



BOSTON RED SOX



SPRING TRAINING NOTES

**Boston Red Sox (7-6-1) at Toronto Blue Jays (4-7-1)
Tuesday, March 13, 2007 • Knology Park, Dunedin, FL**

FEAST ON THE EAST: The Red Sox hit the road today to take on the Toronto Blue Jays in Dunedin, Boston's 3rd straight game against an A.L. East opponent...the Sox fell to the Orioles 5-3 at City of Palms Park on Sunday before defeating the Yankees 7-5 at home last night...Boston has won 6 of 8 and 7 of its last 10 "A" games after starting the spring at 0-3-1...team is 4-2 on the road this spring, winning 4 of the last 5 away contests, but just 3-4-1 at City of Palms Park...the Sox return to City of Palms Park tomorrow afternoon to host the Pittsburgh Pirates before playing road games against the Mets in Port St. Lucie on Thursday and vs. the Dodgers in Vero Beach on Friday.

ABOUT LAST NIGHT: The Red Sox won their only spring matchup against the Yankees, 7-5 at City of Palms Park...Doug Mirabelli got the Sox on the board with a 2-run double in the 2nd and J.D. Drew cracked his first spring home run in the 6th...the Sox scored 2 in the 6th and 3 in the 7th to erase a 4-2 deficit...Tim Wakefield allowed 4 runs in 4.0 innings in the start...Brendan Donnelly, J.C. Romero, Manny Delcarmen (W, 1-0) and Craig Hansen (SV, 1) each tossed a scoreless inning of relief...Kevin Youkilis and Mike Lowell had 2 hits apiece.

VS. TORONTO: This afternoon marks the 4th and final spring meeting between the Sox and Jays...the Sox were 3-2 winners on March 8 at City of Palms Park after losing to the Blue Jays in the first 2 matchups, March 1 in Dunedin (4-1) and March 2 in Fort Myers (9-6 in 10 innings).

► Kyle Snyder makes his 3rd spring start against Toronto...he struck out 4 and allowed just one hit over 2.0 shutout innings on March 2 and gave up 2 runs in 2.1 innings on March 8...Kason Gabbard started the March 1 contest vs. Toronto.

► The Red Sox and Blue Jays will square off 18 times during the 2007 regular season, with the first series April 17-19 at Rogers Centre...the Blue Jays come to Fenway Park for the first time for a 2-game set from April 23-24...Boston is 14-23 against Toronto over the last 2 seasons, including a 7-12 mark in 2006.

MANNY VS. TORONTO: Manny Ramirez's 51 career home runs are most in history for a Blue Jays opponent and his highest total against any team...he ranks 4th on Toronto's opponents' list with 127 RBI...he has homered 25 times at Rogers Centre, 2nd-most lifetime of any opposing player.

FORMER JAYS ON TODAY'S TRIP: 3 Red Sox on today's trip previously played in the big leagues with the Blue Jays: C Kevin Cash (2002-04), C Alberto Castillo (2000-01) and INF/OF Eric Hinske (2002-06).

TODAY'S COACHING STAFF: Pawtucket manager Ron Johnson and pitching coach John Farrell will handle the club for this afternoon's game in Dunedin...a veteran of 29 years in professional baseball, Johnson begins his 3rd season managing the PawSox and his 6th season in the Red Sox organization.

FRANCONA, MILLS, SCHILLING SCHEDULE: Terry Francona, Brad Mills, and Curt Schilling this morning will fly to New Jersey to attend the funeral of longtime Phillies coach John Vukovich, who passed away on March 8 at age 59...the trio will return to Florida late this afternoon...Schilling will pitch a simulated game this evening at City of Palms Park...he is expected to pitch the equivalent of 5 innings...THE GAME IS NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

