



Kansas City Royals

OFFICIAL GAME NOTES

Tampa Bay Rays (16-22) @ Kansas City Royals (13-27)

Kauffman Stadium - Monday, May 14, 2018

Game #41 - Home Game #20

FOX Sports Kansas City, FOX Sports Go, ESPN and KCSP Radio (610 Sports)

UPCOMING PITCHING PROBABLES

Tuesday, May 15 vs. Tampa Bay Rays: TBA vs. RHP Ian Kennedy (1-4, 4.61), 7:15 p.m. (CDT), FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Wednesday, May 16 vs. Tampa Bay Rays: RHP Jake Faria (3-2, 5.09) vs. RHP Jason Hammel (0-4, 6.13), 1:15 p.m. (CDT), FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Thursday, May 17: Off Day at Home

Tonight's game is being broadcast in Kansas City on KCSP Radio (610 Sports) and the Royals Radio Network with Royals' Hall of Famer Denny Matthews, Steve Physioc and Steve Stewart calling the action...tonight's game is being televised on FSKC with Ryan Lefebvre and Rex Hudler...the pre and post-game shows, Royals Live, are hosted by Joel Goldberg and Royals' Hall of Famer Jeff Montgomery...tonight is also a nationally televised game on ESPN with Dave Flemming and Van Horn High School alum, Rick Sutcliffe.

Royals vs. Rays

Tonight is the first of seven between these clubs in 2018, three slated for this week here and then a four-game visit for KC to The Trop in late August...the Royals were 4-3 vs. the Rays last year, including a 1-2 mark here...Kansas City has a slim 77-76 advantage in the all-time series, including a 42-29 edge in Kauffman Stadium...the Royals have dominated work of late with Tampa Bay, going 25-9 since 2013, including 13-3 here.

Date	Site	Score	WP	LP	Att.
5/14	KC				
5/15	KC				
5/16	KC				
8/20	@ TB				
8/21	@ TB				
8/22	@ TB				
8/23	@ TB				

DUFFY'S ROUGH START CONTINUES--The Royals attempted to latch onto their first rubber game win on Mother's Day in Cleveland, but the Tribe erupted offensively in an 11-2 series deciding contest...Danny Duffy's rugged start to 2018 continued as he allowed nine runs on eight hits and five walks over just 3.1 innings to fall to 0-5 with a 6.51 ERA...a five-run second inning set the tone for the day and was plenty of scoring for Cleveland starter Corey Kluber, up gave the Indians 7.0 innings of eight-hit ball with both KC runs coming across as unearned...Salvador Perez and Alex Gordon each had a pair of hits, with Perez doubling home a run for KC's lone extra-base hit...the loss gave Kansas City a 2-4 road trip that began last Tuesday night with a 15-7 blowout of the Orioles in Camden Yards, then following consecutive losses to the O's, the Royals came from five runs down on Friday in Cleveland to post a 10-9 victory...Kansas City held leads in four of the six contests on the trip.

WELCOME TO OUR ESPN GUESTS--Tonight's unusual 6:05 first pitch time is to accommodate ESPN for its Monday Night Baseball coverage...Dave Flemming, whose full-time gig is play-by-play work for the San Francisco Giants, and hometown hero Rick Sutcliffe, a former Cy Young Award

winner and graduate of nearby Van Horn High School, calling the action...Sutcliffe, a Kansas City native, continues to make his home in Lee's Summit.

JAY HEATING UP WITH THE TEMPS--After a slow April, outfielder Jon Jay continued his roll to open May by picking up a single yesterday in Cleveland...he hit safely in all six games of the just completed road trip, batting .379 (11-for-29) with seven runs, a pair of doubles and a .400 on-base pct...he's hit safely in 13 of his last 14 contests, dating back to April 30, while his .392 batting average (20-for-51) during May is second in the American League (min. 50 plate appearances), behind only Francisco Lindor's red hot .473 mark...Jay opened the month with a four-hit game on May 1 in Boston, his ninth career contest with four or more hits.

WORK VS. THE EAST--The Royals resume action against the A.L. East with this six-game homestand which features three-game sets with the Rays and New York Yankees...Kansas City has gone just 2-7 vs. the East to this point...KC is 10-13 within its own Central Division, rebounding from a rugged 4-10 intradivision start to post wins in six of the last nine affairs...the Royals are but 1-5 against the A.L. West to this point, winning the first game of a series vs. Seattle before losing two in a row to the M's and all three meetings with the Angels...as for Interleague work, Kansas City has dropped its first two games vs. N.L. Central opponents, losing to Milwaukee in late-April...the Royals will travel to St. Louis for a three-game set starting next Monday for their second set against the Senior Circuit

YANKEES IN FOR THE WEEKEND--The first of seven games with the Yankees will be this Friday night when they invade Kauffman Stadium for a three-game weekend series...the Royals are slated to play four times in Yankee Stadium on July 26-29...KC was 2-5 vs. the Yanks last year, including a 1-2 set here...KC trails the all-time work by a 195-290 margin, including a 112-129-1 mark in Kansas City, 101-116 in Kauffman Stadium...since May, 2015, the Royals are just 4-13 vs. the Yankees.

TONIGHT'S STARTING PITCHERS: LHP Ryan Yarbrough (2-2, 4.30) vs. LHP Eric Skoglund (1-2, 6.34)

	2017	2016	Career		2018	2017	Career
Ryan Yarbrough vs. Royals		First career appearance	Major League Record	2-2	(4.30 ERA)	-	2-2
Eric Skoglund vs. Rays		First career appearance	Major League Record	1-2	(6.34 ERA)	1-2	2-4

ERIC SKOGLUND makes his seventh start of the season, 12th of his career (14th appearance) and first vs. Tampa Bay...he was originally selected by the Royals in the third round of the 2014 First-Year Player Draft out of the University of Central Florida.

QUALITY START IN NO-DECISION--Eric got a no-decision in Kansas City's 5-3 loss on Wednesday in Baltimore, after he allowed three runs on five hits and one walk in 6.1 innings, with three strikeouts...Skoglund and his counterpart, Andrew Cashner, traded zeros for the first three innings, before the Royals plated two in the fourth on a Lucas Duda two-run home run...Skoglund surrendered the short-lived lead on a two-out, three-run home run by Chris Davis in the bottom half...Duda tied the game with an RBI single in the sixth, and Skoglund retired seven of his last nine batters before exiting after 6.1 innings, to mark the fourth straight start in which he left tied or with the lead...he's recorded quality starts in two of his last three outings (also: 1 R in 7.0 IP on April 28 vs. the White Sox), after doing so just once in his previous eight career starts.

ROOKIE LEADERS--Although Skoglund made his big league debut in 2017, he's maintained his rookie status for 2018...he ranks among the American League rookie leaders in innings (32.2, tied for first with Shohei Ohtani), starts (6, tied second) and strikeouts (28, tied third)...his seven starts (including tonight) are most by a Royals rookie left hander since Will Smith started 16 games in 2012...the Royals rookie record for starts by a southpaw is 29 by Bill Butler in 1969.

DYNAMITE DEBUT IN '17--Eric debuted last May 30, earning a 1-0 victory over Detroit with 6.1 scoreless innings to beat two-time American League Cy Young and MVP Award winner, Justin Verlander...he allowed just two hits and a walk and recorded five strikeouts, becoming the 10th Royal to start and win his big league debut...his 6.1 scoreless innings marked the third-longest outing without a run by a Royal in his first start, trailing only Rich Gale (1978) and Derek Botelho (1982), who both had 7.0 shutout innings in their debuts...according to *Elias Sports Bureau*, Skoglund became the third starting pitcher in Major League history to win 1-0 over a former Cy Young Award winner in his Major League debut, joining Steve Woodward (July 28, 1997 over Roger Clemens) and Lee Tunnell (September 4, 1982 over Fernando Valenzuela).

LENGTHY LEFTY--At 6-foot-7, Skoglund is as tall as all but four pitchers in Royals history, including: Chris Young (6-foot-10), Andy Sisco (6-foot-10), Kyle Snyder (6-foot-8) and Graeme Lloyd (6-foot-8)...ten others to toe the rubber for Kansas City have been as tall as Skoglund, including current teammate Brian Flynn...Skoglund and Dennis Rasmussen (also 6-foot-7) are the tallest left handers to start and win a game for the Royals...the last time a left hander taller than Skoglund started and won a Major League game was in 2009, when Randy Johnson (6-foot-10), Mark Henderickson (6-foot-9) and Sean West (6-foot-8) all did it.

LEFTIES BEWARE--Although it's a small sample size, Skoglund has held left-handed batters to a .235 average (4-for-17) this season, after yielding a .444 average (4-for-9) vs. lefty batters with Kansas City in 2017...in 19 starts with Omaha (AAA) last year, left-handed batters hit just .231 (24-for-104) vs. him.

AT HOME--Eric is 2-2 with a 5.65 ERA (18 ER in 28.2 IP) in seven career outings (6 starts) at home, including 1-1 with a 6.06 ERA (11 ER in 16.1 IP) in three starts this season...the Royals have won his last two starts at Kauffman Stadium, including a 5-2 win on April 28 vs. the White Sox, in which he allowed just one run on two hits and one walk in a career-high 7.0 innings, with a career-high nine strikeouts...Skoglund fell one out shy of qualifying for the win in his last start here on May 3, a 10-6 Royals win vs. Detroit, in which he allowed five runs on eight hits and three walks in 4.2 innings, with six strikeouts.

