



BALTIMORE ORIOLES GAME NOTES

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TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018 • CENTURY LINK SPORTS COMPLEX • FORT MYERS, FL
MINNESOTA TWINS (9-6-2) vs. BALTIMORE ORIOLES (10-8-1) • 1:05 PM ET

TODAY'S GAME

The Orioles travel to Fort Myers for the final time this spring, to take on the Twins for a 1:05 p.m. start...It is the third of four matchups between the two clubs during Spring Training, with the final one being on March 24 in Sarasota...The teams tied in their first matchup 1-1 on February 24 in Sarasota and the Orioles fell 9-8 in their second matchup on March 6 in Fort Myers.

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

The Orioles earned their fourth-straight win defeating the Pirates by a score of 8-5 in Bradenton...RHP Dylan Bundy made the start, tossing 5.0 innings, allowing one run on seven hit with five strikeouts...The O's notched a five-run fourth inning which included a double from 1B Pedro Álvarez, a RBI-single by RF Joey Rickard, and a two-RBI double by SS Luis Sardíñas...2B Jonathan Schoop also slugged his third home run of the spring to lead off the fifth inning.

TODAY'S PITCHERS

ORIOLES: RHP Chris Tillman, LHP Josh Edgin, RHP José Mesa, Jr., LHP Donnie Hart, RHP Jimmy Yacabonis

TWINS: RHP Lance Lynn

TOMORROW'S PITCHERS

ORIOLES: RHP Miguel Castro

YANKEES: RHP Chance Adams

TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

The Orioles will take on New York-AL for the first time this spring, as the Yankees travel to Sarasota for a 1:05 p.m. start time...The two teams will play once more during Spring Training, on Wednesday, March 21 in Tampa...The Orioles clubhouse will be closed in the morning due to a previously scheduled meeting.

BIRDLAND SOUTH

This season marks the ninth for the O's in Sarasota, and the eighth at renovated Ed Smith Stadium...Named the top venue among MLB Spring Training sites in both Florida and Arizona (*USA Today*), the facility features modern amenities, historical architecture, and first-class playing surfaces.

O's ON THE TUBE

The Mid-Atlantic Sports Network (MASN) will broadcast three remaining Orioles Spring Training games this season.

O's ON THE AIR

Entercom's 105.7 The Fan (WJZ-FM), the flagship station of the Orioles Radio Network, will broadcast eight remaining Spring Training games in 2018.

BREAKDOWN vs. OPPONENTS

OPP.	HOME	ROAD	TOTAL
BOS (4)	1-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0
DET (2)	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-0
MIN (4)	0-0-1	0-1-0	0-1-1
NYM (2)	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
NYJ (2)	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
PHI (4)	1-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0
PIT (3)	2-0-0	1-0-0	3-0-0
STL (2)	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-0
TB (6)	0-1-0	3-0-0	3-1-0
TOR (3)	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-2-0
TOTAL (32)	4-4-1	6-4-0	10-8-1

MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS AUCTION: On Friday, February 23, the Orioles wore the caps of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School (MSDHS) baseball team, the Stoneman Douglas Eagles, during both pregame activities and the game against the Tampa Bay Rays at Ed Smith Stadium. The Orioles joined the other 29 MLB clubs to honor the victims of this senseless act of violence and to show support for the Parkland, Fla., community. The caps were authenticated, autographed, and auctioned off, raising over \$7,800 for the Broward Education Foundation.

TOPPING THE LIST: In a recent study conducted for *USA TODAY*, *ReviewTrackers* (reviewtrackers.com), a data-mining firm in Chicago, found Ed Smith Stadium as the top venue among Major League Baseball Spring Training sites in both Florida and Arizona...The study analyzed the comments in 36,000 online reviews of the 23 stadiums used for Spring Training, tracking how fans felt about the facility itself, food and drink offerings, and the overall experience for fans and families...The findings were published in *USA TODAY's* Spring Training Preview section, available February 21-27, 2018.

ORIOLES HEALTH & FITNESS CHALLENGE RETURNS: For the third year, the Orioles and Sarasota County Schools teamed up to encourage physical fitness, healthy eating, and tobacco-free living among middle school aged children through the Orioles Health & Fitness Challenge...In partnership with HealthFit Powered by Sarasota Memorial and SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco), the program expanded in 2017 to include a greater focus on both nutrition and tobacco-free living, as well as expanding to include Oak Park School, where the faculty adapted the curriculum for students with special needs...The five-week Challenge began in January and was offered in 10 county schools for more than 4,500 students in grades six through eight...Students participated in a variety of health and fitness challenges including endurance, strength, flexibility, speed, and balance...Students earned Orioles-themed prizes throughout the Challenge and two free tickets to the O's Spring Training game on February 24 vs. Minnesota...Among those that participated in the Challenge this season are former Orioles second baseman **Brian Roberts**, and current Orioles **Brad Brach** and **Trey Mancini**.

