



Kansas City Royals

OFFICIAL GAME NOTES

Kansas City Royals (3-2) @ Oakland Athletics (2-4)
Oakland Alameda County Coliseum - Wednesday, April 11, 2012 - 2:37 p.m. (CDT)
Game #6 - Road Game #6
Fox Sports Kansas City (HD) and KCSP Radio (610 Sports)

UPCOMING PITCHING PROBABLES

Thursday, April 12: Workout at Kauffman Stadium (3:00 p.m.)

Friday, April 13 vs. Cleveland Indians: RHP Derek Lowe (1-0, 0.00) vs. RHP Luke Hochevar (1-0, 2.84), 3:10 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Saturday, April 14 vs. Cleveland Indians: vs. RHP Jeanmar Gomez (0-0, 0.00) vs. LHP Jonathan Sanchez (1-0, 3.60), 6:10 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Sunday, April 15 vs. Cleveland Indians: RHP Ubaldo Jimenez (0-0, 2.86) vs. RHP Luis Mendoza (0-1, 1.59), 1:10 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Monday, April 16: TBA vs. LHP Danny Duffy (1-0, 0.00), 7:10 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Tuesday, April 17: TBA vs. LHP Bruce Chen (0-0+ today), 7:10 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Wednesday, April 18: TBA vs. RHP Luke Hochevar (1-0+ Friday), 7:10 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Today's game is being broadcast in Kansas City on KCSP Radio (610 Sports) with Steve Physioc, Bob Davis and Steve Stewart, while Don Free controls the dials as the producer/engineer...today's game is being televised in High Definition on Fox Sports Kansas City with Ryan Lefebvre and Rex Hudler...every FSKC telecast begins and ends with the pre and postgame show, Royals Live, hosted by Joel Goldberg

Royals vs. A's

Today is Kansas City's last contest in the east bay in 2012, with the series being decided this afternoon...Oakland pays a couple of visits to Kauffman Stadium, on June 1-3 and August 14-16...KC trails the all-time work by a 244-297 margin, 109-164 here in the Coliseum.

Date	Site	Score	WP	LP	Att.
4/9	@ Oak	L, 0-1	Milone	Mendoza	10,054
4/10	@ Oak	W, 3-0 (8)	Duffy	Graham	10,670
4/11	@ Oak				
6/1	KC				
6/2	KC				
6/3	KC				
8/14	KC				
8/15	KC				
8/16	KC				

DUFFY DOMINANT IN RAIN SHORTENED TRIUMPH--Second year hurler, Danny Duffy, turned in his best overall performance as a big leaguer last night, as the Royals rebounded from Monday's blanking to record one of their own, a 3-0 triumph in a contest called because of rain in the eighth inning...not often is a strikeout by the leading team the last out of the game, but that was the case last night, as Eric Hosmer fanned for the second out in the eighth and in doing so had his bat slip from his hand, prompting plate umpire Jim Joyce to stop the proceedings due to a steady rain...a little over an hour later the game was called...the 23-year old Duffy, pitching before a contingent of family and friends, fired 6.0 shutout innings allowing just a Cliff Pennington double in the third inning and promptly picking him off...Duff fanned 8, just one shy of his personal best, while walking 4...Mike Moustakas provided the first run of the game with a double to centerfield as part of a 2-run fourth inning...Mitch Maier capped the scoring with a solo homer in the seventh, his first since August, 2010.

NIGHT TIME OFFENSE ALIVE AND WELL--The Royals broke one of their more unusual season-opening streaks by finally plating a couple of runs in the fourth inning of last night's game, snapping a 21-inning drought of scoreless ball under the lights...the dry spell began at the hands of Jered Weaver in the season opener on Friday, as KC dropped a 5-0 contest to the Halos...the Royals then proceeded to plate 13 runs over the final two games in Anaheim and were rewarded with a pair of wins and series victory...Kansas City arrived here on Monday and were blanked 1-0 under the Coliseum lights, but broke through in the fourth last night on a Mike Moustakas run scoring double to center and Humberto Quintero sacrifice fly.

O'S STOP IN OAKLAND--The 2-run fourth inning last night also snapped a 25-inning scoreless streak for the Royals here in the Coliseum...KC plated 3 runs in the fifth inning of a 7-4 win here over the A's last September 6, but then went silent for the final four frames of that contest and were shutout the following day...the Royals then got blanked here on Monday night before scoring in the fourth last night.

FIRST LAP THROUGH IMPRESSIVE--Danny Duffy completed a successful first cycle through the starting rotation, as he fired 6.0 shutout innings to record the win last night...the fivesome featuring Bruce Chen, Luke Hochevar, Jonathan Sanchez, Luis Mendoza and Duffy have combined to allow just 5 earned runs in 29.0 innings for a Major League best 1.55 ERA among starting staffs, just ahead of Philadelphia's 1.78 ERA that leads the National League and Baltimore in the A.L. at 1.99.

HEADING HOME TONIGHT--The Royals are scheduled to fly out of here this evening and head back to Kansas City for the first time since leaving for spring training in mid-February...KC will finally get to see the friendly confines of Kauffman Stadium this weekend, opening the 2012 home slate at 3:10 p.m. on Friday when the Cleveland Indians come calling...the Friday affair will kickoff the first of three 10-game homestands for Kansas City in 2012 with Detroit (3) and Toronto (4) also visiting during the initial stay...festivities for Friday will include player introductions, a surprise Opening Day first pitch ceremony and the presentation of the 2011 Rawlings Gold Glove to leftfielder Alex Gordon...the Royals will workout in Kauffman Stadium tomorrow afternoon at 3:00 p.m. and the clubhouse will open at 1:30 for the media...manager Ned Yost will be available for the Kansas City media at 2:30 in the interview room and Friday's home opening starter, Luke Hochevar, will be available at 2:45.

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHERS: Bruce Chen (0-0, 0.00) vs. Brandon McCarthy (0-1, 2.25)

	2011	2010	Career		2012	2011	Career
Bruce Chen vs. A's	0-1	1-0	2-3	Major League Record	0-0 (0.00 ERA)	12-8	60-58
Brandon McCarthy vs. Royals	0-1	-	1-1	Major League Record	0-1 (2.25 ERA)	9-9	29-34

BRUCE CHEN makes his second start of the season after working Opening Day...today is Chen's 319th career Major League appearance, 171st start and 12th career appearance (8th start) against Oakland...Bruce initially signed with Kansas City as a minor league free agent on March 11, 2009 and most recently signed a 2-year deal thru 2013 on November 29, 2011.

OPENING DAY DEBUT--Bruce had the honor of throwing out the first pitch of the season for Kansas City and for the first time in his big league career last Friday night in Anaheim...he was sensational through 6.0 shutout innings, allowing just 3 hits, no walks and striking out 4 while throwing 75 pitches...he left a scoreless game with the Royals dropping the contest late, 5-0...counting his last 10 starts of 2011, Chen has now compiled a 2.69 ERA (73.2 IP, 22 ER) since August 12, 2010.

2011 ROYALS PITCHER OF THE YEAR--Chen led the Royals staff in wins in 2011 for the second straight season, going 12-8 with a 3.77 ERA in 25 starts...for his efforts, he was awarded the Bruce Rice Pitcher of the Year award by the Kansas City Chapter of the BBWAA...after fully recovering from a left lat strain that sidelined him for more than a month, Bruce closed the season going 6-3 with a 2.93 ERA in his final 10 starts with an opponent batting average of .218 over that span.

2011 SPRING NUMBERS--Bruce struggled early in spring camp while working on fine-tuning some aspects...he was much better his last two times out, combining to allow 3 earned runs over 10.0 innings in starts against the Brewers on March 27 and the Mariners on April 1...in those two outings, he allowed 10 hits, walked 2 and struck out 12...overall, Chen was 1-1 this spring with a 9.41 ERA over 22.0 innings...he issued just 3 walks and struck out 18.

