



MELBOURNE ACES 2024/25 GAME NOTES



2019/20 & 2020/21 Australian Baseball League Champions

MELBOURNE ACES

(4-3)



VS.

SYDNEY BLUE SOX

(5-3)



Friday 29 November • 7:30 p.m.

Blacktown International Sports Park • Sydney, NSW

TBD vs TBD

UPCOMING PROBABLES

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	ACES STARTER	OPPONENT'S STARTER
Fri, 29 Nov.	7:30 p.m.	at Sydney	TBD	TBD
Sat, 30 Nov.	3:30 p.m.	at Sydney	TBD	TBD
Sat, 30 Nov.	6:30 p.m.	at Sydney	TBD	TBD
Sun, 1 Dec.	1:00 p.m.	at Sydney	TBD	TBD

SWINGIN' ACES

After inconsistent offensive performances in Round 1, Melbourne's bats broke out in a large way last weekend, helping them take 2 of 3 in Brisbane. As a club, they notched 37 hits through three games, including a season-high 15 knocks in their loss on Sunday. Throughout the series, the Aces had 11 multi-hit performances, including four 3-hit games.

WHAT'S NEXT

In Round 3, Melbourne travels to Sydney for four games. Last season they finished 6-1 against the Blue Sox and outscored them 39-23 (+16), the second highest run differential of any opponent last season (+21 vs CAN).

They will return home after a two week road trip for Round 4 to host Perth, beginning on 5 December, 2024.

BACK WITH A BANG

After returning from the Premier12 Tournament, the Aces five Team Australia representatives made major contributions in last weekend's Round 2 win at Brisbane:

Aaron Whitefield: 5-for-14, 2B, RBI

Robbie Glendinning: 7-for-13, 2 2B, 3 RBI

Jarryd Dale: 4-for-10, RBI, 2 SB

Darryl George: 2-for-13, 2B, SBI

Steve Kent: 1 app., 1 IP, 0 R, K

WHO ELSE IS HOT?

Arturo Disla: 12-for-28, 4 HR, 8 RBI, 7-GM Hit Stk.

Greg Bird: 10-for-25, 4 HR, 8 RBI, 2 2B

Antonis Macias: 8-for-23, 2 RBI, 2 SB

Shawn Morimando: 2 GS, 11.1 IP, 1 ER, 10 K, 1 BB

Evan Rutckyj: 3 App., 4.2 IP, 9 K/15 BF (**60% K-Rate**), 1 ER, 0 BB

PACING THE LEAGUE

After his three longballs this weekend, **Arturo Disla** finds himself tied with teammate **Greg Bird** for the ABL lead in HR (4) and RBI (8). The two also rank 1 and 2 in OPS at 1.460 and 1.324 respectively. Disla also leads the league with 12 hits.

WHITEFIELD MAKES HISTORY

After **Aaron Whitefield** finished the 2023-24 season with a 16-game hitting streak (began on 29/12/23), he secured hits in his first three games of the season last weekend. His 19-game hit streak passes Elliot Biddle (17 games, 6/1/12 - 11/11/12) for the longest hitting streak in franchise history. He passed Biddle on what was his 36th birthday on 23/11. The longest hit streak in ABL modern-day history is 26 games (Derek Peterson - Perth, 2016-17).

Over the stretch, Whitefield is 27-77 (.350).

BIRD IS THE WORD

Greg Bird led the way in the Aces first win of the season (16/11), launching three homers with four RBI. He became the second Ace to achieve the feat (**Darryl George** - Jan. 2018 at Perth). Bird finished last season tied for the ABL lead in HR (11). All four of his homers have gone to either left or center thus far.

ACES REPRESENTING TEAM AUSTRALIA

Team Australia just finished competing in the 2024 WBSC Premier12 Tournament (1-4) - a competition that features the top twelve ranked baseball countries in the world at the end of

2023 - in Taiwan and Japan. Five current Aces played a role in the tournament:

Darryl George: 5-for-16, 2B, RBI

Aaron Whitefield: 4-for-20

Robbie Glendinning: 3-for-14, HR, RBI, SB

Jarryd Dale: 0-for-4

Steve Kent: 2 app., 3 IP, ER, K

ONO OPENS EYES OUT OF THE PEN:

Taiki Ono has seen success early on out of the pen, recording two saves over 3.2 scoreless innings while reaching 99 miles per hour on his heater. Entering the ABL season, he had only recorded ten saves in his professional career, and never at the NPB level.

RECORD WATCH:

Darryl George enters the season one homer shy of 40 for his career, which would pass Brad Harman for the most in Aces history. He would also move into full possession of 10th place in ABL history.