Skoglund vs. Rays					
Player	AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI
Eric					

Eric has never faced a Tampa Bay batter

Eric's Last Win: April 28, 2018 vs. Chicago White Sox (Game 2) (7.0 IP, 5-2 over Dylan Covey)
Eric's Last Loss: April 17, 2018 at Toronto (Game 1), (5.0 IP, 3-11 to Jaime Garcia)
Eric's Strikeout High: 9, April 28, 2018 vs. Chicago White Sox (Game 2), (7.0 IP in a 5-2 win over Dylan Covey)



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Pitching Notes

Tomorrow's Starter – Ian Kennedy

- Ian takes the hill for his ninth start of the year tomorrow evening...the 33-year-old right-hander is 1-4 with a 4.61 ERA (21 ER in 41.0 IP) this season.
- He suffered his fourth setback last Thursday evening in Baltimore, being charged with a season-high nine runs on eight hits over 4.0 innings in an 11-6 final...he surrendered three home runs, the most he's allowed in a start since giving up four on July 20, 2016 vs. Cleveland.
- Kennedy has still been one of the best with runners in scoring position, holding the opposition to a .196 average (9-for-46), which ranks 12th in the AL.
- He's 1-5 all-time against Tampa Bay with a 5.76 ERA (29 ER in 45.1 IP)...his only victory over the Rays came in his big league debut on Sept. 1, 2007.
- Ian is 0-2 at home this year, despite pitching to a 2.77 ERA (8 ER in 26.0 IP)...he snapped an 18-start winless streak here on Sept. 29 of last year

2018 Pitching Lines

	<u>G</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>SVO</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>OPPAVG</u>
Starters	40	7-19	-	-	5.43	223.2	243	139	135	41	73	182	.271
Relievers	40	6-8	10	17	5.76	131.1	154	94	84	19	57	91	.296
Totals	40	13-27	10	17	5.55	355.0	397	233	219	60	130	273	.280

Bullpen Totals: *1st Batter Efficiency:* 83/121 (68.6%) *Saves/Save Opp:* 10/17 (58.8%) *Inherited Runners/Runners Scored:* 71/29 (40.8%)

Jason Adam

1st Batter Efficiency: 0/2 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/0 *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 0/0 *2018 Strikeout High:* 1 on 5/5 vs. DET *May 10 at Baltimore* 2.0 2 0 0 0 0

- Jason made his second big league appearance Thursday in Baltimore, tossing the final two frames, allowing a pair of singles...made his debut May 5 vs. Detroit, after being selected from Omaha (AAA) the day before...posted a 2-0 record with a 1.00 ERA (2 ER in 18.0 IP) in two minor league stops this year.
- He was originally selected by the Royals in the fifth round of the 2010 Draft out of Blue Valley Northwest HS (Overland Park, Kan.), but was traded to Minnesota in 2014 for Josh Willingham...did not pitch in 2015 or '16 due to injury and re-signed with Kansas City last August 18 after a brief stint in the Padres' organization.
- Adam is the 18th known player to play for the Royals after attending a Kansas City-area high school.

Blaine Boyer

1st Batter Efficiency: 11/14 *Saves/Save Opp:* 1/1 (100.0%) *Last Save:* April 29, 2018 vs. CWS (5th) *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 4/0 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 on 5/12 @ CLE *May 12 at Cleveland* 1.1 0 0 0 0 2

- Blaine retired all four hitters he faced Saturday, stranding a pair of inherited runners in the seventh...also collected a season-high two strikeouts.
- Earned his first victory of the year on May 5 vs. Detroit, despite allowing the go-ahead two-run double in the eighth, ahead of KC's four-run rally...recorded his fifth career save on April 29 vs. the White Sox, and his first since May 29, 2016 vs. Cincinnati (with Milwaukee).
- He's made eight career appearances against the Rays and has not allowed an earned run, spanning 8.1 innings...that includes three scoreless outings in 2017.

Brian Flynn (L)

1st Batter Efficiency: 9/13 *Saves/Save Opp:* 1/2 (50.0%) *Last Save:* May 1, 2018 at BOS (1st) *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 11/4 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 (3x), last: 5/13 @ CLE *May 13 at Cleveland* 3.0 7 2 2 1 2

- Brian tossed a season-high 3.0 innings out of the bullpen yesterday, allowing two runs on seven hits with a pair of strikeouts...it matched the longest outing by a Royals reliever this season and longest by Flynn since working the final 3.0 innings at Philadelphia on July 3, 2016.
- Flynn recorded his first career save on May 1 in Boston, recording the final two outs in the 13th inning of a 7-6 victory over the Red Sox.
- He has a 2.99 ERA (26 ER in 78.1 IP) in 50 career relief appearances, compared to a 9.25 ERA (25 ER in 24.1 IP) in his six career starts.

Kelvin Herrera

1st Batter Efficiency: 15/16 *Saves/Save Opp:* 8/9 (88.9%) *Last Save:* May 11 at Cleveland (51st) *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 3/0 *2018 Strikeout High:* 3 on 4/2 at DET *May 11 at Cleveland (Save)* 1.0 0 0 0 0 0

- Kelvin set the Tribe down in order in the ninth Friday for his eighth save in nine chances...his save total is tied for fifth in the American League, while his most recent was the 51st of his career, breaking a tie with Mike MacDougal for seventh in club history...he's three shy of matching Roberto Hernandez (54) for sixth.
- Herrera's 0.61 ERA (1 ER in 14.2 IP) is tied for the lowest among qualifying AL relievers and includes 11 straight scoreless outings (9.2 IP) to begin the season before he allowed a game-tying home run to Eduardo Núñez on May 1...also tied with Brad Keller and Tim Hill for the team lead with 16 appearances.
- He has not issued a walk in 14.2 innings to begin the season, the most innings without a free pass in the Majors...his 14 strikeouts without a walk are also tops.
- He has retired 44 of 53 batters (83.0%) this season, including 14 via strikeout, good for an 8.59 strikeouts per 9.0 innings ratio.

Tim Hill (L)

1st Batter Efficiency: 10/16 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/0 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 10/2 *2018 Strikeout High:* 3 on 4/27 vs. CWS *May 11 at Cleveland* 0.1 0 0 0 0 1

- Tim fanned Jose Ramirez to finish the fourth inning Friday, needing just three pitches...it marked his 16th appearance of the year, which is tied for the team lead and tied for third among AL rookies, behind only Noe Ramirez (20) of the Angels and White Sox lefty Aaron Bummer (19).
- Hill has made three-straight hitless appearances, after surrendering 11 base knocks in six outings between April 21-May 3.
- He did not allow a hit in his first seven appearances (6.2 IP), which was one shy of matching Jonathan Sanchez (2006) and Garry Roggenburk (1963) for the most to begin a career in Major League history, according to *Elias Sports Bureau*...held opponents to a .143 average (2-for-14) with runners in scoring position.

Brad Keller

1st Batter Efficiency: 10/16 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/1 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 12/8 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 (2x), last: 5/11 @ CLE *May 11 at Cleveland (Win)* 3.0 2 0 0 1 2

- Brad earned his first Major League win Friday night, tossing 3.0 scoreless innings...he allowed singles to Francisco Lindor and Jose Ramirez in the sixth, before retiring seven of the final eight he faced...has allowed just one run in his last eight outings (9.1 IP), while his 2.20 ERA is third among AL rookies (min. 15.0 IP).
- Keller is tied for the team lead with 16 appearances, while his total is also tied for third among AL first-year pitchers.
- Acquired via trade with Cincinnati in the Rule 5 Draft, after going 10-9 with a 4.68 ERA in 26 starts at Jacksonville (AA) in Arizona's system in 2017.

Kevin McCarthy

1st Batter Efficiency: 8/13 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/1 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 11/2 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 on 5/1 at BOS *May 12 at Cleveland* 1.0 3 2 1 1 0

- Kevin got out of a bases loaded jam in the sixth inning Saturday, but allowed a pair of runs in the seventh...he surrendered Francisco Lindor's second home run, while his own throwing error led to a run on Edwin Encarnacion's RBI single...still tied for third in the Majors with three victories out of the bullpen.
- McCarthy has allowed four runs in two appearances on the last road trip, after making six-straight scoreless outings (9.0 IP), between April 25-May 4.
- He opened the year with Omaha (AAA), but was recalled on April 13, after making three appearances with the Storm Chasers.

Burch Smith

1st Batter Efficiency: 8/12 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/0 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* *IP H R ER BB SO*
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 12/8 *2018 Strikeout High:* 4 on 4/17 at TOR-1 *May 13 at Cleveland* 1.2 0 0 0 0 2

- Burch worked the final 1.2 innings yesterday, retiring all five Cleveland hitters he faced, including two via strikeout...it marked his seventh appearance this season of more than 1.0 inning, which includes a career-high 3.0 innings out of the bullpen on April 24 vs. Milwaukee.
- Smith has recorded 21 strikeouts in 19.0 innings (9.95 K/9), which are the most by a KC reliever...he collected four K's in 2.2 innings on April 17 at Toronto.
- He was acquired via trade by Kansas City during the Rule 5 Draft, after being selected by the Mets...spent last season in Tampa Bay's organization, posting a 5-3 record and a 2.40 ERA (15 ER in 56.1 IP), between three minor league stops...missed all of 2015 and 2016, following Tommy John surgery.

Royals vs. Rays

<u>Pitcher</u>	<u>2017</u>							<u>Career</u>						
	<u>W-L</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>ER</u>
Adam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boyer	0-0	0	0.00	3	3.0	2	0	0-0	0	0.00	8	8.1	4	0
Duffy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-1	0	2.77	4	26.0	20	8
Flynn	0-0	0	3.86	1	2.1	3	1	0-0	0	2.70	2	3.1	3	1
Hammel	0-1	0	7.71	1	7.0	13	6	2-3	0	4.89	7	38.2	46	21
Herrera	0-0	1	0.00	2	2.0	0	0	2-0	3	1.69	17	16.0	16	3
Hill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Junis	2-0	0	1.35	2	6.2	3	1	2-0	0	1.35	2	6.2	3	1
Keller	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kennedy	0-1	0	23.63	1	2.2	6	7	1-5	0	5.76	9	45.1	40	29
McCarthy	0-0	0	36.00	1	1.0	3	4	0-0	0	36.00	1	1.0	3	4
Skoglund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smith	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-0	0	54.00	1	1.0	5	6