VS. A'S--Chen made one start against the A's last season, dropping a 7-0 decision here on September 7, allowing 6 runs (5 earned) on 8 hits in 5.1 innings...the loss dropped his career mark to 2-3 against Oakland with a 4.61 ERA (52.2 IP, 51 H, 27 ER) in 11 games (7 starts)...despite his struggles here last September, he is 1-1 in the East Bay with a 3.00 ERA (24.0 IP, 19 H, 8 ER) in 5 career outings (3 starts)...his win came on August 16, 2005, a 4-3 victory for the Orioles.

A ROAD WINNER IN '11--Bruce was 6-5 with a 3.79 ERA in 12 road starts in 2011, including a 4-1 mark with a 2.13 ERA (42.1 IP, 28 H, 10 ER) in his final 6 starts away from home...with his 6.0 shutout innings last Friday night, he now has a 1.86 road ERA in his last 7 starts dating to August 12, 2011, the fourth-best road ERA in baseball over that span...Chen is 30-35 in his career on the road over 166 appearances, including 90 starts, with a 4.65 ERA.

Chen vs. A's					
Player	AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI
Daric Barton	.333	6	2	0	0
Coco Crisp	.267	15	4	0	0
Jonny Gomes	.211	19	4	1	1
Cliff Pennington	.111	9	1	0	1
Seth Smith	.000	1	0	0	0
Kurt Suzuki	.444	9	4	0	1
Jemile Weeks	.667	3	2	0	0

Bruce's Last Win:

September 23, 2011 @ Chicago (8.0 IP, 11-1 win over Zach Stewart)

Bruce's Last Loss:

September 18, 2011 vs. Chicago (5.1 IP, 10-5 to John Danks)

Bruce's Only Career Shutout:

October 1, 2010 vs. Tampa Bay (7-0 win over James Shields) - 1st shutout and 3rd career complete game

Bruce's Last Complete Game (non-shutout):

April 14, 2011 vs. Seattle Mariners (5-1 win, 8.0 IP) - now has 4 career complete games

Bruce's Strikeout High:

9, 3 times: last on August 23, 2011 @ Toronto (win)



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Pitching Notes

Friday's Starter - Luke Hochevar

- Luke will start KC's home opener on Friday afternoon against Cleveland...the 28-year old has made 101 career appearances (97 starts) since 2007, compiling a 31-43 mark with a 5.26 ERA...he was selected first overall by the Royals in the 2006 June Free Agent Draft.
- Hoch had a strong season debut on Saturday at Angel Stadium...he took a shutout into the seventh before being lifted with 2 on and 1 out...both runners would score, giving Luke a final line of 2 runs allowed on 5 hits and 2 walks over 6.1 IP...KC won 6-3, boosting Luke to his first win in 5 career starts vs. L.A.
- Hoch posted a strong finish in 2011, going 6-3 with a 3.52 ERA in 12 second half starts...was 11-11 on the year with a 4.68 ERA (103 ER in 198.0 IP).
- Luke has faced Cleveland 11 times, posting a 4-7 mark and a 5.21 ERA over 65.2 IP (38 ER)...was 1-2 with a 5.31 ERA in 3 starts a year ago...after allowing 6 runs in each of his April matchups, he dominated on September 3 at home, yielding an unearned run on 3 hits over 8.0 IP in a 5-1 win.
- Since the start of 2010, Luke is 12-3 in 18 day starts, recording a 4.29 ERA...he is 6-14 at night during that time, compiling a 4.90 in 32 games (31 starts).

2012 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>OPP AVG</u>
Starters	5	3-1	0	0	1.55	29.0	18	5	5	0	13	22	.186
Relievers	5	0-1	2	2	5.25	12.0	19	7	7	1	3	16	.365
Totals	5	3-2	2	2	2.63	41.0	37	12	12	1	16	38	.231
Bullpen Totals:	1st Batter Efficiency: 7/12 (58%)			Saves/Save Opp: 2/2 (100%)			Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 11/5 (56%)						

Jonathan Broxton

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 1/2 **Saves/Save Opp:** 1/1 (100%) **Last Save:** April 8, 2012 @ LAA (85th) **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 2/0 **2012 Strikeout High:** 3 on 4/8 @ LAA April 8 @ L.A. Angels (SV) 1.0 0 0 0 0 3
- Jonathan made a second straight appearance on Sunday at Angel Stadium, entering in the ninth with a pair aboard, no outs and KC leading 7-3...he recorded consecutive strikeouts of Torii Hunter, Vernon Wells and Kendrys Morales to post his first save with the Royals and first overall since May 2, 2011...it was also his second career save of striking out all 3 batters he faced, the other occurring on May 21, 2010 with the Dodgers against Detroit.
 - He signed a one-year free agent contract with the Royals on November 30, 2011.
 - Broxton was 1-2 with a 5.68 ERA in 14 relief outings for the Dodgers last season...he did not pitch after May 3 due to bone spurs in his right elbow.
 - A two-time N.L. All-Star with the Dodgers in 2009 and 2010, Jonathan's 484 strikeouts are the third-most in baseball among relievers since 2006.

Tim Collins (L)

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 0/2 **Saves/Save Opp:** 0/0 (0%) **Last Save:** None **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 4/2 **2012 Strikeout High:** 1 (2x - last 4/9 at Oak) April 9 @ Oakland 1.1 1 0 0 1 1
- Tim inherited 2 runners in the sixth on Monday with 2 outs and Oakland leading 1-0...after a walk to Daric Barton, Collins fanned Josh Donaldson to leave the bases loaded...he worked around an infield single to toss a scoreless seventh.
 - Collins posted a 3.63 ERA last year while tying a club rookie record with 68 appearances.

Aaron Crow

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 3/3 **Saves/Save Opp:** 1/1 (100%) **Last Save:** April 10, 2012 @ Oak (1st) **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 2/0 **2012 Strikeout High:** 3 on 4/6 @ LAA April 10 @ Oakland (SV) 1.0 0 0 0 0 2
- Aaron began the seventh last night, replacing Danny Duffy with KC leading 3-0...he recorded a 1-2-3 frame with a pair of strikeouts...rain forced the game to be stopped and later called in the top of the eighth...Aaron was awarded a save, his first in the Majors...he is the 137th pitcher in franchise history to record a rescue, and the second this week, joining Jonathan Broxton.
 - Crow mowed through the Angels in the seventh inning on Friday night, fanning Howie Kendrick, Albert Pujols and Torii Hunter...unfortunately, after a fly ball out to open the eighth things unraveled and he wound up leaving a bases loaded situation, with all 3 runners eventually scoring to absorb the loss.
 - This is his second Major League season after being KC's All-Star representative a year ago...he was 4-4 with a 2.76 ERA in 62.0 innings.

Kelvin Herrera

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 0/1 **Saves/Save Opp:** 0/0 (0%) **Last Save:** None **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 0/0 **2012 Strikeout High:** April 8 @ L.A. Angels 1.1 5 1 1 0 0
- Kelvin made his 2012 debut on Sunday at Angel Stadium, entering with a 7-2 lead in the seventh...he allowed 5 hits with the only damage coming on Vernon Wells' home run to lead off the eighth.
 - Herrera limited opponents to a 1.38 ERA this spring while striking out 15 over 13.0 innings.
 - Kelvin pitched at four levels in the Royals system in 2011, working his way from Wilmington to the big leagues...he fanned 70 in 67.2 minor league innings, earning the Paul Splittorff Award as the organization's pitcher of the year.