Here is a look at all of the Aces approaching team and league records:

PLAYER	STAT	CUR.	NEEDS	WOULD PASS/TIE
D. George	Aces HR	39	1	Pass Brad Harman for 1st
D. George	ABL HR	39	1	Pass Harman for 10th
D. George	ABL Hits	346	9	Tie David Sutherland for 3rd
D. George	ABL RBI	175	12	Tie Boss Moanaroa for 6th
D. George	ABL GP	360	3	Tie Jacob Younis for 6th
D. George	ABL SB	32	1	Tie David Kandalis for 7th
A. Whitefield	Aces SB	25	7	Tie D. George for 1st
A. Whitefield	ABL GP	241	9	Reach 250 G
J. Dale	Aces HR	11	3	Tie Luke Hughes for 9th
J. Dale	ABL GP	218	32	Reach 250 G
R. Glendinning	Aces HR	11	3	Tie Luke Hughes for 9th
S. Kent	ABL Wins	32	2	Tie Tim Atherton for 3rd
S. Kent	ABL App.	144	3	Tie Justin Erasmus for 2nd
S. Kent	ABL IP	898.2	8.2	Tie Luke Wilkins for 5th
S. Kent	ABL K	423	55	Tie Tim Atherton for 1st
J. Cruz	Aces H	94	6	Reach 100 Hits

vs. Sydney

2023/24 vs Sydney	6-1
in Melbourne	3-1
in Sydney	4-0
2024/25 vs Brisbane	1-0

Next Series (4 Games)

9-12 Jan. in Melbourne (Round 9)

All-Time Series: 41-45 (SYD)

LEAGUE RANKS 2024/25

Runs	29 (T-3rd)
Batting Average	.277 (2nd)
On-Base Percentage	.333 (3rd)
SLG/OPS	.433/.766
Doubles	10 (3rd)
Triples	0 (6th)
Home Runs	9 (1st)
Stolen Bases	6 (T-2nd)
Walks	19 (5th)
Strikeouts	54 (Least)
ERA	3.84 (4th)
WHIP	1.30 (T-2nd)
Opponents' Average	.258 (3rd)
Strikeouts	71 (2nd)
Walks	19 (T-2nd Fewest)
HR Allowed	9 (Most)

2024/25 LEADERS

BATTING AVERAGE (Min. 14 AB)

	1. A. Disla	.429
	2. G. Bird	.400
	3. A. Whitefield	.357
	4. A. Macias	.348


HOME RUNS

	1. G. Bird	4
	2. A. Disla	4
	3. S. Wang	1

RBI


	1. G. Bird	8
	2. A. Disla	8
	3. R. Glendinning	3
	4. Macias/Belbin	2

STOLEN BASES

	1. A. Macias	2
	2. J. Dale	2

2024/25 LEADERS

ERA (Min. 4 IP)

	1. S. Morimando	0.79
	2. E. Rutckyj	1.93
	3. J. Tripp	3.38

STRIKEOUTS

	1. J. Tripp	12
	2. T. Takashima	10
	3. S. Morimando	10
	4. Saito/Rutckyj	9



SITUATIONAL RECORDS & MISC., HIGHS AND LOWS

SITUATIONAL RECORDS

Against the Opponents

Team	Total	Home	Road
vs. ABL	4-3	2-2	2-1
vs. Adelaide	0-0	0-0	0-0
vs. Brisbane	2-1	0-0	2-1
vs. Canberra	2-2	2-2	0-0
vs. Perth	0-0	0-0	0-0
vs. Sydney	0-0	0-0	0-0

Situations

Scoring First	4-0	2-0	2-0
Opp. Scores First	0-3	0-2	0-1
Extra innings	1-0	0-0	1-0
Walk-offs	0-0	0-0	0-0
Shutouts	0-1	0-1	0-0
Doubleheaders	2-0	0-0	2-0
Leading after 6 innings	3-1	2-0	1-1
Trailing after 6 innings	0-2	0-2	0-0
Tied after 6 innings	1-0	0-0	1-0
Leading after 7 innings	4-0	2-0	2-0
Trailing after 7 innings	0-2	0-2	0-0
Tied after 7 innings	1-1	0-0	1-1
Leading after 8 innings	4-0	2-0	2-0
Trailing after 8 innings	0-3	0-2	0-1
Tied after 8 innings	0-0	0-0	0-0

Pitching

With a RHSP	3-2
With a LHSP	1-1
Starter throws 5.0-plus	3-2
Starter throws < 5.0	1-1
Get quality start	1-1
Walking three or less (as team)	3-2
Walking more than three (as team)	1-1
Bullpen allows no runs	2-0
Bullpen allows runs	2-3