Hitting Notes

- Abraham Almonte** *CLE Series: 2-for-8, run* *Last Trip: 2-for-10, run* *Hit Streak: 0 g (0-5)*
- Abraham went 0-for-3 on Saturday in Cleveland, his second straight start in center after starting one of the previous three games.
 - He hit the go-ahead grand slam in the *Sonic Slam* sixth inning on April 22 in Detroit, his second career slam and first since Aug. 30, 2015...the *Sonic Slam* won Jada Bradley of Eugene, Mo. \$25,000 and was the ninth since the promotion began in 1995 and first since Cam Gallagher's last Aug. 14 in Oakland.
 - Almonte hasn't been charged with an error in *center field* since Aug. 20, 2014, converting all 219 chances at the position in 90 games (84 starts) since.
- Drew Butera** *CLE Series: 1-for-3, BB* *Last Trip: 1-for-5, BB* *Hit Streak: 1 g (1-3)*
- Drew went 1-for-3 with a walk yesterday in Cleveland, snapping an 0-for-8 skid in his first start since May 6 vs. Detroit.
 - Butera is batting .313/.389/.479 (15-for-48) lifetime vs. Tampa Bay—all his best vs any opponents (min. 5 games)—with two homers and seven RBI.
 - He is three RBI shy of 100 for his career, 42 of which have come since joining the Royals in 2015 (had 41 RBI with Minnesota and 14 RBI with the Dodgers).
- Cheslor Cuthbert** *CLE Series: 0-for-2* *Last Trip: 1-for-5, run, BB* *Hit Streak: 0 g (0-3)*
- Cheslor entered at third base in the sixth inning yesterday in Cleveland, and went 0-for-2...he last started on Thursday in Baltimore.
 - Cuthbert has walked 11 times in 114 plate appearances this season (9.6%) already two more than his nine walks in 153 plate appearances in 2017 (5.9%).
 - He's made 31 of his 63 starts vs. left-handed pitching since the start of 2017...he started 10-for-30 (.333) vs. southpaws this season, but he's 0-for-7 since.
 - He homered three times in a four-game span from April 29-May 2, including his second career multi-HR game vs. the White Sox on April 29 with his father, Luis, a lobster fisherman from Corn Island, Nicaragua, in attendance...Cuthbert is one of three active players born in Nicaragua, joining RHPs Erasmo Ramirez and JC Ramirez.
- Lucas Duda** *CLE Series: 5-for-13, 2 runs, 3 2B, RBI* *Last Trip: 8-for-24 (.333), 4 runs, 4 2B, HR, 4 RBI, 2 BB* *Hit Streak: 5 g (8-20)*
- Lucas went 1-for-4 yesterday in Cleveland and is batting .366/.409/.585 (15-for-41) with eight RBI in 12 games this month after batting .207 in March/April.
 - Duda had a career-high tying three doubles Friday (also: June 25, 2011 at Texas), the first three-doubles game by a Royals LHB since David Lough (June 30, 2013)...seven of his last 10 hits have gone for extra bases (only 4 of his first 24 were XBH)...of his 92 hits in 2017, 58 were XBH (63.0%), second most in the Majors.
 - He hit 13 HR in 171 at-bats with Tampa Bay in 2017 after being acquired on July 27...the Rays are one of three teams he's never homered against (Tigers & Mets).
 - He's batting .293 (17-for-58) at home this season and has 15 RBI in 22 career games at Kauffman Stadium, including a season-high four RBI on May 3 vs. Detroit.
- Alcides Escobar** *CLE Series: 2-for-9, run, 4 RBI, BB* *Last Trip: 5-for-22 (.227), 4 runs, 4 RBI, BB* *Hit Streak: 0 g (0-6)*
- Eskey went 0-for-2 yesterday in Cleveland before being pinch-hit for in the sixth...he's 0-for-5 in two games since matching a career high with four RBI on Friday.
 - He's a .292 (52-for-178) career hitter vs. Tampa Bay—including a four-hit game on July 8, 2015—and is batting .353 (12-for-34) vs. left-handed pitchers in 2018.
 - His bases-loaded walk Friday was the second of his career and first since Sept. 20, 2013 vs. Texas...he has 10 walks in 156 PA (had 15 BB in 629 PA in 2017).
 - Alcides has made 373 consecutive starts—all at shortstop—dating back to Sept. 26, 2015... according to *Elias*, it's the longest streak in Royals history and the longest active streak in the Majors...the last shortstop to have a longer streak was Cal Ripken Jr.'s 2,216 straight starts for Baltimore from 1982-96...Escobar is the only Royal to start all 162 games in a season, and he's done it three times: 2017, '16 and '14...since 2011, he's played in 1,145 of the Royals' 1,174 games (97.5%).
 - His last nine hits have been singles since his last XBH April 30 in Boston...his 193 doubles as a shortstop since 2011 are second most behind Elvis Andrus (216).
- Ryan Goins** *CLE Series: 0-for-2* *Last Trip: 2-for-9, run, 2 RBI* *Hit Streak: 0 g (0-5)*
- Ryan pinch-hit for Escobar in the sixth inning yesterday in Cleveland and played the last three innings at shortstop while going 0-for-2 at the plate.
 - Goins last started on Tuesday in Baltimore and had two hits and two RBI...he's batting .296 (8-for-27) in his last 10 games after starting 4-for-21.
 - He played in a career-high 143 games with the Blue Jays in 2017 and also set career highs in hits (99), doubles (21), home runs (9) and RBI (62).
- Alex Gordon** *CLE Series: 2-for-11, BB* *Last Trip: 6-for-22 (.273), 2 runs, HR, 3 RBI, 3 BB, SB* *Hit Streak: 1 g (2-4)*
- Alex singled in the sixth and ninth innings yesterday in Cleveland to snap an 0-for-15 skid since his career-high tying four-hit game on Tuesday in Baltimore.
 - Gordon is batting .319/.380/.472 (23-for-72) in 19 games since returning from the DL (left hip labral tear) on April 24 (went 4-for-23 before injury).
 - All three of his HR this season came in a six-game span from May 1-8...his 163 career HR are six shy of Hal McRae for fourth most in Royals history.
 - He's batting .290 (42-for-145) vs. Tampa Bay since 2011, including seven hits and six RBI in a split-doubleheader on July 7, 2015, but he's just 3-for-34 since.
 - Extended his club record with his 92nd hit-by-pitch April 30, 14 more than the next closest, Mike Macfarlane, and is tied for ninth among active players.
 - He recorded his 83rd career outfield assist in the first game on April 28 vs. the White Sox, one shy of Gerardo Parra for most in the Majors since 2010.
- Jon Jay** *CLE Series: 5-for-14, 3 runs, 2 2B, 2 RBI, BB* *Last Trip: 11-for-29 (.379), 7 runs, 2 2B, 2 RBI, BB* *Hit Streak: 6 g (11-29)*
- Jon went 1-for-5 yesterday in Cleveland and hit safely in all six games on the road trip...of his last 30 hits, 28 have been singles, including 25 straight from April 18-May 10, the longest streak by a Royal since Chris Getz's club-record 45 straight in 2011 and the longest in the Majors by a non-pitcher since Brandon Phillips (also 25) in 2017, according to *Elias*...Jay hasn't homered in his last 367 at-bats since July 5, 2017, the longest active streak in the Majors by a non-pitcher.
 - Jay has reached safely or recorded an RBI in 35 of 38 games this season, and he's reached to leadoff the first 14 times (10 hits, 4 walks) in 29 games (.483 OBP).
 - He's batting .392 (20-for-51) in 12 games this month—tied for the third most hits in the Majors—after batting just .238 (24-for-101) in March and April.
 - Hasn't committed an error in his last 220 games in the field (398 chances) since April 15, 2016...his career .996 fielding % is the highest among active outfielders.
- Whit Merrifield** *CLE Series: 4-for-11, run, 2B, RBI, BB* *Last Trip: 9-for-22 (.409), 2 runs, 3 2B, RBI, 4 BB, 2 SB* *Hit Streak: 7 g (11-26)*
- Whit had an RBI single in the sixth inning yesterday in Cleveland, extending his hit streak to seven games, in which he's batting .423/.500/.577 (11-for-26).
 - Merrifield's nine steals are tied for third most in the American League, trailing Dee Gordon (15) and Tim Anderson (10), and include eight steals in his last 17 games...he's a Major League best 5-for-5 on steals of third base and is 15-for-16 lifetime, third most in the AL since 2016 behind Rajai Davis (21) & Jose Altuve (18).
 - He's batting .319 (80-for-251) lifetime vs. left-handed pitchers, fourth best among active players in the AL (min. 250 at-bats), including .377 (20-for-53) in 2018.
 - He has six multi-hit efforts in his last 13 games, a stretch in which he's batting .333/.393/.444 (18-for-54), on the heels of a 6-for-34 (.176) skid.
 - He has started at five different positions (first base, second base, right field, center field and designated hitter), including his first career start in center on April 14.
- Mike Moustakas** *CLE Series: 4-for-11, run, 2B, RBI* *Last Trip: 8-for-25 (.320), 4 runs, 2B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, BB* *Hit Streak: 1 g (1-2)*
- Mike went 1-for-2 yesterday in Cleveland before being replaced at third base by Cuthbert in the sixth inning...he's reached safely in 34 of 40 games.
 - He's tied for third in the Majors with 10 infield hits—matching his 2017 total—and trailing only Dee Gordon (13) and Mallex Smith (11).
 - Moose had three hits, two HR and five RBI on Tuesday in Baltimore, including the second of back-to-back-to-back HR with Soler and Perez in the Royals' 10-run first inning...he also singled later in the first to mark his fourth career multi-hit inning, matching Mike Sweeney for the most by a Royal since 1984 (when data is available)...he also homered in the fifth for his eighth career multi-HR game, third most among Royals left-handed batters behind Brett (17) and Mayberry (9).
 - His first HR Tuesday broke a tie with Eric Hosmer and Billy Butler for eight most in Royals history...he now has 129 HR, 14 behind Mayberry for seventh.
 - Moose has recorded at least three RBI in consecutive games twice this season (May 6-8, April 9-10) after never doing it in his previous seven seasons...he has five games of at least three RBI this season (also, April 22), one behind Gary Sanchez for the Major League lead...his 29 RBI lead the Royals and are tied for 10th in the AL.
- Salvador Perez** *CLE Series: 3-for-13, 3 runs, 2B, HR, 4 RBI* *Last Trip: 7-for-24 (.292), 6 runs, 2B, 3 HR, 10 RBI* *Hit Streak: 1 g (2-4)*
- Salvy had two hits yesterday in Cleveland, including an RBI double in the sixth, his 17th RBI in 20 games since returning from the DL (left knee sprain) on April 24...since his return, he leads Major League catchers in hits (22) and RBI (17) and is tied for first in runs (15)...he's recorded an RBI in six of his last seven games.
 - He's batting .307 (43-for-140) with 27 RBI in 36 career games vs. Tampa Bay, including a sac. fly & two pickoffs in his Major League debut on Aug. 10, 2011.
 - Perez hit the go-ahead, two-run homer off Andrew Miller in the seventh inning on Friday, his 12th career go-ahead RBI in the seventh inning or later and sixth since the start of 2017, most in the Majors...it was his second HR in as many games—and in third in four games—for the 15th time and first time since June 9-10, 2017.
 - Perez hit his second career grand slam in the first inning Thursday in Baltimore (also: June 21, 2017 vs. Boston) on his 28th birthday, giving the Royals a 4-0 lead before they recorded an out...he's the 13th different Royal (16th time) to homer on his birthday and the first time since Kendrys Morales in 2015...Perez is the second Royal to hit a grand slam on his birthday, joining Mike Sweeney (2004) and he's the first in the American League to do it in 10 years, since Hideki Matsui in 2008.
 - He ranks second in MLB since 2013 with 118 caught stealings, trailing Jonathan Lucroy (133), and ranks second in catcher starts (662) to Yadier Molina (669).
- Jorge Soler** *CLE Series: 4-for-14, 2 runs, 2 2B, RBI* *Last Trip: 10-for-26 (.385) 6 runs, 3 2B, HR, 6 RBI, 2 BB* *Hit Streak: 0 g (0-5)*
- Jorge went 0-for-4 yesterday in Cleveland, but scored on Perez's double in the sixth after reaching on a fielding error...it was just the fourth time in 36 games—and second in his last 27—in which he did not reach safely...had a 19-game on-base streak from April 13-May 4, tied for the second-longest streak in the AL this season.
 - Soler ranks fifth in the American League in on-base percentage (.423), ninth in batting average (.323) and ninth in walks (22)...he walked in nine straight games from April 20-28, the longest streak in the Majors this season & the longest by a Royal since Mike Sweeney walked in nine straight from July 17-24, 2000.
 - He's batting .390/.480/.756 (16-for-41) with nine XBH vs. left-handed pitching in 2018 with the third-best OBP in the AL and the fourth-best AVG & SLG.
 - Despite starting the season 0-for-11, he's batting .323/.423/.531 in 130 at-bats (36 games)...in 97 at-bats with Kansas City in 2017, he hit just .144/.245/.258.
 - His combination of AVG/OBP/SLG (.323/.423/.531) is matched in the Majors only by: Mookie Betts, Odubel Herrera, Manny Machado and Freddie Freeman.