Greg Holland

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 1/2 **Saves/Save Opp:** 0/0 (0%) **Last Save:** Sept. 25, 2011 @ CWS (4th) **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 3/3 **2012 Strikeout High:** 1 (2x - last 4/7 @ LAA) April 7 @ L.A. Angels 1.0 1 0 0 0 1
- Greg rebounded from a tough opener with a scoreless eighth inning on Saturday at Angel Stadium, allowing a hit with a strikeout.
 - He had something occur on Friday that didn't happen all of last year, as all 3 Angels runners he inherited in the eighth inning eventually came around to score...Holland inherited 33 runners last season, only 2 of whom found home plate...on Friday, he allowed an infield hit to plate one run, then a bases clearing triple which put the game away for the Angels.
 - His inherited runners numbers last year were the best single-season mark in team history among pitchers with at least 30 inherited runners.
 - Holland is coming off a strong rookie campaign in which he was 5-1 with a 1.80 ERA in 46 outings (60.0 IP)...he was dominant at home, limiting opponents to a 0.31 ERA in 22 games, best in the Majors among pitchers with at least 20 appearances at home.

Jose Mijares (L)

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 2/2 **Saves/Save Opp:** 0/0 (0%) **Last Save:** None **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 0/0 **2012 Strikeout High:** 2 (April 8 @ LAA) April 9 @ Oakland 1.0 1 0 0 0 1
- Jose made a second straight appearance on Monday night, working around a 2-out single to post a scoreless eighth.
 - The former Twins hurler signed a one-year contract with the Royals on December 21, 2011...was 0-2 with a 4.59 ERA in 58 games for Minnesota last year.
 - Jose has limited lefties to a .211 batting average (55-for-261) since debuting in 2008.

Everett Teaford (L)

- Ist Batter Efficiency:** 0/0 **Saves/Save Opp:** 0/0 (0%) **Last Save:** July 9, 2011 vs. Det (1st) **Last Outing:** IP H R ER BB SO
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 0/0 **2012 Strikeout High:** March 29 @ LAA (spring) 3.0 9 5 4 1 5
- Everett is looking to make his 2012 debut...he made 26 appearances (3 starts) as a rookie in 2011, going 2-1 with a 3.27 ERA in 44.0 innings (16 ER).
 - Teaford appeared in 3 official Cactus League games, finishing 1-0 with a 4.50 ERA (4 ER in 8.0 IP)...all of the runs came in an outing on March 29 against the Angels...KC raced to a 7-0 lead, with Los Angeles hitting 3 consecutive homers as part of a 5-run second.

Royals vs. A's

<u>Pitcher</u>	<u>2012</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>
Broxton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-0	0	0.00	2	3.0	2	0
Chen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-3	0	4.61	11	52.2	51	27
Collins	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.1	1	0	0-0	0	1.69	5	5.1	5	1
Crow	0-0	1	0.00	1	1.0	0	0	0-0	1	5.40	4	3.1	5	2
Duffy	1-0	0	0.00	1	6.0	1	0	3-0	0	2.45	3	18.1	9	5
Herrera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hochevar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-6	0	6.39	7	38.0	40	27
Holland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	0	4.91	3	3.2	5	2
Mendoza	0-1	0	1.59	1	5.2	5	1	0-2	0	3.48	5	10.1	12	4
Mijares	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.0	1	0	0-1	0	3.60	11	10.0	9	4
Sanchez	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-3	0	3.47	10	36.1	30	14
Teaford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-0	0	0.00	2	3.0	2	0



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Hitting Notes

Yuniesky Betancourt *This Series: 1-for-3, 2B*

This Road Trip: 3-for-9 (.333), 2B

Hit Streak: 3 gms (3-9)

- Yuni was 1-for-3 Monday night with a double, making his first Major League start and appearance at third base...Friday night was his first career Opening Day assignment as a second baseman and the first time he's played that position in a big league game since August 29, 2005, while with Seattle vs. the Yankees.
- He signed as a free agent last December after a season in Milwaukee where he served as the starting shortstop for the N.L. Central champs...he was part of the 6-man deal that sent Zack Greinke to the Brewers in December, 2010 in exchange for Alcides Escobar, Lorenzo Cain, Jeremy Jeffress and Jake Odorizzi.
- Batted .268 with 5 doubles and 3 home runs in the spring in 24 games, walking 4 times and striking out just 3 times in 56 at bats.
- Hit .252 with 13 home runs and 68 RBI last season after batting .259 for KC in 2010 with a career-high 16 home runs and 78 RBI.
- Recorded a .310 average in 11 postseason games with Milwaukee driving in 6.

Jason Bourgeois *This Series: 1-for-3, 2B*

This Road Trip: 1-for-3 (.333), 2B

Hit Streak: 1 gm (1-3)

- Jason made his Royals debut Monday night and was 1-for-3 with a double...makes his second consecutive Opening Day roster and his first with the Royals after being acquired with catcher Humberto Quintero from the Astros on March 20 in exchange for minor league pitcher Kevin Chapman and a player to be named.
- Hit .262 overall this spring, including .333 with Kansas City...stole 8 bases in 9 attempts (tied for first in A.L.), including 7 following the trade.
- Posted his best season to date in 2011 for Houston, batting .294 with 31 stolen bases in 37 attempts, ranking ninth in the NL in thefts...also hit .396 with a .430 on-base pct. against left-handers, leading all MLB hitters in batting average vs. LHP (min. 100 plate appearances vs. lefties).

Billy Butler *This Series: 2-for-7, run, 2B*

This Road Trip: 5-for-18 (.278), 2 runs, 2 2B, HR, 3 RBI, BB *Hit Streak: 1 gm (2-3)*

- Billy was 2-for-3 last night with a double and a run scored...with a MLB-leading 142 doubles over the last 3+ seasons (Yankees' R. Cano is second w/ 136), has moved into a tie for eighth with David DeJesus on the Royals all-time list with 187.
- He batted .414 with 8 doubles, 4 homers and 15 RBI in 26 spring games.
- Entered 2012 as 1 of 10 players in baseball since 2009 with at least 500 hits, 200 runs, 50 home runs and a greater than .300 average.
- Among Royals players with at least 2,000 plate appearances, his current .297 career average is third all-time behind George Brett (.305) and Mike Sweeney (.299)...also 10th all-time in slugging (.458), on-base percentage (.359) and OPS (.817).
- Finished the 2011 campaign on a tear hitting 13 of his 19 home runs after the break and driving in 57, which tied for the third-most in baseball.

Lorenzo Cain *This Series: 1-for-4*

This Road Trip: 2-for-15 (.133), run, RBI, BB, SF *Hit Streak: 1 gm (1-1)*

- Lorenzo singled in his only at bat last night also making a "web gem" crashing into the wall in right center and doubling up the runner at first base to end the second inning...he was removed for a pinch hitter in the fourth with a left groin strain.
- He had a terrific spring leading all of baseball with 20 runs scored and 11 doubles in the spring, also batting .371 and finishing second among AL players in total bases (52), third in slugging pct. (.743) and tied for fifth in hits (26).
- Spent nearly the entire 2011 season with Omaha (AAA) and was named the Royals' Frank White Award winner as the top defensive player in the organization...started 6 games for the Royals in September.

Alcides Escobar *This Series: 1-for-7, 2B*

This Road Trip: 4-for-17 (.235), run, 2B, sac *Hit Streak: 0 gms (0-6)*

- Alcides went hitless for the first time in 2012 last night, going 0-for-4...he signed a 4-year contract extension with two club options for 2016 and 2017 on March 15.
- Hit .318 in 26 spring games with 4 doubles, 2 triples and 12 runs scored.
- A defensive standout, Escobar led all MLB shortstops last season with 459 assists, 745 total chances and 271 putouts...his 18 triples since the beginning of the 2010 season are the sixth-most in the Majors...hit .286 from June 7 through the remainder of last season after a slow start.