Batting

Scoring 6+ runs	2-1
Scoring 4-5 runs	1-0
Scoring less than 4 runs	1-2
Outhitting the opposition	3-2
Opponent outhits Aces	0-1
Teams tie in hits	1-0
Hitting a HR	3-1
Not hitting a HR	1-2
vs LH Starter	1-1
vs RH Starter	3-2

Defense

Committing 0 errors	2-0
Committing 1 error	2-2
Committing 2 errors	0-0
Committing 3+ errors	0-1

Day of the Week Record

	Total	Home	Road
Sunday	0-2	0-1	0-1
Monday	1-0	1-0	0-0
Tuesday	0-0	0-0	0-0
Wednesday	0-0	0-0	0-0
Thursday	0-0	0-0	0-0
Friday	0-1	0-1	0-0
Saturday	3-0	1-0	2-0

	Total	Home	Road
Monthly Record	0-0	0-0	0-0
November	4-3	2-2	2-1
December	0-0	0-0	0-0
January	0-0	0-0	0-0

Misc.

Low-water mark	1-2
High-water mark	4-2
One-Run Games	0-1
Two-Run Games	2-0

TEAM HIGHS

TEAM BATTING

Most runs, game	8 (23/11 at BRI, G2)
Fewest runs, game	0 (15/11 vs CAN)
Runs, inning	4 (3rd - 24/11 at BRI)
Hits, game	15 (24/11 at BRI)
Fewest hits, game	7 (2x - 17/11 vs CAN)
Doubles, game	3 (2x - 23/11 at BRI, G1, G2)
Triples, game	0 (15/11 vs CAN)
Home runs, game	3 (16/11 vs CAN)
Stolen bases, game	2 (23/11 at BRI, G2)
Walks, game	6 (18/11 vs CAN)
Strikeouts, game	9 (3x - 23/11 at BRI, G2)
Men left on base	10 (24/11 at BRI)

TEAM PITCHING

Most runs allowed, game	9 (17/11 vs CAN)
Fewest runs allowed, game	1 (2x - 23/11 at BRI, G1)
Most hits allowed, game	14 (2x - 24/11 at BRI)
Fewest hits allowed, game	3 (16/11 vs CAN)
Strikeouts, game	15 (23/11 at BRI, G2)
Walks, game	5 (18/11 vs CAN)
Runs allowed, inning	3 (2x - 18/11 vs CAN)
Hits allowed, inning	4 (17/11 - 6th vs CAN)
Home runs allowed, game	6 (17/11 vs CAN)
Most pitchers used, game	5 (18/11 vs CAN)
Errors, game	3 (17/11 vs CAN)

TEAM MISCELLANEOUS

Longest winning streak	3 (18/11-23/11)
Longest losing streak	1
Longest home winning streak	1
Longest home losing streak	1
Longest road winning streak	2
Longest road losing streak	1
Longest nine-inning game	3:07
Longest extra-inning game (10+)	N/A
Shortest nine-inning game	2:00
Shortest game	2:00
Largest margin of victory	4
Largest margin of defeat	8
Largest crowd, home	2,191
Largest crowd, road	1,206 (23/11 at BRI, G2)
Largest deficit overcome in win	1
Largest lead surrendered in loss	3
Home Games affected by weather	0
Road Games affected by weather	1
Longest Delay	0

INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

INDIVIDUAL BATTING

Runs, game	3 (Greg Bird - 16/11 vs CAN)
H, game	3 (4 players tied)
Home runs, game	3 (Greg Bird - 16/11 vs CAN)
RBI, game	4 (Bird/Disla - 16/11, 17/11 vs CAN)
Doubles, game	1 (C. Proctor - 15/11 vs CAN)
XBH, game	3 (Greg Bird - 16/11 vs CAN)
Total bases, game	12 (Greg Bird - 16/11 vs CAN)
Walks, game	2 (3x - 18/11 vs CAN)
Strikeouts, game	2 (23/11 at BRI, G2)
Stolen bases, game	2 (A. Macias 18/11 vs CAN)
Hitting streak	7 (Arturo Disla - 15/11-24/11)
On-Base streak	7 (Arturo Disla 15/11-24/11)
Hit streak, w/ 23/24	19 (A. Whitefield 29/12/23-24/11/24)

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

Most IP, starter	6.0 (Morimando/Tripp - 15/11, 23/11)
Most IP, reliever	3.0 (K. Saito - 24/11 at BRI)
Most pitches	86 (T. Takashima - 17/11 vs CAN)
Fewest IP, starter	3.2 (T. Takashima 24/11 vs at BRI)
Most strikeouts, starter	9 (J. Tripp 23/11 at BRI, G2)
Most strikeouts, reliever	3 (4 tied - 23/11 at BRI)
Most BB issued	2 (Tripp/Saito/Ono/Takashima)
Most hits allowed	7 (Takashima/Tripp - 17/11, 23/11)
Most runs allowed	5 (T. Takashima - 17/11 vs CAN)
Most ER allowed	5 (T. Takashima - 17/11) vs CAN)

