 3.51)	FOX Sports Sun, WDAE 620 AM

ROSTER MOVE—The Rays have optioned OF **Johnny Field** to Triple-A Durham and recalled 1B/OF **Ji-Man Choi** (GEE-man CHOY), who will be making his Rays debut...Choi, 27, was acquired from the Brewers on June 10 in exchange for INF **Brad Miller** and cash considerations...he hit .270/.360/.405 (20-for-74) with 4 2B, 2 HR, 14 RBI and 11 BB in 22 games with the Bulls, and has spent parts of three seasons in the majors with the Angels (2016), Yankees (2017) and Brewers (2018).

COMMUNITY CORNER—Before every Tuesday home game, the Rays host a youngster from the Make-A-Wish Foundation or Children's Dream Fund as a part of the "Tuesday's Champion" program...today, the Rays welcome 6-year-old **Kelsie Vance** from Children's Dream Fund.

- + Earlier today, RH **Chris Archer** and major league field coordinator **Rocco Baldelli** read several books to over 200 kids at the Main St. Petersburg Public Library for the first "Reading with the Rays" event of the season...this the 11th season of Reading with the Rays - Read Your Way to the Ballpark, an incentive-based reading program, presented by Suncoast Credit Union, that encourages Pre-K to 12th grade students to avoid summer learning loss by reading for 24 hours during the summer months.

RAY MATTER—The Rays have won three straight games and are 12-4 in their last 16 games to improve from 6 games under .500 (34-40) to 46-44, matching their high-water mark of the season (also 28-26 at the end of play on May 30)...tonight the Rays are attempting to improve to 3 games over .500 for the first time since the end of play on Aug 6, 2017 (58-55).

- + Since April 18, the Rays have gone 42-31 (.575) to improve from 4-13, which tied for the worst 17-game start in franchise history...their plus-47 run differential over this stretch is 5th in the AL.
- + The Rays are 4-1 in their last 5 series since June 22 and would improve to 5-1 in their last six with a win tonight or tomorrow.
- + The Rays are in 3rd place in the AL East, 4.5 games ahead of the 4th-place Blue Jays...they have been tied or alone in third place in the division for all but three days since May 18.

DOME SWEET DOME—Since June 11, the Rays are 12-1 at home, matching the best 13-game home stretch in franchise history (last June 29-July 30, 2013)...they have outscored opponents, 59-28, over this stretch...the Rays have allowed 2 runs or fewer in 10 of their last 13 games here.

- + The Rays have won in walk-off fashion in three of their last 11 games here (10-1), including yesterday vs. DET on **Daniel Robertson's** 10th-inning single, the first walk-off hit of his career...the Rays have 5 walk-off wins this season, tied for 4th-most in the AL, one shy of the AL co-leaders New York, Seattle and Toronto, and already their most since a club-record 13 walk-offs in 2013.
- + The Rays haven't lost by more than 1 run at home since May 25.

BATS COMING ALIVE—Last night the Rays scored 10 runs, their fifth time reaching double digits this season, first since June 25 vs. WAS (11)...they have totaled 19 runs over their last 2 games, their first time with 9+ runs in back-to-back games since July 19-20, 2016 at COL...they have hit 4 HR in these 2 games, compared to 3 HR in their previous 10 games.

- + The Rays are batting .452 (14-for-31) with RISP in the last 2 games, compared to .163 (13-for-80) over their previous 10 games.
- + Last night the Rays recorded 9 hits with RISP, their most since May 17, 2015 at MIN (10) and most at home since Sep 5, 2007 vs. BAL (9).
- + Yesterday the Rays scored 5 runs in the 1st inning off LH **Francisco Liriano**...it was their sixth frame of 5 runs or more this season, and their most in the 1st inning since April 7, 2017 vs. TOR (5).
- + The Rays are 30-1 (.968) when scoring at least 5 runs this season and have won their last 57 games when scoring at least 8 runs.

A WIN IS A WIN—Last night the Rays allowed 3 runs in the 3rd to snap their scoreless streak at 20 IP...they went on to allow 9 runs, their most since June 6 at WAS (11) and most at home since April 15 vs. PHI (10)...it was the 17th time in franchise history the Rays won a game when allowing 9 runs (or more), first since May 17, 2013 at BAL...it was the first time they won when doing this at Tropicana Field since July 8, 2009 vs. TOR.

- + Yesterday was also the sixth time in franchise history the Rays won a game in which they had multiple pitchers charged a blown save...it was the first time they did this since May 2, 2014 at NYY and first time at Tropicana Field since Aug 30, 2008 vs. BAL.

RAYS vs. TIGERS—The season series is tied, 2-2, with 2 games remaining...the Rays went 1-2 at Comerica Park from April 30-May 2, losing the rubber match on a walk-off bunt RBI single...the Rays went 5-2 against the Tigers last year, including a 3-game sweep at home, just the second time in the past seven seasons they won the season series (4-3 in 2014).

- + The Rays are 10-3 (.769) against the AL Central this season, compared to 36-41 (.467) against all other opponents.

PITCHING PLANS—Tonight's game will be started by **Ryne Stanek**, who faced two batters in the 8th inning of last night's game...it will be the 17th time the Rays use an "opener," all since May 19, as well as the 11th time overall and ninth consecutive time they use Stanek in that role...Stanek has pitched to a 1.23 ERA (14.2-IP, 2-ER) in his 10 starts, while other Rays "openers" have pitched to a 16.20 ERA (5-IP, 9-ER) in 6 starts...while the Rays are 6-10 in games started by openers, the team has pitched to a 3.42 ERA (142-IP, 54-ER) in these games—and pitchers following the opener have a 3.16 ERA (122.1-IP, 43-ER)...since the debut of the "opener" on May 19, Rays pitchers lead the majors with a 2.79 ERA (429-IP, 133-ER).

