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ST. LOUIS CARDINALS (4-6-1)

(RHP Jack Flaherty; 0-0, 9.00)

vs.

MIAMI MARLINS (6-4-1)

(RHP Brett Graves; 1-0, 1.80)

ROGER DEAN CHEVROLET STADIUM, JUPITER, FL

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 – 1:05 p.m.

Broadcasts: WINZ 940 AM (English)



TODAY'S GAME: The Marlins host the Cardinals at 1:05 p.m. after two days on the road. Today is the second of seven meetings between the Clubs this Spring; Miami was a 6-4 winner in their Grapefruit League opener on February 23.

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER: Right-hander **Brett Graves** is making his third appearance (second start) of the Spring today. He picked up a relief win in his last outing, pitching the final 3.0 innings (2 h, r, er, 2 bb, 2 so) in a 3-2 win at the Mets on March 1. Two more right-handed starters are scheduled to follow Graves. **Sandy Alcantara** is slated for his third appearance of the Spring (1.80 ERA; 5.0 ip, 4 h, r, er, 3 so), as is **Jacob Turner** (1.93 ERA; 4.2 ip, 7 h, r, er, bb, 2 so).

SPREAD THE WORD TO END THE WORD: The Marlins have partnered with Best Buddies Florida and Special Olympics Florida - Miami-Dade County to support the "Spread The Word to End the Word" campaign. "Spread The Word to End the Word" is a media campaign to end the use of the R-word. The R-word is the word "retard(ed)," which is offensive and derogatory. This campaign asks people to pledge to stop saying the R-word as a starting point toward creating more accepting attitudes and communities for all people. Marlins' players will be taking their pledge before today's game. Best Buddies and Special Olympics Florida Miami-Dade County will have a table activation on the concourse level, giving fans the opportunity to make their pledge as well.

MISSED CHANCES: The Marlins took an early 2-0 lead but failed to capitalize on four Houston errors in a 5-3 loss in West Palm Beach yesterday. Miami was 1x11 with runners in scoring position, stranding 11 base runners. **Eric Campbell** and **Peter Mooney** each singled to lead off the second, with Campbell later scoring on a **Magneuris Sierra** single and Mooney crossing the plate on a **J.T. Realmuto** sac fly. Miami did not score again until the eighth, when it trailed 5-2. **Isan Diaz** scored on double-play ground out to cap the scoring.

CURRENT ROSTER: Miami has 66 players currently in Major League camp, including the full 40-man roster and 26 non-roster invitees. There are 36 pitchers in camp: 24 from the 40-man roster, and 12 NRIs. There are 28 right-handed pitchers (16 40-man and 12 NRIs) and eight left-handed pitchers, all on the 40-man. The Club is also carrying seven catchers (three NRIs), 14 infielders (seven NRIs), and nine outfielders (four NRIs).

STOCKING THE FISH FARM: The Marlins entered Spring Training with 28 players in Major League camp who were not in the organization at the end of last season, including 10 players on the 40-man roster. Each day, a new face in the franchise will be spotlighted. Today's player is infielder **Isan Diaz**, who has appeared in seven consecutive games for Miami this Spring, going 3x7 with two runs scored, a double, and an RBI since picking up his first hit on March 1. Diaz was acquired by Miami from Milwaukee in January in the Christian Yelich trade and became the Marlins' No. 8 ranked prospect, according to MLB.com (No. 4 among all second-base prospects). Diaz has been a league All-Star in three of his four professional seasons, and won Pioneer League MVP honors in 2015. He has a .261 career average, with 86 doubles, 16 triples, 49 homers, and 201 RBI in 362 Minor League games.

ROSTER ODDS AND ENDS: The oldest player in Major League camp for Miami is reliever **Brad Ziegler** (38, born 10/10/1979)... the youngest is right-handed starter **Nick Neiderth** (21, born 11/20/1996)...there are six players in camp listed at or over 6-feet, 5-inches in height last season, led by **Tayron Guerrero** at 6-foot-7 and followed by **James Needy** (6-6), **Garrett Cooper** (6-6), **Jacob Turner** (6-6), **Lewis Brinson** (6-5), and **Ben Meyer** (6-5)... the shortest player in camp is **Peter Mooney** (5-6)... there are four Florida natives in camp (Brinson, **Brian Ellington**, **Justin Nicolino**, and Mooney)... there are 24 players who hail from outside the United States, the most coming from the Dominican Republic (9)... Twelve players currently in camp were drafted by the Marlins, 27 were free agent signings, 22 were acquired via trade, two via waivers, and three in the Rule 5 Draft.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS: The Marlins are celebrating their 25th Anniversary throughout the 2018 Championship Season. The main feature of the slate of events will be the 25th Anniversary Weekend Celebration from June 8-10, when Miami plays San Diego at Marlins Park. The team will wear commemorative throwback teal pinstripe uniforms for all three games. Marlins Park will also turn back the clock on pricing that weekend, with \$4 Vista Level tickets for all three games – the same price as an adult general admission ticket for Opening Day in 1993.