This & That

FAST OUT OF THE GATES--Though blanked in the opening frame by Corey Kluber yesterday, the Royals remain the best offense in baseball in the first inning...in their 40 games this season, the Royals have plated a Major League-best 39 runs in the first inning, one ahead of Atlanta (38) and seven ahead of the nearest AL club, the Yankees (32)...KC also has the top batting average (.354) and on-base percentage (.430) in the opening frame this season...among players with at least 25 first-inning plate appearances, Jon Jay and Whit Merrifield rank first in the American League with a .485 on-base pct., while Jay's .414 batting average and Merrifield's .393 mark rank second and fourth, respectively in the league.

NED ONE SHY OF 1,100 WINS--The winningest manager in franchise history, Ned Yost is in his eighth full season with the club, taking the reins on May 13, 2010...he enters tonight with 1,099 career wins, which is good for sixth among active managers and one shy of 1,100...he has a 642-659 regular season record at the helm for the Royals, surpassing Whitey Herzog's previous team mark of 410 wins (1975-79)...Yost is the 16th full-time manager in franchise history and is also sixth among active managers in games (2,260)...his postseason winning pct. of .710 (22-9) is tops among all managers in history who have worked at least 20 playoff games...this is his second stint as a big league manager after nearly six full campaigns at the helm for the Milwaukee Brewers (2003-2008)...he compiled a 457-502 record with the Brew Crew including a 166-146 mark in his last two seasons...Yost, a catcher during his playing days, began his coaching career in the Atlanta organization, including 12 straight seasons on Bobby Cox's big league staff (1991-2002).

GRIMM SLATED TO BE BACK ON THE MOUND--The Royals announced that relief pitcher Justin Grimm reported for a minor league rehab assignment with Omaha (AAA) yesterday as he looks to return from the disabled list...Grimm, 29, signed with the club on March 19, after spending the previous four-plus seasons with the Chicago Cubs...he has been sidelined with a lower back injury since April 24, after pitching in 10 of the club's first 19 games this season.

SOLER POSTING NUMBERS--Jorge Soler was stopped in four tries yesterday, but has still hit safely in 16 of his last 18 games at a .375 clip (27-for-72)...in that span he has eight doubles, four homers, 13 runs scored and 16 RBI, while also drawing nine walks and a hit-by-pitch for a .446 on-base percentage, which ranks third among all American Leaguers since this streak began on April 26 (minimum 60 plate appearances)...Soler enters play tonight fifth in the American League in on-base percentage (.423), ninth in batting average (.323), tied for sixth in doubles (12) and 11th in OPS (.954)...since snapping an 0-for-11 start to the year, Jorge has batted .353 (42-for-119) while reaching safely in 29 of his last 32 games, for a .447 on-base pct. and .580 slugging pct. which adds up to a 1.027 OPS.

HERRERA AMONG THE ELITE--Closer Kelvin Herrera recorded his eighth save in nine chances on Friday in Cleveland, retiring all three hitters in the ninth...he's opened the year with 11-straight scoreless appearances, spanning 9.2 innings before allowing a game-tying solo home run to Eduardo Núñez in the 12th inning May 1 at Fenway Park, a game the Royals eventually won in 13 innings...his 0.61 season ERA is tied for the lowest among qualifying AL relievers, while his save total is tied for fifth and .170 opponents' batting average is tied for ninth...he has yet to allow a walk this year, with his 14.2 innings without a free pass the most in the Majors...Herrera saved a career-high 26 games last season, including 26-of-28 (92.9 percent) between April 13-August 16 which was the best percentage in the American League during that span.

BACK TO ERRORLESS BALL--Kansas City was not guilty of a fielding miscue yesterday, the day after committing its first error in the month of May when reliever Kevin McCarthy's errant pickoff attempt allowed Michael Brantley to move to third...that error snapped a season-best 10-game streak without defensive miscue and was just the second fielding error in what is now the last 19 games...KC is fourth in the American League in fewest errors with 18 and fourth with a .988 fielding percentage.

REPLAY NO LONGER PERFECT--It took 12 challenges, but Kansas City replay specialist Bill Duplissee was finally denied an overturn in the ninth inning on Thursday in Baltimore, when he asked New York to look at a force play at second base where Jorge Soler was called out...after a 2-minute, 40-second review, the call on the field stood...Dupe had started the year 11-for-11 as the Royals were the last team in the Majors to miss on a replay challenge...he has made good on 68% of his challenges in his career (110-for-163), which ranks among the best, including a Major League best 72.4% success rate over the last three seasons (63-for-87).

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN--Whit Merrifield swiped second base in the fifth inning Thursday for his ninth steal of the season and eighth in his last 17 contests...last year's American League stolen base leader ranks tied for third in the Junior Circuit in 2018, trailing only Dee Gordon (15) and Tim Anderson (10)...swiping third base has been Merrifield's specialty as he's done it five times in five attempts this year and is 15-for-16 (93.8 percent) in his career...his 15 thefts of third since 2016 are third-most in the AL, behind Rajai Davis (21) and Jose Altuve (18).

ESKY THE IRON MAN--Kansas City shortstop Alcides Escobar, who re-signed with the Royals over the winter, continues to possess the longest active streak of starts in the Majors, starting his 373rd consecutive game yesterday...the next-closest player in consecutive starts is San Diego shortstop Freddy Galvis with 204.

NOT JUST THE TEAM'S 50TH SEASON--One common denominator with the Royals and this 50th season of baseball in Kansas City is Hall of Fame announcer Denny Matthews, who was in the booth with Buddy Blattner on April 8, 1969 and is once again calling the play-by-play during this milestone season...the Ford Frick Award winner in Cooperstown, NY in 2007, Matthews has been the one constant since the franchise came to be in '69...with this his 50th season, he trails only Los Angeles Dodger broadcasting icons Vin Scully (67 years prior to retiring) and Jaime Jarrin (59th season).

RULE 5 HURLERS ON ROSTER--The Royals are carrying a pair of Rule 5 acquisitions on the roster with right-handed hurlers Brad Keller and Burch Smith...Keller, 22, was selected in last December's Rule 5 draft from Arizona by Cincinnati and then dealt to KC, while the 28-year old Smith was acquired from the New York Mets after being selected in the draft...Keller spent the year in AA Jackson last year, while Smith has big league time with San Diego in 2013.

Player	vs. Rays (2018)					vs. Rays (career)					At Home (career)					Yarborough (career)					TBA				
	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI
Almonte	.111	9	1	0	0	.154	13	2	0	1	.282	461	130	11	52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butera	.600	5	3	1	2	.313	48	15	2	7	.197	563	111	3	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuthbert	.077	13	1	0	0	.231	52	12	0	3	.263	391	103	8	57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Duda	-	-	-	-	-	.227	22	5	0	6	.245	1365	334	76	204	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Escobar	.222	27	6	0	0	.292	178	52	1	12	.263	2380	625	18	216	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goins	.149	47	7	1	3	.140	150	21	3	11	.218	642	140	11	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gordon	.053	19	1	0	1	.230	226	52	4	33	.262	2539	665	79	330	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jay	.417	12	5	1	4	.286	35	10	1	4	.300	1562	469	14	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Merrifield	.280	25	7	3	6	.308	39	12	3	6	.288	531	153	15	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moustakas	.200	25	5	1	3	.215	121	26	3	19	.257	1503	386	55	197	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Perez	.360	25	9	1	5	.307	140	43	6	27	.271	1467	397	46	209	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soler	.083	12	1	0	1	.083	12	1	0	1	.259	478	124	18	62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Pitcher	GS	Total KC Runs	Avg. Runs Per Start	Team Record	Quality Starts
Danny Duffy	9	44	4.9	1-8	1
Jason Hammel	8	28	3.5	1-7	4
Jakob Junis	8	33	4.1	5-3	5
Ian Kennedy	8	27	3.4	3-5	4
Trevor Oaks	1	0	0.0	0-1	0
Eric Skoglund	6	32	5.3	3-3	2
Totals	40	164	4.1	13-27	16

Pitcher	Butera	Gallagher	Perez	Totals
Duffy	0-6	0-1	1-1	1-8
Hammel	0-1	0-3	1-3	1-7
Junis	3-1	1-0	1-2	5-3
Kennedy	2-3	-	1-2	3-5
Oaks	0-1	-	-	0-1
Skoglund	1-1	0-1	2-1	3-3
Total	6-13	1-5	6-9	13-27
	Butera	Gallagher	Perez	Totals
Starts	19	6	15	40
CS/ATT	2/11	0/4	3/6	5/21
Pct.	20.0	0.0	50.0	23.8
ERA	6.25	3.35	5.57	5.55
ER/IP	121/174.1	20/53.2	78/126.0	219/355.0