BEFORE & AFTER THE "OPENER" DEBUT ON MAY 19

	Since May 19		Thru May 18	
	MLB Rk.	AL Rk.	MLB Rk.	AL Rk.
ERA	2.79	1st	4.43	22nd
WHIP	1.11	1st	1.26	9th
Opp Avg.	.208	1st	.241	11th
Opp OBP	.282	1st	.310	9th
Starter ERA	2.85	1st	4.32	17th
Bullpen ERA	2.75	5th	4.57	26th

PITCHING PROPERLY—The Rays have pitched to a 2.60 ERA (90-IP, 26-ER) in the 1st inning of games, the best in the AL and 2nd-best in the majors to the Nationals (2.40)...they haven't allowed a run in the 1st inning since June 11 vs. TOR, having played 25 games since then...they are outscoring opponents, 20-0, in the 1st inning over that span (since June 12).

- + The Rays have recorded 8 shutouts this season, tied for 2nd-most in the AL and one shy of the AL-leading Red Sox (9)...all 8 shutouts have come over the last 39 games since May 28, while they didn't have a shutout through the first 51 games and were the second-to-last team with one this season...the 8 shutouts since May 28 are the most in majors, ahead of the Giants (6) and Red Sox (6).
- + The Rays have a 2.17 ERA (153.2-IP, 37-ER) over their last 16 games, bringing the team's season ERA from 3.89 to 3.56...they have allowed 3 runs or fewer in 12 of their last 16 games.

REDEFINING RELIEF—So far this season, Rays relievers have totaled:

- + 29 apps of at least 50 pitches, most in the majors, ahead of the Marlins (14), and their most for a season since 2003 (29)
- + 13 apps of at least 70 pitches, most in the majors, ahead of the Marlins (7), and their most for any season in club history (2004, 7)
- + 68 apps of at least 2 IP, most in the majors (Padres, 59)
- + 32 apps of at least 3 IP, most in the majors (Marlins, 14)
- + 21 apps of at least 4 IP, most in the majors (Marlins, 8)
- + Rays relievers lead the majors with 409 IP, most in the majors by 40.2 IP (Marlins, 368.1 IP) and most in the AL by 71.2 IP (Angels, 337.1 IP)...Rays starters have covered 402.1 IP, fewest in the majors.

CLOSE SHAVES—42.2 pct. of Rays games have been decided by 1 run, compared to 27.8 pct. of games in the majors...the Rays are 17-21 (.447) in 1-run games, including 7-2 in their last nine 1-run games...the 38 1-run games are most in the majors, ahead of the Mariners (37), and the 21 1-run losses are most in the majors, ahead of the White Sox (19)...74.4 pct. of Rays games have either been wins or 1-run losses...47.7 pct. of their losses have come by one run, 2nd-highest rate in the majors (Astros, 50.0 pct.).

- + Three of the club's last 7 games have gone to extras...the Rays have played 9 extra-inning games (5-4), tied for 3rd-most in the AL.
- + The Rays have played six 1-0 games this season, most in the majors and already tied for their 2nd-most in a single season (2014, 10).
- + The Rays are on pace for 38 1-run losses, which hasn't been done by an AL club since the 1968 White Sox (44)...the club record for 1-run losses in a single season is 30 (2015).

TONIGHT'S STARTER: RH RYNE STANEK (1-2, 2.12 ERA)

CAREER MLB BREAKDOWN

YEAR	W	L	ERA	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
2017	0	0	5.85	21	0	20.0	26	13	13	12	29	6
2018	1	2	2.12	25	10	29.2	15	7	7	15	37	2
Career	1	2	3.62	46	10	49.2	41	20	20	27	66	8

LAST OUTING—Pitched in yesterday's game vs. DET, starting the 8th inning and going flyout, double before being replaced by **José Alvarado**...his runner came around to score, his first run allowed at home this season (12th app)...last started on Fri at NYM, and went 2 IP to match his career high while his 4 SO tied a season high... pitched around a 1-out walk in the 1st inning and 2-out single in the 2nd inning... threw 36 pitches, his most since May 8 vs. ATL (40).

TURNING THE CORNER—Since the beginning of June, has gone 0-1 with a 0.90 ERA (20-IP, 2-ER) in 16 apps (8 starts), while opponents are batting .132/.234/.162 (9-for-68) against him over this stretch...in addition, he has pitched to a 1.38 ERA (26-IP, 4-ER) in 21 apps (10 starts) since May 22, and this stretch has lowered his season ERA from 7.36 to 2.12 and career ERA from 6.08 to 3.62...hasn't allowed a home run in his last 22 IP, after yielding 8 HR in the first 23.2 IP of his career.

A NEW LOOK—Will be making the 11th start of his career, all since May 26 vs. BAL...this will be the 17th time the Rays use an "opener," all since May 19, as well as the ninth consecutive time they use Stanek in that role...nine of his 10 starts have been scoreless, and he has pitched to a 1.23 ERA (14.2-IP, 2-ER) as a starter, while other Rays "openers" have combined to pitch to a 16.20 ERA (5-IP, 9-ER) in their 6 starts...he has made 3 starts of 1 IP, 2 starts of 1.1 IP, 3 starts of 1.2 IP and 2 starts of 2 IP, and has faced between 4-8 batters in all 10 starts...he started 41 games in the minor leagues, most recently on June 4, 2016 at Double-A Jacksonville (Marlins).

