

# **OFFICIAL GAME INFORMATION** T-Bones (44-23, 2nd South) at Sioux Falls Canaries (26-41, 5<sup>th</sup> North) RHP Tommy Collier (6-3, 3.20) at RHP Dylan Thomspson (4-6, 5.29)

Game 68 –Road Game 36

8/1/18 — Sioux Falls Stadium, Sioux Falls, SD- 7:05 pm

Series: Game 2 of 3

On air at T-&Bones MixLR Channel

#### Last Game

The T-Bones jumped on Miles Nordgren early racing out to a 6-2 lead with Mason Davis and Colin Walsh leading the way for KC. Alay Lago also had a pair of RBI sealed it with a solo homer in the seventh. Lucas Irvine tossed six workmen like innings to get the win in an 8-4 finle.

#### **Today**

The T-Bones continue their six-game road trip with game two of a three game series against the Sioux Falls Canaries. RHP Tommy Collier (6-3, 3.20) will toe it up for KC to face Sioux Falls RHP Dylan Thomspson (4-6, 5.29).

#### Vs. Sioux Falls

The T-Bones won the first series 2-1 during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday week and with the win last night lead this season 3-1. All-time the T-Bones are 28c-18 against the falls. In 17 KC won the series 4-2.

#### Tale of the Tape

Offense	<u>T-Bones</u>	<u>Canaries</u>
Avg	.297 (2nd)	.261 (10th)
Runs	385 (2nd)	292 (9th)
HR	52 (6th)	56 (5th)
SB	77 (4th)	81 (3 <sup>rd</sup> )
BB	250 (4th)	189 (11 th)
Pitching		
ERA	3.81 (4th)	4.89 (9th)
SO	514 (T 4th)	454 (10th)
BB	233 (5th)	273 (2nd)
SV	23 (T 2nd)	16 (T 6th)
Defense		
E	57(10th)	82(1 <sup>st</sup> )

#### **Big Month**

The T-Bones had a big month on July going 19-9 and having Tommy Collier named Pitcher of the month for the American Association.

#### <u>Up next</u>

The T-Bones will travel to St. Paul for three as part of a six-game road trip before a returning home to the metro for a three games series with Texas.

#### **Double vision**

The T-Bones lead the circuit with 131 doubles. The American Association record for doubles is 250 set by Amarillo in 2011. The T-Bones franchise record for two baggers is 212 set in back to back seasons in 2007 and 2008.

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	AA	SOUTH S	TANDI	NGS
Team	W	L	GB	Last Game
Sioux City	52	16	-	W 5-4 @CLE
T-Bones	44	23	7.5	W 8-4 @ SF
Wichita	43	25	9	W 5-2 @ CHI
Lincoln	32	35	19.5	W 6-3 WIN
Cleburne	20	49	32.5	L 5-4 SIO
Texas	18	49	33.5	L 4-0 GAR
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Streak: Home: 20-12	)	Away: 2		Last 10: 7-3 SF: 3-1
South: 31-16		North: 1		Month: 19-9
runs/Rank	,	HR/ Rar		OBP/ Rank
385/ 2nd		52/6th		.370/ 2nd
AVG/ Rank		ERROR	<u>S/</u>	OPS/Rank
.297 / 2nd		57/10th		.803 / 2nd
WHIP/Rank		ERA/Ra		Strike Outs/Rank
1.29 /T 1st		3.81 / 4t		514 / T 4th
AVG		ES LEAC		
AVG		e (.331) 8t		
R		e (53) T 4		
R		o Jr (42) T		
HR		cio (7) T 9		
	Adrian Ni	eto & Mas	on Davis	s (4) T 12th
2B	Todd Cun	ningham (	17) T 6th	
		e (16) T 71	th	
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		o Jr. (79)		
RBI		cio (38) 14		
SB		o Jr (32) T wis (14)T		
ERA		Collier $(3.2)$		
LINA		1kins (3.39		
SO	Tommy C	ollier (90)	1st	
	Í	Last		
Day	Opp		Re	sult/Notes
7/31	SF	W 8-4 3	home ru	ns powers KC to W
7/29	CHI			tough bull pen
7/28	CHI	4-3 Wal	k off win	ners in the 10th Tice
7/27	CHI	W 4-0 w	ith 11 SO	O for Collier
7/26	LIN			in in 12 innings
		By the N	umbers	
Day7-3			Ni	ght37-20
Series14-4	-1			veeps5-0
Series Open.			Se	ries Middle16-8
Series Finale	14-9		Rı	ibber Match2-0
Last At-Bat	8-12		W	alk-Off3-3
Comeback			Ex	tra Innings4-4
Doubleheade				ore First30-7
Allow First I				Run Game10-10
2-Run Game				Run Game8-4
4+Run Game				ore hits36-9
Fewer hits				me hits3-2
Scoring 0-3.				oring 4-616-9 low 0-329-6
Scoring 7+ Allow 4-6				low 7+29-6
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		NEXT FIVE	
8/2	@SF	TBA at RHP John Straka (2-3, 6.27)	7:05 pm
8/3	@STP	TBA at TBA	7:05 pm
8/4	@STP	TBA at TBA	7:05 pm
8/5	@STP	TBA at TBA	5:05 pm
8/6	TEX	TBA at TBA	7:05 pm



# **Steak Bites**

#### 20/20 Vision

With the current record of 44-23 the T-Bones are 21 games above .500 for the second time this season. The club has reached 21 games above (last weekend) an all-time franchise high. The T-Bones are ahead of last year's pace by four games. In 2017 after 67 games KC sat at 40-27 and would go on to finish at 57-43 the second-best record in club history. Joe Calfapietra arrived on the scene last season and during his tenure the T-Bones have been above .500 for 152 days including the last 83 days of the 2017 season. Last season the team was 15 games above .500 on August 13<sup>th</sup> the highest of the season and at the time the second highest number in franchise history. The 2010 team finished 58-42 in Tim Doherty's first season at the helm on KC the highest point until the T-Bones passed that mark earlier this month.

Days above .500 Year From May 25<sup>th</sup> on. 2018 61 From June 14<sup>th</sup> the rest of the way in 17 83 2017 2016 3 The T-Bones were 7-7 on June 1st on 2016 the latest the club was at .500 in 2016. In 2015, the club reached the .500 mark on the second to the last day of the season on September 6th 2015 2 2014 1 In 2014 the club was 30-30 on July 18th and never reached .500 again 2013 1-1 to start 2013 the last point the team was at. 500 that season 1 2012 The team was at or above .500 for 66 games from June 22nd until the end of the season. 66

#### Kings of KC

The T-Bone love our friends as the K and always hope they do well, but it is good to note that the big club 33-73 with a .311 winning percentage. The T-Bones with 33 wins back in early July have surpassed the win total of our cross-town neighbors. T-Bones are 43-23 with a .657 winning percentage. Now we are not saying we are in the same league just a different league when it comes to wins and losses.

#### Moving on up

Taylor Featherston is the 37th Kansas City player and the seventh this season to have his contract purchased while with the T-Bones last week . In May, the Washington Nationals purchased the contract of outfielder Adam Brett Walker, and the New York Mets purchased the contract of right-handed pitcher Cody Martin. On July 3, the Cubs purchased the contract of left-handed T-Bones pitcher James Buckelew. On July 7, the Cincinnati Reds purchased the contract of left-handed pitcher Carlos Diaz. On July 13, the Seattle Mariners purchased the contract of left-handed pitcher Joe Filomeno, and on July 17 the Texas Rangers picked up OF/IF Nick Torres. Toss in two players who signed free agent contracts with AAA Mexico the T-Bones have lost nine players during the season.

#### On the air

Dan Vaughan returns for his second season as the "voice of the T-Bones." Vaughan spent the previous four years with the Gary SouthShore RailCats and is the Australian summer voice of the Perth Heat of the Australian Baseball League during the USA winters. The game audio can be heard on <u>thonesbaseball.com</u> and on the <u>T-Bones MixLR Channel</u> and the MixLR app. The pregame begins at 6:40 with "The Top Step with Manager Joe Calfapietra." <u>AmericanAssociationBaseballTV.com</u> carries the video stream of all home games. The full pregame show can be heard online on the radio side with Lilly Stewart providing the news and scores around the American Association and Jackson Mealman brings fans the Dugout Report and the post-game segments from the field and clubhouse. On the road Vaughan is a one man band with the audio stream heard on <u>AmericanAssociationBaseballTV.com</u> in addition to flagship home on <u>T-Bones MixLR Channel</u>. For fans that want to hear the game inside the ballpark tune into **107.9 FM** on your radio dial to hear all the live radio action.

#### **HOT T-BONES**

#### At the plate

-Mason Davis is 10 for his last 22 over five games with a five-game hitting streak with a pair of homers and six RBI.

-Colin Walsh has scored 14 runs his last 16 games

-Noah Perio has 14 RBI in his first 18 games for KC.

