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TAMPA BAY RAYS (88-70) vs. NEW YORK YANKEES (97-61) RH Jaime Schultz (2-1, 4.55) vs. LH CC Sabathia (8-7, 3.77)

Thursday, September 27, 2018 • **First Pitch:** 1:10 p.m. • **Location:** Tropicana Field • **TV:** FOX Sports Sun • **Radio:** WDAE 620 AM
Game No.: 159 (88-70) • **Home Game No.:** 78 (49-28) • **All-Time Game No.:** 3,397 (1588-1808) • **All-Time Home Game No.:** 1,699 (871-827)
March: 1-2 • **April:** 12-12 • **May:** 15-13 • **June:** 13-14 • **July:** 13-12 • **August:** 17-10 • **September:** 17-7 • **Pre-ASB:** 49-47 • **Post-ASB:** 39-23

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Upcoming Games	Time (ET)	Probable Starting Pitchers (Rays vs. Opp.)	TV & Radio
Fri., 9/28 vs. TOR	7:10 p.m.	RH Tyler Glasnow (2-7, 4.23) vs. LH Thomas Pannone (4-1, 3.58)	FOX Sports Sun, WDAE 620 AM, WGES 680 AM (Sp.)
Sat., 9/29 vs. TOR	6:10 p.m.	LH Blake Snell (21-5, 1.90) vs. LH Ryan Borucki (4-5, 3.76)	FOX Sports Sun, WDAE 620 AM, WLCC 760 AM (Sp.)
Sun., 9/30 vs. TOR	3:10 p.m.	TBD vs. RH Marco Estrada (7-14, 5.64)	FOX Sports Sun, WHNZ 1250 AM, WLCC 760 AM (Sp.)

RAY MATTER—Last night the Rays overcame a 3-0 deficit, built a 8-3 lead and held on in the 9th inn. for a 8-7 win, snapping a modest 2-game losing streak...at 18 games over .500, they are one shy of matching their high-water mark of the season...they are 17-7 (.708) in September, 2nd in the majors behind the Astros (18-5), and 39-23 (.629) since the All-Star break, 3rd in the majors behind the Athletics (41-21) and Red Sox (39-22).

- + The Rays are 8-0-2 in their last 10 series and 11-1-2 in their last 14 series, with the only loss in the last 14 series coming at Boston.
- + The Rays are on pace for 90 wins, and since the second Wild Card was introduced in 2012 the only teams to win that many and miss the postseason are the 2013 Rangers (91) and 2012 Rays (90).

UPS & DOWNS—Last night was the third time this season the Rays won when yielding 7 runs (or more), following July 9 vs. DET (10-9 win) and April 20 vs. MIN (8-7 win)...according to FanGraphs, the Rays had a 25.5 pct. chance of winning following **Neil Walker's** 3-run homer in the 1st inning, a 67.1 pct. chance after **Tommy Pham's** go-ahead homer in the 3rd, a 99.4 pct. chance at the end of the 8th inning and a 72.0 pct. chance after **Giancarlo Stanton's** RBI single cut the lead to 8-7 in the 9th inning.

- + Last night was the second time in franchise history the Rays won 8-7 over the Yankees, following "Game 162" on Sep 28, 2011.
- + With the win, the Rays improved to 27-30 (.474) in 1-run games...the 57 1-run games are tied for most in the majors and are a club record...the 30 1-run losses are tied for most in the majors and are tied with 2015 for the club record...the Rays are 17-11 (.607) in 1-run games since June 19 compared to 10-19 (.345) before that.
- + Last night **Sergio Romo** became the first pitcher in franchise history to allow 4 runs (or more) and record a save, and the first pitcher in the majors to do that in an outing of 1.1 IP or fewer since SEA **Mike Timlin** on Aug 24, 1998 vs. CWS (1.1-IP, 6-H, 4-R/ER).

WHAT TO PLAY FOR—The Rays would need to go 2-2 or better in last 4 games for their sixth 90-win campaign in 11 seasons as the Rays...they would join the Red Sox (7), Dodgers (6, 88-71 this season) and Yankees (6) as the only teams with six 90-win seasons since 2008, while the Cardinals (5, 87-72 this season) have a chance to join this group as well...since 2008, the Rays are 943-836 (.530), 6th in the majors behind the Yankees (.566), Dodgers (.556), Cardinals (.553), Red Sox (.549) and Angels (.531).

- + Monday's loss officially eliminated the Rays from postseason contention—they were the last AL team to be eliminated...including the remaining games of this season, since becoming the Rays in 2008 the club will have played only 54 games in which they were mathematically eliminated from postseason contention.

DOME SWEET DOME—The Rays are 49-28 (.636) at home this season, 3rd-best winning pct. in the majors behind the Red Sox (.718) and Yankees (.654)...they are one win shy of reaching 50 home wins for only the fourth time in franchise history, after going 51-30 in 2013, 52-29 in 2009 and 57-24 in 2008...the Rays are 16-4 in their last 20 home games and 37-12 in their last 49 home games after a 12-16 start.

- + The Rays have won in walk-off fashion nine times, tied for 5th in the majors and tied for 2nd in the AL behind the Athletics (10)...this is their most since a club-record-tying 13 walk-off wins in 2013...their five walk-off home runs are tied for most in the AL and are 2nd-most for a single season in franchise history behind 2011 (7).

RAYS vs. YANKEES—The Rays are 9-9 against the Yankees (6-3 at home, 3-6 on the road), including 9-4 in their last 13 games...today's game will decide the season series, and a win would snap a streak of three straight losing seasons against them...the clubs last met from Aug 14-16 at Yankee Stadium, with the Rays going 2-1 for their first series win there since June 30-July 2, 2014 (3-0)...it snapped a streak of 12 consecutive series losses there, the longest streak ever by any team in the current building.

- + Over the last two seasons, the Rays are 10-5 against the Yankees at Tropicana Field...over this same span, they are 5-14 at Yankee Stadium and 1-2 at Citi Field (relocation due to Hurricane Irma).
- + The Rays have gone 5-1 in 1-run games against them this season.
- + The Rays swept the Yankees in a 3-game series from June 22-24 at home, and remain one of two teams to sweep the Yankees in a multi-game series this season (Red Sox from Aug 2-5).

PITCHING PLANS—Today's game will be started by **Jaime Schultz**, the 54th time the Rays will use an opener and first time using Schultz in that role...he will be the 17th starting pitcher used by the Rays this season, breaking a tie with the Angels and Twins for most in the majors, and extending the club record...the 17 starters match the 2017 Mariners, 2006 Royals, 2004 Rangers and 2003 Reds for the most since 1997—no team has used more than 17 starters since the 1996 Pirates (18), and no AL team since the 1993 Indians (18)...since May 19, the Rays have used openers to start games—generally facing 3-9 batters, depending on matchups.

- + In March, the Rays announced a season-opening rotation of **Chris Archer, Blake Snell, Nathan Eovaldi and Jake Faria**...all four pitchers spent time on the disabled list and two were traded in July...the Rays have used other starters in 89 of 158 games (56.3 pct.).
- + Since the debut of the opener, the Rays lead the AL and rank 2nd in the majors with a 3.41 ERA, behind the Dodgers (3.22)—before that, their 4.43 ERA was 22nd in the majors and 9th in the AL.
- + The Rays have a pitcher to an AL-best 3.42 ERA in the 1st inning.
- + The Rays are 45-37 with traditional starters and 43-33 otherwise.
- + Rays starters have gone 3 IP or fewer 69 times this season, most by a team since Baseball Reference data is available (1908), ahead of the 1949 St. Louis Browns (40)...their starters have gone 2 IP or fewer 59 times, most ever by a team ahead of the 1977 Mariners (27).