Jeff Francoeur *This Series: 2-for-5, run, BB*

This Road Trip: 6-for-16 (.375), 2 runs, 2B, 2 RBI, BB *Hit Streak: 1 gm (2-3)*

- Jeff was 2-for-3 last night with a pair of singles and a run scored...made the most out of his 1,000th big league game Saturday, going 2-for-4 featuring a 2-run single in the first inning...this is his second year with the Royals and he signed a two-year extension through 2013 on August 18, 2011.
- He finished second in the Majors last season with 47 doubles, the third-highest single-season total in franchise history and the most ever by a Royals outfielder...he hit 20 home runs with 22 stolen bases in 2011, becoming just the fourth 20/20 player in Royals history...Frenchy and Boston's Jacoby Ellsbury were the only 2 players in MLB to post 40+ doubles, 20+ home runs and 20+ steals.
- His 97 outfield assists are the most in MLB since the beginning of 2005...he is 25 clear of Nick Markakis and Alfonso Soriano, who are second.

Chris Getz *This Series: 0-for-6*

This Road Trip: 3-for-11 (.273), 2 runs, 2B, RBI, SB *Hit Streak: 0 gms (0-7)*

- Chris was 0-for-3 last night as the club's second baseman.
- Hit hit .255 last season in 118 games with 21 stolen bases in 28 attempts.
- Has yet to homer as a Royal with the streak currently at 605 at bats, the longest homer drought to start a Royals career...his current dinger drought of 730 at bats is the second longest in the Majors to Jamey Carroll's 943 AB's...Getz's last home run was with the White Sox on July 19, 2009.

Alex Gordon *This Series: 0-for-4, BB*

This Road Trip: 0-for-17, 2 BB *Hit Streak: n/a*

- Alex was 0-for-3 with a walk in last night's game...he is still seeking his first hit of the year, going 0-for-17 with 2 walks thus far...he signed a 4-year contract extension through 2015 with a player option for 2016 on March 30.
- Looking to build on a breakout 2011 season in which he was awarded not only the Royals Player of the Year, but also a Rawlings Gold Glove in his first full season in left field...was 1 of 5 players in MLB in 2011 to post a .300+ average, 45+ doubles and 20+ home runs (Miguel Cabrera-DET, Adrian Gonzalez-BOS, Jacoby Ellsbury-BOS and Robinson Cano-NYY).
- Set a franchise single-season record with 20 outfield assists last season, including 10 that cut off a run at the plate.
- Batted .366 with 5 doubles, 4 home runs, 14 RBI and 15 runs scored in 25 spring games...his 26 hits tied for the fifth-most among AL hitters.

Eric Hosmer *This Series: 0-for-6, 2 BB*

This Road Trip: 4-for-20 (.200), 5 runs, 2 HR, 4 RBI, 2 BB *Hit Streak: 0 gms (0-8)*

- Eric was 0-for-4 in last night's victory...his homer Sunday was the 21st of his young career, 18 of which have come on the road...marked the fourth time in his young career he's homered in back-to-back games.
- He finished third in A.L. Rookie of the Year voting in 2011.
- Had a monster spring hitting .398 with 8 doubles, 5 home runs and a MLB-high 29 RBI, 8 more than the second-place finisher...also led MLB with 56 total bases and tied for second among A.L. hitters with 18 runs...he also had a 13-game spring hitting streak.
- Was the 2011 Royals Joe Burke Special Achievement winner and the Larry Doby A.L. Rookie of the Year by the Negro League Museum...led all qualified rookies in batting average (.293)...was the July and September A.L. Rookie of the Month.

Mitch Maier *This Series: 1-for-2, run, HR, RBI, BB*

This Road Trip: 1-for-2, run, HR, RBI, BB *Hit Streak: 1 g (1-2)*

- Mitch entered last night's game as a pinch hitter in the fourth and remained in the game in center...hit a solo home run, his first August 29, 2010, a span of 164 at bats, in the seventh inning...made his third consecutive Opening Day roster...as the Royals fourth outfielder in 2011, appeared in just 45 games.
- Batted .245 with 3 doubles, 1 triple and 5 RBI in 27 games this spring.

Mike Moustakas *This Series: 1-for-3, 2B, RBI*

This Road Trip: 2-for-14 (.143), run, 2B, HR, 2 RBI *Hit Streak: 1 gm (1-3)*

- Moose got the Royals on the board last night with an RBI double in the fourth...ended up 1-for-3...delivered his first hit of the year Saturday, homering to open the sixth inning...it came in the same place he hit his first big league homer on June 11 of last year off of the Halos' Joel Pineiro.
- He played in 89 games as a rookie last season, struggling early before hitting .379 with 12 doubles, 4 home runs and 19 RBI in his final 36 contests.
- Was the 2010 Sporting News Minor League Player of the Year as he tied for the minor league lead with 36 home runs and was second with 124 RBI.

Brayan Pena *This Series: 0-for-3*

This Road Trip: 1-for-6 (.167) *Hit Streak: 0 gms (0-5)*

- Brayan went 0-for-3 Monday night, starting his second game of the season at catcher...this is his fourth straight year on KC's Opening Day roster...he hit .327 with 4 doubles and a home run in 20 spring contests.
- Was claimed by the Royals off waivers from the Braves on May 30, 2008.

Humberto Quintero *This Series: 0-for-1, RBI, BB, SF*

This Road Trip: 4-for-8 (.500), run, 3 2B, RBI, 2 BB, SF *Hit Streak: 0 gms (0-3)*

- Humberto was 0-for-1 last night, but drove in a run in the fourth with a sac fly and also walked...he doubled twice Saturday and picked off fellow receiver Bobby Wilson from first base in the third inning...it was his big league best 12th pickoff since the beginning of the 2010 season.
- He is one of the newest Royals, along with fellow former Astro Jason Bourgeois, coming over from Houston on March 20 in exchange for minor league pitcher Kevin Chapman and a player to be named.
- Quintero makes his fifth opening day roster and his fourth straight...caught 79 games with the Astros in 2011 and set career highs in hits (63), doubles (12), RBI (25) and runs scored (22).



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This & That

RAIN SHORTENED "W"--Last night's win in the eighth inning was the first weather halted contest for the Royals since last April 14 in Kansas City, when Bruce Chen was credited with a complete game after working 8.0 innings against Seattle in a 3-1 triumph that was halted and never resumed after a deluge...it was the second time a game was rain shortened with the A's here in Oakland, the other occurring almost 31 years to the day, April 9, 1971, when Oakland was credited with a 5-0 decision in 5 1/2 innings.

AN OFFICIAL BLANKING VS. A'S--Last night was the 541st game between the Royals and A's over the now 44 seasons that they've met and that Kansas City was able to record a shutout, the first of the rain shortened variety...it was also the first time KC has blanked Oakland since August 7, 1996, when Kevin Appier got the best of Ariel Prieto in a 7-0 contest in Kauffman Stadium...the Royals and Athletics met 147 times between the two Kansas City shutouts.

MITCH GOES BIG FLY--The seventh inning launch by Mitch Maier last night was his first home run since August 29, 2010, a span of 164 at bats between dingers...his last was in Cleveland off of southpaw Tony Sipp...last night was Mitch's ninth career blast and the fifth against a southpaw, including the first of his career which took place on August 25, 2009, off of Cleveland's Rafael Perez.

DUFFY IN THE EAST BAY--Danny Duffy recorded his fifth Major League win last night, 3 of which have occurred on the mound here at the Oakland Alameda County Coliseum in front of family and friends from Lompoc, CA...he tossed 6.0 shutout innings last night, giving him an overall ERA of 2.45 here in Oakland over the 3 wins, allowing 5 earned runs in 18.1 innings, while holding the A's to a collective team batting average of .145 (9-for-62).

SERIES #2, RUBBER GAME #2--Today pulls the curtain on the second series of the year and will do so with the second rubber game of the young year, with Kansas City posting a win in Anaheim in the first one Sunday...the Royals were 13-8 in 21 rubber matchups last year, including a 7-5 ledger away from home...KC closed out last year by winning 7 of its last 10 series deciding contests, thus with Sunday's win are 8-3 in the last 11 rubber games.