-Adrian Nieto went 12-for-27 on the home stand with 5 RBI.

-Last night was Alay Lago's first multi RBI night as a T-Bone with his first home run.

-KC has 200 extra base hits leading the AA Lincoln is second with 196.

#### On the hill

-Tommy Collier had 37 K's in his last 30 innings and the team has won the last eight of his starts.

-Marcus Crescentini has 15 K's in his first 9.2 IP

- KC has 20 out of 67 starts out in the rotation falling into the quality category of six innings of three earned runs or less.

#### The Last Time...for the T-Bones

The T-Bones scored 10 runs in a game	
The T-Bones recorded 15 hits in a game	
The T-Bones shut out their opponent	
The T-Bones won with a walk-off	
The T-Bones swept a series	
The T-Bones won five games in a row	

A T-Bones player had four hits in a game A T-Bones player had five hits in a game A T-Bones player had five plus RBIs in a game A T-Bones player hit at least two HRs in a game A T-Bones player hit a grand slam A T-Bones pitcher threw a complete game (9 IP) A T-Bones pitcher struck out at least 10 batters A T-Bones pitcher threw a no-hitter

# On This Date...

June 29, 2018 July 9, 2018 June 26, 2018 July 28, 2018 July 16-18, 2018 June 18- June 29, 2018

July 7, 2018 at Texas August 1, 2017 @ Cleburne June 26, 2018 Lincoln July 18, 2018 @ Cleburne June 27, 2017 at Lincoln August 12, 2016 July 27, 2018 July 5, 2018 @CLE (L 14-13) @LIN (16 H,913-2 W) Lincoln (7-0 W) Chicago (4-3) in 10 at Cleburne 3-0 9 games

Mason Davis 4-for-5 Cedric Hunter (5) Nick Torres (5) Mason Davis (2) Kyle Petty Jared Messer Tommy Collier (11 strikeouts) Combined in 7 innings (1-0 @TEX)

# August 1, 2011 Watson Named Player of the Month for July

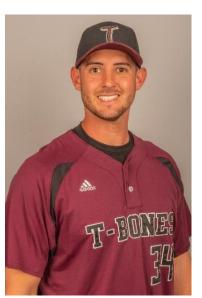
KANSAS CITY, Kan. – The Northern League announced that Kansas City T-Bones infielder Rob Watson was named Northern League Player of the Month for July.

Watson, who was recently named Player of the Week for the week ending July 29, hit .413 with 14 doubles, a triple, a home run and 29 RBI in 25 games on the month. He currently ranks second in the league with a .372 average and leads the league with a .471 on-base percentage. He has helped propel the T-Bones to the top of the South Division as he leads the team in runs (59), hits (96) and walks (46). Earlier this season, Watson had a 15-game hitting streak from June 17 - July 3 and put together a 24 game on-base streak from June 14 - July 12. At home, he currently has an on-base streak of 32 straight games, a league-high feat that began on Opening Night.

The 5-9, 190-pound infielder has played second base (37), third base (14) and shortstop (16) for Kansas City this season. A former college pitcher at Oklahoma State, he has also appeared in three games as a pitcher for the T-Bones, throwing three scoreless innings while surrendering two hits and striking out three. Watson, who was originally drafted by the Detroit at Tigers in the 17th round of the 2002

amateur draft, is playing his second year in the Northern League after playing in 75 games for the Schaumburg Flyers in 2006. Watson is the fifth T-Bones player to be named Player of the Month since the franchise moved to Kansas City in 2003. The last occurrence came in June 2006 when Greg Jacobs and Jonathan Krysa were named Player and Pitcher of the Month respectively.

# MEET THE T-BONES STARTING PITCHER Tonight's starter #34 Tommy Collier



**Tommy Collier**, joins the T-Bones after spending 2011-2016 with the Detroit Tigers organization and reaching AA Erie in 2016, posting a career 41-37 record and a 3.88 ERA in 650 innings with Detroit. The last two winters Collier has pitched in the Venezuela Winter League for La Guaira, pitching in 64 innings with a 4.22 ERA over the two combined seasons. Collier was the 22<sup>nd</sup> round pick of the Tigers in the 2011 MLB June Amateur Draft out of San Jacinto College in Houston, Texas. He went 4-1 with a 1.85 ERA in his rookie season with Connecticut in the New York/Penn League in 2011. In 2012 he made the jump to low A West Michigan going 9-8, and he led all the starters on the club with a 2.74 ERA in 24 starting nods.

In 2013, 2014 and 2015, Collier split time between High A Lakeland and AA Erie and spent 2013 in the prestigious Arizona Fall League with Mesa. Collier combined for a 4.43 ERA in 2013 in 67 innings and in 2014 tossing 133 innings with a 5.75 ERA for Detroit. The right-hander went 7-8 in 2015 with a 3.70 ERA in 155.2 innings combined at both stops. At AA Erie in 2016, the Houston, Texas native won a career high nine games in 25 starts with 130.2 innings with a 4.20 ERA. Collier led the SeaWolves in

wins and innings pitched that season, adding 87 strike outs. In 2008, Collier was drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers out of high school in the 29<sup>th</sup> round of the MLB Draft from Cypress-Fairbanks High School in Cypress, Texas. He was then drafted in the 49<sup>th</sup> round by Toronto in 2009 while at San Jacinto College but did not sign.

#### -2018 Season notes:

-Collier has tossed 10 quality starts.

-After his opening night start his next three times out he gave up 5 runs combined in 20 innings getting a pair of wins.

-He has gone at least six in his last 12 starts.

-Team is 10-3 in his starts and won all six of his road starts in 18

-Was named Pitcher of the week for the week ending July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

-Was named Pitcher of the month of July.

PITCHING GAME LOG

DATE	TEAM	OPP	RESULT	WL	GS	CG	sнo	sv	IP	н	R	ER	BB	so	BF	OOBP	OSLG	OAVG	ERA
07/27/18	<b>@KAN</b>	CHI	W 4-0	1 0	1	0	0	0	7.0	6	0	0	1	11	26	.269	.240	.240	0.00
07/21/18	@KAN	TEX	W 1-0	0 0	1	0	0	0	8.2	2	0	0	0	8	29	.068	.068	.068	0.00
07/15/18	@KAN	ST.	₩ 5-2	10	1	0	0	0	8.0	4	2	0	0	10	28	.142	.142	.142	0.00
07/10/18	KAN	@LIN	W 2-1	10	1	0	0	0	7.0	6	1	1	1	8	28	.250	.259	. 222	1.29
07/05/18	KAN	@TEX	W 4-3	0 0	1	0	0	0	6.0	6	3	3	1	5	25	.269	.375	.250	4.50
06/30/18	KAN	@CLE	W 7-4	10	1	0	0	0	7.0	8	4	4	1	10	30	.300	.482	.275	5.14
06/24/18	@KAN	CLE	₩ 6-5	0 0	1	0	0	0	7.0	5	4	3	3	5	31	. 322	.461	.192	3.86
06/18/18	KAN	@WIN	W 9-3	10	1	0	0	0	6.2	6	3	3	1	7	28	.285	.384	.230	4.05
06/13/18	@KAN	SC-	L 8-9	01	1	0	0	0	6.0	9	6	6	1	5	27	.357	.384	.346	9.00
06/08/18	KAN	@WIC	W 11-3	0 0	1	0	0	0	6.0	5	1	1	0	9	22	.227	.363	.227	1.50
06/01/18	@KAN	WIC	L 0-1	01	1	0	0	0	6.0	4	1	1	1	6	23	.217	.318	.181	1.50
05/27/18	KAN	@CHI	W 8-6	10	1	0	0	0	7.0 1	10	4	3	0	4	28	.344	.464	. 357	3.86
05/22/18	@KAN	GAR	L 2-6	01	1	0	0	0	4.2	8	6	6	2	2	25	.480	.619	.380	11.57

PITCHING TOTALS

SEASON	TEAM	W-L	G GS	CG	SHO S	sv	IP	н	R ER	BB	SO BF	OOBP	OSLG	OAVG	ERA
AA Reg Season 2018	Kansas City T-Bones	6-3	13 13	0	0	0	87.0	79	35 31	12	90350	.274	.345	.243	3.21
Totals		6-3	13 13	0	0	0	87.0	79	35 31	12	90350	.274	.345	.241	3.21