+ Hasn't gone *more than* 2 IP or thrown more than 40 pitches this season, although his career high is 47 pitches on Aug 5, 2017 vs. MIL.

GIVE HIM THE HEATER, RICKY—Has averaged 98.1 mph on his fastball this season, according to StatCast, and his max velocity is 100.5 mph in his start on May 26 vs. BAL...33.1 pct. of his total pitches, regardless of pitch type, have been clocked at 98.0 mph or more, 2nd-highest rate in the AL (min. 300 pitches) behind **NY Y Aroldis Chapman** (55.9)...last season he averaged 98.1 mph on his fastball, and he made 14 pitches of 100 mph or more, the most by a Ray since **Fernando Rodney** (23) in 2013.

+ Has been ranked by *Baseball America* as having the Best Fastball in the organization in each of the past two seasons.

QUIRKS OF THE "OPENER"—According to Stats LLC, his 9 starts without a run are tied with **STL Adam Wainwright** (2014) and **LAD Sandy Koufax** (1963) for the most ever before the All-Star break...his last 8 starts have been scoreless, the longest such streak since Baseball Reference is available (1908)...has made 4 starts without allowing a hit, the most for any pitcher in a single season since Baseball Reference data is available (1908).

MOST CONSECUTIVE SCORELESS STARTS, SINCE 1908

PITCHER	DATES	INNINGS	STARTS
Ryne Stanek, TB	June 7, 2018-Current	11.2	8
Zack Greinke, LAD	June 18-July 19, 2015	43.2	6
Orel Hershiser, LAD	Sep 5-28, 1988	55.0	6
Don Drysdale, LAD	May 14-June 4, 1968	54.0	6

MOST HITLESS STARTS, SINGLE SEASON, SINCE 1908

PITCHER	HITLESS STARTS	PITCHER	HITLESS STARTS
Ryne Stanek, TB	4 (2018)	Johnny Vander Meer, CIN	3 (1938)
Sergio Romo, TB	3 (2018)	Harry Harper, WAS	3 (1917)
Sandy Koufax, LAD	3 (1958)	Marty O'Toole, NYG	3 (1914)

JUNE BOOM—Didn't allow a run in 12 apps (7 starts) spanning 15.2 IP in June and became the first pitcher in the majors with at least 12 apps and 7 starts within a calendar month since **PHI Karl Drews** (12 apps, 7 starts) in June 1953, and the first AL pitcher to do this since **Jim Walkup** (14 apps, 7 starts) of the St. Louis Browns in August 1935...was the first pitcher to ever make 12 apps and 7 starts within a single calendar month and not allow a run.

2018 GAME LOG (LAST 10 APPEARANCES)

GAME	DEC	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	HB	WP	P/K	FINAL	OPP.	LEFT
6/18 at HOU	--	2.33	1.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11/8	L, 4-5	Cole	up, 2-0
6/19 at HOU *	--	2.21	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	16/7	W, 2-1	--	--
6/22 vs. NYY	--	2.11	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	25/15	W, 2-1	Sabathia	tied, 0-0
6/23 vs. NYY *	--	1.99	1.1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	18/11	W, 4-0	--	--
6/28 vs. HOU	--	1.85	1.2	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	32/18	L, 0-1	McCullers Jr.	tied, 0-0
6/30 vs. HOU	--	1.78	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	14/9	W, 5-2	Verlander	up, 3-0
7/2 at MIA *	L:2	2.13	0.0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	12/5	L, 2-3 (10)	--	--
7/3 at MIA *	--	1.98	2.0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	23/17	W, 9-6 (16)	--	--
7/6 at NYM	--	1.84	2.0	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	36/23	L, 1-5	deGrom	tied, 0-0
7/9 vs. DET *	--	2.12	0.1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	9/6	W, 10-9 (10)	--	--

* indicates relief appearance

#16 KEVIN CASH, MANAGER

- + Selected by Astros Manager **A.J. Hinch** to join the AL coaching staff for the All-Star Game for a second consecutive season.
- + Is in his fourth season as Rays manager...at age 40, is the majors' youngest active skipper—5 months younger than **SD Andy Green**.
- + His last ejection was July 18, 2017 at OAK, his seventh ejection as Rays manager...his 7 ejections are tied for 4th in franchise history.
- + Is the sixth Tampa-born manager in major league history, and second

to manage the Rays...that list includes Hall of Famers **Al Lopez** and **Tony La Russa**, **Lou Piniella**, **Dave Miley** and **John Hart**.

- + Played 12 professional seasons as a catcher, incl. parts of eight seasons in the majors (2002-10) and two years (2005-06) in the Rays org.
- + Played in the 1989 Little League World Series (Tampa Northside LL), 1999 College World Series (Florida State) and earned World Series rings in 2007 (Red Sox) and 2009 (Yankees).

Pronunciation: STAN-ik

2018 SPLITS

SPLIT	W	L	ERA	G	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Home	0	0	0.64	12	14.0	6	1	1	10	21
Road	1	2	3.45	13	15.2	9	6	6	5	16
March	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
April	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
May	1	1	4.66	9	9.2	6	5	5	6	11
June	0	0	0.00	12	15.2	5	0	0	7	19
July	0	1	4.15	4	4.1	4	2	2	2	7
August	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
September	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

SPLITS vs. TIGERS

SPLIT	W	L	ERA	G	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2018	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1	1	1	0	0
2017	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Career	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1	1	1	0	0
at Home	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1	1	1	0	0

2018 SPLITS vs. BATTERS

SPLIT	AB	H	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	TB	PA
vs. LHB	32	3	.094	0	0	0	5	15	3	37
vs. RHB	71	12	.169	4	0	2	10	22	22	81