REDEFINING RELIEF—Last night the Rays bullpen surpassed 800 IP, and their 801.1 IP this season are a major league record by 144.1 IP, ahead of the 2012 Rockies (657 IP)...prior to this season, only four teams—the 2017 Marlins (612 IP), 2017 Reds (610 IP), 2012 Rockies and 2003 Rangers (601.1 IP)—saw their bullpen surpass 600 IP, and all four teams finished with losing records...56.7 pct. of the club's innings this season have been covered by the bullpen...so far this season, Rays relievers have totaled:

- + 60 apps of at least 50 pitches and 29 apps of at least 70 pitches, both the most since Baseball Reference data is available (1908);
- + 88 decisions, most since Baseball Reference data is available;
- + 145 apps of at least 2 IP, most since the 1985 Braves (158);
- + 71 apps of at least 3 IP, most since the 1987 Angels (73);
- + 46 apps of at least 4 IP, most since BB-Ref data is available;
- + 31 apps of at least 5 IP, most since the 1917 Athletics (34)

THROUGH THE WRINGER—The Rays are 30-27 this season against the AL's five postseason teams...since June 22, they are 21-10 (.677) against these clubs, compared to 9-17 before that...at home, the Rays are 18-11 against the AL's five postseason teams: 5-5 against the Red Sox and a combined 13-6 against the Indians, Astros, Yankees and Athletics.

RAYS RECORD vs. CURRENT AL POSTSEASON TEAMS

	Overall			Since June 22				
	RS	RA	Diff.	RS	RA	Diff.		
Red Sox	8-11	80	72	+8	4-2	31	17	+14
Astros	4-3	18	18	--	3-1	11	7	+4
Indians	4-2	20	18	+2	4-2	20	18	+2
Yankees	9-9	57	77	-20	8-4	44	45	-1
Athletics	5-2	27	21	+6	2-1	13	11	+2
Totals	30-27	202	206	-4	21-10	119	98	+21

PHAM-LY MATTERS—**Tommy Pham** has hit safely in 27 of his last 28 games, batting .398/.484/.741 (43-for-108) over that span...he has reached base in all 28 of those games, longest active streak in the majors and the longest streak by a Ray since **Evan Longoria** (34) from Sep 19, 2012-April 23, 2013...it is the longest single-season on-base streak by a Ray since **Johnny Damon's** club-record 38-game stretch, May 3-June 14, 2011.

- + Pham has hit safely in 10 consecutive games, his third 10+ hitting streak this season...is batting .444 (16-for-36) over that span.

SHIRTS OFF OUR BACKS—During this homestand, the Rays Baseball Foundation is hosting the annual "Shirts Off Our Backs" fundraiser, with proceeds benefiting the Foundation's efforts to support youth and education programs in the Tampa Bay region...over 200 volunteers are on hand this week offering scratch-off cards in return for donations...the wide variety of prizes are highlighted by game-worn jerseys which players and coaches will present to winners on the field following Sunday's game.

#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**.
- + On Sep 11 vs. CLE, was ejected by home plate umpire **Mark Carlson**, his eighth ejection as Rays manager, first since July 18, 2017 at OAK.
- + Is the sixth Tampa-born manager in major league history, and second to manage the Rays following **Lou Piniella** (2003-05).
- + 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.
- + Earned World Series rings in 2007 (Red Sox) and 2009 (Yankees).

TODAY'S STARTER: RH JAIME SCHULTZ (2-1, 4.55 ERA)

- + Will be making his first career start in the majors...will become the 17th starting pitcher used by the Rays this season, breaking a tie with the Angels and Twins for most in the majors, and extending the club record over 2003 (14) and 2004 (14)...the Rays used eight starting pitchers all of last season—in fact, the 17 starters this season are more than the team's total from the previous three seasons combined (14, 2015-17).
- + Has made 80 starts over his minor league career, including one this season on June 23 at Indianapolis, a scoreless 1st inning on 14 pitches.
- + Has yielded 5 R/ER and 2 HR over his last 4 apps spanning 4.1 IP...last pitched on Mon vs. NYY, a perfect 9th inning including strikeouts of **Adeiny Hechavarria** and **Aaron Judge**, with a groundout in between...yielded 4 R/ER in his previous app, Sep 20 at TOR, allowing four of his 5 BF to reach base...started the 9th inning with a 8-2 lead and went double, RBI double, hit batter, strikeout, 3-run homer before being replaced in the 9-8 loss.
- + Has faced the Yankees three times this season, and is 0-0 with a 4.50 ERA (4-IP, 1-H, 2-R/ER)...all 3 apps against them have come at home.
- + Opponents are batting .162/.286/.354 (16-for-99) against him this season, but he has yielded 15 BB in addition to the 16 hits...right-handed batters are hitting .211/.343/.491 (12-for-57) with 5 HR against him, while he has held lefties to a .095/.204/.167 (4-for-42) line without a home run.
- + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Sep 1 to begin his third stint with the Rays this season, following May 27-29 and July 8-Aug 12.
- + Had a 5.75 ERA (36-IP, 23-ER) in 32 apps (1 start) with Durham...has spent parts of the last three seasons with the Bulls with a 12.23 SO/9 IP ratio.

TOMORROW'S STARTER: RH TYLER GLASNOW (2-7, 4.23 ERA)

- + Last pitched on Sat at TOR, and all 3 runs allowed came in the 4th inning, on a 2-run homer by **Rowdy Tellez** and RBI double by **Reese McGuire**...yielded 6 hits, matching his season high (2nd time, also Sep 11 vs. CLE), and threw a season-high 98 pitches, his most since May 7, 2017 (101, with PIT)...pitched a perfect 1st inning, but allowed at least one baserunner in every other frame, and his pitch count by inning was 13-13-15-30-10-17...was his third consecutive start of at least 6 IP, after going 0.2 IP on Sep 5 at TOR...his line: L, 6 IP, 6 H, 3 R/ER, 2 BB, 6 SO, 1 HR, 98 pit, 62 str.
- + Will be facing the Blue Jays for a second consecutive start, third time in 5 starts and fourth time in 11 starts since the trade to the Rays.
- + Is 1-5 with a 4.11 ERA (50.1-IP, 23-ER) and 55 SO in 10 starts with the Rays...is 0-2 with a 8.49 ERA (11.2-IP, 11-ER) in 3 starts against the Blue Jays and 1-3 with a 2.79 ERA (38.2-IP, 12-IP) against all other opponents...has allowed 1 run or fewer in five of his 10 starts with the Rays, 3 hits or fewer in 6 starts and 2 hits or fewer in 5 starts...has received a combined 11 runs of support in his 10 starts, including 2 runs of support or fewer in 9 starts.

RAYS HITTER NOTES

#1 WILLY ADAMES • INF	Pronunciation: ah-DAH-mes	2018: .271/.343/.407 • 10 HR • 33 RBI • 6 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 2-4, 2-RBI, R, CS Last HR: 9/18/18 at TEX	NYY Series: 2-7, 2-RBI, 2-BB, R Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.500, 2-4)	Trip: 7-23, HR, 5-RBI, 4-BB, 3-R RISP: .229 (19-83)	vs. LH: .253 (19-75), 2-HR vs. RH: .278 (55-198), 8-HR

- + Batting .333/.442/.528 (12-for-36) with 1 2B, 2 HR and 8 RBI in his last 11 games (9 starts)...has reached basely safely in 11 consecutive games.
- + His avg. was below .200 as late as July 29 (.196)...since then, is batting .323/.405/.484 (52-for-161) with 24 RBI in 48 games (44 starts).
- + Min. 75 PA, since the start of August, ranks among AL rookie leaders in avg. (.323, 2nd) and on-base pct. (.403, 1st)...also ranks 3rd with 51 hits.
- + Eight of his 10 HR have come with the bases empty, and seven of his 10 HR have come at home...is one of four Rays with double-digit homers.
- + Has appeared in 81 games and made 76 starts (68-SS, 8-2B)...his 14 errors lead the team, and his 13 errors at shortstop are tied for 5th in the AL.