Longest Pitching Outings

Johnathon Tripp	6.0 (23/11 at BRI, G2)
Shawn Morimando	6.0 (15/11 vs CAN)
Kyosuke Saito	5.2 (18/11 vs CAN)
Shawn Morimando	5.1 (23/11 at BRI, G1)
Taito Takashima	5.0 (17/11 vs CAN)
Johnathon Tripp	4.2 (16/11 vs CAN)

Outings Of:

6+ Innings	1
5+ Innings	5

Shortest Games

2:00 (9 Inn.)	16/11 vs CAN
2:28 (9 Inn.)	15/11 vs CAN
2:40 (9 Inn.)	18/11 vs CAN
2:45 (9 inn.)	17/11 vs CAN

Longest Games (Games over 3:00)

3:07	24/11 at BRI
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WALK-OFF LOG

DATE	OPP.	INN	RESULT
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PITCHER BREAKDOWN

	Rec.	IP	ERA	H	R	ER	K/BB
SP	2-2	36.1	3.74	38	16	15	38/8
RP	2-0	24.2	4.09	22	12	11	33/11

ACES BULLPEN - LAST OUTING

PLAYER	LAST TIME OUT OF THE BULLPEN	DAYS OF REST	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	CLEAN OUTINGS	PCT	SAVES/ OPPS	INN. HIGH AS RP	K HIGH AS RP	NP HIGH
J. Steele	SUN (24/11 at BRI)		0.1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	50%	0/0	1.0	2	16 (17/11)
B. Parsons	SAT (23/11 at BRI)		1.0	0	0	0	0	2	12	1	50%	0/0	1.0	2	31 (15/11)
K. Morrison	FRI (15/11 vs CAN)		1.0	0	0	0	1	0		1	100%	0/0	1.0	0	14 (15/11)
E. Rutckyj	SAT (23/11 at BRI)		2.0	3	1	1	0	3	38	2	67%	0/1	2.0	3 (3x)	38 (23/11)
C. Gibbens	SUN (24/11 at BRI)		1.0	3	2	2	1	3	32	3	75%	0/0	1.0	3 (2x)	32 (24/11)
T. Ono	SAT (23/11 at BRI)		0.2	0	0	0	2	2	19	3	100%	2/2	2.0	3	25 (18/11)
J. Enciondo	SUN (17/11 vs CAN)		2.0	3	1	1	1	0	38	0	0%	0/0	2.0	1	38 (17/11)
S. Kent	SAT (23/11 at BRI)		1.0	0	0	0	0	1	16	1	100%	0/0	1.0	1	16 (23/11)
K. Saito	SUN (24/11 at BRI)		3.0	5	3	2	1	3	56	0	0%	0/0	3.0	3	78 (18/11)
J. Ratcliff	SAT (17/11 vs CAN)		1.0	2	2	2	1	0	20	0	0%	0/0	1.0	0	20 (17/11)



TONIGHT'S STARTING PITCHER

SHAWN MORIMANDO

HT: 6'0" (183 cm)

WT: 206 (93 kg)

BATS: Left

THROWS: Left

AGE: 32

BIRTHDAY: 10 November, 1992

BORN: Canandaigua, NY, USA

ABL SINGLE GAME HIGHS	
2024/25 Highs:	
IP	6.0 (15/11/24 vs CAN)
H	6 (23/11/24 at BRI)
R	2 (15/11/24 vs CAN)
ER	1 (15/11/24 vs CAN)
BB	1 (15/11/24 vs CAN)
SO	5 (2x - 23/11/24 at BRI)
Career Highs:	
IP	8.0 (8/1/21 vs MEL - w CAN)
H	7 (2x - 30/1/24 vs SYD - w CAN)
R	7 (30/1/21 vs SYD - w CAN)
ER	7 (30/1/21 vs SYD - w CAN)
BB	3 (27/12/20 vs MEL - w CAN)
SO	11 (23/1/21 vs SYD - w CAN)

Seasons of Note: (Full Career Numbers in Media Guide)