#### **COLLIER CAREER**

Year	Age	Ag	geDif		Tm		Lg	Le	ev	Aff	w	LV	V-L%	6 El	RA	RA9	G	GS	G	FC	G	SHO	sv	IP	н	R	ER	HR	BB	IB	B S	O HE	P BI	( )	/P B	F	WHIP	H9	HR9	BB9	SO9	SO/W
<u>2011</u>	21		-0.4	Con	necticu	<u>ıt</u>	NYP	<u>L</u> A-		DET	4	1	.80	0 1.	.85	1.85	7	7	(	D	0	0	0	39.0	) 28	8	8	1	10		0 3	5	3	D	2 1	56	0.974	6.5	0.2	2.3	8.1	3.50
<u>2012</u>	22		0.2	Wes	t Michi	gan	MID	<u>N</u> A		DET	9	8	.52	9 2.	.74	3.18	24	24	(	D	1	1	0	124.2	2 112	44	38	5	37		D 8	4	5	1	6 5	03	1.195	8.1	0.4	2.7	6.1	2.27
<u>2013</u>	23			2 Te	ams		2 Lg	s A+-	AA	DET	5	3	.62	5 4.	.43	4.70	14	14	(	D	0	0	0	67.0	74	35	33	5	24		0 5	4	5	D	3 2	72	1.463	9.9	0.7	3.2	7.3	2.25
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<u>2014</u>	24	4 -	0.6	Erie		<u>EL</u>	1	AA	DE	T	4	7 .36	64 4	5.88	6.41	17	' 1	7	0 1	1	0	85.2	8	6 6 <sup>.</sup>	56	14	39	0	48	4	1	3 3	73 1	459	9.0	1.	5 4.1	5.0	1.23			
<u>2014</u>	24	4	0.8	Lakela	and	FLC	<u>DR</u>	<b>\</b> +	DE	T	3	3 .50	00 3	3.80	4.56	9		9	0 0	0	0	47.1	49	24	1 20	ŧ	i 16	6 0	40	4	1	2 2	05 1	373	9.3	1.0	) 3.0	7.6	2.50			
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<u>2016</u>	26	6	1.5	<u>Erie</u>		<u>EL</u>	1	AA	DE	T	9	7 .56	53 4	4.20	4.61	25	5 2	25	0 2	0	0	130.2	14	6	61	15	35	6 0	87	4	0	3 5	63 1	378	10.0	1.0	) 2.4	6.0	2.49			
<u>2016-1</u>	7 26	6 -	1.7	La Gu	aira	VEV	<u>VL</u> F	∃gW			2	2 .50	00 2	2.81	2.81	e	5	5	0 0	0	0	25.2	2	2 8	8 8	2	2	0	13	3	0	1 1	05 1	208	7.7	0.7	3.2	4.6	1.44			
<u>2017-1</u>	<u>8</u> 27	7 -	1.2	La Gu	aira	VEV	<u>VL</u> F	∃gW			1	4 .20	00 4	5.17	5.63	8	•	8	D O	0	0	38.1	44	24	1 22	3		0	31	2	0	4 1	65 1	383	10.3	0.7	7 2.1	7.3	3.44			
<u>2018</u>	28	8	1.4	Kansa	is City	<u>AA</u>	I	nd			6	3 .66	67 S	3.21	3.62	13	1	3	D O	0	0	87.0	79	3	5 31	8	12	0	90	5	0	2 3	50 1	046	8.2	0.8	3 1.2	9.3	7.50			
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# **PITCHING / CATCHER EXTRAS**

T-BONES STAFF	W-L	ER	RA	ER	IP
Starters	29-13	4.2	24	173	364.1
Relievers	15-10	3.0	00	68	207.1
Catchers B	ох				
Catchers Bo Player		SB	ATT	PC	T PB
		<b>SB</b> 34	<b>AT</b> T 49	<b>PC</b>	
Player	CS				% 4

Nieto	15	34	49	.32%
Pennell	7	16	23	.30%
Others				

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# **MEET THE T-BONES HITTERS**

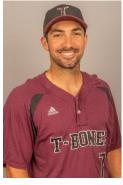
## 9 Todd Cunningham



**Todd Cunningham** brings some major league experience to Kansas City with 67 big league games under his belt since 2013. The Alabama native most recently spent time with the Indianapolis Indians and the Charlotte Knights playing nine games a piece in 2018 before working his way to Kansas City. In those 18 games Cunningham had 3 RBI's and hit .163. Cunningham started his career with the Atlanta Braves organization playing for the Rome Braves. In his rookie year he played in 65 games with 20 RBIs and hit .260.

In 2011 Cunningham hit four homeruns while batting a .257 with 20 RBIs in 87 games for the Lynchburg Hillcats of the Carolina League. In 2012 he hit .309 in 120 games with 51 RBIs and three home runs in AA Southern League. Cunningham saw his first major league action in 2013 playing in eight games for the Atlanta Braves while batting .250. Cunningham would play 39 games for the Atlanta Braves again in 2015 before playing 20 games with the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim in 2016. In 2017 he split time with AAA Memphis Redbirds and AAA Oklahoma City Dodgers. Cunningham had 31 RBIs, hit a .284 and had four home runs.

#### **#7 Keith Curcio**



**Keith Curcio** is an outfielder and 2<sup>nd</sup> baseman drafted in the 6<sup>th</sup> round out of Florida Southern College by the Atlanta Braves in the 2014 MLB June amateur draft. In 2017 Curcio played in 120 games at AA Mississippi for Atlanta, hitting .219 with 4 homeruns and 21 RBI.Curcio began his career with Rome in the South Atlantic League with the Braves organization in 2014. In 2015 Curcio began the year with Rome playing in 32 games and hitting a career high .342. Curcio finished out the year playing 101 games for the Carolina Braves hitting .241 with 4 homeruns and 38 RBI. In 2016 Curcio played 124 games for Carolina, this time hitting .271 with 3 homeruns and 54 RBI. Curcio hails from Sarasota Florida. At Florida Southern College, Curcio averaged .315 with 19 RBI in 39 games.



#### #4 Mason Davis

Mason Davis comes to Kansas City from Jacksonville in the Southern League, where the native of Georgia native hit .193 in 37 games for the Jumbo Shrimp. He appeared in 20 games at shortstop, nine at second base and in another five at third base. Davis also added another game at left field. Davis had a short three game stint with the Jupiter Hammerheads where he averaged .167 in 2018 before playing for Jacksonville. Davis was originally drafted by the Miami Marlins in the 19<sup>th</sup> round in the 2014 June draft out of The Citadel. He spent four seasons in their system reaching the AA level. In 2017, Davis saw time in two different leagues for Miami. He played in 31 games in the South Atlantic League at Greensboro and hit .248 with two homeruns and 15 RBIs. At A+ Jupiter in the Florida State League, Davis played in 46 games, hitting .255 with seven stolen bases and seven RBIs. Davis again split time in 2016. Battling injuries, he played in 11 games for Greensboro, hitting .246 and seeing action in another 4 games at Marlins, hitting. 375. In 2015 Davis played all 86 games for Greensboro, hitting .255 with career high six homeruns and 29 RBIs along with 19 stolen bases. In his first season with the Marlins organization, Davis split time between Batavia in the New York-Pennsylvania League, hitting .319 in 56 games and seven games at Southern Atlantic League Greensboro. He hit .259 with 3 RBIs during his stay in North Carolina. Davis was born in Convers, Georgia and attended Reden High School before

playing four seasons at The Citadel. In his senior season he batted .310 while stealing 27 bases. He left The Citadel as one of the best 2nd basemen in school history.

#### #1 Alay Lago



The Kansas City T-Bones signed 27-year-old **Alay Lago** for the 2018 season on July 24<sup>th</sup>. In his first game with KC he picked up a base hit and an RBI single in the T-Bones 6-3 win over Lincoln. The Cuba native began his baseball career in 2010 playing in the Cuban National Series League for the Metropolitanos. In his first year with the club, he hit .146 with seven RBIs and one homerun in 48 games. In his 2nd year with the club, he improved on his rookie year numbers posting a .158 batting average in 37 games. In 2012, Lago moved on to Industriales of the Cuban National Series League. While with the Industriales, his batting average improved to .220. He had two RBIs and eight runs in 50 games. Lago did not play in the 2013 season but joined Artemisa of the Cuban National Series LEague for the 2014-15 season. While with Artemisa, Lago hit .253 with 10 RBI's and two stolen bases in 35 games. He played 16 games at 2nd base, 11 games at 3rd base and seven at shortstop, with a few games in the outfield as well for the Cuban club.

In 2016 he moved on to AAA Veracruz in the Mexican League where he hit .255 with eight RBIs and a homerun in 24 games. In 2017 Lago was picked up by the Atlanta Braves organization. He started with A+ Florida in the Florida State League. While with the Fire Frogs, Lago played in 113 games, batting .303, with 46 RBI, six home runs, and six stolen bases. Lago played the first 80 games of 2018 with the AA Mississippi Braves in the Southern League. With the Braves, he batted .247 with 25 RBIs,

five stolen base, and two home-runs.

## #32 Logan Moon



**Logan Moon** comes to Kansas City from nearby AAA Omaha in the Pacific Coast League. The Blue Springs, Missouri native was drafted in the 6th round of the 2014 June amateur draft by the Kansas City Royals. While with the Storm Chasers, Moon played in 34 games, hitting .193 with 12 RBIs. He spent most of his time in the outfield adding two games as a designated hitter.

