



TORONTO BLUE JAYS™

POST GAME NOTES for Sunday, April 29, 2018 TEXAS RANGERS (11-18) at TORONTO BLUE JAYS (15-12)

	R	H	E	LOB
TEXAS	2	6	1	3
TORONTO	7	9	1	5

WP: Happ (4-1) LP: Perez (2-3) SAVE: NA

BLUE JAYS NOTES:

- ✦ Snapped their season-long four-game losing streak...Tied the 2018 season series with the Rangers, 3-3, and improved to 7-3 vs. the AL Central...Are now 12-0 when scoring 5+ runs...Hit 2 sacrifice flies to match a season high (also 4/6 at TEX)...Of the team's 7-SF this season, 4 have come against the Rangers...Hit 3 home runs in a game for the 4th time this season and are now 3-1 in those games (10-2 in multi-HR efforts)...Evened their record vs. LH starters at 6-6.
- ✦ **J.A. HAPP** struck out 9 batters without a walk across 7.0 innings (5H, 2 ER)...**Has gone back-to-back starts with 9+SO and 0-BB...The only other Blue Jays pitcher to accomplish the feat was Roger Clemens (May 5-10, 1997)**...Entered today with the highest SO/9 ratio in the AL (12.72)...Has struck out 8+ batters in 5 consecutive starts, which is a new career best (4G streak from Sept. 4-22, 2015) and the 4th best in team history (Burnett: 7 in 2007, Clemens: 7 and 6 in 1997).
- ✦ **YANGERVIS SOLARTE** hit his 7th home run of the season to tie the game, 1-1, in the 2nd inning...The HR came in his 25th game (need 67 games to hit his 7th last season)...Entered today with 5-HR as a third baseman, tied for 3rd in the AL...His 14.40 AB/HR ranked 2nd (Jose Ramirez - 13.71).
- ✦ **TEOSCAR HERNANDEZ** hit his 4th home run of the season, a solo homer in the 3rd inning...**Has hit 12 home runs in his first 40 games as a Blue Jay - tied for 2nd most in team history** (Tony Batista - 13, Troy Glaus - 12)...Also doubled and walked in a 2-for-3 afternoon...Each of his last 5 hits have gone for extra bases (3-2B, 1-3B, 1-HR)...Has reached base safely in 13 of his 14 games this season...Is now hitting .316 (18-for-57) with 6-2B, 2-3B, 4-HR, 11-RBI and 6-BB since his 4/13 recall from Buffalo (.391 OBP, 1.092 OPS).
- ✦ **KEVIN PILLAR** also hit a solo home run, leading off the 4th inning with his 4th HR of the year...Has homered in back-to-back games for the 2nd time in his career, also doing so from 4/22-23 at LAA last season...Has 3-HR in a two-game span for the 1st time in his career...Each of his last 7 hits have been for extra bases (3-2B, 1-3B, 3-HR).
- ✦ **RANDAL GRICHUK** went 2-for-3 and picked up an RBI with a sacrifice fly to snap an 0-for-18 drought...Marked his 2nd multi-hit game (4/17 (1) vs. KC - 2H)...Entered today with an MLB-low .079 AVG (min. 40 AB).

Game at a Glance	
First Pitch	1:08 pm
Last Pitch	3:45 pm
Game Time:	2:37
Weather	20°C/68°F
Wind	NA
Attendance:	31,669
Rogers Centre Average:.....	27,142
Rogers Centre Total:.....	407,152
Home Record	9-7
Homestand	2-4
vs. TEX (Season)	3-3
vs. TEX (Series).....	1-2
vs. RHS/LHS	9-6/6-6
1-run	3-4
Extra Innings	2-0
Come From Behind Wins	9
Dome Open	0-0
Dome Closed.....	9-7
Dome Open/Closed.....	0-0

RANGERS NOTES:

- ✦ Had their season-long three-game winning streak snapped...Are still above .500 on the road at 7-6...The 11-18 start is their slowest though 29 games since the 2008 campaign (11-18)...Are now 2-2 vs. the AL East...Allowed 6+ runs for the 13th time - all losses...Entered today with the 2nd most games allowing 6+ runs (BAL-14).
- ✦ **MARTIN PEREZ** allowed 4 runs on 5 hits while surrendering a season-high 3 home runs...Walked 4 batters and struck out 2 over 4.0 innings...Is now 1-2 on the road this season with a 9.62 ERA (14 ER/13.1 IP) and has a 9.67 ERA (24 ER/22.1 IP) overall.
- ✦ **RENATO NUNEZ** opened the scoring with his 1st home run of the year, a solo shot in the 2nd inning...Was the 2nd homer of his career (also 9/29/17 at TEX while with Oakland)...The HR also snapped an 0-for-10 drought.
- ✦ **DELISON DeSHIELDS** went 2-for-4 with a double and scored a run...Marked his 2nd multi-hit game of the season (also 4/23 vs. OAK)...Has gone 7-for-28 (.250) with 2-2B, 2-BB and 3-SB in 7 games since his return from the DL last Sunday.

HOME RUNS	#	Outs	Type	Field	Count	Off	Inning	Score before
Nunez	1	2	1R	LF	0-0	Happ	2nd	0-0
Solarte	7	0	1R	LF	2-0	Perez	2nd	0-1
Hernandez	4	1	1R	RF	0-1	Perez	3rd	2-1
Pillar	4	0	1R	LF	1-2	Perez	4th	3-1

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS: (All)	
Monday, April 29 at Minnesota Twins, 8:10 pm...	RHP Aaron Sanchez (1-2, 3.69) vs. RHP Lance Lynn (0-2, 7.71)
Tuesday, April 30 at Minnesota Twins, 8:10 pm...	RHP Marco Estrada (2-2, 6.00) vs. RHP Kyle Gibson (1-1, 3.33)
Wednesday, May 1 at Minnesota Twins, 1:10 pm...	RHP Marcus Stroman (0-3, 0.88) vs. RHP Phil Hughes (0-0, 7.71)

Toronto Blue Jays 7, Texas Rangers 2**April 29, 2018****Rangers starting lineup:**

Delino DeShields (CF), Shin-Soo Choo (RF), Isiah Kiner-Falefa (2B), Nomar Mazara (DH), Joey Gallo (1B), Renato Nunez (3B), Jurickson Profar (SS), Robinson Chirinos (C), Ryan Rua (LF), Martin Perez (P),

Blue Jays starting lineup:

Steve Pearce (DH), Teoscar Hernandez (LF), Justin Smoak (1B), Yangervis Solarte (3B), Kevin Pillar (CF), Russell Martin (C), Lourdes Gurriel Jr. Jr. (2B), Randal Grichuk (RF), Aledmys Diaz (SS), J.A. Happ (P),

Umpires -- Tim Timmons (HP), Rob Drake (1B), Mike Muchlinski (2B), Mike Winters (3B), (LF), (RF).

Gametime Weather: 68 degrees, Roof Closed.

Wind: 0 MPH, None.

First pitch by J. Happ at 01:08 PM local time.

Rangers 1st (Rangers 0, Blue Jays 0) -- D. DeShields singles to deep shortstop, D. DeShields advances to 2nd on throwing error by A. Diaz. S. Choo strikes out swinging. I. Kiner-Falefa flies into double play, R. Grichuk to A. Diaz, D. DeShields out at 2nd.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 1 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 1st (Rangers 0, Blue Jays 0) -- S. Pearce pops out to J. Profar. T. Hernandez walks. J. Smoak grounds into double play, R. Nunez to I. Kiner-Falefa to J. Gallo, T. Hernandez out at 2nd.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Rangers 2nd (Rangers 1, Blue Jays 0) -- N. Mazara struck out looking. J. Gallo struck out looking. R. Nunez hits a home run to left field on a 0-0 pitch. J. Profar singles to left-center field. R. Chirinos strikes out swinging.

(1 Runs, 2 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Blue Jays 2nd (Blue Jays 2, Rangers 1) -- Y. Solarte hits a home run to left field on a 2-0 pitch. K. Pillar walks. R. Martin singles to third base, K. Pillar to 2nd. L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. grounds into a force out, I. Kiner-Falefa to J. Profar, K. Pillar to 3rd; R. Martin out at 2nd. R. Grichuk out on a sacrifice fly to R. Rua, K. Pillar scores; L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. to 2nd on the throw. A. Diaz struck out looking.