CROW JOINS SAVE LIST--Aaron Crow didn't realize it at the time, but his perfect seventh inning of work last night earned him the first save of his big league career...he is the 137th different hurler to record a rescue in a Royals' uniform and second of the new season, with Jonathan Broxton mowing through the middle of the Angels' order on Sunday for his first save as a Royal.

EXTENDED STAY STARTS FRIDAY--The Royals will not only be opening their home portion of the slate on Friday, but they'll be kicking off a 10-game stay at "The K" that will also feature visits from division rival Detroit (3) and the Toronto Blue Jays (4)...it's the first of three 10-game stays for the Royals this year who will also be home for 10 immediately following the All-Star festivities from July 13-22 as KC will host the White Sox (3), Mariners (4) and Twins (3)...Kansas City will also host a 10-gamer from August 28-September 6 with visits from Detroit (3), Minnesota (3) and Texas (4).

VS. TRIBE--The Royals will open their 44th home season on Friday when A.L. Central rival Cleveland hits town for a weekend visit...the Royals are in need of flipping their fortunes against the Indians, going just 6-12 vs. the Tribe last year, including a 3-6 mark in Kauffman Stadium, as well as 3-6 in Progressive Field...KC trails the all-time body of work by a 278-295 margin, but holds a 148-136 advantage in Kansas City, 136-124 in Kauffman Stadium.

ALL-STAR SEASON--The 2012 campaign marks the return of the Major League Baseball All-Star Game to Kansas City, slated for Tuesday, July 10 in Kauffman Stadium...festivities will begin with Fanfest at Bartle Hall, with on the field action scheduled to start on Sunday, July 8 when the Sirius XM Futures Game is played, followed by the Taco Bell Celebrity Softball contest...Monday, July 9, will see both the American and National League squads take batting practice prior to the State Farm Home Run Derby that evening...the celebration of baseball will conclude on Tuesday with the Red Carpet Parade through the streets of the Country Club Plaza which will lead up to the playing of the All-Star Game at 7:00 p.m. that night.

YOUNGEST SQUAD IN THE MAJORS--The 2012 Opening Day edition of the Kansas City Royals was the youngest in Major League Baseball at 27 years, 155 days, which is actually up from 27 years and 6 days a season ago...next on the list is Houston at 27 years, 301 days and Atlanta at 28 years, 99 days...the average service time on this year's Opening Day roster is 3.16 years...Bruce Chen is the longest tenured player with 8 years, 171 days, and the oldest player on the roster at 34 years, 292 days of age...reliever Kelvin Herrera has the least amount of experience at 8 days of service time and 22 years, 97 days of age.

ROYALS HOLD FOREIGN BORN MARK--Of the 243 foreign born players on Major League opening day rosters (including disabled list players), the Royals have the highest individual club number with 13...the KC list includes: Bruce Chen (Panama), Kelvin Herrera & Felipe Paulino (Dominican Republic), Luis Mendoza & Joakim Soria (Mexico), Jose Mijares, Alcides Escobar, Humberto Quintero, Salvador Perez & Manny Pina (Venezuela), Brayan Pena & Yuniesky Betancourt (Cuba) and Jonathan Sanchez (Puerto Rico)...next on the list are the Colorado Rockies and the New York Yankees, who each have 12 foreign born ballplayers...the Dominican Republic leads the pack with 95 players, including 2 with the Royals, while Venezuela is next with 66, 5 with KC.

DISABLEMENTS--The Royals were hit hard by the injury bug this spring and started 2012 with 5 players on the disabled list...KC placed catchers Salvador Perez and Manny Pina on the 60-day D.L. on March 20 due to left knee and right knee surgeries, respectively...the most recent additions were pitchers Felipe Paulino, Blake Wood and Joakim Soria who were placed on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to March 26...Paulino is out with a right forearm strain, Wood with right ulnar nerve irritation and Soria had "Tommy John" surgery on April 3...each are eligible for reinstatement on April 10, though Soria is lost for the season.

NED'S SECOND FULL SEASON BEGINS--The 16th full-time manager in franchise history, Ned Yost, was named to his post on May 13, 2010 and has recorded a 129-165 ledger since taking the reins...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).

Player	vs. A's (2012)					vs. A's (career)					On Road (career)					McCarthy (career)					Lowe (career)				
	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
Betancourt	.333	3	1	0	0	.301	309	93	7	33	.261	1749	456	30	184	.600	5	3	1	2	.167	6	1	1	1
Bourgeois	.333	3	1	0	0	.333	3	1	0	0	.269	253	68	1	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butler	.286	7	2	0	0	.276	145	40	4	25	.279	1292	361	32	173	.333	3	1	0	1	.500	2	1	1	1
Cain	.250	4	1	0	0	.250	4	1	0	0	.313	99	31	0	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Escobar	.143	7	1	0	0	.343	35	12	0	3	.263	630	166	6	55	.333	3	1	0	0	.500	2	1	0	0
Francoeur	.400	5	2	0	0	.265	68	18	3	13	.263	1957	515	57	254	.250	4	1	0	0	.214	28	6	1	4
Getz	.000	6	0	0	0	.082	49	4	0	3	.237	519	123	1	44	.000	6	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0
Gordon	.000	4	0	0	0	.176	108	19	3	10	.242	1061	257	32	102	.250	4	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-
Hosmer	.000	6	0	0	0	.297	37	11	1	5	.265	298	79	18	48	.333	3	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
Maier	.500	2	1	1	1	.351	57	20	1	4	.247	466	115	7	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moustakas	.333	3	1	0	1	.227	22	5	0	3	.274	215	59	3	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pena	.000	3	0	0	0	.211	38	8	0	2	.275	324	89	8	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quintero	.000	1	0	0	1	.000	1	0	0	1	.232	569	132	5	47	.500	6	3	0	0	-	-	-	-	-

Pitcher	GS	Total KC Runs	Avg. Runs Per Start	Team Record	Quality Starts
Bruce Chen	1	0	0.0	0-1	1
Danny Duffy	1	3	3.0	1-0	1
Luke Hochevar	1	6	6.0	1-0	1
Luis Mendoza	1	0	0.0	0-1	-
Jonathan Sanchez	1	7	7.0	1-0	-
Totals	5	16	3.2	3-2	3

Pitcher	Pena	Quintero	Totals
Chen	0-1	-	0-1
Duffy	-	1-0	1-0
Hochevar	-	1-0	1-0
Mendoza	0-1	-	0-1
Sanchez	-	1-0	1-0
Total	0-2	3-0	3-2
	Pena	Quintero	Totals
Starts	2	3	5
CS/ATT	0/1	-	0/1
Pct.	0.0	-	0.0
ERA	3.38	2.16	2.63



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2012 Royals Home Run Breakdown

Players	Total	vs.		@	on	Runners On				Outs			Tied	Gave	Direction					Team	Last Home Run			AB's	
		LHP	RHP			Home	Road	0	1	2	3	0			1	2	Game	Lead	LF		LC	CF	RC		RF
Betancourt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/24/11	FLA	A. Sanabia	27
Bourgeois	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7/31/11	@ MIL	C. Narveson	116
Butler	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4/8/12	@ LAA	E. Santana	9
Cain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/26/10	FLA	A. Mendez	68
Escobar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/23/11	@ CWS	Z. Stewart	34
Francoeur	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/23/11	@ CWS	Z. Stewart	22
Getz	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7/19/09	BAL	J. Guthrie	740
Gordon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/20/11	DET	B. Penny	24
Hosmer	2	-	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	4/8/12	@ LAA	E. Santana	8
Maier	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4/10/12	@ OAK	J. Blevins	0
Moustakas	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4/7/12	@ LAA	D. Haren	8
Pena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5/29/11	@ TEX	A. Ogando	152
Quintero	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8/3/11	CIN	S. LeCure	110