SEASON & CAREER HIGHS

2018	CAREER
2.0, 3x-last 7/6 at NYM	2.0, 5x-last 7/6/18 at NYM
2, 2x-last 7/2 at MIA	4, 6/10/17 vs. OAK (G2)
2, 2x-last 5/31 at OAK	3, 6/10/17 vs. OAK (G2)
2, 2x-last 5/31 at OAK	3, 6/10/17 vs. OAK (G2)
2, 4x-last 6/28 vs. HOU	3, 5/22/17 vs. LAA
4, 2x-last 7/6 at NYM	5, 6/10/17 vs. OAK (G2)
1, 2x-last 5/19 at LAA	2, 6/10/17 vs. OAK (G2)
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1G, 5/28 at OAK	1G, 5/28/18 at OAK
2G, 5/31 - Current	2G, 5/31/18 - Current
IP	IP
H	H
R	R
ER	ER
BB	BB
SO	SO
HR	HR
CG	CG
SHO	SHO
Win Streak	Win Streak
Loss Streak	Loss Streak

RAYS HITTER NOTES

#1 WILLY ADAMES • INF	Pronunciation: ah-DAH-mes	2018: .222/.273/.358 • 3 HR • 8 RBI • 1 SB
Mon vs. DET: 0-3, E4 Last HR: 7/6/18 at NYM	NYM Series: 1-4, HR, RBI, R Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-5	Trip: 3-11, HR, RBI, R RISP: .190 (4-21) vs. LH: .222 (6-27), 1-HR vs. RH: .222 (12-54), 2-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Was acquired from the Tigers on July 31, 2014 as part of the three-team trade for David Price...was with Class-A West Michigan at the time. + Batting .158/200/316 (3-for-19) over his last 7 games (6 starts)...his only extra-base hit, RBI and run scored over this span came via solo homer. + His 3 HR have come off three former All-Stars: BOS Chris Sale, NYY Sonny Gray and NYM Jacob deGrom...his last 2 HR have come with 2 strikes. + Has appeared in 24 games and made 23 starts (16-SS, 7-2B)...has made 4 errors in 106 chances at the middle infield positions for a .962 fielding pct. + Recalled on June 11 for his second stint (also May 22-24)...entered the season ranked by <i>Baseball America</i> as the No. 19 prospect in the minors. 		
#9 JAKE BAUERS • 1B/OF	Pronunciation: BOW-ers	2018: .240/.373/.452 • 3 HR • 11 RBI • 2 SB
Mon vs. DET: 1-4, RBI, BB, 2-R, SB, E3 Last HR: 7/8/18 at NYM	NYM Series: 2-9, 2B, HR, RBI, 2-BB, 3-R Current Hitting Streak: 2G (.429, 3-7)	Trip: 4-23, 2-2B, HR, 3-RBI, 2-BB, 5-R RISP: .250 (6-24) vs. LH: .310 (9-29), 1-HR vs. RH: .213 (16-75), 2-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .150/306/275 (6-for-40) with 2 2B and 1 HR over his last 12 games (10 starts) to lower his avg. from .297 to .240 and OBP from .416 to .373. + On Sun at NYM, reached four times to tie his season high (3rd time)...was also his third multi-XBH game of the season (last June 24 vs. NYY). + On July 3 at MIA, became the youngest player (22 years, 270 days) with a go-ahead hit in the 16th inning or later since PIT Barry Bonds in 1986. + Has appeared in 30 games and made 28 starts (23-1B, 3-DH, 1-LF, 1-RF)...the Rays are 17-11 in his 28 starts, including 13-4 in his 17 starts at home. + Entered this season ranked by <i>Baseball America</i> as the No. 45 overall prospect in the minors...recalled on June 7 and debuted that night. 		
#26 JI-MAN CHOI • 1B/OF	Pronunciation: GEE-man CHOY	2018: .233/.281/.500 • 2 HR • 5 RBI • 0 SB
Mon vs. DET: -- Last HR: 6/9/18 at PHI	NYM Series: -- Current Hitting Streak: 2G (1.000, 2-2)	Trip: -- RISP: .500 (1-2) vs. LH: .250 (1-4) vs. RH: .231 (6-26), 2-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Recalled from Triple-A Durham today and will be making his Rays debut...acquired from the Brewers on June 10 in exchange for Brad Miller. + Hit .270/360/405 (20-for-74) with 4 2B, 2 HR, 14 RBI and 11 BB in 22 games with the Bulls, including a multi-HR game on June 21 at Louisville. + Has spent parts of three seasons in the majors with the Angels (2016), Yankees (2017) and Brewers (2018)...last appeared in the majors on June 9 at PHI (with MIL), when he hit a pinch-hit grand slam for the ninth homer of his career, and his first as a pinch-hitter (and first grand slam). 		
#44 C.J. CRON • 1B	Pronunciation: krohn	2018: .250/.325/.465 • 17 HR • 43 RBI • 1 SB
Mon vs. DET: 3-4, 2-2B, RBI, R Last HR: 7/8/18 at NYM	NYM Series: 3-7, 2B, HR, 3-RBI, 2-BB, R Current Hitting Streak: 4G (.467, 7-15)	Trip: 7-14, 3-2B, HR, 4-RBI, 2-BB, R RISP: .192 (15-78) vs. LH: .290 (27-93), 5-HR vs. RH: .233 (51-219), 12-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .359/419/590 (14-for-39) with 6 2B and 1 HR in his last 12 games (10 starts) after going 1-for-29 with 1 HR in his prev. 9 games (all starts). + Yesterday vs. DET, his 3 hits tied a season (also July 2 at MIA)...recorded his second multi-XBH game of the season (also April 21 vs. MIN). + Six of his last 8 hits have gone for extra bases, including a 3-run homer in the 1st inning on Sun at NYM, giving him a career-high 17 HR. + Is one of two Rays players with double-digit homers, along with Wilson Ramos (13)...his previous high before the All-Star break was 11 in 2016. + Has appeared in 83 games and made 80 starts (47-DH, 33-1B)...has been hit by pitch 14 times, tied with MIA Derek Dietrich for most in the majors. 		
#5 MATT DUFFY • INF	Pronunciation: DUFF-ee	2018: .307/.361/.410 • 4 HR • 25 RBI • 6 SB
Mon vs. DET: 2-5, BB, R Last HR: 6/16/18 at NYY	NYM Series: 1-11, 2B, 3-BB, 2-R Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.400, 2-5)	Trip: 3-23, 2B, 4-BB, 4-R RISP: .290 (18-62) vs. LH: .253 (21-83), 1-HR vs. RH: .329 (69-210), 3-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ranks 9th in the AL with a .307 avg. ...batting .179/324/214 (5-for-28) in his last 7 games on the heels of a career-long 10-game hitting streak. + Yesterday vs. DET, singled in the 1st and 6th innings and drew a 9-pitch walk in the 10th, putting runners on the corners for a walk-off single. + Min. 100 AB, his .329 avg. (69-for-210) vs. RHP ranks 4th in the AL...since June 16, is batting .500/571/722 (9-for-18) with 3 RBI vs. LHP. + According to FanGraphs, 26.3 pct. of his balls in play are line drives, 5th-highest in the AL...the major league avg. for line drives is 21.2 pct. + Hit .302 in April, .314 in May and .340 in June...was the only player in the majors to hit for a .300 avg. of better in all three of those months. + Has appeared in 74 games and made 73 starts (68-3B, 5-DH)...since May 14, has recorded a .984 fielding pct. in 40 games at third base. 		