A NEW DAY: The Miami Marlins organization enters 2018 under new ownership, led by Chairman & Principal Owner **Bruce Sherman** and Chief Executive Officer & Owner **Derek Jeter**. The ownership group, the fourth in Club history, took control of the organization on October 2 after receiving unanimous approval from Major League Owners to acquire the team. The group's first major Baseball Operations hire was **Gary Denbo**, who was named Vice President of Scouting & Player Development. Denbo has worked to greatly expand the Marlins' scouting and analytics departments, making several new hires. On the business side, **Chip Bowers** was named President of Business Operations on February 12. Bowers comes to Miami from the defending NBA champion Golden State Warriors, where in his five years as Chief Marketing Officer the organization was named Sports Team of the Year by *SportsBusiness Journal* twice (2014 and 2016).

EXPANDING PIPELINE: Miami's MLB.com top 30 prospect list has been drastically reshaped in the last seven months, as the list now includes 13 players acquired in that time. Twelve of the 30 are in camp with the Marlins this spring, led by the top three: **Lewis Brinson*** (acquired in Christian Yelich trade with Milwaukee), **Monte Harrison*** (Milwaukee), and **Sandy Alcantara*** (acquired in Marcell Ozuna trade with St. Louis). Other offseason acquisitions to make it into the top 30 are **Jorge Guzman** (acquired in Giancarlo Stanton trade with Yankees), **Magneuris Sierra*** (#7; from St. Louis), **Isan Diaz*** (#9; from Milwaukee), **Nick Neiderth*** (#10; from Seattle), **Merandy Gonzalez*** (#13; from Mets), **Brayan Hernandez** (#15; from Seattle), **Christopher Torres** (#17; from Seattle), **Zac Gallen*** (#18; from St. Louis), **Brandon Miller** (#28; from Seattle), and **Pablo Lopez*** (#30; from Seattle). (*MLB camp)

YOUR RADIO HOME FOR MARLINS' BASEBALL: Once again in 2018 the Marlins home on the radio dial will be WINZ 940 AM, which will broadcast all 162 games in the regular season and 15 Spring Training contests. In addition, all 162 regular season and 15 Spring Training games can be heard on 940's partner station, 94.9 HD2 in 2018. Hall of Fame broadcaster Dave Van Horn and Glenn Geffner will return to the broadcast booth for their 11th season together. For all Spanish listeners, Yiky Quintana will call all 162 regular season games on WAQI 710 AM with José Luis Nápoles joining him for home contests. In addition to select games on the Marlins Radio Network, fans will also have the opportunity to listen to 16 games exclusively on MLB.com.

FOX SPORTS FLORIDA BROADCAST INFORMATION: All 162 Marlins' games will be shown on TV in 2018, including 158 on FOX Sports Florida, all of which will be available in HD. The campaign kicks off at Marlins Park against the Cubs on March 29th at 12:40 p.m., when the Marlins will throw the very first pitch of Major League Baseball's 2018 Championship Season. It will mark the debut of new FOX Sports Florida play-by-play announcer Paul Severino, who moves into the Marlins' booth after seven seasons as a play-by-play announcer and studio host for MLB Network. He will call all the action alongside former Marlins' outfielder Todd Hollandsworth; they will be joined throughout the season by Craig Minervini and Jessica Blaylock. All home games produced on FOX Sports Florida will be broadcast with SAP.

TODAY'S PITCHING LINEUP

- RHP Brett Graves
- RHP Sandy Alcantara
- RHP Jacob Turner
- RHP Jumbo Díaz
- RHP Kyle Barraclough
- LHP Miguel Del Pozo
- RHP Drew Rucinski
- RHP Alex Wimmers

TOMORROW'S MEDIA SCHEDULE

CLUBHOUSE OPEN IN JUPITER	8:15-9
MANAGER AVAILABILITY IN JUPITER	9:30
BUS TO WEST PALM BEACH	11:45
MARLINS AT ASTROS	1:05
CLUBHOUSE REOPENS AS STARTERS EXIT GAME	

UPCOMING STARTERS

DATE	TIME (ET)	OPPONENT	MARLINS STARTER	OPPONENT STARTER	BROADCASTS
Wednesday, March 7	1:05 p.m.	at Houston	LHP Justin Nicolino (0-0, 0.00)	RHP Gerrit Cole (1-0, 1.80)	MLB.com audio
Thursday, March 8	1:05 p.m.	at St. Louis	RHP José Ureña (2-0, 0.00)	-	MLB.com audio