Pinch-Hit: Last: Wilson Betemit (7/2/11 @ Colorado, fourth inning) - **1 in 2011, Franchise total: 70**
Grand Slam: Last: Melky Cabrera (7/29/11 @ Cleveland, third inning) - **1 in 2011, Franchise total: 108**
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: Last: Shane Mack (5/22/98 @ Texas, seventh inning)
2-Homer Game: Last: Billy Butler (9/5/11 @ Oakland) - solo, 2-run - **5 times for KC in 2011** (also Cabrera - 7/3/11 @ Colorado, Aviles, 4/24/11 @ Texas, Butler - 7/29/11 @ Cleveland & Hosmer - 8/31/11 @ Detroit)
3-Homer Game: Last: Danny Tartabull (7/6/91 vs. Oakland)
Back-to-Back: Last: Eric Hosmer and Jeff Francoeur (9/6/11 @ Oakland, 2nd inning) - **3 times in 2011**
Back-to-Back-to-Back: Last: Tony Graffanino, Angel Berroa, Doug Mientkiewicz (5/25/06 vs. Detroit, first inning)
Three Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Melky Cabrera, Eric Hosmer and Brayan Pena (5/27/11 @ Texas, 14th inning)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Mike Sweeney, Jermaine Dye, Raul Ibanez and Carlos Beltran (6/29/01 @ Cleveland, fourth inning)
Leadoff Game: Last: Alex Gordon (9/20/11 vs. Detroit) - **5 times in 2011 (all Gordon), Franchise total: 78**
Inside-the-Park: Last: David DeJesus (4/23/10 vs. Minnesota) - **Franchise total: 94**
Both Sides of the Plate in One Game: Last: Wilson Betemit (6/10/10 @ Minnesota) - **Franchise total: 6**
Home Run by Pitcher: Last: Zack Greinke (6/10/05 @ Arizona)
Walk-off Home Run: Last: Billy Butler (6/1/11 vs. LAA, 9th inning, Downs pitching) - **Franchise total: 60; 3 times in 2011 (Ka'ahue, 4/1 vs. LAA; Treanor, 4/3 vs. LAA)**

Opponent:
Pinch-Hit: Last: Andruw Jones, Chicago (9/12/10 @ U.S. Cellular Field, Blake Wood pitching, 6th inning)
Grand Slam: Last: Rene Tosoni, Minnesota (9/27/11 @ Target Field, Vin Mazzaro pitching, 6th inning)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: Last: Darryl Strawberry, New York Yankees (5/2/98 @ Kauffman Stadium, Scott Service pitching, 9th inning)
Back-to-Back: Last: Paul Konerko and A.J. Pierzynski (9/18/11 @ Kauffman Stadium, Louis Coleman pitching, 7th inning)
Leadoff Game: Last: Jacoby Ellsbury, Boston (7/27/11 @ Fenway Park, Bruce Chen pitching)
Inside-the-Park: Last: Derek Jeter @ New York (7/22/10 @ Yankee Stadium, Bruce Chen pitching, 3rd inning)
Walk-off Home Run: Last: Ramon Santiago @ Detroit (8/30/11 @ Comerica Park, Aaron Crow pitching, 10th inning)
Three Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Mitch Moreland, Mike Napoli, Endy Chavez (5/28/11 @ Texas, Sean O'Sullivan pitching, 6th inning)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Alex Rios, Carlos Quentin, Andruw Jones, Dayan Viciedo, Chicago (7/11/10 @ U.S. Cellular, Anthony Lerew pitching, 3rd inning)
Three Home Runs, One Player: Last: Shin-soo Choo, Cleveland (9/17/10 @ Kauffman Stadium, Kyle Davies-1; Bryan Bullington-1; Greg Holland-1)
Both Sides of the Plate in One Game: Last: Willy Aybar (8/3/09 @ Tropicana Field, Zack Greinke and Ron Mahay pitching)

2012 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	Infield	Bunt
Betancourt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 g	3 g (4/6-9)	-	-
Bourgeois	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 g	1 g (4/9)	-	-
Butler	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 g	2 g (4/7-8)	-	-
Cain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 g	1 g (4/7)	-	-
Escobar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0 g	4 g (4/6-9)	1	1
Francoeur	2	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1 g	3 g (4/6-8)	-	-
Getz	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	0 g	2 g (4/7-8)	1	-
Gordon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0 g	-	-	-
Hosmer	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	0 g	2 g (4/7-8)	-	-
Maier	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 g	1 g (4/10)	-	-
Moustakas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1 g	1 g (4/7)	-	-
Pena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0 g	1 g (4/6)	-	-
Quintero	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	0 g	2 g (4/7-8)	-	-

The Last Time...

<p>No-Hitter by the Royals: Bret Saberhagen, Aug. 26, 1991 vs. Chicago (Royals 7-0)</p> <p>No-Hitter vs. Royals: Jon Lester, May 19, 2008 @ Boston in Fenway Park (Red Sox 7-0)</p> <p>One-Hitter by the Royals (complete game): Zack Greinke, August 30, 2009 at Seattle (Royals 3-0)</p> <p>One-Hitter vs. Royals (complete game): Scott Baker, Minnesota, August 31, 2007 (Game 2) at Metrodome (Twins 5-0)</p> <p>Two-Hitter by the Royals (complete game): Bruce Chen, October 1, 2010 vs. Tampa Bay (Royals 7-0)</p> <p>Two-Hitter vs. Royals (complete game): Jeff Niemann, Tampa Bay, June 3, 2009 at Tropicana Field (Rays, 9-0)</p> <p>Back-to-Back Complete Game Wins by the Royals: Brian Bannister and Zack Greinke, April 13-14, 2008 vs. Minnesota (5-1) and at Seattle (5-1)</p> <p>Back-to-Back Shutouts by the Royals: Sept. 29-30, 1992 at California (2-0 and 4-0)</p> <p>Back-to-Back Shutouts vs. Royals: May 22-23, 2009 @ St. Louis (5-0 and 5-0)</p> <p>Three Straight Shutouts vs. Royals: July 5-7, 2004 at Minnesota (9-0, 4-0, 12-0)</p> <p>10+ Innings Pitched by a Royals starter: Kevin Appier, July 23, 1992 at Cleveland (10.0)</p> <p>10+ Strikeouts by a Royals starter: Felipe Paulino, September 10 at Seattle (11)</p> <p>Shutout by the Royals (Complete Game): Bruce Chen, October 1, 2010 vs. Tampa Bay (Royals 7-0)</p> <p>Shutout by the Royals (Combined): April 10, 2012 at Oakland (3-0 in 8 innings) Danny Duffy (6.0), Aaron Crow (1.0)</p>	<p>Triple Play by the Royals: June 11, 2006 vs. Tampa Bay (DeJesus-Elarton-Berroa-Teahen with Bryanan batting, 2nd inning)</p> <p>Triple Play vs. Royals: June 19, 1979 at Oakland at Oakland Coliseum, (5-4-3, Cowens batting, 6th inning)</p> <p>Royal hit for the cycle: George Brett, July 25, 1990 @ Toronto</p> <p>Opponent hit for the cycle: Jeff DaVanon, Anaheim, August 25, 2004 at Angels Stadium</p> <p>Royal Five-Hit Game: Eric Hosmer, September 20, 2011 vs. Detroit (5-for-5)</p> <p>Royal Six-Hit Game: Joe Randa, Sept. 9, 2004 at Detroit-Game 1 (6-for-7)</p> <p>Royals Two Hits, One Inning: Eric Hosmer, August 20, 2011 vs. Boston (6th inning) - 2nd time for KC in 2011</p> <p>Royals Five-RBI Game: Melky Cabrera, August 11, 2011 @ Tampa Bay</p> <p>Royals Six-RBI Game: Alberto Callaspo, April 18, 2010 @ Minnesota</p> <p>Royals Seven-RBI Game: (11 times) - last: Jose Guillen, June 7, 2008 @ NYY</p> <p>Royals Position Player Pitching: Mitch Maier, July 26, 2011 @ Boston</p> <p>Opponent Position Player Pitching: A.L.: Bill Hall, Boston, May 28, 2010 at Fenway Park; N.L.: D'Angelo Jimenez, San Diego, June 30, 2002 at Kauffman Stadium</p> <p>Royals Pitcher Homered: Zack Greinke, June 10, 2005 at Arizona</p> <p>Royals Three or more Steals, One Game: Gregor Blanco, August 13, 2010 vs. New York Yankees (3)</p> <p>Opponent Three or more Steals, One Game: Scott Podsednik, Chicago, April 22, 2005 at Kauffman Stadium (3 SB)</p>	<p>Royals Steal of Home: Yuniesky Betancourt, vs. Cleveland, September 19, 2010 (2nd inning)</p> <p>Opponent Steal of Home: Pablo Ozuna, Chicago, September 8, 2005 at U.S. Cellular Field (5th inning)</p> <p>Royals Suspended Game: June 15-16, 2001 at Milwaukee, 4-2 (Power Outage).</p> <p>Royals Home Run in first ML at bat: Jon Nunnally, April 29, 1995 vs. New York (Melido Perez pitching, 1st inning)</p> <p>Royals Five-Hit Run in 4 Consecutive Games: Billy Butler, July 26-29, 2011</p> <p>Royals 0-0 Game After 9 Innings: April 26, 2007 at Minnesota (Minn won 1-0 in 11 innings)</p> <p>Royals Walk-Off Win: September 16, 2011 vs. Chicago (7-6 in 9) - 12 in 2011</p> <p>Royals Bat Around: September 6, 2011 at Oakland (5th inning, 3 runs) - 13 times in 2011 -</p> <p>Three-game sweep by Royals at Kauffman Stadium: April 29-May 1, 2011 vs. Minnesota</p> <p>Three-game sweep by Royals on the road: July 5-7, 2010 @ Seattle</p> <p>Four-game sweep by Royals at Kauffman Stadium: September 15-18, 2008 vs. Seattle</p> <p>Four-game sweep by Royals on the road: May 7-10, 1999 at Minnesota</p> <p>Three-game sweep by opposition at Kauffman Stadium: June 21-23, 2011 vs. Arizona Diamondbacks</p> <p>Three-game sweep by opposition on the road: June 27-29, 2011 at San Diego</p> <p>Four-game sweep by opposition at Kauffman Stadium: June 2-5, 2011 vs. Minnesota</p> <p>Four-game sweep by opposition on the road: August 8-11, 2011 at Tampa Bay</p>
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Errorless Streaks

