



GAME NOTES

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POSTGAME NOTES

PITTSBURGH PIRATES (29-27) VS. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS (30-24) THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2018

INNINGS - 9	R	H	E	STARTING PITCHER	PITCHES/STRIKES	PITCHER OF RECORD	#
Pittsburgh	8	12	1	Trevor Williams	97/59	W Mike Mayers	2-0
St. Louis	10	14	3	Jack Flaherty	102/65	L Felipe Vázquez	2-2
						SV	

FIRST PITCH	GAMETIME WEATHER	TIME OF GAME	ATTENDANCE	SELLOUT
6:16 PM	84° - Clear	3:43	40,832	

TM	PLAYER	NO.	INN.	ON	HOME RUNS		PITCHER	DISTANCE	EXIT SPEED	CAREER HR
					COUNT	OUTS				
PIT	Josh Bell	4	5	1	2-1	2	Jack Flaherty	393 FT.	104 MPH	33rd
PIT	Francisco Cervelli	8	8	2	3-2	2	Bud Norris	369 FT.	99 MPH	31st
STL	Yairo Muñoz	2	9	2	0-0	0	Felipe Vázquez	410 FT.	103 MPH	2nd

CARDINALS NOTES

- **Jack Flaherty** made his sixth start of the season, third against the Pirates in 2018 (1-1) and in his career...has made the most starts against the Pirates in 2018 of any pitcher in MLB...held his opposition to one run in four of his five previous starts (3 R in the other)...made his 2nd start at Busch Stadium, striking out 13 in his first...is pitching against **Trevor Williams** for the 3rd time this season...allowed a season-high four runs tonight (has a 3.93 ERA vs. PIT and 1.47 ERA vs. all others)...first start this season in which he did not walk a batter.
- **Yairo Muñoz** hit his first walk-off hit and home run of his career...tallied a season-high five RBI (entered game with 5 RBI)...is the 3rd MLB rookie with 5 RBI in a game this season (**Niko Goodrum**, DET & **Christian Villanueva**, SD) and the first Cardinals since **Stephen Piscotty** (8/23/15 at SD), who he was in the trade for this past December...has hit safely in each of his last eight games started (14-30, .467)...has two extra base hits entering (home run & double) and had two extra base hits tonight (HR & 2B).
- **Matt Carpenter** extended his hitting streak to seven games (13-34, .382), his longest of 2018...has four multi-hit games in his last six games.
- **Harrison Bader** tied his season-high with three hits (5/29 at MIL)...is his 3rd career three-hit game (7/26/17 vs. COL)...has hit safely in each of his last six games (10-20, .500), batting .307 (23-75) in starts this season...has scored a run in four straight games matching his career-high (4/15-19)...legged out his 5th infield hit of the season and has five multi-hit games this season.
- **Dexter Fowler** recorded his 6th multi-RBI game of the season.
- **Kolten Wong** raced out his team-leading 8th infield hit of the season.
- **Tommy Pham** snapped an 0-for-17 with a single in the 6th inning.
- **Greg Garcia** has hit safely in each of his last five games started (6-17, .353)...has 3 RBI playing in his last two starts with **Jack Flaherty** on the mound.
- **Luke Voit** had his first Major League at-bat of the 2018 season and hit a pinch-hit two-RBI...last hit 9/27/17 vs. CHI.
- **Jordan Hicks** threw a season-high 30 pitches...induced his 7th double play of the season, tied with **Bryan Flynn** (KC) for the most among MLB relievers and leads the N.L...has stranded 10-of-12 inherited runners this season...suffered his 2nd blown save of the season (last: 4/24 vs. NYM).
- **Bud Norris** surrendered two inherited runners to score and had allowed one all season...allowed his second home run of the season and first since **Adam Duvall** at CIN (4/15, 9th inning).
- **The Cardinals** recorded their 6th walk-off win of the season (of 15 home wins) and their 4th walk-off home run (Carpenter, Fowler, Wong)...scored four runs in the 1st inning, their most in a game this season...recorded their 3rd win when trailing after eight innings (3-19)...3rd game with double-digit run totals...14 hits were the second highest total...finished the month of May 15-12 and have recorded consecutive 15-win months.

PIRATES NOTES

- **Trevor Williams** made his team-leading 12th start of the season, third against the Cardinals in 2018 (1-1) and six career starts (9th app.) vs. the Cardinals (2-3)... is pitching against **Jack Flaherty** for the 3rd time this season..had allowed only two runs total in the 1st inning in his 11 starts this season (11.0 IP) and allowed four tonight.

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- **Trevor Williams** dropped his first sacrifice bunt of the season (had 4 in 2017).
- **Francisco Cervelli** hit his eighth home run of the season, a new single-season high for him surpassing the seven he hit in 2015...tallied his team-leading 10th go-ahead RBI of the season...has hit two home runs in the 7th inning or later this season...was his first career home run at Busch Stadium and had one RBI total at this stadium entering tonight and had three...matched his home run total from April with four.
- **Gregory Polanco** tied his season-high with three hits (3/30 at DET)...snapped an 0-for-22 (0-for-last-21 vs. STL) with a single in his first at-bat...recorded his first extra base hit since May 18 (vs. SD) with an RBI double in the 4th inning...has an RBI in back-to-back games.
- **Corey Dickerson** tallied his team-leading 16th multi-hit game of the season.
- **Jordy Mercer** has hit safely in 9-of-his-last-10 games (13-38, .342)...has 35 career RBI vs. STL, his most against any opponent.
- **Josh Bell** hit his first home run since 5/11 vs. SF (17 games) and snapped a 12-game scoreless drought (last run: 5/17 vs. SD).
- **Felipe Vazquez** suffered his 4th blown save of the season and two straight to the Cardinals (5/27) and is the 2nd time in 12 days to face five or more batters without recording an out and blowing a save...is the first MLB pitcher to face five batters without recording an out and blow a save on a walk-off home run since **Danys Baez** (CLE) surrendered a grand slam to **Mike Cameron** on April 22, 2003 in an 8-5 loss at Safeco Field (**Francisco Rodriguez** did on 8/7/2009 for NYM at SD, but blew the save on an RBI single before the home run)...both times **Jeff Kellogg** was on the umpiring crew.
- The **Pirates** had all eight starting position players record a hit tonight...surrendered double-digit runs for the 5th time this season and the first time since May 1st at Washington.