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2018 Royals Home Runs

Players	Total	vs.		@	on	Runners On						Outs		Tied	Gave	Direction				Team	Record	Last Home Run			AB's
		LHP	RHP			Home	Road	0	1	2	3	0	1			2	Game	Lead	LF			LC	CF	RC	
Almonte	3	1	2	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1-2	5/5/18	DET	B. Hardy	14
Butera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8/15/17	@ OAK	S. Casilla	107
Cuthbert	3	1	2	2	1	2	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	1-1	5/2/18	@ BOS	M. Barnes	14	
Duda	4	1	3	1	3	2	1	1	-	2	-	2	-	3	-	1	-	1	2	1-3	5/9/18	@ BAL	A. Cashner	18	
Escobar	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	0-1	4/17/18	@ TOR-2	R. Tepera	86	
Goins	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/25/17	@ BOS	A. Reed	62	
Gordon	3	-	3	1	2	2	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	3-0	5/8/18	@ BAL	D. Bundy	21	
Jay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7/5/17	@ TB	E. Ramirez	367	
Merrifield	3	3	-	-	3	2	1	-	-	2	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	2-1	4/22/18	@ DET	F. Liriano	72	
Moustakas	10	1	9	5	5	7	2	1	-	4	2	4	1	2	-	1	-	-	3	6	3-6	5/8/18	@ BAL	P. Araujo	21
Perez	5	1	4	2	3	2	2	-	1	2	2	1	-	4	3	-	1	-	1	3-2	5/11/18	@ CLE	A. Miller	8	
Soler	5	3	2	2	3	2	2	1	-	2	2	1	-	3	3	1	1	-	-	3-2	5/8/18	@ BAL	D. Bundy	25	

- Pinch-Hit:** Last: Erik Kratz (8/18/14 @ Minnesota, seventh inning) - **Franchise total: 76**
- Grand Slam:** Last: Salvador Perez (5/10/18 @ Baltimore, first inning) - **Franchise total: 129; Twice in 2018**
- Pinch-Hit Grand Slam:** Last: Shane Mack (5/22/98 @ Texas, seventh inning)
- 2-Homer Game:** Last: Mike Moustakas (5/8/18 @ Baltimore, solo, 2-run off Dylan Bundy, Pedro Araujo) - **Twice in 2018**
- 3-Homer Game:** Last: Lorenzo Cain (5/10/16 @ N.Y. Yankees, solo, 3-run, solo) - **Franchise total: 9**
- Back-to-Back:** Last: Mike Moustakas and Lucas Duda (4/17/18 at Toronto-1, 3rd inning off Jaime Garcia) - **Once in 2018**
- Back-to-Back-to-Back:** Last: Jorge Soler, Mike Moustakas, Salvador Perez (5/8/18 @ Baltimore, first inning) - **Once in 2018**
- Three Home Runs, One Inning:** Last: Drew Butera, Eric Hosmer, Mike Moustakas (8/15/17 @ Oakland, eighth inning)
- Four Home Runs, One Inning:** Last: Jorge Soler, Mike Moustakas, Salvador Perez and Alex Gordon (5/8/18 @ Baltimore, first inning) - **ties franchise record**
- Leadoff Game:** Last: Whit Merrifield (8/24/17 vs. Colorado) - **Franchise total: 94**
- Inside-the-Park:** Last: Jarrod Dyson (7/8/15 vs. Tampa Bay) - **Franchise total: 96**
- Both Sides of the Plate in One Game:** Last: Kendrys Morales (7/2/16 @ Philadelphia, 3-run, solo) - **Franchise total: 8**
- Home Run by Pitcher:** Last: Zack Greinke (6/10/05 @ Arizona)
- Walk-off Home Run:** Last: Eric Hosmer (8/23/17 vs. Colorado, ninth inning, Greg Holland pitching) - **Franchise total: 69**
- Opponent:** Last: Mike Napoli, Texas (7/14/17 @ Kauffman Stadium, off Mike Minor, 7th inning)
- Pinch-Hit:** Last: Michael Brantley (5/11/18 @ Progressive Field off Jason Hammel, 4th inning)
- Grand Slam:** Last: Darryl Strawberry, New York (5/2/98 @ Kauffman Stadium, Scott Service pitching, 9th inning)
- Pinch-Hit Grand Slam:** Last: Jose Abreu and Matt Davidson, Chicago White Sox (3/27/18 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy pitching, 4th inning)
- Back-to-Back:** Last: Tim Anderson, Chicago White Sox (4/28/18-Game 2 @ Kauffman Stadium, Eric Skoglund pitching)
- Leadoff Game:** Last: Logan Forsythe, Tampa Bay (7/8/15 @ Kauffman Stadium, Jeremy Guthrie pitching, 4th inning)
- Inside-the-Park:** Last: JaCoby Jones (4/20/18 @ Comerica Park, Brad Keller pitching, 10th inning)
- Walk-off Home Run:** Last: Jose Abreu, Matt Davidson and Tim Anderson, Chicago White Sox (3/27/18 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy pitching, 4th inning)
- Three Home Runs, One Inning:** Last: Alex Rios, Carlos Quentin, Andrew Jones, Dayan Viciedo, Chicago (7/11/10 @ U.S. Cellular, Anthony Lerew pitching, 3rd inning)
- Four Home Runs, One Inning:** Last: Mookie Betts (5/2/18 @ Fenway Park, Danny Duffy)
- Three Home Runs, One Player:** Last: Victor Martinez, Detroit (6/16/16 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy and Chien-Ming Wang pitching)
- Both Sides of the Plate in One Game:** Last: Victor Martinez, Detroit (6/16/16 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy and Chien-Ming Wang pitching)

2018 Single-Game Bests

Players	Multi-Hit Games						Multi-RBI Games						RBI			Hitting Streaks						Hits	
	2	3	4	5	6+	Total	2	3	4	5	6+	Total	Tying	Go-Ahead	2-out	5-10	11-15	16+	Current	Long (3+)	Infield	Bunt	
Almonte	2	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	1	2	1	-	-	0 g	6 g (4/20-28)	1	-	
Butera	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	6	-	-	-	1 g	-	1	-	
Cuthbert	4	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2	4	-	-	-	0 g	4 g (3/29-4/3)	-	-	
Duda	5	3	-	-	-	8	1	2	1	-	4	2	5	9	1	-	-	-	5 g	5 g (5/9-pres)	-	-	
Escobar	5	1	-	-	-	6	1	-	1	-	2	1	2	5	-	-	-	0 g	3 g (5x)	3	-		
Goins	2	1	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	0 g	4 g (4/26-5/8)	2	1		
Gordon	6	1	1	-	-	8	-	2	-	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	1 g	4 g (2x)	1	-		
Jay	8	2	1	-	-	11	2	-	-	-	2	2	2	4	2	-	-	6 g	6 g (2x)	8	2		
Merrifield	9	2	-	-	-	11	2	-	-	-	2	4	1	3	2	-	-	7 g	7 g (5/6-pres)	2	-		
Moustakas	9	4	-	-	-	13	1	4	-	1	6	2	7	9	1	1	-	1 g	14 g (4/8-22)	10	-		
Perez	6	-	-	-	-	6	3	-	1	-	4	1	6	3	2	-	-	1 g	7 g (4/26-5/1)	1	-		
Soler	10	3	-	-	-	13	3	2	-	-	5	-	6	4	2	-	-	0 g	10 g (4/26-5/4)	4	-		

The Last Time...