(2 Runs, 2 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 3rd (Blue Jays 2, Rangers 1) -- R. Rua singles through the hole at shortstop. D. DeShields struck out looking. With S. Choo batting, R. Rua steals 2nd base. S. Choo grounds out, L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. to J. Smoak, R. Rua to 3rd. I. Kiner-Falefa lines out to A. Diaz.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Blue Jays 3rd (Blue Jays 3, Rangers 1) -- S. Pearce grounds out, J. Profar to J. Gallo. T. Hernandez hits a home run to right field on a 0-1 pitch. J. Smoak grounds out, J. Profar to J. Gallo. Y. Solarte grounds out, I. Kiner-Falefa to J. Gallo.

(1 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Rangers 4th (Blue Jays 3, Rangers 1) -- N. Mazara grounds out, L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. to J. Smoak. J. Gallo pops out to A. Diaz. R. Nunez struck out looking.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 4th (Blue Jays 4, Rangers 1) -- K. Pillar hits a home run to left field on a 1-2 pitch. R. Martin walks. With L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. batting, wild pitch by M. Perez, R. Martin to 2nd. L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. walks. R. Grichuk singles through the hole at shortstop, R. Martin to 3rd; L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. to 2nd. A. Diaz strikes out on foul tip. S. Pearce lines into unassisted double play, I. Kiner-Falefa, L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. out at 2nd.

(1 Runs, 2 Hits, 0 Errors, 2 LOB)

Rangers 5th (Blue Jays 4, Rangers 1) -- J. Profar strikes out swinging. R. Chirinos struck out looking. R. Rua grounds out, L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. to J. Smoak.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 5th (Blue Jays 4, Rangers 1) -- Pitcher Change: T. Barnette replaces M. Perez. T. Hernandez strikes out swinging. J. Smoak hit by pitch. Y. Solarte grounds into a force out, I. Kiner-Falefa to J. Profar, J. Smoak out at 2nd. K. Pillar struck out looking.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 6th (Blue Jays 4, Rangers 2) -- D. DeShields doubles through the hole at shortstop. S. Choo grounds out, R. Martin to J. Smoak, D. DeShields to 3rd. I. Kiner-Falefa grounds out, A. Diaz to J. Smoak, D. DeShields scores. N. Mazara grounds out to J. Smoak.

(1 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 6th (Blue Jays 5, Rangers 2) -- R. Martin reaches on fielding error by R. Nunez. L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. singles to center field, R. Martin to 3rd. R. Grichuk grounds into a force out, I. Kiner-Falefa to J. Profar, R. Martin scores; L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. out at 2nd. With A. Diaz batting, T. Barnette picks off R. Grichuk at 1st on throw to J. Gallo. Blue Jays challenged (trap play), call on the field was upheld: A. Diaz flies out to R. Rua in foul territory.

(1 Runs, 1 Hits, 1 Errors, 0 LOB)

Rangers 7th (Blue Jays 5, Rangers 2) -- J. Gallo strikes out swinging. R. Nunez pops out to L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. J. Profar flies out to R. Grichuk.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 7th (Blue Jays 7, Rangers 2) -- S. Pearce walks. T. Hernandez doubles to right-center field, S. Pearce to 3rd. Pitcher Change: J. Diekman replaces T. Barnette. J. Smoak out on a sacrifice fly to R. Rua, S. Pearce scores; T. Hernandez to 3rd. Y. Solarte singles to left field, T. Hernandez scores. K. Pillar grounds out, R. Nunez to J. Gallo, Y. Solarte to 2nd. R. Martin strikes out swinging.

(2 Runs, 2 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 8th (Blue Jays 7, Rangers 2) -- Pitcher Change: R. Tepera replaces J. Happ. R. Chirinos strikes out swinging. R. Rua strikes out swinging. D. DeShields flies out to K. Pillar.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 8th (Blue Jays 7, Rangers 2) -- Pitcher Change: M. Moore replaces J. Diekman. L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. lines out to S. Choo. R. Grichuk singles to deep shortstop. A. Diaz grounds into double play, R. Nunez to I. Kiner-Falefa to J. Gallo, R. Grichuk out at 2nd.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Rangers 9th (Blue Jays 7, Rangers 2) -- Pitcher Change: A. Loup replaces R. Tepera. S. Choo grounds out, R. Martin to J. Smoak. I. Kiner-Falefa doubles to left field. N. Mazara flies out to T. Hernandez. J. Gallo strikes out swinging.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Final: Blue Jays 7, Rangers 2

WP: J.A. Happ (4-1).