COACHING STAFF: The Orioles welcomed back each member of the coaching staff from the 2017 season...This year will be the second season for **Howie Clark** (assistant hitting), **Roger McDowell** (pitching) and **Alan Mills** (bullpen), the fourth season for **Scott Coolbaugh** (hitting) and sixth for **Bobby Dickerson** (third base) and **Einar Díaz** (coach), while **Wayne Kirby** (first base) and **John Russell** (bench) return for their eighth years on the coaching staff.

TRAINER UPDATE: The Orioles named **Brian Ebel** as the club's Head Athletic Trainer, and **Mark Shires** and **Pat Wesley** as Assistant Athletic Trainers on January 8...Ebel spent the last 21 seasons as the Assistant Athletic Trainer under former Head Athletic Trainer Richie Bancells...Ebel is just the fourth Head Athletic Trainer in Orioles history since the franchise moved to Baltimore in 1954...Shires joins the big league club after spending the previous 11 years with Triple-A Norfolk...Wesley spent the previous three seasons with Double-A Bowie...This will be Shires' 20th season as an Athletic Trainer in the Orioles organization, and Wesley's 15th.

NON-ROSTER INVITEES: The Orioles invited 25 players to Major League Spring Training as non-roster invitees...11 pitchers: **LHP Jayson Aquino**, **LHP Josh Edgin**, **LHP Andrew Faulkner**, **RHP Jeff Ferrell**, **RHP Eddie Gamboa**, **RHP Perci Garner**, **LHP Jason Gurka**, **RHP Jhan Mariñez**, **RHP Tim Melville**, **LHP Joely Rodriguez**, and **RHP Asher Wojciechowski**; one catcher: **Audry Perez**; seven infielders: **Pedro Álvarez**, **Ryan Mountcastle**, **Garabez Rosa**, **Erick Salcedo**, **Luis Sardíñas**, **Ruben Tejada**, and **Danny Valencia**; and six outfielders: **Jaycob Brugman**, **Craig Gentry**, **Cedric Mullins**, **Alex Presley**, **Colby Rasmus**, and **DJ Stewart**.

OFFSEASON ADDITIONS: Since the end of the 2017 season, the Orioles traded for two players that are still in camp (**C Andrew Susac**, and **INF Engelb Vielma**)...The club signed three players as free agents (**RHP Andrew Cashner**, **RHP Michael Kelly**, and **RHP Chris Tillman**), and selected **RHP Pedro Araujo** (Chicago-NL), **LHP Nestor Cortes, Jr.** (New York-AL), and **RHP José Mesa, Jr.** (New York-AL) in the Rule 5 Draft.

THE SKIPPER: A three-time Manager of the Year (1994, 2004, 2014), **Buck Showalter** returns for his ninth season as Orioles manager...He has a 1504-1402 (.518) record in 19 seasons as manager of the Yankees (313-268, 1992-95), Diamondbacks (250-236, 1998-2000), Rangers (319-329, 2003-2006), and Orioles (622-569, August 2010-current)...Showalter's 1504 career victories rank 23rd all-time and third among active managers behind Bruce Bochy (1853), and Mike Scioscia (1570)...His 622 wins as Orioles manager are second-most in club history behind only Earl Weaver (1480)...Showalter passed Paul Richards (517) for sole possession of second place on the Orioles all-time managerial wins list with his 518th career victory as Orioles manager on August 2, 2016, vs. Texas.

SPRING TRAINING IN SARASOTA: In the eight years since the Orioles moved Major League Spring Training to Sarasota, more than 885,000 fans have enjoyed Orioles games at Ed Smith Stadium...A recent independent analysis commissioned by Sarasota County Government concluded that the Orioles generate approximately \$97 million in annual economic impact back to taxpayers and residents...By marketing Sarasota to fans in the Mid-Atlantic region, operating a year-round athletic training facility, producing entertainment and sporting events, partnering with charitable causes, and hosting and often subsidizing youth sports tournaments and activities, the Orioles demonstrate an abiding commitment to their Florida home that goes far beyond baseball...For details, visit www.orioles.com/sarasota.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

vs. New York-AL – 1:05 p.m.
 NYY starter: RHP Chance Adams
 BAL starter: RHP Miguel Castro

CLUBHOUSE OPEN TO MEDIA:
 Closed AM, postgame
TV: MASN Radio: 105.7 The Fan

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

at St. Louis – 1:05 p.m.
 BAL starter: TBD
 STL starter: TBD

CLUBHOUSE OPEN TO MEDIA:
 8:00-9:00 a.m. (Sarasota), postgame

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

at New York-NL – 1:10 p.m.
 BAL starter: TBD
 NYM starter: TBD

CLUBHOUSE OPEN TO MEDIA:
 8:00-9:00 a.m. (Sarasota), postgame

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

vs. Toronto – 1:05 p.m.
 TOR starter: TBD
 BAL starter: TBD

CLUBHOUSE OPEN TO MEDIA:
 8:00-9:00 a.m., postgame
Radio: 105.7 The Fan