#27 CARLOS GÓMEZ • OF	Pronunciation: GÓMEZ	2018: .208/.282/.338 • 7 HR • 21 RBI • 5 SB
Mon vs. DET: 3-5, 2B, 3-RBI Last HR: 6/1/18 at SEA	NYM Series: 2-4, 2B, RBI Current Hitting Streak: 2G (.556, 5-9)	Trip: 2-13, 2B, RBI RISP: .254 (16-63) vs. LH: .203 (16-79), 2-HR vs. RH: .210 (38-181), 5-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, his 3 hits tied his season high (2nd time, May 6 vs. TOR), and his 3 RBI were his most since June 22, 2017 vs. TOR (5, with TEX). + Has recorded consecutive multi-hit games...batting .318 (7-for-22) since the start of July and .300 (12-for-40) in 13 games (10 starts) since June 22. + His .208 avg. would be the 3rd-lowest in franchise history among qualifiers...the only lower avg. was Carlos Peña in 2012 (.197) and 2010 (.196). + According to FanGraphs, has been credited with 5 Defensive Runs Saved in right field...his 4 outfield assists are tied for most on the team. + Has appeared in 77 games and made 68 starts (61-RF, 4-DH, 3-CF)...since the start of 2013, no other player in the majors can match his combination of 96 HR and 127 SB...is one of seven active players with at least 100 HR and 200 SB in his career, according to Baseball Reference. 		
#11 ADEINY HECHAVARRIA • SS	Pronunciation: etch-ah-vah-REE-yah	2018: .250/.281/.332 • 3 HR • 22 RBI • 0 SB
Mon vs. DET: 1-4, 2B, 2-RBI, BB, R Last HR: 6/24/18 vs. NYY	NYM Series: 0-8, BB, R Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.250, 1-4)	Trip: 3-18, 2B, 2-RBI, BB, 2-R RISP: .262 (11-42) vs. LH: .351 (20-57) vs. RH: .205 (26-127), 3-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .192/228/308 (10-for-52) with 3 2B, 1 HR, 6 RBI and 3 BB in 14 games (13 starts) since being reinstated from the 10-day DL on June 17. + Has only made 1 error in his last 101 games and 349 chances at shortstop since July 31, 2017 at HOU...min. 200 innings, his .994 fielding pct. at shortstop this season leads the majors, pct. points ahead of MIA JT Riddle...has a .989 fielding pct. since being acquired by the Rays on June 26, 2017. + Two of his 3 HR and 13 of his 22 RBI have come at home, but is hitting for a higher avg. on the road (.266) than at Tropicana Field (.227). + Has appeared in 50 games and made 49 starts, all at shortstop...has 10 HR in 482 PA with the Rays compared to 13 HR in 2,265 PA with Miami. 		
#39 KEVIN KIERMAIER • CF	Pronunciation: KEER-my-er	2018: .152/.246/.250 • 1 HR • 5 RBI • 6 SB
Mon vs. DET: 1-5, 3B, BB, R Last HR: 6/25/18 vs. WAS	NYM Series: 2-9, 2B Current Hitting Streak: 3G (.214, 3-14)	Trip: 3-25, 2B, BB, R RISP: .077 (2-26) vs. LH: .139 (5-36), 1-HR vs. RH: .158 (12-76)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .145/244/261 (10-for-69) with 1 2B, 2 3B, 1 HR, 4 RBI and 5 SB in 17 games (16 starts) since being reinstated from the 60-day DL on June 19. + All 16 starts since his return from the disabled list have come out of the leadoff spot...before the injury, hit 2nd in 10 starts and 3rd twice. + Yesterday vs. DET, tripled in the 10th inning off lefty Blaine Hardy and scored the game-winning run on Daniel Robertson's walk-off single. + His last multi-hit game was before his stint on the disabled list, on April 14 vs. PHI...his last multi-hit game on the road was Sep 26, 2017 at NYY. + Has appeared in 29 games and made 28 starts, all in center field, including 10 starts against lefties...since 2015, leads the majors with 89 Defensive Runs Saved, ahead of ATL/LAA Andrelton Simmons (86)...has achieved this despite missing significant time in each of the last three seasons. 		
#40 WILSON RAMOS • C	Pronunciation: RAH-mos	2018: .291/.341/.471 • 13 HR • 48 RBI • 0 SB
Mon vs. DET: 2-5, HR, RBI, 2-R Last HR: 7/9/18 vs. DET	NYM Series: 2-8, 2-RBI, BB Current Hitting Streak: 2G (.400, 4-10)	Trip: 5-18, 2B, HR, 4-RBI, 3-BB, 2-R RISP: .351 (26-74) vs. LH: .325 (27-83), 5-HR vs. RH: .277 (54-195), 8-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Won the AL catcher fan vote to start the All-Star Game and will become the fifth Ray to start an All-Star Game, following 3B Evan Longoria (2010), LF Carl Crawford (2010), LH David Price (2010) and DH Corey Dickerson (2017)...it is the second selection and first election of his career (2016). + Yesterday vs. DET, hit his 13th HR to tie a first-half career high (2016)...has 4 HR and 12 RBI in his last 11 games (10 starts) since June 25. + Batting .319/388/556 (23-for-72) in his last 20 games (18 starts)...has recorded multiple hits in consecutive games and three of his last 4 games. + Leads AL catchers with 81 hits, 21 more than 2nd-place OAK Jonathan Lucroy (60)...leads AL catchers in RBI and ranks 2nd in home runs. + His 13 HR are only one shy of the franchise record for a catcher over an entire season, currently held by John Flaherty (14) in 1999. + Has appeared in 74 games and made 70 starts (65-C, 5-DH)...since June 7, has thrown out 55.6 pct. of attempted base stealers (4-SB, 5-CS). 		
#28 DANIEL ROBERTSON • INF/OF	Pronunciation: ROBERT-son	2018: .268/.394/.412 • 7 HR • 25 RBI • 1 SB
Mon vs. DET: 3-6, RBI, R Last HR: 6/7/18 vs. SEA	NYM Series: 2-10, 2-RBI, BB, 2-R Current Hitting Streak: 2G (.400, 4-10)	Trip: 6-22, 2-2B, 4-RBI, 4-BB, 4-R RISP: .218 (12-55) vs. LH: .261 (18-69), 3-HR vs. RH: .270 (43-159), 4-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, recorded the first walk-off hit of his career on a 10th-inning single off Blaine Hardy...was his second 3-hit game since July 3. + Min. 200 PA, his .394 OBP is 7th in the AL...despite a stint on the disabled list, has 40 BB including 14 BB to 12 SO against left-handed pitching. + Batting .302/422/377 (16-for-53) with 4 2B, 6 RBI and 7 BB in 14 games (all starts) since being reinstated from the 10-day DL on June 22 vs. NYY. + On July 3 at MIA, reached six times to tie the club record, joining Ben Zobrist on July 20, 2012 vs. SEA and José Cruz Jr. on June 24, 2004 at TOR. + Has appeared in 69 games and made 65 starts (27-2B, 24-SS, 9-3B, 3-LF, 2-DH)...has handled 169 consecutive chances at second without an error. 		