- No-Hitter by the Royals:** Bret Saberhagen, August 26, 1991 vs. Chicago (Royals 7-0)
- No-Hitter vs. Royals:** Jon Lester, May 19, 2008 @ Boston in Fenway Park (Red Sox 7-0)
- One-Hitter by the Royals (complete game):** Zack Greinke, August 30, 2009 @ Seattle (Royals 3-0)
- One-Hitter vs. Royals (complete game):** Carlos Carrasco, Cleveland, September 25, 2015 at Kauffman Stadium (Indians 6-0)
- Two-Hitter by the Royals (complete game):** James Shields, April 13, 2013 vs. Toronto (Blue Jays 3-2)
- Two-Hitter vs. Royals (complete game):** Jeff Niemann, Tampa Bay, June 3, 2009 at Tropicana Field (Rays, 9-0)
- Back-to-Back Complete Game Wins by the Royals:** Brian Bannister and Zack Greinke, April 13-14, 2008 vs. Minnesota (5-1) and @ Seattle (5-1)
- Back-to-Back Shutouts by the Royals:** May 17 & 19, 2015 vs. New York Yankees (6-0) & vs. Cincinnati (3-0)
- Back-to-Back Shutouts vs. Royals:** August 27-28, @ Cleveland (0-12); vs. Tampa Bay (0-12)
- Three Straight Shutouts vs. Royals:** August 26-28 @ Cleveland (0-4, 0-12); vs. Tampa Bay (0-12)
- 10+ Innings Pitched by a Royals starter:** Kevin Appier, July 23, 1992 @ Cleveland (10.0)
- 10+ Strikeouts by a Royals starter:** Danny Duffy (10) vs. New York Yankees, May 18, 2017
- Shutout by the Royals (Complete Game):** Jason Vargas, June 2, 2017 vs. Cleveland (4-0)
- Shutout by the Royals (Combined):** April 9, 2018 vs. Seattle, 10-0
Junis (7.0), Maurer (1.0), Flynn (1.0)
- Triple Play by the Royals:** June 11, 2006 vs. Tampa Bay (DeJesus-Elarton-Berroa-Teahen with Brnayan batting, 2nd inning)
- Triple Play vs. Royals:** April 20, 2012 vs. Toronto at Kauffman Stadium, (3-6, Hosmer batting, 3rd inning)
- Royal hit for the cycle:** George Brett, July 25, 1990 @ Toronto
- Opponent hit for the cycle:** Jeff DaVanon, Anaheim, August 25, 2004 at Angel Stadium
- Royal Five-Hit Game:** Eric Hosmer, July 26, 2017 @ Detroit (5-for-6)
- Royal Six-Hit Game:** Joe Randa, Sept. 9, 2004 @ Detroit-Game 1 (6-for-7)
- Royals Two Hits, One Inning:** Jon Jay, Jorge Soler, Mike Moustakas, May 8 @ Baltimore, (first inning)
- Royals Five-RBI Game:** Mike Moustakas, May 8, 2018 @ Baltimore
- Royals Six-RBI Game:** Eric Hosmer, July 26, 2017 @ Detroit
- Royals Seven-RBI Game:** (13 times) - last: Omar Infante, Sept. 17, 2015 @ Cleveland
- Royals Nine-RBI Game:** Mike Moustakas, September 12, 2015 @ Baltimore
- Royals Position Player Pitching:** Drew Butera, July 26, 2016 vs. Los Angeles Angels
- Opponent Position Player Pitching:** A.L.: Taylor Motter, Seattle, April 9, 2018 at Kauffman Stadium; N.L.: D'Angelo Jimenez, San Diego, June 30, 2002 at Kauffman Stadium
- Royals Pitcher Homered:** Zack Greinke, June 10, 2005 @ Arizona
- Royals Pitcher With a Hit:** Danny Duffy, July 9, 2017 @ LA Dodgers
- Royals Pitcher With a RBI:** Danny Duffy, July 2, 2016 @ Philadelphia
- Royals Three or more Steals, One Game:** Whit Merrifield (3), May 6, 2018 vs. Detroit
- Opponent Three or more Steals, One Game:** Gregor Blanco, Arizona, October 1, 2017 at KC (3 SB)
- Royals Steal of Home:** Alex Rios, vs. Pittsburgh, July 20, 2015 (4th inning)
- Opponent Steal of Home:** Brett Lawrie, Toronto, April 22, 2012 at Kauffman Stadium (8th inning) - on double steal
- Royals Suspended Game:** April 24, 2015 @ Chicago White Sox (Rain)
- Royals Home Run in first ML at bat:** Jon Nunnally, April 29, 1995 vs. New York (Melido Perez pitching, 1st inning)
- Royals Home Run in 4 Consecutive Games:** Salvador Perez, April 6-9, 2017
- Royals 0-0 Game After 9 innings:** April 20, 2017 @ Texas (lost 1-0 in 13 innings)
- Royals Walk-Off Win:** August 23, 2017 vs. Colorado (6-4 in 9 innings)
- Royals Bat Around:** May 8, 2018 @ Baltimore (first inning - 10 runs) - **Thrice in 2018**
- Three-game sweep by Royals at Kauffman Stadium:** July 21-23, 2017 vs. Chicago White Sox
- Three-game sweep by Royals on the road:** July 24-26, 2017 @ Detroit
- Four-game sweep by Royals at Kauffman Stadium:** August 18-21, 2016 vs. Minnesota
- Four-game sweep by Royals on the road:** May 7-10, 1999 @ Minnesota
- Three-game sweep by opposition at Kauffman Stadium:** April 12-14, 2018 vs. Los Angeles Angels
- Three-game sweep by opposition on the road:** April 17-18, 2018 @ Toronto
- Four-game sweep by opposition at Kauffman Stadium:** September 12-15, 2016 vs. Oakland
- Four-game sweep by opposition on the road:** April 20-23, 2017 @ Texas

Errorless Streaks

Player	Streak	Last Error	Player	Streak	Last Error
ROYALS	1	5/12/18 @ CLE	Goins	27	9/17/17 @ MIN
Pitchers	1	5/12/18 @ CLE	Gordon	45	9/8/17 vs. MIN
Almonte	61	4/23/17 @ CWS	Jay	220	4/14/16 @ PHI
Butera	17	4/7/18 @ CLE	Merrifield	33	4/2/18 @ DET
Cuthbert	6	4/30/18 @ BOS	Moustakas	21	4/10/18 vs. SEA
Duda	19	4/21/18 @ DET	Perez	35	9/3/17 @ MIN
Escobar	18	4/25/18 vs. MIL	Soler	15	4/25/18 vs. MIL



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2018 Transactions

Date	Player	Transaction	Date	Player	Transaction
2/28	1B-Lucas Duda	Signed as a Major League free agent	4/18	C-Salvador Perez	Rehab assignment transferred to Omaha
3/6	OF-Jon Jay	Signed as a Major League free agent	4/19	OF-Alex Gordon	Sent on a rehab assignment to Omaha
	RHP-Jesse Hahn	Placed on 60-day disabled list (right UCL sprain)	4/20	RHP-Scott Barlow	Recalled from Omaha (26th man)
3/10	3B-Mike Moustakas	Signed as a Major League free agent		RHP-Scott Barlow	Optioned to Omaha (postgame)
	OF-Jorge Bonifacio	Placed on restricted list	4/24	C-Cam Gallagher	Optioned to Omaha
3/18	RHP-Justin Grimm	Signed as a Major League free agent		OF-Alex Gordon	Returned from rehab assignment/reinstated from disabled list
3/21	RHP-Sam Gaviglio	Traded to Toronto for a player to be named/cash considerations		RHP-Justin Grimm	Placed on 10-day disabled list (lower back stiffness), retro 4/22
3/29	RHP-Blaine Boyer	Selected from Omaha (AAA)		OF-Paulo Orlando	Optioned to Omaha
	INF-Ryan Goins	Selected from Omaha		C-Salvador Perez	Returned from rehab assignment/reinstated from disabled list
	C-Cam Gallagher	Recalled from Omaha		LHP-Eric Stout	Recalled from Omaha
	RHP-Wily Peralta	Designated for assignment	4/27	OF-Bubba Starling	Reinstated from 10-day DL/Optioned to Omaha
	RHP-Kyle Zimmer	Designated for assignment	4/28	RHP-Trevor Oaks	Recalled from Omaha (26th man)/Optioned after second game
	RHP-Nate Karns	Placed on 10-day DL (right elbow inflammation), retro to 3/26		RHP-Scott Barlow	Recalled from Omaha
	INF-Adalberto Mondesi	Placed on 10-day DL (right shoulder impingement), retro to 3/26		LHP-Eric Stout	Optioned to Omaha
	C-Salvador Perez	Placed on 10-day DL (left knee sprain), retro to 3/26	4/30	INF-Adalberto Mondesi	Reinstated from 10-day DL/Optioned to Omaha
	OF-Bubba Starling	Placed on 10-day DL (left oblique strain), retro to 3/26	5/3	RHP-Brandon Maurer	Outrighted to Omaha
3/31	RHP-Wily Peralta	Outrighted to Omaha	5/4	RHP-Jason Adam	Selected from Omaha
4/2	OF-Abraham Almonte	Claimed off waivers from Cleveland		RHP-Scott Barlow	Optioned to Omaha
	RHP-Miguel Almonte	Designated for assignment	5/13	RHP-Justin Grimm	Sent on a rehab assignment to Omaha
4/10	OF-Abraham Almonte	Recalled from Omaha			
	OF-Alex Gordon	Placed on 10-day DL (left hip labral tear)			
4/13	RHP-Kevin McCarthy	Recalled from Omaha			
	RHP-Brandon Maurer	Optioned to Omaha			
4/15	C-Salvador Perez	Sent on a rehab assignment to Northwest Arkansas			
4/17	RHP-Scott Barlow	Recalled from Omaha (26th man)			
	RHP-Scott Barlow	Optioned to Omaha (postgame)			

Royals Ejections

Date	Player/Coach	Umpire/Type of Play

Instant Replay Reviews

Date	Opponent	Inning	Original Call	Score at Time	Time Delay	Outcome	Challenge Record
4/2	at Detroit	9	Orlando out at 1B	1-6	1:10	Overtuned	KC 1-0
4/7	at Cleveland	5	Davis out at 1B	0-0	1:41	Stands	Opp 0-1
4/8	at Cleveland	8	Ramirez safe at 1B	1-1	1:06	Overtuned	KC 2-0
4/9	Seattle	2	Moustakas out at 1B	3-0	0:36	Overtuned	KC 3-0
4/10	Seattle	5	Marjama out at 2B on SB	2-5	1:00	Stands	Opp 0-2
4/17	at Toronto-1	5	Pillar catch in CF	3-2	0:51	Overtuned	KC 4-0
		5	Smoak out at 3B	3-4	1:57	Stands	Opp 0-3
4/18	at Toronto	3	Martin out at 2B on force	2-4	0:36	Overtuned	Opp 1-3
4/20	at Detroit-1	6	Candelario out at 1B on pickoff	1-2	1:05	Overtuned	KC 5-0
4/26	Chicago White Sox	7	Anderson safe at 1B	2-6	1:10	Overtuned	KC 6-0
5/2	at Boston	3	Soler out at 2B	3-0	1:16	Overtuned	KC 7-0
		6	Jay safe at 1B	3-4	0:53	Overtuned	Opp 2-3
		6	Nunez safe at 1B on pickoff	3-4	0:40	Overtuned	KC 8-0
		9	Duda HBP	4-5	0:53	Overtuned	Opp 3-3
5/4	Detroit	5	Duda safe at 1B	0-0	1:31	Overtuned	Opp 4-3
		7	McCann safe at 2B on SB attempt	0-0	0:32	Overtuned	KC 9-0
5/9	at Baltimore	6	Trumbo safe at 1B	3-3	1:13	Overtuned	KC 10-0
		9	Merrifield out at 2B	3-5	0:57	Overtuned	KC 11-0
5/10	at Baltimore	9	Soler out at 2B	6-11	2:40	Stands	KC 11-1

Possible Outcomes - Confirmed, Stands or Overtuned

The Lineup Card

Starts by Batting Order

- 1st:** Almonte (0-1), Jay (6-22), Merrifield (7-4)
- 2nd:** Almonte (0-1), Cuthbert (1-0), Merrifield (4-16), Moustakas (2-2), Soler (6-8)
- 3rd:** Cuthbert (1-0), Moustakas (10-25), Perez (2-2)
- 4th:** Cuthbert (2-3), Duda (2-14), Perez (6-10), Soler (3-0)
- 5th:** Cuthbert (4-7), Duda (4-10), Jay (1-0), Merrifield (0-1), Orlando (2-1), Soler (2-8)
- 6th:** Almonte (3-4), Cuthbert (1-2), Duda (0-2), Goins (1-2), Jay (4-3), Merrifield (2-4), Orlando (1-2), Soler (1-8)
- 7th:** Almonte (1-2), Cuthbert (1-1), Duda (2-0), Escobar (1-3), Gallagher (1-0), Goins (1-3), Gordon (5-12), Jay (0-1), Orlando (1-5)
- 8th:** Cuthbert (1-3), Escobar (9-18), Goins (0-1), Gordon (3-5)
- 9th:** Almonte (1-2), Butera (6-13), Escobar (3-6), Gallagher (1-5), Goins (1-1), Gordon (1-0)