#9 JAKE BAUERS • 1B/OF	Pronunciation: BOW-ers	2018: .198/.313/.383 • 11 HR • 46 RBI • 5 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 2-4, R Last HR: 9/15/18 vs. OAK	NYY Series: 2-10, R Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.500, 2-4)	Trip: 3-17, 3-2B, 3-RBI, 2-BB, 2-R RISP: .236 (17-72)	vs. LH: .186 (16-86), 2-HR vs. RH: .203 (46-227), 9-HR

- + Yesterday vs. NYY, snapped a 0-for-14 skid with a 4th-inning single...batting .234/.321/.447 (11-for-47) in his last 15 games (14 starts) since Sep 8.
- + Batting .159/.274/.302 (29-for-182) with 6 HR and 28 RBI in 57 games (52 starts) since the All-Star break, after .252/.368/.496 in the first half.
- + Min. 150 AB, his .159 avg. since the break is the lowest in the majors...next is NYM/PHI José Bautista (.178), and in the AL is BAL Chris Davis (.185).
- + 34 of his 62 hits (54.8 pct.) this season have gone for extra bases (21-2B, 2-3B, 11-HR), 5th-highest rate in the majors among players with 200 PA.
- + Has appeared in 93 games and made 86 starts (66-1B, 12-LF, 4-DH, 4-RF)...entered the season ranked by *Baseball America* as the No. 45 prospect.

#26 JI-MAN CHOI • 1B	Pronunciation: GEE-man CHOY	2018: .263/.357/.505 • 10 HR • 32 RBI • 2 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: DNP Last HR: 9/17/18 at TEX	NYY Series: 0-3, 3-BB Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-3	Trip: 5-17, 2B, HR, 3-RBI, 3-BB, 4-R RISP: .167 (8-48)	vs. LH: .136 (3-22), 1-HR vs. RH: .280 (47-168), 9-HR

- + Left Tuesday's game vs. NYY after a 3rd-inning collision at the plate on Brandon Lowe's double...received stitches for a left ear laceration.
- + Batting .172/.333/.310 (5-for-29) in his last 10 games (9 starts), compared to .353/.439/.824 (12-for-34) in his previous 10 games (9 starts), Sep 1-12.
- + Batting .292/.400/.584 (33-for-113) with 7 HR and 20 RBI in his last 35 games (31 starts)...this stretch has increased his season avg. from .221 to .263.
- + Has 5 HR in his last 18 games (15 starts), matching his total from his first 43 games (37 starts) of the season with the Brewers (2) and Rays (3).
- + Since joining the Rays, is batting .269/.370/.506 (43-for-160) with 12 2B, 8 HR and 27 RBI...has appeared in 49 games and made 45 starts (44-DH, 1-1B).
- + Since the trade, is batting .337 (31-for-92) with 11 2B and 5 HR with the bases empty and .176 (12-for-68) with 1 2B and 3 HR with runners on.

#19 NICK CIUFFO • C	Pronunciation: SHOO-fo	2018: .194/.268/.306 • 1 HR • 5 RBI • 0 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 1-4, RBI Last HR: 9/7/18 vs. BAL	NYY Series: 1-6, RBI Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.250, 1-4)	Trip: 1-8 RISP: .273 (3-11)	vs. LH: .250 (2-8) vs. RH: .179 (5-28), 1-HR

- + Batting .105/.150/.105 (2-for-19) with 1 RBI in his last 8 games (7 starts) and .226/.306/.355 (7-for-31) with 1 HR and 5 RBI in his last 13 games (12 starts).
- + Made his major league debut on Sep 3 at TOR...has appeared in 15 games and made 13 starts, all at catcher, since his selection from Triple-A.
- + Hit .262/.301/.380 (58-for-221) with 11 2B, 5 HR and 28 RBI in 60 games for Durham...threw out 43.2 pct. of attempted base stealers (21-SB, 16-CS).
- + In 2017, spent the entire season with Double-A Montgomery and was named Defensive Player of the Year by the Rays Baseball Operations dept. for a second consecutive year...named to the Southern League postseason All-Star Team, batting .245 (91-for-371) with 7 HR and 42 RBI.

#44 C.J. CRON • 1B	Pronunciation: krohn	2018: .255/.323/.489 • 28 HR • 71 RBI • 1 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 1-4, 2B, RBI Last HR: 9/23/18 at TOR	NYY Series: 1-9, 2B, RBI Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.250, 1-4)	Trip: 7-18, 2B, 3B, HR, 6-RBI, 3-BB, 3-R RISP: .201 (27-134)	vs. LH: .306 (44-144), 7-HR vs. RH: .233 (80-343), 21-HR

- + Batting .333/.429/.667 (10-for-30) with 2 HR and 9 RBI in his last 11 games (7 starts)...has reached base multiple times in four of those games.
- + His 28 HR are a career high and most on the team, ahead of Wilson Ramos (14)...his previous career high was 16 HR in 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- + Has hit 19.2 pct. of the team's homers...57 of his 124 hits (46.0 pct.) this season have gone for extra bases, the highest rate of his career.
- + Fourteen of his 28 HR have given the Rays a lead, tied for 4th in the AL and one shy of Carlos Peña (15) in 2007 for the single-season club record.
- + Has appeared in 136 games and made 121 starts (64-DH, 55-1B)...has been hit by pitch 17 times, a career high and 3rd-most in the AL.
- + Has only started 28 of the club's 51 games since Aug 1 and 36 of 62 games since the All-Star break, compared to 85 of 96 games in the first half.

RAYS HITTER NOTES (cont'd).