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#0 MALLEX SMITH • OF	2018: .276/.342/.378 • 1 HR • 19 RBI • 15 SB		
Mon vs. DET: DNP Last HR: 7/1/18 vs. HOU	NYM Series: 2-7, 2B, 3B, RBI, BB Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.500, 1-2)	Trip: 4-9, 2B, 3B, 2-RBI, 2-BB RISP: .291 (16-55)	vs. LH: .271 (13-48) vs. RH: .277 (57-206), 1-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .462/.533/.923 (6-for-13) in 7 games (4 starts) since the calendar flipped to July, compared to .237/.284/.303 (18-for-76) in June. + Batting .349/.418/.477 (38-for-109) in 35 games (32 starts) at Tropicana Field and .221/.283/.303 (32-for-145) in 47 games (37 starts) on the road. + His 15 SB are 9th in the AL and are tied for the most by a Ray before the All-Star break since 2012...his 7 CS are tied for 2nd-most in the majors. + On July 1 vs. HOU, hit his sixth career homer and first since July 21, 2017 vs. TEX, snapping the majors' longest homerless drought at 356 AB. + Has appeared in 82 games and made 69 starts (50-CF, 10-LF, 9-RF)...his 5 errors are tied for the 3rd-most among major league outfielders. 			

#45 JESÚS SUCRE • C	2018: .224/.280/.247 • 0 HR • 7 RBI • 1 SB		
Mon vs. DET: DNP Last HR: 9/24/17 at BAL	Pronunciation: heh-SOOS SUE-cray NYM Series: 0-4, BB Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-5	Trip: 1-6, 2-BB, 0.1-IP RISP: .217 (5-23)	vs. LH: .143 (4-28) vs. RH: .263 (15-57)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .385/.500/.462 (5-for-13) in his last 7 games (4 starts) to increase his season avg. from .194 to .224 and OBP from .234 to .280. + Has gone 100 AB since his last home run on Sep 24, 2017 at BAL...only 2 of his 19 hits this season have gone for extra bases (both doubles). + Batting .324/.395/.353 (11-for-34) in 13 games (10 starts) at Tropicana Field compared to .157/.200/.176 (8-for-51) in 21 games (15 starts) on the road. + Has appeared in 34 games and made 25 starts at catcher...has thrown out 26.3 pct. of base stealers this season and 28.1 pct. in his career. 			