Starts by Position

- P:** Duffy (1-8), Hammel (1-7), Junis (5-3), Kennedy (3-5), Oaks (0-1), Skoglund (3-3)
- C:** Butera (6-13), Gallagher (1-5), Perez (6-9)
- 1B:** Cuthbert (5-4), Duda (7-22), Merrifield (1-1)
- 2B:** Goins (3-7), Merrifield (10-19)
- 3B:** Cuthbert (4-6), Moustakas (9-21)
- SS:** Escobar (13-27)
- LF:** Gordon (4-11), Jay (8-14), Orlando (1-2)
- CF:** Almonte (5-10), Gordon (4-6), Jay (1-5), Merrifield (0-1), Orlando (3-5)
- RF:** Jay (1-4), Merrifield (1-2), Soler (11-21)
- DH:** Cuthbert (2-6), Duda (1-4), Gallagher (1-0), Gordon (1-0), Jay (1-3), Merrifield (1-1), Moustakas (3-6), Orlando (0-1), Perez (2-3), Soler (1-3)

Daily Update

Score by Innings

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Total</u>
Royals	39	10	16	25	16	23	10	14	7	-	-	1	3	-	-	164
Opponents	26	13	25	42	26	23	34	30	6	2	3	1	2	-	-	233

Victory Margin

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15+</u>
Royals	6	2	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Opponents	7	4	3	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

Lineup Production

Batting Order	HR	RBI
1st	- 1	11
2nd	- 6	19
3rd	- 9	28
4th	- 8	28
5th	- 5	18
6th	- 3	13
7th	- 2	12
8th	- 2	9
9th	- 1	15

Kansas City By the Days

Monday	1-2
Tuesday	3-4
Wednesday	0-5
Thursday	1-4
Friday	3-4
Saturday	2-6
Sunday	3-2

Multi-Run Innings for Royals

# of runs	# times	last time
2 runs	- 23	5/13 @ CLE (6th inning, 3 hits)
3 runs	- 12	5/11 @ CLE (6th inning, 3 hits)
4 runs	- 3	5/10 @ BAL (1st inning, 3 hits)
5 runs	- 2	4/22 @ DET (6th inning, 3 hits)
6 runs	- -	-
7 runs	- -	-
8 runs	- -	-
9 runs	- -	-
10 runs	- 1	5/8 @ BAL (1st inning, 9 hits)

Disabled List (3)

Player	D.L. Type	Injury	Dates on D.L.	Eligible for reinstatement	Games Missed	Team Record
RHP-Jesse Hahn	60-day	right UCL sprain	March 6	May 5	40	13-27
RHP-Nate Karns	10-day	right elbow inflammation	March 29 (retro March 26)	April 5	40	13-27
RHP-Justin Grimm	10-day	lower back stiffness	April 24 (retro to April 22)	May 2	20	8-12



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Miscellaneous Statistics

Team Batting

Most runs, game
 Most runs, extra-inning game
 Most hits, game
 Most hits, extra-inning game
 Fewest hits, game
 Most runs, inning
 Most hits, inning
 Most doubles, game
 Most doubles, extra-inning game
 Most triples, game
 Most triples, extra-inning game
 Most home runs, game
 Most home runs, extra-inning game
 Most home runs, inning
 Most extra-base hits, game
 Most extra-base hits, extra-inning game
 Most steals, game
 Most times caught stealing, game
 Most sacrifice flies, game
 Most sacrifices, game
 Most strikeouts, game
 Most strikeouts, extra-inning game
 Most walks, game
 Most walks, extra-inning game
 Most left on base, game
 Most left on base, extra-inning game
 Fewest left on base, game
 Fewest left on base, extra-inning game
 Most double plays turned
 Most errors, game

Individual Batting:

Most hits, game
 Most hits, extra-inning game
 Most runs, game
 Most doubles, game
 Most triples, game
 Most home runs, game
 Most RBI, game
 Most RBI, extra-inning game
 Most total bases, game
 Most total bases, extra-inning game
 Most walks, game
 Most stolen bases, game
 Longest hitting streak (min. 5 games)

Individual Pitching:

Most innings pitched, starter
 Most innings pitched, reliever
 Most strikeouts, starter
 Most strikeouts, reliever
 Most walks, starter
 Most walks, reliever
 Most runs allowed
 Most home runs allowed
 Consecutive scoreless innings, starter
 Consecutive scoreless innings, reliever
 Longest winning streak (2 or more)

Team Miscellaneous:

Longest winning streak, overall
 Longest winning streak, home
 Longest winning streak, road
 Longest losing streak, overall
 Longest losing streak, home
 Longest losing streak, road
 Longest game-inning, home
 Longest game-inning, road
 Longest game-time, home
 Longest game-time, road
 Longest game-time (extra-innings, home)
 Longest game-time (extra-innings, road)
 Shortest game-time home
 Shortest game-time road
 Shortest game-time (extra-innings, home)
 Shortest game-time (extra-innings, road)
 Largest crowd-home
 Smallest crowd-home
 Largest crowd-road
 Smallest crowd-road
 Largest winning margin
 Largest losing margin
 Largest deficit overcome to win
 Largest lead lost

Royals

15 May 8 @ Baltimore
 7 May 1 @ Boston
 20 May 8 @ Baltimore
 15 May 1 @ Boston
 3 April 7 @ Cleveland
 10 May 8 @ Baltimore (1st)
 9 May 8 @ Baltimore (1st)
 6 May 11 @ Cleveland
 2 Thrice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 1 Thrice, last: April 8 @ Cleveland
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 5 May 8 @ Baltimore
 2 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 4 May 8 @ Baltimore (1st)
 7 May 11 @ Cleveland
 4 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 4 May 6 vs. Detroit
 2 April 17 @ Toronto-1
 2 Twice, last: May 8 @ Baltimore
 1 Thrice, last: May 10 @ Baltimore
 13 April 30 @ Boston
 11 May 1 @ Boston
 8 April 22 @ Detroit
 4 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 11 April 26 vs. Chicago White Sox
 12 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 2 Twice, last: May 6 vs. Detroit
 10 Twice, last: April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 3 April 8 @ Cleveland
 2 Thrice, last: April 25 vs. Milwaukee

4 Gordon (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 4 Jay (May 1 @ Boston)
 3 Twice, last: Jay (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 3 Duda (May 11 @ Cleveland)
 1 Thrice, last: Jay (April 8 @ Cleveland)
 2 Twice, Moustakas (May 8 @ Baltimore), Cuthbert (April 29 vs. Chicago White Sox)
 5 Moustakas (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 3 Soler (May 1 @ Boston)
 9 Moustakas (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 6 Soler (May 1 @ Boston)
 3 Twice, Soler (April 22 @ Detroit), Cuthbert (April 9 vs. Seattle)
 3 Merrifield (May 6 vs. Detroit)
 14 Moustakas (April 8-22)

9.0 Hammel (April 20 @ Detroit-1)
 3.0 5 times, last: Flynn (May 13 @ Cleveland)
 9 Skoglund (April 28 vs. Chicago White Sox-2)
 4 Smith (April 17 @ Toronto-1)
 5 Duffy (April 13 @ Cleveland)
 3 Twice, Grimm (April 17 @ Toronto-2), Smith (May 11 @ Cleveland)
 9 Thrice, last: Duffy (May 13 @ Cleveland)
 5 Junis (April 26 vs. Chicago White Sox) - tied franchise record
 16.0 Junis (April 3-14)
 9.2 Herrera (March 29-April 28)
 3 McCarthy (April 22-May 3)

2 April 28-29, May 3-4, May 6-8
 4 April 28-May 4
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 9 April 10-20
 10 April 10-28 (Game 1)
 5 April 17-20
 11 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 13 May 1 @ Boston
 3:26 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 3:34 May 11 @ Cleveland
 3:34 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 4:25 May 1 @ Boston
 2:16 May 6 vs. Detroit
 2:17 April 3 @ Detroit
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 2:46 April 20 @ Detroit-1
 36,517 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 12,324 April 9 vs. Seattle
 34,720 April 6 @ Cleveland
 10,863 May 8 @ Baltimore
 10 April 9 vs. Seattle
 10 April 18 @ Toronto (5-15)
 5 May 11 @ Cleveland (trailed 4-9 after 4, won 10-9)
 4 Twice, last: May 10 at Baltimore (led 4-0 after 1/2; lost 6-11)

Opponents

15 April 18 @ Toronto
 7 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 16 April 21 @ Detroit
 12 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 2 April 9 vs. Seattle
 6 Thrice, last: May 11 @ Cleveland (4th)
 6 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox (4th)
 5 May 5 vs. Detroit
 3 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 2 April 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 2 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 6 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 2 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 3 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox (4th)
 9 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 6 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 2 Thrice, last: April 13 vs. Los Angeles Angels
 1 5 times, last: May 5 vs. Detroit
 2 April 25 vs. Milwaukee
 1 4 times, last: April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 11 Twice, last: May 3 vs. Detroit
 13 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 8 April 21 @ Detroit
 7 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 12 April 21 @ Detroit
 11 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 3 April 28 vs. Chicago White Sox-2
 3 April 20 @ Detroit-1
 3 Thrice, last: May 10 @ Baltimore
 4 May 1 @ Boston

Upcoming Milestones

Lucas Duda 8 HR to 150 Alcides Escobar 2 SB to tie for 8th on KC all-time list (J. Damon-156) 21 G to tie for 9th on KC all-time list (B. Butler-1,166)	Alex Gordon 2 SB for 100 6 HR to tie for fourth on KC all-time list (H. McRae-169) Jason Hammel 8 wins to 100	Ian Kennedy 8 wins to 100 6 strikeouts to 1,500 Ned Yost 1 win for 1,100 career
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Royals Record When:

Lead after six innings: 7-4 Lead after seven innings: 9-3 Lead after eight innings: 11-0 Starter works more than 6.0 IP: 5-5 Score first: 8-12 Score more than three runs: 10-9 Hit home run: 9-15 Series opener: 4-9 10 or more hits: 6-10	Tied after six innings: 5-2 Tied after seven innings: 2-4 Tied after eight innings: 0-4 Starter works 6.0 IP: 3-5 Opponents score first: 6-16 Score three runs or less: 3-18 Do not homer: 4-12 Series finale: 4-9 Opponents 10 or more hits: 5-15	Trail after six innings: 1-21 Trail after seven innings: 2-20 Trail after eight innings: 3-23 Starter works less than 6.0 IP: 5-17 In the last turn at bat (KC/OPP): 4/5 Walkoff wins (KC/OPP): -/3 Comeback wins (KC/OPP): 7/15 Errorless games by KC: 10-15 Extra Innings: 1-3
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2018 Day-By-Days

Date	Opponent	D/N	W-L	Score	Record	Pos.	GB	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Home Att.	Home No.	Home Total	Road No.	Road Total
March (0-2)															
3/29	CWS	D	L,	7-14	0-1	T3	-1.0	Shields	Duffy (0-1)	-	36,517	1	36,517		
3/31	CWS	N	L,	3-4	0-2	5	-2.0	Farquhar	Maurer (R, 0-1)	Soria	17,564	2	54,081		
April (7-19)															
4/1	CWS	D						<i>PPD - Snow/Cold, makeup scheduled for 4/28</i>							
4/2	at Det	D	L,	1-6	0-3	5	-2.0	Liriano	Hammel (0-1)	-	15,476			1	15,476
4/3	at Det	D	W,	1-0	1-3	4	-1.0	Junis (1-0)	Boyd	Herrera (1)	15,083			2	30,559
4/4	at Det	D						<i>PPD - Snow/Cold, makeup scheduled for 4/20</i>							
4/6	at Cle	D	L,	2-3	1-4	5	-2.5	Carrasco	Duffy (0-2)	Allen	34,720			3	65,279
4/7	at Cle	D	W,	1-0	2-4	5	-1.5	Kennedy (1-0)	Bauer	Herrera (2)	17,362			4	82,641
4/8	at Cle	D	L,	1-3	2-5	5	-2.0	Allen	Maurer (R, 0-2)	-	14,240			5	96,881
4/9	Sea	N	W,	10-0	3-5	4	-1.0	Junis (2-0)	Gonzales	-	12,324	3	66,405		
4/10	Sea	N	L,	3-8	3-6	4	-2.0	Hernandez	Skoglund (0-1)	-	14,850	4	81,255		
4/11	Sea	D	L,	2-4	3-7	5	-3.0	Vincent	Grimm (R, 0-1)	Diaz	14,314	5	95,569		
4/12	LAA	N	L,	1-7	3-8	5	-4.0	Tropeano	Kennedy (1-1)	-	14,714	6	110,283		
4/13	LAA	N	L,	4-5	3-9	5	-4.5	Wood	Grimm (R, 0-2)	Middleton	15,011	7	125,294		
4/14	LAA	N	L,	3-5	3-10	5	-5.0	Richards	Junis (2-1)	Middleton	15,876	8	141,170		
4/15	LAA	D						<i>PPD - Cold, makeup scheduled for 6/25</i>							
4/16	at Tor	N						<i>PPD - Roof damage, makeup scheduled for 4/17 as doubleheader</i>							
4/17	at Tor	D	L,	3-11	3-11	-	-	Garcia	Skoglund (0-2)	-	-			6	
4/17	at Tor	N	L,	4-5 (10)	3-12	5	-6.0	Clippard	Flynn (R, 0-1)	-	18,645			7	115,526
4/18	at Tor	D	L,	5-15	3-13	5	-6.5	Happ	Kennedy (1-2)	-	28,803			8	144,329
4/20	at Det	D	L,	2-3 (10)	3-14	-	-	Jimenez	Keller (R, 0-1)	-	15,406			9	159,735
4/20	at Det	N	W,	3-2	4-14	5	-6.0	Junis (3-1)	Greene	Herrera (3)	17,194			10	176,929
4/21	at Det	D	L,	4-12	4-15	5	-6.5	Fiers	Duffy (0-3)	Saupold	19,302			11	196,231
4/22	at Det	D	W,	8-5	5-15	5	-6.5	McCarthy (R, 1-0)	VerHagen	Herrera (4)	19,034			12	215,265
4/24	Mil	N	L,	2-5	5-16	5	-7.0	Davies	Kennedy (1-3)	-	16,555	9	157,725		
4/25	Mil	N	L,	2-6	5-17	5	-8.0	Chacin	Hammel (0-2)	-	13,389	10	171,114		
4/26	CWS	N	L,	3-6	5-18	5	-8.0	Giolito	Junis (3-2)	Soria	18,315	11	189,429		
4/27	CWS	N	L,	4-7 (11)	5-19	5	-9.0	Infante	Hill (R, 0-1)	Soria	15,395	12	204,824		
4/28	CWS	D	L,	0-8	5-20	-	-	Fulmer	Oaks (0-1)	-	16,971	13	221,795		
4/28	CWS	N	W,	5-2	6-20	5	-8.5	Skoglund (1-2)	Covey	Herrera (5)	16,070	14	237,865		
4/29	CWS	D	W,	5-4	7-20	5	-7.5	McCarthy (R, 2-0)	Rondon	Boyer (1)	23,892	15	261,757		
4/30	at Bos	N	L,	6-10	7-21	5	-8.5	Velazquez	Hammel (0-3)	-	31,314			13	246,579
May (6-6)															
5/1	at Bos	N	W,	7-6 (13)	8-21	5	-7.5	Herrera (R, 1-0)	Johnson	Flynn (1)	34,466			14	281,045
5/2	at Bos	D	L,	4-5	8-22	5	-8.5	Pomeranz	Duffy (0-4)	Kimbrel	32,267			15	313,312
5/3	Det	D	W,	10-6	9-22	5	-8.0	McCarthy (R, 3-0)	Bell	-	28,866	16	290,623		
5/4	Det	N	W,	4-2	10-22	T4	-7.0	Boyer (R, 1-0)	Stumpf	Herrera (6)	24,648	17	315,271		
5/5	Det	D	L	2-3	10-23	T4	-7.0	Zimmermann	Hammel (0-4)	Greene	20,708	18	335,979		
5/6	Det	D	W,	4-2	11-23	4	-6.0	Junis (4-2)	Boyd	Herrera (7)	18,424	19	354,403		
5/8	at Bal	N	W,	15-7	12-23	4	-5.0	Duffy (1-4)	Bundy	-	10,863			16	324,175
5/9	at Bal	N	L,	3-5	12-24	4	-6.0	Bleier	McCarthy (R, 3-1)	Brach	14,375			17	338,550
5/10	at Bal	N	L,	6-11	12-25	4	-6.5	Castro	Kennedy (1-4)	-	17,842			18	356,392
5/11	at Cle	N	W	10-9	13-25	4	-5.5	Keller (R, 1-1)	Miller	Herrera (8)	24,408			19	380,800
5/12	at Cle	D	L,	2-6	13-26	4	-6.5	Clevinger	Junis (4-3)	-	24,587			20	405,387
5/13	at Cle	D	L,	2-11	13-27	4	-7.5	Kluber	Duffy (1-5)	-	22,105			21	427,492
5/14	TB	N													
5/15	TB	N													
5/16	TB	D													
5/18	NYN	N													
5/19	NYN	N													
5/20	NYN	D													
5/21	at StL	N													
5/22	at StL	N													
5/23	at StL	D													
5/24	at Tex	N													
5/25	at Tex	N													
5/26	at Tex	D													
5/27	at Tex	D													
5/28	Min	N													
5/29	Min	N													
5/30	Min	N													

Minor League Report

Omaha Storm Chasers (AAA)
Pacific Coast League
American Conference, Northern Division
(13-24)

	R	H	E	LOB
Omaha	4	9	0	5
New Orleans (Marlins)	2	5	2	6

WP: Glenn Sparkman (1-0)
SV: Eric Stout (1)
HR: None

Making his first Triple-A start of the season, Glenn Sparkman held New Orleans to one run on four hits over 6.0 innings. Brandon Maurer threw 1.2 scoreless frames before giving way to Josh Staumont and Eric Stout to close out the win. A sac fly by Humberto Arteaga and an RBI single by Terrance Gore put Omaha on the board in the fifth.

NW Arkansas Naturals (AA)
Texas League
North Division
(15-20)

	R	H	E	LOB
Tulsa (Dodgers)	8	12	1	10
NW Arkansas	11	17	1	4

WP: Walker Sheller (1-0)
HR: Anderson Miller (2), Erick Mejia 2 (2&3)

Northwest Arkansas broke out for 11 runs on 17 hits to win its third straight, taking three of four from Tulsa. Erick Mejia finished 4-for-5 with a double, two home runs and four RBI, while Anderson Miller doubled, homered and scored three times. Jeckson Flores went 2-for-4 with three RBI. Donnie Dewees, Elmer Hernandez and Luis Villegas also had multi-hit games.

Wilmington Blue Rocks (A-Advanced)
Carolina League
Northern Division
(15-21)

	R	H	E	LOB
Wilmington	3	5	1	4
Carolina (Brewers)	6	11	0	5

LP: Cristian Castillo (1-5)
HR: Emmanuel Rivera (3)

Emmanuel Rivera's three-run homer tied the game at three in the sixth, but Carolina answered with two in the bottom of the inning. Kort Peterson went 2-for-3 with a run scored, extending his hitting streak to seven games in which he is hitting .500 (14-for-28) with three doubles, a triple and a home run. Cristian Castillo fell to 1-5 after allowing four earned runs over 6.0 innings of work.

Lexington Legends (A)
South Atlantic League
Southern Division
(17-17)

	R	H	E	LOB
Greenville (Red Sox)	3	5	3	7
Lexington	7	8	3	5

WP: Garrett Davila (2-1)
HR: Nick Pratto (6), Dennicher Carrasco (4)

Garrett Davila limited Greenville to just one run over 7.0 innings, and the Lexington offense awoke late to take down the Drive. After tying the game at one on an error in the sixth, Lexington took the lead on a two-run triple by Jeison Guzman in the seventh. Nick Pratto and Dennicher Carrasco each homered in the eighth.

Idaho Falls Chukars (R)
Pioneer League
South Division

Begin play June 15
vs. Ogden (Dodgers)

Burlington Royals (R)
Appalachian League
East Division

Begin play June 19
at Elizabethton (Twins)

Surprise Royals (R)
Arizona League
West Division

Begin play in June
Schedule TBA