YEAR	TEAM	LG	W	L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	AVG	WHIP
2024/25	Melbourne Aces	ABL	0	1	0.79	2	2	0	11.1	10	2	1	1	1	10	.238	0.97
2024	CTBC Brothers	CCPBL	0	0	2.25	1	1	0	4.0	6	1	1	0	2	3	.375	2.46
2023	CTBC Brothers	CCPBL	1	0	0.00	1	1	0	6.0	2	0	0	0	1	4	.105	0.50
2022	CTBC Brothers	CCPBL	7	5	2.56	15	14	0	91.1	80	36	26	2	29	89	.230	1.19
2022	SSG Landers	KBO	7	1	1.67	12	12	0	75.2	57	19	14	2	23	67	.205	1.06
2020/21	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	3	3	2.57	8	6	0	42.0	33	17	12	1	10	47	.226	1.02
2021	Miami Marlins	MLB	0	0	9.58	4	0	0	10.1	18	11	11	2	5	9	.375	2.23
2016	Cleveland Indians	MLB	0	0	11.57	2	0	0	4.2	9	6	6	2	5	5	.409	3.00
PROFESSIONAL TOTALS (14 Seasons) MLB/MiLB/CPBL/ KBO/ABL			85	82	3.73	262	243	1	1353.2	1287	658	561	117	530	1110	.249	1.35

PITCH MIX (2021 w/ MIA)

4SM Fastball

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA
32.7%	84.6% / 15.4%	12.5%	91.1	92.6	2347	.412

Cutter

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA
30.2%	81.6% / 19.4%	20.0%	87.2	91.3	2331	.417

Curveball

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA
25.1%	88.0% / 12.0%	23.8%	74.8	76.0	2283	.250

Sinker

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA
9.5%	47.3% / 52.7%	23.1%	90.8	92.0	2187	.429

Changeup

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA
2.5%	0% / 100%	0.0%	84.0	84.6	1621	0-0

PRO NOTES

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Drafted by Cleveland in the 19th RD of the 2011 MLB Amateur Draft out of Ocean Lakes HS (Virginia Beach, VA, USA)
- Made MLB debut on 2 July, 2016 with CLE vs TOR (3.2 IP, 2 ER, 4 K)
- Pitched 10.1 innings for Miami in 2021
- Pitched at almost every level in affiliated ball for CLE, TOR, and MIA organizations over 10 seasons
- Underwent Tommy John Surgery

2020-21 IN ABL:

- Named ABL Pitchign Champion with Canberra (2.57 ERA/42 IP)
- 42 IP and 47 K led league
- Limited opponents to .219 AVG
- In four starts versus Melbourne: 24 IP, 3 ER (1.13), 24 K, .226 BAA

- **2024:** Made one start for CTBC Brothers of Chinese Professional Baseball League (4 IP, 1 ER, 3 K)
- **2023:** Made one start for CTBC (6 IP, 0 R, 4 K)
- **2022:** Made 14 starts for CTBC and pitched to 3.55 ERA
Also made 12 starts for SSG Landers of KBO and allowed 14 ER over 75.1 IP (1.67 ERA)

2024/25 ABL Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PC	ERA
23/11/24	at BRI	ND	5.1	6	0	0	0	5	71	0.79
15/11/24	vs CAN	L	6.0	4	2	1	1	5	80	1.50

2020/21 ABL Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PC	ERA
27/12/20	vs MEL	ND	5.0	3	2	1	3	8	88	1.80
2/1/21	at MEL	W	5.0	5	0	0	1	5	82	0.90
8/1/21	vs MEL	ND	8.0	4	0	0	2	7	101	0.50
16/1/21	at MEL	L	6.0	7	2	2	2	4	93	1.13
23/1/21	at SYD	W	7.0	4	1	0	0	11	-	0.87
30/1/21	vs SYD	L	6.0	7	7	7	2	8	89	2.43
5/2/21	at BRI	L	1.0	0	1	0	0	1	14	2.37
6/2/21	at BRI	W	4.0	3	4	2	0	3	44	2.57

2024/2025 ABL Splits

Split	Rec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	AVG
Home	0-1	6.0	4	2	1	1	5	1.50	.190
Road	0-0	5.1	6	0	0	0	5	0.00	.286
vs LHH	3-for-14	3		0	HR	1	2		.214
vs RHH	7-for-28	7		0	HR	0	8		.250

vs. Current Sydney Hitters

Hasn't Faced Any Current Blue Sox



TONIGHT'S STARTING PITCHER

JOHNATHON TRIPP

HT: 6'5" (196 cm)

WT: 225 (102 kg)

BATS: Right

THROWS: Right

AGE: 30

BIRTHDAY: 25 May, 1994

BORN: Lancaster, Ohio, USA

ABL SINGLE GAME HIGHS

2024/25 ABL Highs:

IP.....6.0 (23/11 at BRI)

H.....7 (23/11 at BRI)

R.....3 (23/11 at BRI)

ER.....3 (23/11 at BRI)

BB.....2 (16/11 vs CAN)

SO.....9 (23/11 at BRI)

2024 American Association Highs:

IP.....8.0 (25/7 vs Sioux City)

H.....13 (10/8 vs Chicago)

R.....6 (2x 1/6 at Chicago)

ER.....6 (2x 1/6 at Chicago)