#18 JOEY WENDLE • INF/OF	2018: .278/.326/.371 • 3 HR • 23 RBI • 7 SB		
Mon vs. DET: 1-2, 2B, RBI (PH in 7th) Last HR: 7/8/18 at NYM	NYM Series: 4-8, HR, RBI, 2-BB, 3-R Current Hitting Streak: 10G (.419, 13-31)	Trip: 7-15, HR, RBI, 4-BB, 3-R RISP: .175 (11-63)	vs. LH: .258 (8-31) vs. RH: .281 (61-217), 3-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Has a career-long 10-game hitting streak, batting .419/.486/.548 (13-for-31) with 1 2B, 1 HR and 3 RBI, on the heels of an 0-for-17 skid. + On Sun at NYM, reached four times to tie a career high (4th time)...hit his third homer, all coming on the road, first since May 29 at OAK. + Batting .223/.270/.291 (23-for-103) with 10 RBI at Tropicana Field compared to .317/.367/.428 (46-for-145) with 3 HR and 13 RBI on the road. + His 69 hits rank 2nd among AL rookies to NYY Miguel Andújar (83) and are the most by a Rays rookie in the first half since Longoria (84) in 2008. + Has appeared in 76 games and made 59 starts (45-2B, 8-LF, 4-3B, 1-SS), all against right-handed starters. 			

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#46 JOSÉ ALVARADO • LH	2018: 0-3-3 • 2.72 ERA • 40 G		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (0.1-IP, 1-H, 1-R, 0-ER, 0-BB, 0-SO, 5-pit)	Pronunciation: al-vuh-RAH-doh Long Relief App: 1.2, 4x-last 6/12 vs. TOR Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-none, Loss-6/10/18 vs. SEA, Save-7/3/18 at MIA	Saves-Opps: 3-5 IR-RS: 32-8	vs. LH: .245 (12-49), 1-HR vs. RH: .190 (16-84)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, faced two batters in the 8th inning, allowing an inherited runner to score and was charged an unearned run of his own. + Has pitched to a 1.00 ERA (9-IP, 1-ER) over his last 13 apps since June 12...hasn't allowed an earned run in his last 7 apps since June 26. + Has only allowed 2 HR in 66 IP in his career, coming against TOR Russell Martin (solo) last season and Kyle Seager (2-run) on June 10 vs. SEA. + His avg. fastball velocity this season is 97.5 mph, according to StatCast, and his max velocity is 100.3 mph in his outing on April 28 at BOS. + On June 26 vs. WAS, became the first pitcher to also appear at first base in a 9-inning game since MIL Chuck Crim on June 6, 1989 at TOR. 			

#35 MATT ANDRIESE • RH	2018: 2-3-0 • 3.63 ERA • 24 G • 4 GS		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (W, 1.0-IP, 1-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 1-SO, 17-pit)	Pronunciation: ann-DREESE Long Relief App: 3.2, 6/13 vs. TOR Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-7/9/18 vs. DET, Loss-6/1/18 at SEA, Save-8/28/17 at KC	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 9-3	vs. LH: .179 (14-78), 1-HR vs. RH: .273 (33-121), 4-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, got his first win since May 16 at KC and first at home since May 25, 2017 vs. LAA, pitching around a leadoff single in the 10th. + His last 3 apps (1 start) spanning 5 IP since the start of July have been scoreless after a 6.39 ERA (12.2-IP, 9-ER) in 5 apps (1 start) in June. + Against teams currently under .500, is 2-1 with a 0.81 ERA (22.1-IP, 2-ER) in 11 apps (2 starts), compared to a 5.76 ERA (29.2-IP, 19-ER) otherwise. + Has gone at least 2 IP in 14 of his 20 relief apps this season...twice this year has been on the mound for a walk-off loss (last June 1 at SEA). 			

#63 DIEGO CASTILLO • RH	2018: 1-0-0 • 1.89 ERA • 15 G		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (BS, 0.2-IP, 1-H, 1-R, 1-BB, 0-SO, 17-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.0, 4x-last 7/6 at NYM Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-6/13/18 vs. TOR, Loss-none, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-1 IR-RS: 10-3	vs. LH: .167 (4-24) vs. RH: .167 (7-42), 1-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, charged a blown save in the 7th inning after a walk, hit batter and game-tying, 2-run double by José Iglesias, all with 2 outs. + Has entered with the Rays tied or ahead in all 15 apps this season...has gone 1.1 IP or longer in seven of his 15 apps, and 1.2 IP or longer six times. + Has limited opponents to a .167 avg. (11-for-66) this season...opponents are batting .050 (1-for-20) against him when they are behind in the count. + Recorded multiple strikeouts in the first 5 apps of his career, all as a reliever...was the first AL reliever to do that since TEX Neftalí Feliz in 2009. + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on June 5...went 0-1 with a 1.03 ERA (26.1-IP, 3-ER), 4 saves, 32 SO and .167 opp avg. in 19 apps for the Bulls. 			

#56 ADAM KOLAREK • LH	2018: 0-0-0 • 0.00 ERA • 2 G		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (0.1-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 0-SO, 1-pit)	Pronunciation: koh-LAIR-ick Long Relief App: 1.0, 7/6 at NYM Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-7/18/17 at OAK, Loss-none, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 2-1	vs. LH: .500 (1-2) vs. RH: .000 (0-2)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, inherited 2-on in the 7th inning...threw 1 pitch and allowed a Victor Martinez sacrifice fly, then was replaced by Castillo. + Selected from Triple-A Durham on July 6 and made his season debut that night...pitched a perfect 5th and allowed a leadoff single in the 6th. + Went 4-1 with a 1.70 ERA (42.1-IP, 8-R/ER), 3 saves and 50 SO in 29 apps (1 start) for the Bulls...held lefties to a .113 avg. (7-for-62) with 1 2B. + Made his major league debut with the Rays last season, making 12 apps over two stints in the majors...was outrighted off the 40-man on Nov 6. 			