He spent his rookie year playing for Burlington, NC in the Appalachian league. While with the Royals he batted .332 in 59 games, with two home-runs, 24 RBIs and 16 stolen bases. He spent 2015 with Wilmington, DE in the Carolina League. Moon played 121 games for the Blue Rocks, batting .254, with 28 RBIs and 12 stolen bases. Moon also played in the Australian baseball league for Melbourne where he batted .300 in 54 games. He also added five home runs, 24 RBIs and 12 stolen bases in his foreign-league debut. Moon spent 2016 with AA Northwest Arkansas in the Texas League. While with the Naturals, he batted .254 with four home runs and 30 RBIs. In 2017, he had his best hitting average with AAA Omaha where he batted .336 in 29 games. He finished the year back with AA Northwest Arkansas.

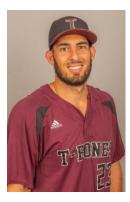
#### **#8 Tucker Pennell**



The T-Bones welcome back Texan **Tucker Pennell** behind the plate this season, Pennell was inked just prior to game time on August 25th on the road in Gary, Indiana last season and would have a key double to spark the offensive attack in his first at bat in an 8-0 win over the RailCats. He finished the seasons on a hot streak including a game tying home run against St. Paul on September 4th in Kansas City. He would finish 5-for-13 in the last four game series with the Saints with three RBI and a double. Over all in 10 games Pennell went 11-for-28 with three RBI and a .393 average. Pennell spent 18 games over two seasons with the San Diego Padres organization after signing as anon-drafted free agent in 2016. A native of Georgetown, Texas he was a teammate of Jackson Lowery at the University of Arkansas.

## #12 Adrian Nieto

Adrian Nieto, born in Havana, Cuba and raised in Florida, comes to the T-Bones following a 2017 season where he played 68 games between AA Pensacola and AAA Louisville in the Cincinnati Reds organization. In 41 games at AA, he hit three home runs and drove in 15 runs, hitting at a .250 clip. At AAA Louisville, Nieto played in 27 games and batted .204 with six RBIs. Nieto was selected in the fifth round of the 2008 Major League Draft out of American Heritage High School in Plantation, Florida by the Washington Nationals. He would see limited action following the draft, playing in eight games going 5-for-23 with the Gulf Coast Rookie League Nationals. In 2009 in 42 games in the GCL, Nieto hit .228 with 17 RBIs and then would make the jump to low A full season Hagerstown in the South Atlantic League in 2010. With the Suns he hit .195 with two homers and 14 RBIs. In 2011 Nieto made three stops in the Washington system, starting the season at short season Auburn in the New York-Penn League where played in 30 games, hitting .302 with four home runs and 22 RBIs. He would see action in two games that July in the high A Carolina League with Potomac, going 1-for-5 and then finishing the season at Hagerstown, including six long balls and 39 RBIs. In a short rehab stint, he played in eight GCL games during July of the 2012 season. His final season with the Nationals organization, Nieto played in a career high 110 games at high A Carolina with Potomac, hitting .285 with a career high 11 home runs and another career high 53 RBIs. He would throw out 33% of runners behind the plate defensively during the season. Nieto added another 13 games in the Arizona Fall League to his resume in 2013, hitting .271 (13-for-48) with six RBIs. The Chicago White Sox selected Nieto in the 2013 Rule 5



draft as the third pick overall, and he would spend the entire 2014 season with the "big club," serving as the backup to Tyler Flowers. For the season, Nieto hit .236 with two home runs and seven RBIs and was the primary catcher for former T-Bones "ace" Scott Carroll. Nieto was also part of history in 2014 when the White Sox used four Cuban players in the same lineup on multiple occasions. Nieto joined Jose Abreu, Alexei Ramirez and Dayan Viciedo in the lineup— something that no other team had done in 45 years. He would return to the minors in 2015, playing in 81 games at AA Birmingham, hitting .207 for the Barons in the Southern League. Nieto would be released by Chicago after the 2015 season and ink with the Miami Marlins organization. He spent 37 games at AAA New Orleans and hit .195 with a homer and 19 RBIs in 2016. Nieto has also played parts of two seasons of winter ball, hitting in 2014-2015 and 2017-2018 with Gigantes in the Dominican Republic. The Cincinnati Reds signed Nieto to a minor league deal on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 and released him following the 2017 season. In 2013 Nieto played for the Spanish National Team in the World Baseball Classic and was a teammate of former Cleburne and Joplin Manager Gabe Suarez. Throughout his career behind the plate, Nieto has thrown out 31% of runners attempting to steal (139 CS out of 445 SBA), and he is a career .244 hitter at the plate with 40 home runs and 248 RBIs in 625 games. Nieto closed out his high school career by leading his team the state championship, batting .372 with 16 doubles, five home runs and 38 RBIs.

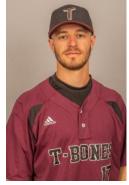
# #11 Noah Perio Jr.



**Noah Perio Jr** comes to Kansas City after a strong first half of the season with St. Paul. While with the Saints, Perio Jr batted .311, with 17 RBIs and 57 hits. Perio Jr. spent his time in the infield playing 19 games at second base, 15 games at shortstop, eight games at first base, and two games at third base for the Saints where he had 115 putouts, 93 assists, and 35 double plays turned. The California native was drafted in the 39th round in the 2009 June amatuer draft by the Florida Marlins. He spent the 2009 season playing for the Marlins in the Gulf Coast league where he hit .429 in four games with five RBIs and a stolen base. He moved on to the Jamestown Jammers in 2010, where he hit .258 in 59 games with 31 RBI's and seven stolen bases. Perio Jr. spent 2011 with Greensboro of the South Atlantic League. While with the Grasshoppers he hit .295 in 119 games with 6 home-runs and 52 RBI. The De La Salle graduate moved on in 2012 to Jupiter in the Florida State League. He hit .248 in 119 games for the Hammerheads, with 22 doubles and 40 RBI's. Perio Jr. split time in 2013 with the Jupiter Hammerheads and the Jacksonville Suns. While with the Hammerheads, Perio hit .241 in 43 games with 16 RBI and 6 stolen bases. He continued to have

success in AA Jacksonville where the left-handed batter hit .232 in 57 games with 14 RBI and one homerun. Perio spent 2014 back with Jupiter in the Florida State league where he batted .241 in 96 games with 29 RBI and six stolen bases. Perio Jr. First experienced independent ball in 2015 when he joined the Sioux City roster. Perio hit .316 in 100 games with seven home-runs, 74 RBI and 18 stolen bases. Perio started 2016 with the Explorers playing in 35 games with a .338 average, 36 RBI's and three home-runs. He then moved on to Great Lakes in the Midland League. With the Loons, he batted .288 in 20 games before moving on to Tulsa in the Texas League. While with the Drillers, Perio hit .263 in seven games before finishing out the year with A+ Rancho Cucamongo in the California League. He batted .355 in 30 games for the Quakes adding 24 RBI's and six home-runs. Perio Jr. spent 2017 with AA San Antonio in the Texas League. He hit .281 in 112 games for the Missions while raking up 36 RBI's and four Homeruns.

#### #17 Dylan Tice



Dylan Tice comes to Kansas City following an All-Star season where he hit .327 for the Rockland Boulders of the CAN-AM League. Tice was tied for the team lead in batting average and would finish fifth overall in the circuit at the plate. He would add four home runs and 49 RBIs while scoring 72 runs. His 122 hits were good for fifth in the league, and he would lead the Boulders and the CAN-AM with 32 stolen bases. The Boulders traded Tice to Sugarland on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Tice was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 36<sup>th</sup> round of the 2015 MLB Draft out of West Chester University of Pennsylvania. He would spend parts of two seasons with the Cardinals organization, reaching high A Palm Beach in the Florida State League in 2016. In 40 games he hit .288 with a homer and 18 RBIs in 2016. Tice spent eight games at low A Peoria in the Midwest League, hitting a home run and driving in six runs in 35 at bats, and he spent another 20 games at short season A State College in the New York-Penn League with two long balls, 10 RBIs and a .281 batting average. Tice spent 41 games following the 2015 draft with the Cardinals Gulf Coast League club. He hit .280 with one home run and 22 RBIs in his rookie season.

#### # 2 Colin Walsh



Colin Walsh comes to Kansas City from Sugarland in the Atlantic League, where the California native hit .281 in 43 games with one home run and 15 RBIs for the Skeeters.