BB.....4 (30/7 at Milwaukee)

SO.....8 (2x - 30/7 at Milwaukee)

Seasons of Note: *(Full Career Numbers in Media Guide)*

YEAR	TEAM	Lg.	Aff.	W	L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
2024/25	Melbourne Aces`	ABL	-	1	0	3.38	2	2	0	10.2	10	4	4	1	3	12	1.22
2024	Cleburne Railroaders	AA	Ind.	7	2	2.97	20	19	0	112.0	102	43	37	16	35	84	1.22
2023	Celburne Railroaders	AA	Ind.	1	1	4.55	5	4	0	27.2	31	14	14	2	5	26	1.30
2023	Chicago Dogs	AA	Ind.	2	2	7.20	26	5	0	45.0	58	37	36	8	19	50	1.71
2022	Chicago Dogs	AA	Ind.	3	3	4.32	31	9	0	73.0	77	37	35	6	18	69	1.30
2021	Florence Y'Alls	FRON	Ind.	9	1	4.15	24	11	5	84.2	95	47	39	9	15	85	1.29
2019	Greenville Reds	APPY	CIN - RK	0	0	0.00	5	0	1	9.1	4	0	0	0	0	14	0.42
2019	Florence Y'Alls	FRON	Ind.	4	3	1.06	27	2	13	42.1	28	8	5	3	10	41	0.89
2018	Florence Y'Alls	FRON	Ind.	3	4	2.70	38	0	15	43.1	33	14	13	2	15	55	1.10
PROFESSIONAL TOTALS (11 Seasons)				44	28	4.20	277	82	42	719.2	765	377	336	72	197	643	1.33
MiLB/American Asso./Frontier/Pecos																	

PITCH MIX

Sinker

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

Cutter

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

Curveball

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

Sinker

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

Changeup

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

PRO NOTES

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Signed a MiLB deal with the Cincinnati Reds in Aug. of 2019
- Tossed 9.1 innings for Rookie-Advanced Greenville (0 ER, 14K, .125 BAA)
- Played college ball at Texas Tech (2013-2015) and New Mexico State (2017)
- The 2024/25 ABL season will mark Tripp's first season overseas, and his sixth organization in professional baseball

2024:

- Completed third season in the American Association in 2024
- Made 19 starts for the Cleburne Railroaders (2.97 ERA/112 IP)
- Amassed six innings or more in 11 of 19 starts in 2024
- Allowed 10 ER over 35 IP in last six outings

2024/25 ABL Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP
23/11	at BRI	W	6.0	7	3	3	1	9	79
16/11	vs CAN	ND	4.2	3	1	1	2	3	73

2024 American Association Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
4/9	CHI	W	5.0	6	3	3	1	2
28/8	LIN	W	6.0	3	0	0	3	6
22/8	KCO	L	6.0	6	4	2	3	4
16/8	GSS	W	6.0	6	2	2	2	6
10/8	CHI	L	7.0	13	5	2	2	2
4/8	MIL	-	5.0	4	1	1	3	6
30/7	MIL	-	5.1	4	4	4	4	8
25/7	SIO	-	8.0	5	2	2	1	4

2024/25 ABL Splits

Split	Rec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	AVG
Home	0-0	4.2	3	1	1	2	3	1.93	.188
Road	1-0	6.0	7	3	3	1	9	4.50	.318
vs LHH	3-for-13		3		0 HR	2	2		.231
vs RHH	7-for-25		7		1 HR	1	10		.280

2023/24 Sydney Hitters

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BIRTHDAY: 18 November, 2024

IP..... 5.2 (19/5/24 vs Nippon-Ham)
H..... 9 (31/7/24 vs Nippon-Ham)
R..... 6 (31/7/24 vs Nippon-Ham)
ER..... 6 (31/7/24 vs Nippon-Ham)
BB..... 4 (3x - 11/8/24 vs Lotte)
SO..... 6 (8/6/24 vs Yomiuri)

YEAR	TEAM	Lg.	Aff.	W	L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
2024/25	Melbourne Aces	ABL	-	1	0	5.19	2	1	0	8.2	10	6	5	2	3	9	1.50
2024	Orix Buffaloes	JPPL	NPB.	2	3	4.06	8	8	0	37.2	29	20	17	2	19	28	1.27
2024	Orix Buffaloes (Farm)	JPWL	Farm	4	2	3.07	13	-	0	58.2	50	20	20	2	27	51	1.31
2023	Orix Buffaloes	JPPL	NPB	0	0	0.00	1	1	0	4.0	2	0	0	0	2	3	1.00
2023	Orix Buffaloes (Farm)	JPWL	Farm	1	2	2.25	12	-	0	36.0	20	12	9	2	13	32	0.91
PROFESSIONAL TOTALS (2 Seasons) NPB: JPPL/JPWL				7	7	3.04	33	-	0	136.1	101	52	46	6	61	114	1.18