#54 SERGIO ROMO • RH	2018: 1-2-9 • 4.08 ERA • 42 G • 5 GS		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (BS, 1.1-IP, 2-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 1-SO, 20-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.0, 3x-last 7/3 at MIA Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-5/12/18 at BAL (G2), Loss-6/18/18 at HOU, Save-7/7/18 at NYM	Saves-Opps: 9-14 IR-RS: 21-10	vs. LH: .234 (11-47), 1-HR vs. RH: .252 (26-103), 4-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, charged a blown save after allowing an inherited runner to score with 2 outs in the 8th inning...also pitched a perfect 9th. + Has pitched to a 1.47 ERA (18.1-IP, 3-ER) in 18 apps (1 start) since the beginning of June...this stretch has lowered his ERA from 6.33 to 4.08. + Has 93 saves in his career, while the rest of the Rays active roster has combined for 8 saves...all 9 saves this season have come since May 29. + His combination of starts (5) and saves (9) has been unmatched by an AL pitcher since SEA Brandon Morrow (5 starts, 10 saves) in 2008. + Has pitched to a 2.82 ERA (22.1-IP, 7-ER) in 22 apps (3 starts) on the road, compared to a 5.71 ERA (17.1-IP, 11-ER, 4-HR) in 20 apps (2 starts) at home. 			

#57 JAIME SCHULTZ • RH	2018: 0-0-0 • 27.00 ERA • 2 G		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (0.0-IP, 1-H, 3-R, 1-BB, 0-SO, 15-pit)	Long Relief App: 1.0, 5/29 at OAK Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-none, Loss-none, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 0-0	vs. LH: .333 (1-3) vs. RH: .000 (0-1)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, went walk, hit batter, RBI double to his 3 BF in the 7th inning and was replaced...all 3 runs came around to score. + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Sunday to begin his second stint with the Rays this season, following May 27-29...went 2-1 with a 6.91 ERA (28.2-IP, 22-ER) and 47 SO in 27 apps (1 start) with the Bulls, but pitched to a 3.38 ERA (13.1-IP, 5-ER) in 11 apps there after his last option. + Made his major league debut on May 29 at OAK and struck out all 3 BF in the 7th inning, but was optioned back to Durham after the game. + Has spent parts of the last three seasons with Durham, pitching to a 4.16 ERA (171-IP, 79-ER) and 12.16 SO/9 IP ratio at the Triple-A level. 			

#61 HUNTER WOOD • RH	2018: 0-0-0 • 2.00 ERA • 4 G		
Last App: 7/9 vs. DET (2.2-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 1-BB, 2-SO, 30-pit)	Long Relief App: 3.0, 7/3 at MIA Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-none, Loss-none, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 2-0	vs. LH: .200 (3-15), 1-HR vs. RH: .118 (2-17)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. DET, inherited 2-on, 1-out in the 4th inn. and stranded both runners...his only baserunner allowed in 2.2 IP was a 5th-inning walk. + Has gone at least 2 IP in three of his 4 apps...has pitched to a 1.35 ERA (6.2-IP, 1-ER) and .048 opp avg. (1-for-21) in 3 apps since his recall (1-HR). + Was recalled from Triple-A Durham on June 30 for his third stint with the Rays this season; did not appear in a game in his second stint. + Was 2-2 with a 3.00 ERA (42-IP, 14-ER) in 24 apps (2 starts) with the Bulls, incl. a 1.75 ERA (25.2-IP, 5-ER) in 14 apps (1 start) since his last option...has spent parts of the last two seasons with the Bulls, and is 5-3 with a 3.78 ERA (95.1-IP, 40-ER) and 110 SO in his career at the Triple-A level. 			

#48 RYAN YARBROUGH • LH	2018: 7-4-0 • 3.75 ERA • 21 G • 5 GS		
Last App: 7/6 at NYM (2.0-IP, 1-H, 1-R, 0-ER, 2-BB, 3-SO, 35-pit)	Pronunciation: YAHR-bro Long Relief App: 7.0, 5/25 vs. BAL Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-6/24/18 vs. NYY, Loss-6/28/18 vs. HOU, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 15-6	vs. LH: .225 (18-80), 4-HR vs. RH: .248 (61-246), 7-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Fri at NYM, allowed an unearned run on an Asdrúbal Cabrera RBI single in the 3rd inning and pitched around a 1-out walk in the 4th inn. + His 7 wins are tied with CIN Tyler Mahle and OAK Lou Trivino for the most among major league rookies, and are the most by a Rays rookie before the All-Star break since Jeremy Hellickson (8) in 2011...his 5 wins in relief are tied for 2nd in the majors among rookie relievers to Trivino (6). + Has gone 5-1 with a 3.13 ERA (60.1-IP, 21-ER) and .232 opp avg. (54-for-233) in 16 relief apps and 2-2 with a 5.32 ERA and .269 opp avg. in 5 starts. + Leads the majors with 60.1 IP as a reliever...his 11 relief apps of at least 3 IP, 9 relief apps of at least 4 IP and 6 relief apps of at least 5 IP are all the most in the majors...his 6 relief apps of at least 5 IP are the most for any pitcher over an entire season since BOS Bob Stanley (11) in 1982. 			