Walsh was originally drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 13<sup>th</sup> round in the 2010 June draft. He spent four seasons in their system reaching the AA level. In 2017, Walsh saw time with three different teams. He played in 68 games in the Southern League at Jackson hitting .273 with 11 home runs and 31 RBIs. At AAA Fresno in the Pacific Coast League, Walsh played in 22 games hitting .266 with three RBIs. He finished the year with Corpus Christi in the Texas League. With the Hooks, he played in 12 games, hitting .146 with one homerun and 4 RBI.Walsh reached the major leagues in 2016 where he played 38 games for the Milwaukee Brewers, hitting .085 with two RBI. He spent the remainder of the year with AAA Nashville of the Pacific Coast League. While with the Sounds, he hit .259 in 59 games, with four home runs and 26 RBIs. Walsh spent 2015 with Midland in the Texas League. He played in 134 games for the RockHounds with a .302 batting average, 13 home runs and 49 RBIs. In 2014, he played for three

different ball clubs. He spent the most time with AAA Sacramento in the Pacific Coast League, hitting .272 in 47 games for the River Cats, with two home runs and 18 RBIs. The T-Bones are 33-18 on the season, having won seven of their last ten games. They take on the St. Paul Saints tonight at 7:05 for the second game in a four-game series.

# **MEET THE T-BONES PITCHERS**

## **#15 Adam Bleday**



Left-handed pitcher 23 year old **Adam Bleday** was born in Titusville, Pennsylvania. He was drafted by the Houston Astros in the 27th round of the 2017 draft. Bleday began his professional career in 2017 with the Astros rookie league team Greenville of the Appalachian League. While with the Astros he went 1-1 in nine games, with a 3.03 ERA and 35 strikeouts in 292/3 innings. He finished out the year with A- Tri-City in the New-York Penn League. While with the ValleyCats he went 1-1 in four games, with a 4.11 ERA and 15 strikeouts in 15 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings.

Bleday made the next step up starting out 2018 with A Quad Cities in the Midwest League. While with the River Bandits, he went 2-2 in 11 games, with a 1.96 ERA and 37 strikeouts in 23 innings. Bleday continued to work his way up, next pitching seven games for A+ Buies Creek in the Carolina League. While with the Astros, he pitched in seven games with a 7.27 ERA and nine strikeouts in  $8\frac{1}{2}$  innings.

# **#50 Marcus Cresentini**



**Marcus Crescentini** comes to Kansas City from A(Adv) Jupiter in the Florida State League. While with the Hammerheads, he appeared in two games working two innings of relief with a 4.50 ERA. The Florida native started 2018 with AA Jacksonville in the Southern League. With the Jumbo Shrimp, he appeared in 23 games, working 25.1 innings with a 3.91 ERA and 24 strikeouts. Crescentini began his professional career with the Los Angeles Dodgers organization in 2015. After being drafted in the 26th round, he would pitch 24 games in the Pioneer Rookie League, posting a 7.43 ERA in 26.2 innings with 42 strike outs. In 2016 he split time with 3 different organizations. Crescentini started the year playing for Great Lake in the Midwest League. With the Loons, he played in 16 games with an 0-2 record and a 7.71 ERA. After the Loons released him the Miami Marlins organization picked him up. Next he had a short four game stay with Batavia in the New York-Penn League. While with the Muckdogs, he pitched 4 innings with a 2.25 ERA. He finished out 2016 playing for A(full) Greensboro of the South Atlantic League. While with the Grasshoppers he pitched in 20 games, tossing 30.1 innings with a 2-3 record and a 1.48

ERA. He started 2017 with the Grasshoppers going 2-0 with a 1.03 ERA in 20 games. After his tenure in the South Atlantic League he moved on to A(Adv) Jupiter in the Florida State League. He pitched 16.1 innings in 13 games with a 2.20 ERA and 21 strikeouts for the Hammerheads.

# #15 Joe Filomeno



**#15 Joe Filomeno** heads to Kansas City after being released by the Frisco RoughRiders. Filomeno went 0-1 with a 9.82 ERA in 7 innings with the AA Texas league team. He spent 2017 with the same ball club posting an 0-3 record with an 8.10 ERA in 29 games. In 2016, he played 30 games for the RoughRiders with a 2.20 ERA in 41 innings. Filomeno started 2016 with the A-Advanced High Desert Mavericks. While there he boasted a 0.57 ERA and a 1-0 record in 11 games. He played all of the 2015 season with the Hickory Crawdads of the South Atlantic League. He finished his time in Hickory with a 3-2 record while producing a 2.72 ERA in 56 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings played. Filomeno was drafted by the Texas Rangers in the 2014 MLB draft. He played his rookie ball with the AZL Rangers going 2-0 in nine innings.

#### #36 Francisco Gracesqui



Francisco Gracesqui (Gru-zek-e) last pitched in 2015 with the New Jersey Jackals of the CAN-AM League for current T-Bones Manager Joe Calfapietra. With the Jackals, the New York City native appeared in 24 games, working 38.1 innings of relief with a 2.58 ERA with 46 strike outs. The lefty was part of a league-leading pitching staff that earned the lowest team ERA in the CAN-AM League and a part of a playoff club as well that season. Gracesqui began his professional career with the Toronto Blue Jays organization in 2012. After signing as a free agent, he would pitch in 22 games in the Gulf Coast Rookie League, posting a .288 ERA in 34.1 innings with 46 strike outs. In 2013 Gracesqui took the next step up the ladder to the rookie Appalachian League, tossing 22.1 innings with a 4-0 record and a 2.82 ERA. He would split time in 2014 with short season A Vancouver in the Northwest League and low A Lansing in the Midwest League. At Lansing he crafted a 2.11 ERA in 21.1 relief innings with 28 punch outs and a 1-2 record, and while at Vancouver, he did not allow an earned run in 14.1 innings, and he picked up a pair of wins to go 2-0. He would appear in two games for Lansing in 2015 and would not allow an earned run in two innings before he was released by Toronto.

## #3 Kevin Hill



**Kevin Hill** comes to the T-Bones from AA Corpus Christi in the Texas League. With the Hooks, he appeared in 10 games working 18.1 innings with a 2-1 record and a 1.96 ERA. Hill began his professional career with the Houston Astros organization in 2016. After being drafted in the 25th round, he would pitch 13 games for the Tri-City ValleyCats, posting a 4.37 ERA in 35 innings with 22 strikeouts. In 2017, he split time between three different organizations. Hill started the year playing for Quad City in the Midwest League. With the River Bandits, he played 14 games with a 2-1 record and a 3.60 ERA. Hill moved on to A(adv) Buies Creek in the Carolina League where he played in 10 games pitching 34.1 innings of relief with 36 strikeouts. After his time with Buies Creek, he finished the year with AA Corpus Christi in the Southern League. The Oklahoma native played in two games for the Hooks with a 1-0 record and 0.00 ERA.Lee comes to Kansas City after spending the 2017 season with the Nationals in the Gulf Coast League. He played in three games and pitched 2.2 innings of relief. Lee began his professional career with the Washington Nationals organization in 2011. After being drafted in the 18th round, he would pitch ten games in the Gulf Coast League, posting a 4.05 ERA in 13 innings with 15 strikeouts. In 2012, the San Antonio

native spent the season with A(Short) Auburn of the New York-Penn League. He pitched 13 games for the Doubledays with a 3-1 record and a 3.77 ERA. ERA and a 2-0 record. Lee spent 2016 in Harrisburg. This time, he pitched 45 games with a 3-1 record and a 4.32 ERA in 50 innings.

## #36 Nick Lee



**Nick Lee** spent 2013 with A(Full) Hagerstown in the South Atlantic League. While with the Suns, he pitched 19 games, posting a 3.96 ERA in 91 innings with a 6-4 record. Lee split time between three different teams in 2014. He started the year with the Nationals of the Gulf Coast League. While there he pitched 8 innings with a 6.75 ERA. He then moved on to A(adv) Potomac of the Carolina League, pitching five games with a 10.05 ERA and an 0-2 record. He finished the season with A(Full) Hagerstown pitching 8.1 innings with a 7.56 ERA and a 1-0 record. Lee split time again in 2015 starting the season with Potomac in the Carolina League. He pitched 20 games, posting a 2.57 ERA in 28 innings with 28 strikeouts. Lee ended the season with AA Harrisburg in the Eastern League. He pitched 20 games posting a 3.75.

#### #24 Jackson Lowery



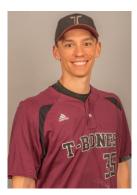
Kansas City has added **RHP Jackson Lowery** to the roster on August 4<sup>th</sup>, while the team was on their longest road trip of the season. Lowery retired all four of his batters in his debut at Lincoln that night and would go on to have a 2-1 record with a 3.12 ERA in 17.1 relief innings. He did make one spot start for the club, while adding 25 strike outs. Lowery is from Little Rock, Arkansas and pitched in college at the University of Arkansas in the SEC. Lowery signed a free agent contract with the Toronto Blue Jays after his senior season with the Razorbacks. In 2015, he made three stops in the Blue Jays system and spent last winter with the Canberra Cavalry of the Australian Baseball League. For his career the former Razorback is 6-4 with a 4.54 ERA in 85.1 innings.