Player	Streak	Last Error	Player	Streak	Last Error
ROYALS	1	4/9/12 @ Oak	Getz	5	9/17/11 vs. CWS
Pitchers	2	4/8/12 @ LAA	Gordon	16	9/7/11 @ Oak
Betancourt	3	9/28/11 vs. Pit	Hosmer	16	9/15/11 vs. CWS
Bourgeois	39	7/25/11 @ Stl	Maier	53	8/23/10 @ Det
Butler	13	9/23/10 @ Cle	Moustakas	11	9/20/11 vs. Det
Cain	1	4/9/12 @ Oak	Pena	42	5/31/11 vs. LAA
Escobar	21	9/8/11 @ Sea	Quintero	2	4/7/12 @ LAA
Francoeur	28	8/28/11 @ Cle			



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2012 Transactions

Date	Player	Transaction	Date	Player	Transaction
2/27	C-Salvador Perez	Signed a five-year contract thru 2016, includes three club options thru 2019	3/25	INF-Irving Falu	Assigned to minor league camp
3/15	SS-Alcides Escobar	Signed a four-year contract thru 2015, includes two club options thru 2017		OF-Greg Golson	Assigned to minor league camp
	RHP-Nate Adcock	Optioned to Omaha		OF-Greg Golson	Traded to the Chicago White Sox for cash considerations
	LHP-Ryan Verdugo	Optioned to Omaha	3/29	RHP-Louis Coleman	Optioned to Omaha
	LHP-Noel Arguelles	Optioned to Northwest Arkansas		RHP-Jeremy Jeffress	Optioned to Omaha
	RHP-Jake Odorizzi	Assigned to minor league camp	3/29	LHP-Francisley Bueno	Assigned to minor league camp
	LHP-Chris Dwyer	Assigned to minor league camp		LHP-Tommy Hottovy	Assigned to minor league camp
	LHP-Mike Montgomery	Assigned to minor league camp		C-Max Ramirez	Assigned to minor league camp
	LHP-Brandon Sisk	Assigned to minor league camp	3/30	INF-Kevin Kouzmanoff	Assigned to minor league camp
	LHP-Will Smith	Assigned to minor league camp		OF-Alex Gordon	Signed a four-year contract thru 2015, includes on player option for 2016
	C-Julio Rodriguez	Assigned to minor league camp	4/4	RHP-Sean O'Sullivan	Assigned outright to Omaha
	OF-Wil Myers	Assigned to minor league camp		RHP-Felipe Paulino	Placed on 15-day D.L. (retro to 3/26), right forearm strain
3/18	OF-Paulo Orlando	Assigned to minor league camp		RHP-Joakim Soria	Placed on 15-day D.L. (retro to 3/26), right elbow UCL reconstruction (4/3)
	1B-Clint Robinson	Optioned to Omaha		RHP-Blake Wood	Placed on 15-day D.L. (retro to 3/26), right ulnar nerve irritation
	OF-David Lough	Optioned to Omaha			
	OF-Derrick Robinson	Optioned to Omaha			
3/20	C-Humberto Quintero	Acquired with OF Jason Bourgeois from Houston in exchange for LHP Kevin Chapman and a PTBN			
	C-Salvador Perez	Placed on 60-day D.L., Surgery on left knee (meniscus)			
	C-Manuel Pina	Placed on 60-day D.L., Surgery on right knee (meniscus)			
3/25	RHP-Vin Mazzaro	Optioned to Omaha			
	2B-Johnny Giavotella	Optioned to Omaha			
	OF-Jarrod Dyson	Optioned to Omaha			
	RHP-Zach Miner	Assigned to minor league camp			
	C-Cody Clark	Assigned to minor league camp			
	INF-Tony Abreu	Assigned to minor league camp			

Royals Ejections		
Date	Player/Coach	Note

The Lineup Card

Starts by Batting Order

- 1st:** Bourgeois (0-1), Gordon (3-1)
- 2nd:** Cain (1-2), Escobar (2-0)
- 3rd:** Hosmer (3-2)
- 4th:** Butler (3-2)
- 5th:** Francoeur (3-2)
- 6th:** Betancourt (1-2), Moustakas (2-0)
- 7th:** Cain (2-0), Moustakas (1-1), Pena (0-1)
- 8th:** Escobar (0-1), Pena (0-1), Quintero (3-0)
- 9th:** Escobar (1-1), Getz (2-1)

Starts by Position

- P:** Chen (0-1), Duffy (1-0), Hochevar (1-0), Mendoza (0-1), Sanchez (1-0)
- C:** Pena (0-2), Quintero (3-0)
- 1B:** Hosmer (3-2)
- 2B:** Betancourt (1-1), Getz (2-1)
- 3B:** Betancourt (0-1), Moustakas (3-1)
- SS:** Escobar (3-2)
- LF:** Bourgeois (0-1), Gordon (3-1)
- CF:** Cain (3-2)
- RF:** Francoeur (3-2)
- DH:** Butler (3-2)

Daily Update

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Total
Royals	5	1	-	2	3	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Opponents	1	1	1	-	-	-	2	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	12

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

Lineup Production		
Batting Order	HR	RBI
1st	0	0
2nd	0	1
3rd	2	4
4th	1	3
5th	0	2
6th	0	1
7th	2	2
8th	0	1
9th	0	1