#5 MATT DUFFY • INF		2018: .294/.361/.366 • 4 HR • 44 RBI • 12 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 0-0, BB, R Last HR: 6/16/18 at NYY	NYY Series: 0-2, 3-BB, R Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-9	Trip: 7-23, 2B, 2-RBI, 2-BB, 5-R RISP: .322 (39-121)	vs. LH: .288 (38-132), 1-HR vs. RH: .296 (110-371), 3-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Was batting .300 as recently as the end of play on Sep 20 at TOR...since then, is batting .077/.333/.077 (1-for-13) in 5 games (all starts). + His .294 avg. ranks 3rd among AL third basemen and would be the best for a third baseman in club history since Evan Longoria (.294) in 2010. + Last homered on June 16 at NYY...has gone 284 AB without one, longest active drought in the majors (excluding pitchers) and a career long. + Only 27 of his 148 hits have gone for extra bases (18.2 pct.), lowest rate in the majors ahead of SEA Dee Gordon (28 of 148 hits, 18.9 pct.). + According to FanGraphs, 25.3 pct. of his balls in play are line drives, 7th-highest in the AL...the major league avg. for line drives is 21.5 pct. + Has appeared in 131 games and made 125 starts (120-3B, 5-DH)...has made 13 errors, 2nd-most on the team behind Willy Adames (14). 			
#27 CARLOS GÓMEZ • OF		2018: .212/.301/.342 • 9 HR • 32 RBI • 12 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: DNP Last HR: 9/9/18 vs. BAL	NYY Series: 0-1 Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-13	Trip: 0-10 RISP: .237 (22-93)	vs. LH: .188 (22-117), 2-HR vs. RH: .224 (53-237), 7-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Hitless in his last 13 AB and is 1-for-his-last-18...his only hit over that span was Sep 9 vs. BAL, a solo homer to snap a 71 AB homerless drought. + Has been hit by pitch a career-high 21 times, 2nd in the majors, and 3rd-most in club history to Brandon Guyer 2015 (24) and 2016 (23). + Has been charged with 7 errors, tied for 6th among ML outfielders, and the most by a Rays outfielder since Melvin Upton Jr. (7) in 2008. + Has appeared in 116 games and made 95 starts (86-RF, 6-DH, 3-CF)...is one of seven active players with at least 100 HR and 200 SB in his career. + Has only started 16 of the club's 51 games since Aug 1 and 23 of 62 games since the All-Star break, compared to 72 of 96 games in the first half. 			
#39 KEVIN KIERMAIER • CF		2018: .217/.282/.370 • 7 HR • 29 RBI • 10 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 0-1, HBP Last HR: 9/7/18 vs. BAL	Pronunciation: KEER-my-er NYY Series: 0-5 Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-17	Trip: 2-17, 2B, 4-BB, 2-R RISP: .174 (15-86)	vs. LH: .179 (17-95), 1-HR vs. RH: .232 (55-237), 6-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Left yesterday's game in the 4th inning...was hit by a pitch in the 1st inning...underwent X-rays which revealed a hairline fracture in his right foot. + Hitless in his last 17 AB after hitting safely in 12 of his previous 13 games...batting .162/.256/.297 (6-for-37) in his last 11 games (all starts). + His avg. was .175 at the end of play on Aug 14...since then, is batting .296/.349/.522 (34-for-115) with 7 2B, 3 HR and 12 RBI in 33 games (32 starts). + Despite a stint on the 60-day DL, his 9 3B are tied for 2nd in the majors and tied with Mallex Smith and CWS Yolmer Sánchez for the AL lead. + Has appeared in 88 games and made 86 starts, all in center field, including 22 starts against lefties...since 2015, leads the majors with 103 Defensive Runs Saved, ahead of ATL/LAA Andrelton Simmons (95)...has achieved this despite missing significant time in each of the last three seasons. 			
#35 BRANDON LOWE • INF/OF		2018: .248/.346/.496 • 6 HR • 23 RBI • 2 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 1-4 (def. rep.) Last HR: 9/23/18 at TOR	Pronunciation: rhymes with "now" NYY Series: 4-10, 2-2B, 2-RBI, BB Current Hitting Streak: 2G (.571, 4-7)	Trip: 2-14, HR, 2-RBI, R RISP: .263 (10-38)	vs. LH: .208 (5-24), 3-HR vs. RH: .258 (23-89), 3-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Eight of his last 11 hits have gone for extra bases (3-2B, 2-3B, 3-HR)...batting .225/.311/.525 (9-for-40) in his last 14 games (11 starts) since Sep 10. + On Tues vs. NYY, reached base in all 4 PA, tying a career high, and recorded the second multi-XBH game of his career (also Sep 2 at CLE). + Has appeared in 39 games and made 32 starts (20-2B, 7-LF, 5-RF) since his Aug 4 selection from Triple-A Durham...all 6 HR have come in his last 24 games (18 starts) since Aug 28, and his last 3 HR have come off lefties...has hit 28 HR between Double-A, Triple-A and the majors this season. + Hit .297/.391/.558 (113-for-380) with 31 2B, 22 HR and 76 RBI in 100 games between Double-A Montgomery and Durham this season, with a June 7 promotion to Triple-A...at the time of his selection, his 31 2B tied for 7th among full-season minor leaguers and his 54 XBH ranked 5th. 			
#17 AUSTIN MEADOWS • OF		2018: .286/.318/.452 • 5 HR • 16 RBI • 5 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 0-2 (def. rep.) Last HR: 6/2/18 at STL	NYY Series: 0-5 Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-10	Trip: 3-9, 2B, 3-RBI, 2-R RISP: .233 (7-30)	vs. LH: .271 (16-59), 3-HR vs. RH: .294 (32-109), 2-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Hitless in his last 10 AB since recording 3 hits off the bench on Fri at TOR...batting .214/.214/.286 (3-for-14) in 7 games (2 starts) with the Rays. + Hit .344/.396/.771 (33-for-96) with 11 2B, 10 HR and 22 RBI in 27 games with the Bulls in the regular season, including and 2-HR game on Aug 11 vs. Scranton and a 3-HR game on Aug 29 at Charlotte...from Aug 1 thru season's end, led the Int'l. League with 10 HR and ranked 2nd with 21 XBH. + Appeared in 49 games and made 35 starts over two stints with the Pirates...according to the Elias Sports Bureau, became the fifth player to debut in the expansion era (since 1961) to hit .400 with 4+ HR within his first 40 AB, joining Albert Pujols, Jeff Francoeur, Brian Giles and Yasiel Puig. 			
#31 ADAM MOORE • C		2018: .154/.154/.231 • 0 HR • 0 RBI • 0 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: DNP Last HR: 9/23/12 vs. CLE	NYY Series: 0-4 Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-4	Trip: DNP RISP: .000 (0-2)	vs. LH: -- vs. RH: .154 (2-13)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Tues vs. NYY, made his fourth start with the Rays, first since Sep 2 at CLE...threw out Andrew McCutchen attempting to steal in the 2nd. + Selected from Triple-A Durham on Aug 31, replacing Michael Perez on the active roster...marks his second stint with the Rays (also July 20-25). + Hit .219/.260/.347 (43-for-196) with 11 2B, 4 HR and 30 RBI in 58 games for the Bulls...threw out 33.3 pct. of attempted base stealers (20-SB, 10-CS). + Has appeared in 102 games and made 78 starts (77-C, 1-DH) over parts of nine seasons in the majors, batting .195/.234/.300 (56-for-287) with 6 HR. 			
#29 TOMMY PHAM • OF		2018: .274/.364/.464 • 21 HR • 61 RBI • 13 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 1-2, HR, RBI, 2-BB, 2-R Last HR: 9/26/18 vs. NYY	NYY Series: 3-9, 2-2B, HR, RBI, 2-BB, 4-R Current Hitting Streak: 10G (.444, 16-36)	Trip: 13-27, 2-3B, 3-HR, 7-RBI, 6-BB, 8-R RISP: .270 (34-126)	vs. LH: .300 (33-110), 6-HR vs. RH: .267 (99-371), 15-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Has hit safely in 27 of his last 28 games, batting .398/.484/.741 (43-for-108) with 6 2B, 5 3B, 7 HR and 19 RBI over that span...has reached base in all 28 of those games, longest active streak in the majors and the longest streak by a Ray since Evan Longoria (34) from Sep 19, 2012–April 23, 2013. + Batting .444/.543/.944 (16-for-36) with 2 2B, 2 3B, 4 HR and 8 RBI over his 10-game hitting streak, his 3rd-longest of the season. + Since returning from the 10-day DL on Aug 16, ranks among AL leaders in avg. (.360, 1st), OBP (.453, 2nd), SLG (.664, 2nd) and OPS (1.117, 2nd). + Has appeared in 35 games, all starts (31-LF, 2-CF, 2-DH), with the Rays...batting .346/.449/.638 (45-for-130) with 7 HR and 20 RBI since the trade. + The Rays are 25-10 (.714) with him in the starting lineup...they went 5-6 when he was on the 10-day DL, Aug 3-15, with a right foot fracture. + Last season, finished 11th in overall balloting for the NL Most Valuable Player Award, batting .306/.411/.520 (136-for-444) with 23 HR and 73 RBI. 			
#0 MALLEX SMITH • OF		2018: .293/.364/.401 • 2 HR • 38 RBI • 37 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: 1-5, R, GDP, SB Last HR: 8/15/18 at NYY	NYY Series: 1-12, BB, R Current Hitting Streak: 1G (.200, 1-5)	Trip: 7-25, 2-2B, 2-RBI, 3-BB, 5-R RISP: .297 (30-101)	vs. LH: .323 (30-93) vs. RH: .286 (106-371), 2-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Is 1-for-his-last-17...yesterday vs. NYY, snapped a 0-for-13 skid with a single in the 1st inning...batting .195/.298/.244 (8-for-41) in his last 10 games. + Was batting .302 as recently as the end of play on Sat at TOR...since then, is batting .059/.111/.059 (1-for-17) in 4 games (all starts). + Is tied for 1st in the AL with 9 3B and ranks 2nd with 37 SB...according to FanGraphs, 24.8 pct. of his balls in play are line drives, 8th in the AL. + Batting .345/.413/.465 (78-for-226) in 66 games (62 starts) at home, compared to .244/.317/.340 (58-for-238) in 70 games (60 starts) on the road. + Has appeared in 137 games and made 123 starts (58-CF, 42-RF, 23-LF)...has made 6 errors, but only one in his last 85 games (80 starts) since June 1. + Was selected as the Rays nominee for the Roberto Clemente Award...the league-wide winner will be announced during the World Series. 			
#45 JESÚS SUCRE • C		2018: .215/.250/.260 • 1 HR • 17 RBI • 1 SB	
Wed vs. NYY: DNP Last HR: 9/22/18 at TOR	Pronunciation: heh-SOOS SUE-cray NYY Series: DNP Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-3	Trip: 8-17, 2B, HR, RBI, BB, 3-R RISP: .188 (9-48)	vs. LH: .167 (9-54), 1-HR vs. RH: .236 (29-123)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Batting .500/.529/.750 (8-for-16) in his last 6 games (4 starts) since Sep 18...on Sun at TOR, snapped a career-high-tying 5-game hitting streak. + On Sat at TOR, homered off Thomas Pannone in the 7th inning, his first since Sep 24, 2017 at BAL...snapped his homerless drought at 179 AB. + Batting .266 (21-for-79) with runner(s) on base and .250 (6-for-24) with RISP/2 out, compared to .173 (17-for-98) with the bases empty. + Has appeared in 71 games and made 50 starts at catcher...has thrown out 29.4 pct. of base stealers this season and 28.8 pct. in his career. + On July 27 at BAL, made his fifth career pitching appearance, third with the Rays and second this season...got the last two outs of the 8th inn. 			