LP: Martin Perez (2-3).

Time: 2:37.

Attendance: 31669.

Official Scorer: Herb Morell.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Texas	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	6	1
Toronto	0	2	1	1	0	1	2	0	x	7	9	1

	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Texas												
DeShields, CF	.229	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Choo, RF	.241	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Kiner-Falefa, 2B	.271	4	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	4	6
Mazara, DH	.286	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Gallo, 1B	.224	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	7	0
Nunez, R, 3B	.158	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	3
Profar, SS	.232	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	2
Chirinos, C	.178	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	0
Rua, LF	.192	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Perez, M, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barnette, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Diekman, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moore, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	.234	32	2	6	2	0	1	2	0	12	24	12

BATTING

2B: DeShields (2, Happ, J); Kiner-Falefa (3, Loup).
HR: Nunez, R (1, 2nd inning off Happ, J, 0 on, 2 out).
RBI: Nunez, R (1); Kiner-Falefa (6).
Team RISP: 0-for-8.
Team LOB: 3.

BASERUNNING

SB: Rua (3, 2nd base off Happ, J/Martin, R).

FIELDING

E: Nunez, R (2).
DP: 3 (Nunez, R-Kiner-Falefa-Gallo 2; Kiner-Falefa).

	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Toronto												
Pearce, DH	.270	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hernandez, T, LF	.316	3	2	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
Smoak, 1B	.258	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	0
Solarte, 3B	.231	4	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Pillar, CF	.310	3	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
Martin, R, C	.150	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	12	2
Gurriel Jr., 2B	.240	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	3
Grichuk, RF	.106	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	1
Diaz, SS	.179	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1
Happ, J, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tepera, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loup, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	.231	28	7	9	1	0	3	7	5	5	27	7

BATTING

2B: Hernandez, T (6, Barnette).
HR: Solarte (7, 2nd inning off Perez, M, 0 on, 0 out); Hernandez, T (4, 3rd inning off Perez, M, 0 on, 1 out); Pillar (4, 4th inning off Perez, M, 0 on, 0 out).
RBI: Solarte 2 (14); Grichuk 2 (7); Hernandez, T (11); Pillar (14); Smoak (15).
SF: Grichuk (off Perez, M); Smoak (off Diekman).
GIDP: Smoak; Diaz.
Team RISP: 2-for-8.
Team LOB: 5.

FIELDING

E: Diaz (3).
Outfield assists: Grichuk (DeShields at 2nd base).
DP: (Grichuk-Diaz).

	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
Texas									
Perez, M (L, 2-3)	9.67	4.0	5	4	4	4	2	3	19
Barnette	3.86	2.0	2	3	2	1	2	0	10
Diekman	4.82	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4
Moore	5.33	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Totals	4.69	8.0	9	7	6	5	5	3	36

	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
Toronto									
Happ, J (W, 4-1)	3.50	7.0	5	2	2	0	9	1	25
Tepera	1.98	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3
Loup	3.48	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4

Totals	4.13	9.0	6	2	2	0	12	1	32
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Barnette pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

Team ER: off Texas 6, off Toronto 2.

BB: off Perez, M 4 (Hernandez, T, Pillar, Martin, R, Gurriel Jr.); Barnette (Pearce).

SO: by Perez, M 2 (Diaz, Diaz); Barnette 2 (Hernandez, T, Pillar); Diekman (Martin, R); by Happ, J 9 (Choo, Mazara, Gallo, Chirinos, DeShields, Nunez, R, Profar, Chirinos, Gallo); Tepera 2 (Chirinos, Rua); Loup (Gallo).

WP: Perez, M.

HB: Smoak (by Barnette).

Pitches-strikes: Perez, M 72-39; Barnette 38-23; Diekman 12-10; Moore 10-7; Happ, J 99-67; Tepera 10-8; Loup 14-11.

Inherited runners-scored: Diekman 2-2.

Umpires: HP: Tim Timmons. 1B: Rob Drake. 2B: Mike Muchlinski. 3B: Mike Winters.

Official Scorer: Herb Morell.

Weather: 68 degrees, roof closed.

Wind: 0 mph, None.

First pitch: 1:08 PM.

T: 2:37.

Att: 31,669.

Venue: Rogers Centre.

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