#### #47 Pasquale Mazzoccoli



**Pasquale Mazzoccoli** was the Pirates 35<sup>th</sup> round pick in 2016 out of Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas. He would join Bristol in the Appalachian League after the draft in 2016 pitching 26.2 innings with 21 strike outs. Last year Mazzoccoli began the season with five scoreless innings in the New York-Penn League at West Virginia before going 3-1 with West Virginia in the South Atlantic League in 25.2 relief innings. Combined on the season the Katy, Texas native would strike out 35 batters in 34.2 innings pitched.

# #35 Cody Winiarski



**Cody Winiarski** returns to the T-Bones where he was named the Reliever of the Year in the American Association in 2017. Winiarski earned Post Season All-Star honors by saving 21 games in 23 opportunities with a 5-1 record, striking out 66 in 52.1 innings with a 1.89 ERA for Kansas City. His 21 saves were the second most in the single season in T-Bones club history, just missing Kris Regas mark of 22 set in 2014.

Winiarski would walk just eight batters in 2017 with an 8:1 strike out to walk ratio. His 47 appearances were the second most games for a pitcher in T-Bones franchise history. Winiarski was also part of a record-setting staff for Kansas City. The T-Bones set the American Association single-season strike out mark as a staff at 897. On August 9th in Fargo, in the bottom of the ninth, Winiarski struck out the side to break the franchise mark single-season team strike out mark.

Winiarski, a former Chicago White Sox prospect, originally joined the T-Bones on January 13, 2017. The righthander was selected in the 36th round by the Chicago White Sox in the 2011 draft out of the University of Virginia. A native of Wisconsin, he was drafted out of Union Grove High School by the Philadelphia Phillies in the 36th round but did not sign in 2007. As a Junior at the University of Virginia, he would post a 4.68 ERA, working 75

innings, with a 5-0 record in 17 games with 14 starts. Winiarski then went 6-4 in 77 innings as a senior with a 2.92 ERA in 13 starts, appearing 19 games total. Over his four-year college career, he struck out 200 in 267 innings. With the White Sox system, Winiarski reached AA Birmingham in 2015, and over parts of five seasons he would post a 4-7 record with a 4.00 ERA in 157.2 innings with 197 strike outs. His 2015 season was cut short in June because of an arm injury, and he did not return to the White Sox until late 2016. After Tommy John surgery in July of 2015, he returned for one game in 2016 with the rookie level White Sox of the AZL.

## Meet the "Man on the top step"



On November 30, 2016, Joe Calfapietra was named the T-Bones sixth manager in the club's history. Calfapietra (pronounced Cal-fa-pee-eh-tra), 47, brings an overall record of 905-783 into his second season in Kansas City and his 18th season as a manager, all at the independent level. Calfapietra guided Kansas City to the second best overall franchise record in the club's history (57-43) with the team finishing in a three-way tie for a post season spot for the league the wild card. The T-Bones did not advance due to a tie breaker but Calfapietra turned over the 2017 roster with only one hold over from the 2016 helping the club reached a franchise high of 84 days above .500 out of a 109 day season. Despite a 1-5 start to begin the season, his 2017 club reached .500 at 7-7 at Sioux Falls on June 2nd and stayed at or above for 93 days and 83 in a row. With the win on August 26th at Gary, Calfapietra won his 900th career game. He hit the 50-win mark August 23rd at home against Cleburne for the seventh straight season. Calfapietra spent 14 seasons as the manager of the New Jersey Jackals of the Can-Am League before taking over the dugout reigns of the T-Bones in 2017. While in New Jersey, only four of those 14 teams did not reach the postseason. The Jackals won the league championship in 2004, at the end of Calfapietra's second season in New Jersey, and then his teams reached the league championship series in five consecutive seasons, 2011-15. In 2016, the Jackals went 62-38, before losing in the first round of the Can-Am playoffs. The T-Bones and Calfapietra's Jackals faced each other seven times in interleague play since 2012, with New Jersey winning four of those games. Calfapietra started his coaching career in 1994 in this organization, when the T-Bones were in Duluth, Minn., and were known as the Dukes. In 2002, Calfapietra was the first-ever manager of the Gary

SouthShore RailCats, where he was the league manager of the year, before starting with New Jersey the following season. Calfapietra lives in Collegeville, Pa., with his wife and their two daughters, ages 17 and 11. Calfapietra is the T-Bones' sixth manager since the team moved from Duluth prior to the 2003 season and when he took over in 2017 he replaced John Massarelli, who went 139-160 in three seasons with Kansas City, including 42-58 in 2016.

#### Joe Calfapietra's Managerial Career

2000	_	Allentown	42	43	.494	No Postseason
2001		Allentown	43	47	.478	Postseason
2002		Gary	35	55	.389	No Postseason
2003		New Jersey	52	37	.584	Postseason

2004		New Jersey	54	39	.581	League Champions
2005		New Jersey	48	44	.522	No Postseason
2006		New Jersey	43	48	.473	No Postseason
2007		New Jersey	49	44	.527	Postseason
2008		New Jersey	43	51	.457	No Postseason
2009		New Jersey	55	39	.585	No Postseason
2010		New Jersey	42	50	.457	Postseason
2011		New Jersey	57	36	.613	Lost League Finals
2012		New Jersey	59	41	.590	Lost League Finals
2013		New Jersey	55	44	.556	Lost League Finals
2014		New Jersey	55	41	.573	Lost League Finals
2015		New Jersey	54	43	.557	Lost League Finals
2016		New Jersey	62	38	.620	Postseason
2017		Kansas City	57	43	.570	No Postseason lost tie breaker
Overal	ll —	18 seasons	905	783	.536	

#### Did you know?

-T-Bones Manager Joe Calfapietra was the first manager of the Gary SouthShore RailCats in 2002, going 35-55, a feat that may seem not too monumental at first glance. Yet, when you consider the team played their entire schedule on the road due to construction delays with their home ballpark, the numbers are impressive. For his efforts, he was named Manager of the Year

#### Next to 1000

-St. Paul Manager George Tsamis reached 1,000 career wins back on June 12<sup>th</sup>. He joined former Fargo boss Doug Simunic, current Gary Manager Greg Tagert and first year Chicago Dogs Manager Butch Hobson in the 1,000-win club in indy ball. Who is the next up to 1000 wins? Joe Calfapietra, who currently has 949 wins in his career.

# **T-BONES BEHIND THE NUMBERS**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS SEASON HIGHS & LOWS**

Number of Days in  $1^{st} - 2 2^{nd} - 66 3^{rd} - 19 4^{th} - 11 5^{th 1} 6^{th}$ Most Games Above .500: 21 (7/29) (7/31) Most Games Below .500: 2 (5/20) Number of Days Above .500- 62 Below .500- 6 At .500: 1 Longest Winning Streak: 9 (6/18-6/29) Longest Winning Streak, Home: 8 (6/21-7/02) Longest Winning Streak, Road: 4 (5/20-5/27) Longest Losing Streak: 3 (vs STP 7/12-14) Longest Losing Streak, Home: 3 (7/12-7/14) Longest Losing Streak, Road: 2 (5/18-5/19) Longest Series Win Streak: 3 (4 x) (6/18-6/21-, 6/22-6/24,626-28, 7/02-7/11) Longest Series Win Streak, Home: 3 Longest Series Win Streak, Road: 3 (7/5 – 7/6) Longest Series Losing Streak 1 Longest Series Losing Streak, Home: 1 Longest Series Losing Streak, Road: 1 (5/18-20 @WIC) (6/29-7/02 @CLE) Largest Margin of Victory: 11 (6/3 WIC) Largest Margin of Defeat: 13 (7/03 SF) Largest Come-From-Behind Win: 5 (5/29 @SC, 5 run top 9th) Largest Come-From-Behind Loss: 6 (6/29 Monger walk off seals CLE Win) Longest Rain Delay: 1 hr 3 min L 8-6 Sioux City wins shootout Most Errors Game Team: 4 (5/18 @WIC Loss 8-2) (5/28 @SC Loss 7-6) Most Errors, One Game: 2 Walters (5/18 @WIC Loss 8-2) Edgerton (5/28@SC)

Most DP Turned, Game: 3 Most DP Against, Game: 4 (7/10 @LIN)

#### MISCELLANEOUS OCCURRENCES

Back-to-Back Homers: Zach Walters & Cal Towey in the 2nd off Mateo of SC 6/12 **Back-to-Back Allowed:** 0 **Complete Game:** 0 CG Against: 0 Shutout Wins: 7 (6/7 @TEX 8-0) (6/12 SIO 6-0) (6/26 LIN 7-0) (7/5 @TEX 1-0) (7/21 TEX 1-0) (7/22 TEX 4-0) (7/27 CHI 4-0) Shutout losses: 1 (6/2 WIC 1-0) **Complete Game Shutout:** 0 **Complete Game Shutout against:** 0 No-Hitter: 1 (7/5 @TEX) Multi-Homer Games: Zach Walters (2) 5/25 @CHI), Mason Davis (2) 7/17 @CLE Multi-Homer Games Against: 2 (5/29 CLE, Monger, Scott) Grand Slam Allowed: 2 5/29 (Levi Scott) 5+ RBI Games: 1 **Inside the Park HR:** 0 Sellouts: 5/25 @ CHI