RAYS HITTER NOTES (cont'd).

#11 ANDREW VELAZQUEZ • INF/OF	Pronunciation: veh-LAS-kehz	2018: .333/.429/.333 • 0 HR • 0 RBI • 1 SB
Wed vs. NYY: 0-0, R (PR in 8th) Last HR: --	NYY Series: 0-0, R Current Hitting Streak: 0-for-2	Trip: 0-1 RISP: 1.000 (1-1) vs. LH: -- vs. RH: .333 (2-6)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Has appeared in 10 games and made 1 start with the Rays...his first career steal was Sep 10 vs. CLE and his first career hit was Sep 7 vs. BAL. + Selected from Triple-A Durham and made his debut on Sep 2...hit .255/313/417 (117-for-458) with 14 HR and 45 RBI in 125 games between Double-A Montgomery and Durham...between the two levels, was successful on 31 of 34 SB attempts (91.2 pct.), and his 29 SB for Durham led the IL. + Selected by the D-backs in the 7th round of the 2012 June Draft...acquired by the Rays in November 2014 in the Jeremy Hellickson trade. + In 2014, reached base safely in 74 consecutive games from April 22-July 16, breaking the minor league record according to MiLB.com. 		

#18 JOEY WENDLE • INF/OF	2018: .300/.354/.436 • 7 HR • 58 RBI • 15 SB
Wed vs. NYY: 1-4, RBI, R Last HR: 8/19/18 at BOS	NYY Series: 3-12, 2B, RBI, 2-R Current Hitting Streak: 4G (.286, 4-14) Trip: 12-26, 7-2B, 5-RBI, 6-BB, 4-R RISP: .285 (35-123) vs. LH: .293 (24-82) vs. RH: .301 (119-395), 7-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ranks among ML rookies in avg. (.300, 1st), on-base pct. (.354, 2nd), hits (143, 3rd), doubles (32, 3rd), triples (6, tied for 1st) and steals (15, tied for 3rd). + Has 8 2B in his last 10 games (all starts) since Sep 17 and 19 2B in 40 games (all starts) since Aug 10, 3rd in the majors and 2nd in the AL since then. + Ranks 8th in the AL with a .300 avg. ...since the beginning of July is batting .336/.399/.520 (84-for-250), 2nd-best avg. in the AL over that span. + Batting .254/.305/.371 (52-for-205) with 2 HR and 23 RBI at home, compared to .335/.392/.485 (91-for-272) with 5 HR and 35 RBI on the road. + Has appeared in 135 games and made 118 starts (82-2B, 14-3B, 13-LF, 7-SS)...has a .989 fielding pct. at second base, 2nd in the AL (min. 75 starts). + Is on pace to break Rocco Baldelli's club rookie record .289 avg. in 2003...his 143 hits and .354 OBP are both the best by a Rays rookie since 2007. + Was named the Rays recipient of the 2018 Heart and Hustle Award by the Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association (MLBPAA). 	

RAYS BULLPEN NOTES

#46 JOSÉ ALVARADO • LH	Pronunciation: al-vuh-RAH-doh	2018: 1-5-8 • 2.26 ERA • 69 G
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (1.1-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 4-SO, 22-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.0, 7/10 vs. DET Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-7/10/18 vs. DET, Loss-8/12/18 at TOR, Save-9/12/18 vs. CLE	Saves-Opps: 8-11 IR-RS: 49-11 vs. LH: .218 (17-78), 1-HR vs. RH: .162 (24-148)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, struck out all 4 BF, the final out of the 6th inning and a perfect 7th inning...sixteen of his last 17 apps have been scoreless. + Has pitched to a 1.78 ERA (25.1-IP, 5-ER) in 28 apps since the All-Star break and a 1.49 ERA (36.1-IP, 6-ER) over his last 42 apps since June 12. + Has only allowed 2 HR in 93.1 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 97.3 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. 		