Kansas City By the Days	
Monday	0-1
Tuesday	1-0
Wednesday	-
Thursday	-
Friday	0-1
Saturday	1-0
Sunday	1-0

Multi-Run Innings for Royals		
# of runs	# times	last time
2 runs	2	4/10 @ Oak (4th inn, 3 hits)
3 runs	1	4/8 @ LAA (1st inn, 2 hits)
4 runs	-	-
5 runs	-	-
6 runs	-	-
7 runs	-	-

Royals Record When:

Lead after six innings:	3-0	Tied after six innings:	0-1	Trail after six innings:	0-1
Lead after seven innings:	3-0	Tied after seven innings:	0-1	Trail after seven innings:	0-1
Lead after eight innings:	3-0	Tied after eight innings:	0-0	Trail after eight innings:	0-2
Starter works more than 6.0 IP:	1-0	Starter works 6.0 IP:	1-1	Leading after nine innings:	2-0
Score first:	3-0	Opponents score first:	0-2	Starter works less than 6.0 IP:	1-1
Score more than three runs:	2-0	Score three runs or less:	1-2	In the last turn at bat (KC/OPP):	0/1
Hit home run:	3-0	Do not homer:	0-2	Walkoff wins (KC/OPP):	-/-
Series opener:	0-2	Series finale:	1-0	Comeback wins (KC/OPP):	-/-
10 or more hits:	2-0	Opponents 10 or more hits:	1-0	Errorless games by KC:	1-1

Disabled List (5)

Player	D.L. Type	Injury	Dates on D.L.	Eligible for reinstatement	Games Missed	Team Record
C-Salvador Perez	60-day	Sugery on left knee (meniscus)	March 20 - present	June 3	5	3-2
C-Manuel Pina	60-day	Sugery on left knee (meniscus)	March 20 - present	June 3	5	3-2
RHP-Felipe Paulino	15-day	Right forearm strain	April 4 (retro to 3/26)	April 10	5	3-2
RHP-Joakim Soria	15-day	Right elbow UCL reconstruction (4/3)	April 4 (retro to 3/26)	April 10	5	3-2
RHP-Blake Wood	15-day	Right ulnar nerve irritation	April 4 (retro to 3/26)	April 10	5	3-2



Royals Notes - Kansas City Royals @ Oakland A's - Wednesday, April 11, 2012

2012 Day-By-Days

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>D/N</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>GB</u>	<u>Winning Pitcher</u>	<u>Losing Pitcher</u>	<u>Save</u>	<u>Home Att.</u>	<u>Home No.</u>	<u>Home Total</u>	<u>Road No.</u>	<u>Road Total</u>
April (3-2)															
4/6	at LAA	N	L	0-5	0-1	T2	-1.0	Weaver	Crow (R, 0-1)	--	44,106			1	44,106
4/7	at LAA	D	W	6-3	1-1	T2	-1.0	Hochevar (1-0)	Haren	--	40,022			2	84,128
4/8	at LAA	D	W	7-3	2-1	2	-1.0	Sanchez (1-0)	Santana	Broxton (1)	32,227			3	116,355
4/9	at Oak	N	L	0-1	2-2	T2	-1.5	Milone	Mendoza (0-1)	Balfour	10,054			4	126,409
4/10	at Oak	N	W	3-0 (8)	3-2	2	-1.5	Duffy (1-0)	Godfrey	Crow (1)	10,670			5	137,079
4/11	at Oak	D													
4/13	Cle	D													
4/14	Cle	N													
4/15	Cle	D													
4/16	Det	N													
4/17	Det	N													
4/18	Det	N													
4/20	Tor	N													
4/21	Tor	N													
4/22	Tor	D													
4/23	Tor	N													
4/24	at Cle	N													
4/25	at Cle	N													
4/26	at Cle	D													
4/27	at Min	N													
4/28	at Min	D													
4/29	at Min	D													
4/30	at Det	N													
May (0-0)															
5/1	at Det	N													
5/2	at Det	D													
5/3	NYY	N													
5/4	NYY	N													
5/5	NYY	N													
5/6	NYY	D													
5/7	Bos	N													
5/8	Bos	N													
5/9	Bos	N													
5/11	at CWS	N													
5/12	at CWS	N													
5/13	at CWS	D													
5/14	at Tex	N													
5/15	at Tex	N													
5/16	Bal	N													
5/17	Bal	D													
5/18	Ari	N													
5/19	Ari	N													
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5/21	at NYY	N													
5/22	at NYY	N													
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5/26	at Bal	D													
5/27	at Bal	D													
5/28	at Cle	D													
5/29	at Cle	N													
5/30	at Cle	D													
June (0-0)															
6/1	Oak	N													
6/2	Oak	D													
6/3	Oak	D													
6/4	Min	N													
6/5	Min	N													
6/6	Min	N													

Minor League Report

<p align="center">Omaha Storm Chasers (AAA) Pacific Coast League American Conference, Northern Division</p> <p align="center">(5-1)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>R</th> <th>H</th> <th>E</th> <th>LOB</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Round Rock (Rangers)</td> <td>8</td> <td>16</td> <td>1</td> <td>14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Omaha</td> <td>9</td> <td>19</td> <td>1</td> <td>17</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>WP: Sean O'Sullivan (2-1) HR: Johnny Giavotella (#1), Irving Falu (#1)</p> <p>Jarrod Dyson's walk-off triple plated Irving Falu as Omaha won a marathon at home. The contest was Omaha's longest at home since Werner Park opened last year. Falu was 4-for-8 with a home run and 3 RBI. Derrick Robinson recorded a 4-for-7 day with 2 RBI and a run. Starter Will Smith allowed 6 runs on 8 hits and a walk over 4.1 innings. Mike Jirschele employed 6 relievers, including Jeremy Jeffress, who tossed 3.0 scoreless innings.</p>		R	H	E	LOB	Round Rock (Rangers)	8	16	1	14	Omaha	9	19	1	17	<p align="center">NW Arkansas Naturals (AA) Texas League North Division</p> <p align="center">(2-4)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>R</th> <th>H</th> <th>E</th> <th>LOB</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>NW Arkansas</td> <td>2</td> <td>9</td> <td>0</td> <td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>San Antonio (Padres)</td> <td>10</td> <td>9</td> <td>2</td> <td>5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>LP: Chris Dwyer (0-2) HR: None</p> <p>Northwest Arkansas wrapped up the season's first road trip with a 2-4 mark. Chris Dwyer (2.2 IP, 4 H, 5 ER, 4 BB, 1 SO) took the loss on his 24th birthday. Kurt Mertins and Yem Prades each drove in a run for the Naturals, with Prades and Sharlon Schoop recording 2 hits apiece. The Naturals are off on Wednesday. They start the home schedule on Thursday against Corpus Christi (Astros).</p>		R	H	E	LOB	NW Arkansas	2	9	0	11	San Antonio (Padres)	10	9	2	5	<p align="center">Wilmington Blue Rocks (A-Advanced) Carolina League Northern Division</p> <p align="center">(2-3)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>R</th> <th>H</th> <th>E</th> <th>LOB</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Wilmington</td> <td>3</td> <td>6</td> <td>0</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carolina (Indians)</td> <td>2</td> <td>9</td> <td>0</td> <td>7</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>WP: Sugar Ray Marimon (1-0) SV: Leondy Perez (1) HR: None</p> <p>Wilmington evened its road series at a game apiece. Sugar Ray Marimon impressed in his first outing at this level, holding the Mudcats to a run on 6 hits and a walk over 5.2 IP. The 23-year old native of Colombia signed with KC in 2006. Brian Fletcher doubled home Whit Merrifield for Wilmington's first run. Luis Piterson recorded 2 RBI, with Geulin Beltre scoring on both occasions.</p>		R	H	E	LOB	Wilmington	3	6	0	6	Carolina (Indians)	2	9	0	7
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