#### **T-BONES RECORDS**

Note	F
Commit 0 errors	2

**Record** 20-9

Commit 1 error	17-5
Commit 2 errors	5-7
Commit 3 errors	1-0
Commit 4+ errors	0-2
Walk 4 or more times	18-10
Allow 4 or more walks	<u>13-10</u>
Score in First Inning. 13	-8
Opponent Scores in First	7-10
Starting Right-hander	38-20
Starting Left-hander 5-3	
Facing Right-handed Starter 3	38-17
Facing Left-handed Starter	6-6
Leading after 6 innings	27-3
Leading after 7 innings	29-3
Leading after 8 innings	30-0
Trailing after 6 innings	5-15
Trailing after 7 innings	3-15
Trailing after 8 innings	3-16
Tied after 6 innings	2-2
Tied after 7 innings	3-4
Tied after 8 innings	2-5
Starter leaves with lead	33-2
Starter leaves trailing	6-17
Starter leaves tied 5-5	
Opp. Starter leaves leading 6-	-15
Opp. Starter leaves trailing	32-4
Opp. Starter leaves tied	6-5
T-Bones Starter more IP	27-8
Opp. Starter more IP 12	-13
Starters Same IP	5-2

# **TEAM BATTING**

Runs (Game): 13 (6/29 CLE) Runs (Inning): 9 (5/30 @SC)(6/8 @WIC) Hits (Game): 19 (6/18 WIN) Hits (Inning): 6 (5/30 @SC) (6/8 @WIC) Fewest Hits: 3 (7/5 @TEX G2) Fewest Runs: 0 (6/01 WIC) HR's (Game): 5 (7/17 @CLE) HR's (Inning): 2 (5/18 @WIC) (7/17 @CLE) Extra Base Hits: 5 (5/30 @SC) Batters in Inning: 14 (6/8 @WIC) Walks: 9 (6/29 @CLE) Strikeouts (Game): 14 (5/18 @WIC) (6/8 @WIC) Stolen Bases (Game): 4 (5/28 @SC) (7/20( Errors (Game): 4 (5/18 @WIC) (5/27 @SC)

# **RECORDS BY OPPONENT**

Opponent	Overall	Home	Away
STP	1-3	1-3	
SC	4-4	2-2	2-2
CHI	5-2	2-1	3-0

Quality Start	23-4
Opponent Quality Starts	11-9
Both Quality Starts	6-3
No HR	18-11
1 HR	18-10
2+ HR	8-2
No HR Allowed	26-7
1 HR Allowed	13-7
2+ HR Allowed	<u>5-10</u>
In May	8-5
In June	17-9
In July	19-9
In August	0-0
In September	0-0
On Sunday	6-4
On Monday	4-2
On Tuesday	8-3
On Wednesday	10-1
On Thursday	5-3
On Friday	6-5
On Saturday	5-5
White Sleeveless Pinstripe	0-1
White Jerseys	3-1
White/gold jerseys	5-2
Travel Greys	2-0
Maroon BP tops	17-9
Black BP tops	16-9
Special Jerseys	0-1
After Off Day	3-3

Totals	44-23	20-12	24-11
CLE	7-2	3-0	4-2
WIN	3-0		3-0
TEX	6-3	2-1	4-2
LIN	8-1	5-1	3-0
SF	3-1	2-1	1-0
FM	1-2		1-2
WIC	4-5	1-2	3-3
GAR	2-1	2-1	

## **TEAM PITCHING**

Runs (Game): 14 (6/29 @CLE)

Runs (Inning): 7 (7/14 STP) Most Hits (Inning): 6 (6/29 @ LE) Fewest Hits (besides no hitter): 3 (7/21 TEX) HR's (Game): 4 (6/29 @CLE) HR's (Inning): 2 (6/29 @CLE) Batters in an Inning: 12 (7/14 STP) Walks: 10 (6/29) @CLE)(7/14 STP) Strikeouts (9 innings): 10 (6/6 @TEX) (6/30 @ CLE) (7/15 LIN) Strikeouts (Extra Innings): SB Against: 2 (5/28 @SC) Fewest Runs (Game): 0 (6/6 @ TEX) (6/12 SIO) (6/26 LIN) (7/21 TEX) (7/22 TEX) Most Hits (Game): 14 (6/29 @ CLE)

# **ATTENDANCE / TIMES**

Largest Home Crowd: 6,180 (6/24 CLE) Smallest Home Crowd: 2,109 (7/02 SF)

Largest Road Crowd: 6,306 (5/25 @CHI) Smallest Road Crowd: 592 (5/29 @SC) Avg. Time of Game: 2:58 Longest Home Game (Innings): 12(7/26 LIN) Longest 9-inning Home Game (Time): 4:16 Long Extra Inning Game (Time): 4:21 Shortest Home Game: 2:24 Shortest Home Game (Weather): Longest 9-inning Road Game: 3:17 (7/7 @TEX)) Longest Extra Inning Home Game (Innings): 12 Longest Extra Inning Road Game (Innings): 14 Longest Extra Inning Home (Time): 3:32 (6/24 CLE) Longest Extra Inning Road (Time): 4:05 (6/29 @CLE) Shortest 9-inning Road Game: 2:35 **Shortest 7-inning Home Game:** Shortest 7-inning Road Game: 1:51 Rainouts: 6/7 @ TEX **Delays:** 1:03 Longest Delay: 1:03 **Suspended Games:** T-Bones Ejections: Nick Torres 5/24 GAR, Cal Towey 5/28 @SC, 6/9 @WIC, Adrian Nieto 6/16 @F&M, Walters 7/7 @TEX, Irvine 7/17 @CLE, Calfapietra 7/26 LIN