#68 JALEN BEEKS • LH	2018: 5-1-0 • 5.51 ERA • 14 G • 1 GS	
Last App: 9/25 vs. NYY (3.2-IP, 4-H, 3-R, 2-BB, 2-SO, 1-HR, 65-pit)	Long Relief App: 5.1, 8/24 vs. BOS Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-9/21/18 at TOR, Loss-6/7/18 vs. DET, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 6-3 vs. LH: .196 (9-46), 1-HR vs. RH: .291 (43-148), 5-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Tues vs. NYY, inherited the bases loaded in the 3rd inn. and allowed a walk, sac fly and 3-run homer to Gary Sánchez, and yielded a 2-out RBI single to Sánchez in the 5th...has allowed 3 HR in his last 2 apps spanning 6.2 IP after not allowing one in his previous 6 apps spanning 19.1 IP. + Is 5-0 with a 3.07 ERA (41-IP, 14-ER) and .211 opp avg. (31-for-147) over his last 11 apps after allowing 8 R/ER in 3.1 IP in his Rays debut. + Has gone at least 2 IP in all 12 apps since joining the Rays...has made 9 apps of at least 3 IP, 5 apps of at least 4 IP and 4 apps of at least 5 IP. + Was acquired from the Red Sox on July 25 in exchange for Nathan Eovaldi...was 5-5 with a 2.89 ERA (87.1-IP, 28-ER) and 117 SO in 16 starts with Triple-A Pawtucket...at the time of the trade, ranked among Int'l. League leaders in ERA (5th), strikeouts (tied for 2nd) and WHIP (1.09, 2nd). + In 2017, was named the Red Sox Minor League Pitcher of the Year, going 11-8 with a 3.29 ERA (145-IP, 53-ER) in 26 starts between two levels. 		

#63 DIEGO CASTILLO • RH	2018: 3-2-0 • 3.13 ERA • 42 G • 11 GS	
Last App: 9/24 vs. NYY (GS, 2.0-IP, 2-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 3-SO, 36-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.2, 8/11 at TOR Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-8/11/18 at TOR, Loss-8/5/18 vs. CWS, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-2 IR-RS: 18-8 vs. LH: .150 (12-80), 3-HR vs. RH: .200 (23-115), 2-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Mon vs. NYY, threw a career-high-tying 36 pitches, retiring his first 5 BF before consecutive singles...his last 7 apps have been starts. + Has a 1.32 ERA (13.2-IP, 2-ER) in 9 apps (8 starts) since the start of September and is 1-0 with a 1.75 ERA (25.2-IP, 5-ER) in his last 17 apps (11 starts). + Has gone 3-2 with a 3.35 ERA (37.2-IP, 14-ER) and .167 opp avg. (22-for-132) in 31 relief apps and 0-0 with a 2.65 ERA and .206 opp avg. in 11 starts. + In his last 13 apps (11 starts) since Aug 19 at BOS, has thrown 45 pitches clocked at 100 mph or more...did this once in his first 29 apps this season. + His avg. fastball velocity this season is 97.6 mph, according to StatCast, and his max velocity is 101.9 mph in his start on Wed at TEX. + 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. 		

#72 YONNY CHIRINOS • RH	Pronunciation: chih-REE-nos	2018: 5-5-0 • 3.51 ERA • 18 G • 7 GS
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (W, 4.0-IP, 3-H, 0-R, 2-BB, 3-SO, 73-pit)	Long Relief App: 7.0, 9/3 at TOR Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-9/26/18 vs. NYY, Loss-8/17/18 at BOS, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 4-1 vs. LH: .240 (36-150), 4-HR vs. RH: .265 (48-181), 3-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Has made consecutive scoreless apps spanning 8.2 IP...on Wed vs. NYY, recorded the win, pitching the 2nd-5th innings and escaping a 2-on, 1-out jam in the 3rd and bases-loaded, 1-out jam in the 5th...his final batter was an inning-ending double play grounder off the bat of Giancarlo Stanton. + Has won his last four decisions spanning 7 apps since Aug 22 vs. KC...is 4-0 with a 2.89 ERA (37.1-IP, 12-ER) and .246 opp avg. over that span. + Is 5-2 with a 2.83 ERA (57.1-IP, 48-H, 22-R/18-ER) and .233 opp avg. (48-for-206) in 11 apps out of the bullpen and 0-3 with a 4.73 ERA in 7 starts. + Was recalled from Triple-A Durham on July 24 for his second stint, following Opening Day-June 3—which included a stint on the disabled list...was placed on the 10-day DL (right forearm strain) on May 1, retroactive to April 29...was reinstated and optioned to Durham on June 4. + Began the season with a 14.1 IP scoreless streak, the longest ever for a Rays pitcher to begin his career, passing Doug Waechter (11.1) in 2003. 		

#34 JAKE FARIA • RH	Pronunciation: fuh-REE-uh	2018: 4-4-0 • 5.40 ERA • 17 G • 12 GS
Last App: 9/25 vs. NYY (GS/L, 2.1-IP, 4-H, 3-R, 1-BB, 2-SO, 1-HR, 44-pit)	Long Relief App: 3.2, 8/1 vs. LAA Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-8/1/18 vs. LAA, Loss-9/25/18 vs. NYY, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 0-0 vs. LH: .250 (24-96), 2-HR vs. RH: .247 (36-146), 7-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Tues vs. NYY, made his 12th start of the season and first since Aug 15 at NYY...allowed 3 runs in the 3rd, including a Hechavarría homer. + Reinstated from the 60-day DL on Aug 1 (left oblique strain)...has made 7 apps (2 starts) spanning two stints in the majors since then, going 1-1 with a 5.19 ERA (17.1-IP, 10-ER)...was optioned to Triple-A Durham on Aug 16 and made 3 apps (2 starts) there before being recalled on Sep 4. + Is 3-2 with a 4.30 ERA (29.1-IP, 14-ER) in 8 apps (6 starts) at home, compared to 1-2 with a 6.31 ERA (35.2-IP, 25-ER) in 9 apps (6 starts) on the road. + Has made 12 starts, including 10 starts before the oblique injury...has gone less than 6 IP in nine of his 12 starts and less than 5 IP seven times. 		

#58 CHIH-WEI HU • RH	Pronunciation: CHEE-way HOO	2018: 0-0-0 • 4.50 ERA • 4 G
Last App: 9/25 vs. NYY (2.0-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 2-BB, 2-SO, 42-pit)	Long Relief App: 5.0, 7/12 at MIN Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-9/28/17 at NYY, Loss-6/10/17 vs. OAK (G2), Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 3-0 vs. LH: .227 (5-22), 2-HR vs. RH: .091 (2-22)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Tues vs. NYY, pitched around a 2-out walk in the 7th and a 1-out walk in the 8th, his first app in the majors since July 24 vs. NYY. + Has gone 2.2 IP, 5 IP, 2.1 IP and 2 IP in his 4 apps...yielded 3 R/ER in his first app, and has yielded 3 R/ER in his last 3 apps spanning 9.1 IP. + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Sep 20 to begin his fifth stint with the Rays (also April 16, April 29-May 3, July 12-14 and July 23-24). + Went 5-7 with a 4.66 ERA (102.1-IP, 53-ER) in 24 apps (19 starts) with the Bulls...started the Triple-A National Championship Game vs. Memphis. 		

#36 ANDREW KITTREDGE • RH	Pronunciation: KIT-rij	2018: 3-2-0 • 7.18 ERA • 32 G • 3 GS
Last App: 9/25 vs. NYY (0.0-IP, 1-H, 2-R, 1-BB, 0-SO, 4-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.1, 3x-last 7/29 at BAL Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-9/16/18 vs. OAK, Loss-4/5/18 at BOS, Save-none	Saves-Opps: 0-0 IR-RS: 18-7 vs. LH: .226 (12-53), 1-HR vs. RH: .378 (37-98), 4-HR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Tues vs. NYY, inherited 2-on, 1-out in the 3rd inning and allowed a RBI double to Luke Voit...issued an intentional walk to Giancarlo Stanton, then was replaced by Jalen Beeks...was his second consecutive app allowing a run after a streak of nine consecutive scoreless outings. + Since the start of September, is 2-0 with a 4.32 ERA (8.1-IP, 4-ER) in 11 apps...recorded the win in consecutive apps on Sep 15-16 vs. OAK. + Has held left-handed hitters to a .226/.349/.358 (12-for-53) line with 1 HR this season, but righties are batting .378/.421/.582 (37-for-98) with 4 HR. + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Aug 25 for his fifth stint with the Rays this season (Opening Day-May 13, July 4-8, July 11-15, July 27-31). + Was 6-0 with a 2.74 ERA (46-IP, 14-ER) and .229 opp avg. (41-for-179) in 21 apps (1 start) for the Bulls...16 of his 21 apps there were 2 IP or longer. 		