PRO NOTES

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TONIGHT'S STARTING PITCHER

TAITO TAKASHIMA

HT: 5'11" (181 cm)

BATS: Right

AGE: 24

BORN: Akabira, Japsn

WT: 176 (80 kg)

THROWS: Right

BIRTHDAY: 3 December, 1999

ABL SINGLE GAME HIGHS

2024/25 ABL Highs:

IP.....5.0 (17/11 vs CAN)
H.....7 (17/11 vs CAN)
R.....5 (17/11 vs CAN)
ER.....5 (17/11 vs CAN)
BB.....2 (24/11 at BRI)
SO.....5 (2x - 24/11 at BRI)

Career NPB Highs:

IP.....6 (2x - 8/22 vs Seibu)
H.....7 (9/2 vs Rakuten)
R.....5 (9/2 vs Rakuten)
ER.....5 (9/2 vs Rakuten)
BB.....3 (2x - 8/22 vs Seibu)
SO.....5 (8/22 vs Seibu)

Seasons of Note: (Full Career Numbers in Media Guide)

YEAR	TEAM	Lg.	Aff.	W	L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
2024/25	Melbourne Aces	ABL	-	0	1	7.27	2	2	0	8.2	13	7	7	3	2	10	1.73
2024	Orix Buffaloes	JPPL	NPB	3	1	4.01	21	9	0	56.0	50	27	25	3	20	30	1.25
2024	Orix Buffaloes (Farm)	JPWL	Farm	3	1	1.40	8	-	0	38.2	33	7	6	2	6	24	1.01
PROFESSIONAL TOTALS (1 Season)				5	3	2.95	29	9*	0	94.2	83	34	31	5	26	54	1.15
NPB: JPPL/JPWL																	

PITCH MIX

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

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Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

Usage	% vs RHH/LHH	Whiff %	Velo	Max	Spin	BAA

PRO NOTES

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Chosen with Orix's fifth pick of the 2023 NPB Draft
- Went to Hokkaido Takikawa Nishi High School

2024:

- Made NPB debut on 3/31 vs SoftBank (1 IP, 1 ER, 1K)
- Made first career start on 4/10 vs Rakuten (4.2 IP, 4 ER, 3 K)
- Slotted into rotation on 8/1 and made six starts to end the year (4.02 ERA/29.1 IP)
- Topped out at 6 IP (2x - 8/15 vs Rakuten, 8/22 vs Saitama)
- Allowed 6 ER over 38.2 IP (1.40 ERA) for Orix's minor-league affiliate in the Japan Western League

NPB Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP
24/11	at BRI	ND	3.2	6	2	2	2	5	71
17/11	vs CAN	L	5.0	7	5	5	0	5	86

NPB Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
28/9	Rakuten	W	5	5	1	1	0	2
2/9	Rakuten	L	4.1	7	5	5	2	2
22/8	Seibu	-	5	1	1	1	3	5
15/8	Rakuten	-	4	3	2	2	3	3
8/8	Seibu	L	5	1	0	0	2	1
1/8	Nippon-H.	-	5	5	4	2	0	2
26/6	SoftBank	-	5.2	1	2	0	1	0
22/6	Seibu	-	3.2	3	0	0	2	0
6/6	Yokohama	-	4.0	5	1	1	1	2

2024/25 ABL Splits

Split	Rec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	AVG
Home	0-1	5.0	7	5	5	0	5	9.00	.304
Road	0-0	3.2	6	2	2	2	5	4.91	.353
vs LHH	7-for-15	7		0	HR	0	2		.467
vs RHH	6-for-25	6		3	HR	2	8		.240

vs Sydney Hitters

Hasn't Faced Any Current Blue Sox



TONIGHT'S STARTING PITCHER

STEVEN KENT

HT: 6'0" (183 cm)

WT: 200 (90 kg)

BATS: Left

THROWS: Left

AGE: 35

BIRTHDAY: 8 May, 1989

BORN: Canberra, ACT, Australia

ABL SINGLE GAME HIGHS

2024/25 Highs:

IP 1.0 (23/11 at BRI)

H 0 (23/11 at BRI)

R 0 (23/11 at BRI)

ER 0 (23/11 at BRI)

BB 0 (23/11 at BRI)

SO 1 (23/11 at BRI)

Career Highs:

IP... 7.0 (2x - 31/1/21 vs SYD - w CAN)

H 11 (27/1/2018 vs BRI - w CAN)

R 8 (12/9/2017 vs MEL - w CAN)

BB 4 (12/10/10 vs PER - w CAN)

SO 13 (2x - 27/12/18 vs AKL - w CAN)