# 2018 SCHEDULE RESULTS

Date	Time	Opponent	Score	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Att.	Record	Streak	+/500
5/18	3:16	@WIC	8-2	Banwart (1-0)	Paula (0-1)		4,272	0-1	-1	-1
5/19	2:35	@WIC	5-2	Harman (1-0)	Adkins (0-1)		2,144	0-2	-2	-2
5/20	2:41	@WIC	3-1	Gracesqui (1-0)	Tillman (0-1)	Winiarski (1)	1,392	1-2	+1	-1
5/22	4:08	GAR	6-2	Mckenzie (1-0)	Collier (0-1)		5,029	1-3	-1	-2
5/23	3:10	GAR	5-3	Astin (1-0)	Quintana (0-1)	Winiarski (2)	2,860	2-3	+1	-1
5/24	3:48	GAR	5-3	Adkins (1-1)	Gunn (1-1)	Winiarski (3)	4,232	3-3	+2	0
5/25	2:54	@CHI	8-4	Mazzoccolli (1-0)	Downing (0-1)		6,217	4-3	+3	+1
5/26	3:22	@CHI	4-2	Astin (2-0)	Turnbull (1-1)	Diaz (1)	NA	5-3	+4	+2
5/27	3:22	@CHI	8-6	Collier (1-1)	Moeller (0-1)	Gracesqui (1)	2,862	6-3	+5	+3
5/28	3:46	@SC	7-6 (10)	Schuster (1-0)	Diaz (0-1)		2,225	6-4	-1	+2
5/29	2:51	@SC	7-6	Mazzoccolli (2-0)	Fallwell (1-1)	Gracesqui (2)	591	7-4	+1	+3
5/30	3:09	@SC	10-2	Paula (1-1)	Markel (0-1)		895	8-4	+2	+4
5/31	2:44	@SC	5-4	Flores (1-0)	Eusebio (0-1)		NA	8-5	-1	+3
6/1	2:51	WIC	1-0	Osburn	Collier (1-2)		3,621	8-6	-2	+2
6/2	3:24	WIC	3-1	Bowen (1-0)	Gracesqui (1-1)	Tillman (5)	5,329	8-7	-3	+1
6/3	2:58	WIC	13-2	Irvine (1-0)	Cooper (2-1)		3,048	9-7	+1	+2
6/5	2:51	@TEX		Weiqiang (1-2)	Adkins (1-2)	Hernandez (1)	1,389	9-8	-1	+1
6/6	2:34	@TEX	8-0	Astin (3-0)	Matzek (0-2)	Buckelew (1)	1,313	10-8	+1	+2
6/7	2.31		0.0	Rain Out			1,515	10.0	· 1	. 2
6/8	2:59	@WIC	11-3	Diaz (1-1)	Campbell (0-3)		2,963	11-8	+2	+3
6/9	3:15	@WIC	11-2	Carroll (1-0)	Cooper (2-2)		3,474	12-8	+2	+4
6/10	2:50	@WIC	7-6	Tillman (1-2)	Diaz (1-2)		3,268	12-9	-1	+3
6/11	2:50	SC	8-6	Astin (3-1)	Flores (2-0)	Karch (3)	2,046	12-10	-2	+2
6/12	2:34	SC	5-0	Buckelew (1-0)	Mateo (3-2)		2,812	13-10	+1	+3
6/12	3:41	SC	9-8	Collier (1-3)	Dykstra (5-0)	Karch (4)	5,541	13-10	-1	+2
6/14	3:08	SC	9-5	Carroll (2-0)	Jordon (4-1)		4,751	14-11	+1	+3
6/15	2:44	@FAR	6-4	Irvine (2-0)	Waite (1-2)	Diaz (2)	3,069	15-11	+2	+4
6/16	3:13	@FAR	5-4	Ballew (4-1)	Filomeno (1-1)	McCurry (6)	2,686	15-11	-1	+3
6/17	3:05	@FAR	8-6	Buckelew (1-1)	Soloman (3-3)	McCurry (7)	2,000 NA	15-12	-2	+2
6/18	3:01	@WIN	9-3	Collier (2-3)	Rosario (2-2)	Meeting (7)	5,044	16-13	+1	+3
6/19	2:53	@WIN @WIN	7-3	Carroll (3-0)	Carl (4-2)	Street (1)	NA NA	17-13	+1 +2	+3
6/20	2:35	@WIN @WIN	6-3	Irvine (3-0)	McGovern (2-3)	Diaz (3)	3,387	18-13	+3	+5
6/20	2:51	CLE	7-3	Astin (4-1)	Mincey (0-3)		4,803	19-13	+4	+6
6/22	2:58	CLE	5-4	Buckelew (2-1)	Young (1-4)	Diaz (4)	6,180	20-13	+5	+7
6/24	3:32	CLE	6-5		=	Diaz (4)	3,851		+6	+8
6/24	2:51	LIN	7-0	Filomeno (2-1) Carroll (3-0)	Blackwell (2-4) Tamburino (4-1)		2,244	21-13 22-13	+7	+9
6/27	2:26	LIN	7-0	Irvine (4-0)	Herron (4-4)		3,005	23-13	+8	+10
6/28	2:49	LIN	6-2	Astin (5-1)	Kinman (2-1)	Diaz (5)	4,022	23-13	+9	+10
6/29	4:05	@CLE	14-13	Blackwell (4-4)	Street (0-1)	Diaz (3)	1,703	24-13	-1	+11
6/30	3:18	@CLE @CLE	7-4	Collier (3-3)	Gunn (1-1)		1,703	25-14	+1	+10
7/1	2:37	@CLE @CLE	5-2	Mortenson	Gracesqui			25-14	-1	+11
7/2	2:46	SF	3-2	Winiarski (1-0)	Nordgren (0-2)	Diaz (6)	2,109	26-15	+1	+10
7/3	2:40	SF	14-1	Esch (4-2)	2	Diaz (0)	5,381		-1	+11 +10
7/4	2:40	SF	3-2	Filomeno (3-1)	Astin (5-2) Wolfe (0-1)	Diaz (7)		26-16		+10 +11
	2:55		4-3	Crescentini (1-0)	Yanyong (0-2)	Diaz (7)	6,157 NA	27-16 28-16	+1 +2	+11 +12
7/5	1:51	@TEX @TEX	4-3 1-0	Gracesqui (2-2)	Jianzeng (0-3)	Winiarski (4)		28-16	+2	+12 +13
7/5 7/6	3:10	@TEX @TEX	6-2	Adkins (2-2)	Jinghao (0-3)	vv milai SKI (4)	1,078		+3 +4	+13+14
			6-2 6-5		<b>–</b> , ,	Controros	4,157	30-16		
7/7	3:17	@TEX		$\frac{\text{Yusong (2-0)}}{\text{Actin (6-2)}}$	Irvine (4-1)	Contreras	2,623	30-17	-1	+13
7/9	3:11	@LIN	12-9	Astin (6-2)	Kourtis	Winiarski (5)	NA	31-17	+1	+14
7/10	2:38	@LIN	2-1	Collier (4-3)	Wooten	Filomeno (3-1)	2,588	32-17	+2	+15
7/11	3:06	@LIN	8-5	Adkins (3-2)	Robichaux (2-4)	Winiarski (6)	3,305	33-17	+3	+16
7/12	2:40	STP	9-2	Irvine (4-2)	Nunn (2-1)		4,029	33-18	-1	+15

7/13	3:35	STP	4-1	Matthys (4-3)	Mazzoccoli (2-1)	Jones (3)	3,787	33-19	-2	+14
7/14	3:18	STP	10-8	Schlosser (2-0)	Astin (6-3)	Devine	4,930	33-20	-3	+13
7/15	2:13	STP	5-1	Collier (5-3)	Foss (1-1)	Hill (1)	3,241	34-20	+1	+14
7/16	3:11	@CLE	10-4	Adkins (4-2)	Mouzakes (1-5)		1,104	35-20	+2	+15
7/17	3:44	@CLE	11-7	Crescentini (2-0)	Sanchez (1-2)		1,143	36-20	+3	+16
7/18	3:16	@CLE	8-3	Lee (1-0)	Mortenson (3-3)		999	37-20	+4	+17
7/20	3:31	TEX	11-9	Wright (2-1)	Winiarski (1-1)	Contreras (8)	6,006	37-21	-1	+16
7/21	2:43	TEX	1-0	Crescentini (3-0)	Yanyong (0-4)		4,507	38-21	+1	+17
7/22	2:24	TEX	4-0	Adkins (5-2)	Quan (0-5)		2,827	39-21	+2	+18
7/24	2:34	LIN	6-3	Bleday (1-0)	Bircher (3-5)	Winiarski (7)	2,832	40-21	+3	+19
7/25	2:54	LIN	7-4	Astin (7-3)	Tamburino (4-5)	Winiarski (8)	3,511	41-21	+4	+20
7/26	3:21	LIN	8-5	Mazzoccoli (2-2)	Bunda (3-0)	Hohensee (1)	4,378	41-22	-1	+19
7/27	2:52	CHI	4-0	Collier	Simms		4,232	42-22	+1	+20
7/28	3:11	CHI	4-3	Filomeno (4-1)	Thorpe (2-4)		5,408	43-22	+2	+21
7/29	2:28	CHI	3-2	Goosen-Brown(5-5)	Hill (1-1)	Grover (5)	3,168	43-23	-1	+20
7/31	3:05	@SF	8-4	Irvine (5-2)	Nordgren (0-4)		2,010	44-23	+1	+21

# 2018 SEASON TRANSACTIONS LIST

5/19/18: RHP Cody Martin contract purchased by the New York Mets.

5/22/18: OF Adam Brett Walker contract purchased by the Washington Nationals. Signed RHP Barrett Astin. Activated RHP Jackson Lowery from the disabled list.

5/23/18: Signed OF Johnny Davis and placed LHP Cody Dickson on the disabled list.

6/2/18: Signed RHP Scott Carroll and placed RHP Luis Paula on the inactive list. Signed LHP Joe Filomeno and Released IF Jordan Edgerton.

6/4/18: OF Johnny Davis signed by Tecolotes Dos Laredos in the Mexican League.

6/22/18: Signed IF Mason Davis and moved RHP Cody Winiarski from the Disabled List to the Inactive List and placed INF Cal Towey on the Disabled List.

6/25/18: 2B Taylor Featherston signed

6/26/18: SS Angel Rosa traded to Cleburne Railroaders for player to be named later

6/2718: SP Scott Carroll signed to play in Mexican Baseball League

7/2/18 RHP Cody Winiarski activated from inactive list

7/3/18: LHP James Buckelew contract sold to the Chicago Cubs

7/4/18: Signed RHP Marcus Crescentini.

7/6/18: Signed LHP Nick Lee and RHP Kevin Hill.

7/7/18: LHP Carlos Diaz contract purchased by the Cincinnati Reds.

7/8/18: Traded IF Zach Walters to St. Paul for IF Noah Perio Jr

7/13/18: Signed IF Colin Walsh and RHP Ian Hardman.

7/17/18: OF Nick Torres contract sold to Texas Rangers.

7/18/18: Placed RHP Lucas Irvine to disabled list, move RHP Sam Street to Inactive List and place LHP Cody Dickson on irrevocable waivers.

7/19/18: Signed LHP Jayson Aquino

7/20/18: Released RHP Ian Hardman and signed LHP Adam Bleday.

7/24/18: IF Taylor Featherston contract sold to the Cincinnati Reds. Singed IF Alay Rafael Lago.

7/27/18: Traded OF Dexter Kjerstad to Winnipeg for a player to be named and signed OF Logan Moon.