RAYS BULLPEN NOTES (cont'd).

#56 ADAM KOLAREK • LH	Pronunciation: koh-LAIR-ick	2018: 1-0-2 • 3.74 ERA • 30 G		
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (0.1-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 1-SO, 5-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.2, 7/10 vs. DET	Saves-Opps: 2-4	IR-RS: 14-3	vs. LH: .212 (11-52) vs. RH: .316 (25-79)
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-7/22/18 vs. MIA, Loss-none, Save-9/1/18 at CLF				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, started the 6th inning and got a swinging strikeout of Neil Walker, his only batter faced, his sixth straight scoreless app. + Has pitched to a 1.65 ERA (27.1-IP, 5-ER) over his last 25 apps spanning two stints since July 22, after a 12.79 ERA in his first 5 apps of the season. + Has recorded 4 outs or more in 12 apps...has a 3.00 ERA (18-IP, 6-ER) in 15 apps at home and a 4.60 ERA (15.2-IP, 8-ER) in 15 apps on the road. + On Aug 16 at NYY, inherited the bases loaded with no outs in the 9th and retired all 3 BF to close out a 3-1 win and record his first career save. + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Aug 3...went 5-1 with a 1.61 ERA (44.2-IP, 8-R/ER), 4 saves and 52 SO in 31 apps (1 start) for the Bulls. 				
#60 HOBY MILNER • LH	Pronunciation: HOH-bee MIL-ner	2018: 0-0-0 • 7.50 ERA • 12 G		
Last App: 7/20 vs. MIA (0.2-IP, 2-H, 3-R, 1-ER, 1-BB, 0-SO, 1-HR, 18-pit)	Long Relief App: 1.0, 4/10 vs. CIN	Saves-Opps: 0-0	IR-RS: 5-5	vs. LH: .263 (5-19), 2-HR vs. RH: .375 (3-8)
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-none, Loss-none, Save-none				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Sep 20 for his fourth stint this season (Opening Day-April 20, July 9 with PHI, and July 15-20 with TB). + Has totaled 12 apps between the Phillies (10) and Rays (2)...has only made 1 app this season of at least 1 IP, while 6 apps have been 0.1 IP or fewer. + In 40 apps (1 start) this season between Durham and Lehigh Valley at the Triple-A level, went 1-0 with a 2.88 ERA (40.2-IP, 13-ER) and 49 SO. + Last pitched in the majors on July 20 vs. MIA, his second app with the Rays...allowed a career-high-tying 3 runs on a go-ahead, 3-run homer by Derek Dietrich in the 7th inning...it was the fourth extra-base hit allowed in his career against lefties and second homer (March 29 at ATL). 				
#38 VIDAL NUÑO • LH	Pronunciation: vee-DAHL NOON-yoh	2018: 3-0-0 • 1.69 ERA • 16 G		
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (0.0-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 0-SO, 1-pit)	Long Relief App: 4.2, 6/30 vs. HOU	Saves-Opps: 0-1	IR-RS: 5-3	vs. LH: .233 (7-30), 2-HR vs. RH: .193 (17-88), 3-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-7/3/18 at MIA, Loss-5/12/17 at KC, Save-none				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, entered with 0-on, 2-out in the 8th inning and hit Neil Walker on his only pitch thrown...it was the sixth time in franchise history a pitcher hit a batter on his only pitch and first time since Adam Kolarek on July 14, 2017 at LAA (Kole Calhoun, 7th inning). + Has made 16 apps with the Rays, including 8 apps of 2 IP or more and 6 apps of 3 IP or more...has gone 1 IP or fewer in his last 5 apps. + Has a 1.29 ERA (21-IP, 3-ER) in 10 apps at home this season, and has a 1.32 ERA (34-IP, 5-ER) in 13 apps (2 starts) in his career at Tropicana Field. + Is 3-0 in 16 apps for the Rays this season, compared to 5-21 (.192) in 138 apps (42 starts) over his first five seasons in the majors (2013-17). + Reinstated from the 10-day DL (right hamstring strain) on Sep 1...made 3 rehab starts for Class-A Charlotte, with a 4.91 ERA (7.1-IP, 4-ER). + Sustained the injury running the bases in a 16-inning, 9-6 win on July 3 at MIA...got the win and singled in both the 15th and 16th innings. 				
#50 AUSTIN PRUITT • RH	Pronunciation: PROO-it	2018: 2-3-3 • 4.57 ERA • 21 G		
Last App: 9/21 at TOR (S, 3.0-IP, 3-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 0-SO, 38-pit)	Long Relief App: 7.0, 6/7 vs. SEA	Saves-Opps: 3-4	IR-RS: 5-0	vs. LH: .253 (22-87), 4-HR vs. RH: .269 (42-156), 3-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-6/12/18 vs. TOR, Loss-6/7/18 vs. SEA, Save-9/21/18 at TOR				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Fri at TOR, credited with his fourth career save and third this season, first since July 26 at BAL (1.1 IP)...was the third of his career of the 3 IP variety, joining May 27 vs. BAL (5.2 IP) and June 23, 2017 vs. BAL (3 IP)...his 3 saves of this type are 2nd-most in club history to Matt Andriese (4). + Recalled from Triple-A Durham on Sep 20 for his fifth stint (Opening Day-April 25, May 13-June 21, June 25-July 3 and July 26-Aug 3). + Has gone at least 2 IP in 17 of his 21 apps this season...has made 9 apps of at least 3 IP, 6 apps of at least 4 IP and 5 apps of at least 5 IP. + All 21 apps this season have come out of the bullpen...last season, combined for 107.2 IP in 39 apps (12 starts) between the Rays and Durham. + Went 3-0 with a 2.95 ERA (39.2-IP, 13-ER) in 14 apps (4 starts) in the regular season with the Bulls...made 3 apps (2 starts) in the IL postseason. 				
#52 CHAZ ROE • RH	Pronunciation: CHAZ-roh	2018: 1-3-1 • 3.49 ERA • 59 G		
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (0.1-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 1-SO, 9-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.0, 6/17 at NYY	Saves-Opps: 1-2	IR-RS: 28-6	vs. LH: .237 (9-38), 2-HR vs. RH: .185 (25-135), 4-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-6/17/18 at NYY, Loss-8/28/18 at ATL, Save-6/9/18 vs. SEA				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, got the second out of the 6th inning, recording a strikeout/wild pitch of Miguel Andújar and pop out from Gary Sánchez. + His last 6 apps spanning 4.2 IP have been scoreless...has pitched to a 3.21 ERA (14-IP, 6-R/5-ER) in 18 apps since returning from the disabled list. + Has pitched to a 1.17 ERA (23-IP, 3-ER) and .152 opp avg. in 28 apps at home, compared to a 5.54 ERA (26-IP, 16-ER) in 31 apps on the road. + Was on the disabled list, July 7-Aug 13, with a left meniscus tear...his last app before the DL stint was a walk-off grand slam by José Bautista. + According to FanGraphs, has thrown his slider for 52.4 pct. of total pitches this season...has thrown it 45.7 pct. of the time in his career. + The Rays are his 10th major league organization since being selected in the 2005 June Draft...also played independent ball in 2012. 				
