



POST-GAME NOTES

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'69 '70 '87 '91

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'65 '87 '91

WORLD CHAMPIONS
'87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS (40-48) VS. KANSAS CITY ROYALS (25-65)

Monday, July 9, 2018 – TARGET FIELD – MINNEAPOLIS, MN

| FINAL | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | R | H | E | LOB |
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| Kansas City | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | X | 3 | 11 | 0 | 12 |

WINNING PITCHER: Berrios (9-7)

LOSING PITCHER: Hill (1-3)

SAVE: Rodney (20)

FIRST PITCH: 7:10

GAME TIME TEMP: 89 degrees, wind 0 mph

TIME OF GAME: 3:03

ATTENDANCE: 20,199

HOME RUNS: None

PITCHING LINES:

| TWINS | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | HR | WP | PITCHES/K |
|---------------------|-----|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|-----------|
| José Berríos (W) | 7.0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 111/74 |
| Trevor Hildenberger | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11/9 |
| Fernando Rodney (S) | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 21/12 |

| ROYALS | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | HR | WP | PITCHES/K |
|----------------|-----|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|-----------|
| Danny Duffy | 6.0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 109/66 |
| Tim Hill (L) | 0.1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20/13 |
| Kevin McCarthy | 0.2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24/13 |
| Brandon Maurer | 1.0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22/14 |

NEXT GAME:

Twins vs. Royals

Tuesday, July 10, 7:10 pm

RHP Aaron Slegers (1-0, 2.38)

Vs.

RHP Ian Kennedy (1-8, 5.11)

TWINS NOTES:

- **THE TWINS** won their fifth straight and improve to 5-0 on their current 11-game homestand leading into the All Star Break...improve to 2-2 against the Royals this season...are now 25-20 at home this season and 11-18 in home openers...improve to five games over .500 in the division with a record of 18-13...the five game win-streak ties a season-high, previously May 4-8 and is the longest such streak at home this season for the Twins...marks the 18th come-from-behind win of the season.
- **JOSÉ BERRÍOS** earned his ninth win this season, improving to 9-7...went 7.0 innings and allowed one run on six hits, striking out eight...this was his 12th quality start of the season and the ninth time he has gone 7.0-or-more innings in a start.
- **MAX KEPLER** (1-for-4) extended his hitting streak to five games, hitting .389 (7-for-18) during the streak...has hit in all but two games vs. the Royals at Target Field in his career, hitting .290 (16-for-55) in 15 career games.
- **EDDIE ROSARIO** (1-for-5) recorded a single in the first inning to extend his hitting streak vs. the Royals to nine games, hitting .359 (14-for-39).
- **EDUARDO ESCOBAR** (3-for-4) recorded three singles, marking his 28th multi-hit game of the season, second most on the team and his sixth three-hit game of the season, tying him with Eddie Rosario for most on the team.
- **JOE MAUER** (3-for-5) singled in the first inning, is now hitting .319 (236-for-739) against the Royals in 199 career games...recorded his 16th multi-hit game of the season and 549th of his career, ranking fourth on the Twins all-time list...this was his second three-hit game of the season...recorded his career 898th RBI, is two shy of 900.
- **BOBBY WILSON** (1-for-3) recorded his sixth double of the season in the seventh inning and was replaced by pinch-runner Jake Cave, who eventually scored the Twins first run of the game.
- **TREVOR HILDENBERGER** recorded his 14th hold of the season, entering the night he was tied for ninth in the American League...he leads the Twins in holds...did not allow a run to score, marking the 20th time in his last 21 appearances he has held opponents scoreless.
- **FERNANDO RODNEY** recorded his 320th career save, 20th of the season and 11th consecutive against Kansas City...his 320 saves pass Todd Jones and moves into sole possession of 19th on baseball's all-time saves list.

ROYALS NOTES:

- **THE ROYALS** fall to 25-65 on the season and 12-18 within the division...the Royals have now lost 10 games-in-a-row, the longest stretch of the season...are now 16-22 when scoring first and drop to 8-23 in series openers...fall to 176-209 all time at the Twins.
- **DANNY DUFFY** did not factor in the decision after going 6.0 shutout innings, the fourth time this season he has gone 6.0 innings-or-more without allowing a run, all of those four have happened on the road...over his last nine starts he has a 3.07 ERA (55.2 IP, 19 ER)...struck out nine batters, his second-highest of the season (most, 10 at Oakland on June 9).

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- **ALEX GORDON** (2-for-4) hit his ninth double of the season to lead off the third inning...extended his hitting streak against Minnesota to eight games, hitting .400 (12-for-30) during that streak...his double marks his 497th extra-base-hit of his career, is two XBH away from tying Mike Sweeney (499) for fifth on Kansas City's all-time list...recorded his 15th multi-hit game of the season.
- **WHIT MERRIFIELD** (1-for-4) extended his hitting streak to 11 games, hitting .447 (21-for-47)...this marks the third time in his career he has had a streak of 11 games-or-more and is the fourth longest by a Royal this season behind (Moustakas- 14, Jay- 12, Merrifield- 12)...has recorded a hit against the Twins in 25 of 27 games and in eight in a row, hitting .323 (10-for-31) during that span.
- **ALCIDES ESCOBAR** (1-for-4) extended his hitting streak to five games, hitting .250 (4-for-16) with an RBI single in the third inning.
- **SALVADOR PEREZ** (1-for-3) recorded his 11th double of the season and 22nd extra-base-hit.
- **NED YOST** was ejected by home plate umpire Will Little in the top of the fourth inning, his 43rd career ejection and first of the season