Seasons of Note: *(Full Career Numbers in Media Guide)*

YEAR	TEAM	LVL	W	L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	AVG	WHIP
2024/25	Melbourne Aces	ABL	0	0	0.00	1	1	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.000	0.00
2023/24	Melbourne Aces	ABL	4	2	3.00	8	6	0	33.0	36	13	11	4	8	28	.275	1.33
2022/23	Melbourne Aces	ABL	2	2	4.41	13	4	1	34.2	37	18	17	6	9	39	.268	1.33
2020/21	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	1	2	6.53	9	2	2	20.2	28	16	15	2	8	16	.329	1.74
2019/20	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	3	4	2.03	16	1	5	31.0	22	12	7	3	3	34	.191	0.81
2018/19	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	7	1	2.90	11	10	0	62.0	47	22	20	3	3	13	.211	0.97
2017/18	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	3	5	5.32	10	10	0	47.1	58	37	28	12	15	61	.290	1.54
2016/17	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	0	1	2.08	14	0	7	17.1	13	6	4	0	8	18	.194	1.21
2015/16	Canberra Cavalry	ABL	6	4	3.04	14	14	0	77.0	75	33	26	5	23	79	.253	1.27
PROFESSIONAL TOTALS (15 Seasons)			42	39	3.95	254	83	24	658.2	668	341	289	65	191	672	.256	1.30
MILB/ABL/Venez. WL																	

2023/24 ABL Game Log

*Denotes relief appearance

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PC	ERA
23/11/	at BRI*	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	16	0.00

2023/24 ABL Game Log

Date	Opp	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PC	ERA
18/11/	PER	L	5.0	10	5	4	1	5	85	7.20
25/1	CAN	W	5.0	1	0	0	2	3	64	3.60
3/12	BRI	L	5.0	5	3	3	0	5	-	4.20
16/12	SYD	W	5.0	5	1	1	1	3	75	3.60
22/12	BRI	W	5.0	5	1	1	1	5	92	3.24
29/12	ADE	W	5.0	8	2	2	2	4	80	3.30
18/1	CAN	ND	1.0	1	1	0	1	1	19	3.19
20/1	CAN	ND	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	19	3.00

2023/24 ABL Splits

Split	Rec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	AVG
Home	1-2	18.0	25	11	9	4	17	4.50	.325
Road	3-0	15.0	11	2	2	4	11	1.20	.229
vs LHH		11.0	15		1 HR	3	10		.326
vs RHH		21.2	21		3	5	18		.247

2023/24 vs Sydney Hitters

S. Maguire	1-3, 1B
C. Campbell	0-3, 2K

PRO NOTES

2 App., 0-1, 3 IP, 1 ER, 1 K in WBSC for Team Australia in November

2023/24:

- Made six starts for Melbourne, his most since he made 10 with Canberra in 2018/19
- 3.00 ERA led all Aces pitchers who made at least four starts
- 3rd on the team with 33 IP

ABL CAREER:

- 13th season in ABL (11 with Canberra, 2 with Melbourne)
- 3.75 ERA/67.2 IP in two seasons with MEL
- Enters 2024/25 atop many ABL all-time rankings: 32 W (4th), 422 K (2nd), 143 App. (3rd), 387.2 IP (6th)

CAREER NOTES:

- Signed as an international free agent with the Atlanta Braves in 2005
- Spent six seasons in Braves farm system, (4.12 ERA/266.2 IP)
- Reached Triple-A Gwinett and pitched one inning in 2016
- Named youth player of the year by Australian Baseball Federation in 2007
- Member of Team of Australia since he was 17-years-old
- Pitched in the 2013, 2017, and 2023 World Baseball Classics: (4 G, 1 GS, 5.1 IP, 3 ER, 3 K)
- One WBC start came vs Cuba on 15 Mar. 2023: (2 IP, 0 R)
- Underwent Tommy John surgery during 2013/14 offseason



GAMES AND STARTS BY POSITION/BATTING ORDER RECORD BY BATTING ORDER (STARTS ONLY)

PLAYER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Aaron Whitefield	2-1								
Darryl George		2-1							
Robbie Glendinning			2-1						
Jarryd Dale						2-1			
Antonis Macias	2-2						1-1		
Shung-Ho Wang		2-2							1-0
Greg Bird			2-2	2-1					
Arturo Disla				2-2	2-1				
Jarrod Belbin					2-2		1-0	0-1	
Mitchell Edwards						0-2	1-0	2-0	
Pavin Parks						0-1	0-1		
Jun-Wei Liu								2-2	1-0
Chris Proctor						1-0	1-0		0-1
Jared Cruz									1-0
Declan Speirs									1-2

GAMES / STARTS BY POSITION