#54 SERGIO ROMO • RH	Pronunciation: SER-jio ROMO	2018: 3-4-24 • 4.13 ERA • 71 G • 5 GS		
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (S, 1.1-IP, 5-H, 4-R, 1-BB, 1-SO, 41-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.0, 3x-last 7/3 at MIA	Saves-Opps: 24-32	IR-RS: 36-16	vs. LH: .241 (20-83), 3-HR vs. RH: .269 (43-166), 7-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-8/23/18 vs. KC, Loss-9/20/18 at TOR, Save-9/26/18 vs. NYY				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, entered with a 4-3 lead and got the final out of the 8th, and recorded the save despite allowing 4 R/ER in the 9th after the Rays increased their lead to 8-3...threw 41 pitches, 3rd-most of his career behind July 3 at MIA (42) and Sep 2, 2008 at COL (46, with SF)...became the first pitcher in the majors to allow 4 runs or more and record a save in an app of 1.1 IP or fewer since SEA Mike Timlin on Aug 24, 1998 vs. CWS. + Has pitched to a 15.19 ERA (5.1-IP, 9-R/ER) over his last 6 apps dating back to Sep 15...this stretch has increased his season ERA from 3.15 to 4.13. + Has made a team-high 71 apps, tied for 6th in the AL...all 24 saves this season have come since May 29, 6th-most in the majors since then. + Only two pitchers in ML history can match his combination of starts and saves: NYM Jenrry Mejia in 2014 and CHC Ryan Dempster in 2005. + Has been charged with 8 blown saves, tied with TOR Ryan Tepera for most in the AL...has converted 75.0 pct. of his save opportunities. + Has allowed 4 HR in his last 6 apps spanning 5.1 IP since Sep 15, and has allowed 10 HR this season, a career high ahead of 2014 (9) and 2017 (9). + On July 25 vs. NYY, became the first pitcher to also appear in a game at third base since PHI Bill Wilson on Aug 6, 1971 at PIT...became the first AL pitcher to appear defensively at another position and record a save since MIL Chuck Crim on June 6, 1989 at TOR (first base). 				
#55 RYNE STANEK • RH	Pronunciation: STAN-ik	2018: 2-3-0 • 3.08 ERA • 58 G • 28 GS		
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (GS, 1.0-IP, 2-H, 3-R, 1-BB, 2-SO, 1-HR, 30-pit)	Long Relief App: 2.0, 7/3 at MIA	Saves-Opps: 0-0	IR-RS: 17-6	vs. LH: .169 (14-83), 2-HR vs. RH: .207 (30-145), 6-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-8/25/18 vs. BOS, Loss-7/28/18 at BAL, Save-none				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, started and yielded a 3-run homer to Neil Walker, the second of his career allowed to a lefty, both in his last 4 apps (2 starts). + Since the start of June, is 1-2 with a 2.80 ERA (54.2-IP, 17-ER) and .197 opp avg. (38-for-193) in 49 apps (26 starts) to lower his season ERA from 4.66. + Is the first pitcher with 25 starts and 25 relief apps in a season since PHI Hugh Mulcahy (26 starts, 30 relief apps) in 1937 and the first AL pitcher since PHA Eddie Rommel (31 starts, 25 relief apps) in 1923...is the first rookie in major league history with 25 starts and 25 relief apps in a season. + His avg. fastball velocity this season is 98.0 mph, according to StatCast, and his max velocity is 100.5 mph in his start on May 26 vs. BAL. + Has gone 2-1 with a 2.39 ERA (26.1-IP, 7-ER) and .187 opp avg. (17-for-91) in 30 relief apps and 0-2 with a 3.55 ERA and .197 opp avg. in 28 starts. 				
#61 HUNTER WOOD • RH	Pronunciation: HUN-ter WOOD	2018: 1-1-0 • 3.66 ERA • 26 G • 8 GS		
Last App: 9/26 vs. NYY (0.2-IP, 0-H, 0-R, 0-BB, 0-SO, 8-pit)	Long Relief App: 3.0, 7/3 at MIA	Saves-Opps: 0-0	IR-RS: 5-0	vs. LH: .262 (16-61), 1-HR vs. RH: .272 (25-92), 3-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-9/4/18 at TOR, Loss-8/14/18 at NYY, Save-none				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Yesterday vs. NYY, retired both batters faced for the first two outs of the 8th inning, a Luke Voit fly out and Giancarlo Stanton fly out. + Has pitched to a 1.00 ERA (9-IP, 1-ER) in his last 7 apps since Sep 4 and a 3.00 ERA (15-IP, 5-ER) in his last 12 apps (2 starts) since Aug 11. + Has pitched to a 3.42 ERA (26.1-IP, 10-ER) and .235 opp avg. (23-for-98) out of the bullpen, and a 4.15 ERA and .327 opp avg. in his 8 starts. + Has allowed 4 HR, all in relief, and all solo homers...has only allowed 1 HR in his last 15 apps (5 starts) spanning 20.2 IP since the start of August. + Was recalled from Triple-A Durham on June 30 for his third stint...was 2-2 with a 3.00 ERA (42-IP, 14-ER) in 24 apps (2 starts) with the Bulls. 				
#48 RYAN YARBROUGH • LH	Pronunciation: YAHR-bro	2018: 15-6-0 • 3.93 ERA • 37 G • 6 GS		
Last App: 9/24 vs. NYY (L, 5.0-IP, 5-H, 3-R, 2-BB, 3-SO, 89-pit)	Long Relief App: 7.0, 5/25 vs. BAL	Saves-Opps: 0-0	IR-RS: 24-7	vs. LH: .207 (29-140), 5-HR vs. RH: .258 (107-415), 13-HR
Last Win, Loss & Save: Win-9/19/18 at TEX, Loss-9/24/18 vs. NYY, Save-none				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + On Mon vs. NYY, took his first loss since July 21 vs. MIA, snapping a streak of seven straight winning decisions spanning 11 apps (1 start) from July 26-Sep 19...yielded a RBI single to Brett Gardner and RBI double to Giancarlo Stanton in the 5th and RBI double to Aaron Judge in the 7th. + Is 5-1 with a 3.00 ERA (36-IP, 12-ER) and .227 opp avg. (30-for-132) with 2 HR allowed over his last 9 apps (1 start) dating back to Aug 12. + Is 13-4 with a 3.73 ERA (115.2-IP, 48-ER) and .239 opp avg. (106-for-443) in 31 relief apps and 2-2 with a 4.71 ERA and .268 opp avg. in 6 starts. + Leads major league rookies with 15 wins, and also leads AL rookies with 144.1 IP and 126 SO...ranks 2nd on the team in wins, innings and strikeouts, trailing Blake Snell in all three of those categories...his 15 wins are a club single-season rookie record, passing Rolando Arrojo (14) in 1998. + His 13 wins in relief are the most in the majors, regardless of rookie status, since TOR Mark Eichhorn (13) and NYM Roger McDowell (13) in 1986. + Has yielded a team-most 18 HR, including 15 HR out of the bullpen, most among major league relievers and a club record among relievers. + His 115.2 IP out of the bullpen are the most for any reliever since TOR Duane Ward (127.2 IP) and SD Greg Harris (117.1 IP) in 1990 and the most for a rookie reliever since 1986...his 22 relief apps of 3+ IP, 18 relief apps of 4+ IP and 11 relief apps of 5+ IP are all the most in the majors. 				