BATTING BITS: Boston is hitting .326 (46-141) with 28 runs scored in its last 4 games...Alex Cora has hit safely in 6 of his last 7 "A" games at .381 (8-21)...Coco Crisp is 3-9 (.333) in his last 3 games...J.D. Drew is 7-14 (.500) with 2 doubles, a triple, homer and 3 RBI in last 5 games...Mike Lowell is 4-6 (.667) with 2 runs and an RBI in his last 2 games to raise his average from .105 to .240...Julio Lugo has hit safely in 5 of his last 7 games at 6-20 (.300)...Joe McEwing is 3-5 (.600) in his last 3 games...Manny Ramirez has reached base in 10 of 14 plate appearances in his last 5 games with 4 hits, 5 walks, and a hit by pitch with a sac fly...Ed Rogers is 6-9 (.667) with a homer and 7 RBI in his last 6 games with an at-bat...Kevin Youkilis is 9-14 (.645) with 3 doubles in his last 5 games.

FIELDING FODDER: The Red Sox played error-free ball last night after committing 2 miscues in each of their previous 3 games.

PITCHING NOTES

FROM THE ROTATION: The 5 projected starters in Boston's rotation, Josh Beckett, Daisuke Matsuzaka, Jonathan Papelbon, Curt Schilling, and Tim Wakefield have combined to post a 2.92 ERA (12 ER/37.0 IP) in "A" games this spring...that includes 3 starts for Schilling and Wakefield, 2 apiece for Beckett and Matsuzaka, and 2 relief appearances for Papelbon, who has been pitching on the same day as Wakefield to date...however, Beckett, Matsuzaka and Wakefield have compiled a 6.94 ERA (9 ER/11.2 IP) in the last 3 games.

MORE PITCHING: Sox' longest outing to date is 4.0 innings for Curt Schilling on March 8 at Minnesota, Daisuke Matsuzaka on Sunday vs. Baltimore and Tim Wakefield last night vs. the Yankees...Bryan Corey has worked 6.0 scoreless innings in his 5 "A" appearances...Joel Pineiro has pitched 4 scoreless innings in his last 3 games.

PITCHING UPDATES: RHP Mike Timlin was shut down for approximately a week on March 9 as he continues to feel discomfort from a strained oblique muscle...Timlin originally felt the discomfort while throwing his 1st live BP in February...Threw about 40 pitches in a live BP session on March 7 but felt discomfort.

RHP Jonathan Papelbon pitched in a camp game against Pawtucket at the minor league camp yesterday afternoon...his line: 3.2 IP, 7 H, 3 R-ER, 1 BB, 4 SO...He threw 64 pitches/42 strikes...he allowed homers to Eric Crozier and Chris Durbin.

RECENT SPRING NEWS

RECORD ATTENDANCE: The Red Sox-Dodgers game on March 5 established a new single-game City of Palms Park attendance record of 8,249...the Red Sox have sold out 55 consecutive official Grapefruit League (non-college or exhibition) contests at City of Palms Park since March 16, 2003.

EVERYONE GETTING IN ON THE ACTION: 64 different players have seen action in at least one of Boston's first 14 Grapefruit League games (37 position players and 27 pitchers)...INF Jed Lowrie joined the list of players on Sunday.

RED SOX COMPLETE 2007 CONTRACT PROCESS: The Red Sox completed the 2007 process on Sunday by agreeing to terms with 13 players on one-year contracts and renewing the contract of 2 others...Agreeing to terms were pitchers Nick Debarr, Manny Delcarmen, Kason Gabbard, Devern Hansack, Kyle Jackson, Jon Lester, Edgar Martinez, Jonathan Papelbon, and David Pauley; catcher George Kottaras, INF Dustin Pedroia, and OFs Brendan Moss and David Murphy...Boston renewed the contracts of LHP Javier Lopez and INF Kevin Youkilis.

SPRING SHORTS: Each of Boston's last 6 games have been decided by 2 runs or less, with the Sox going 4-2 in those contests...the Sox are 3-2 in one-run games and 1-1 in 2-run games this spring.

TRAVEL ROSTER

PITCHERS: 39 Kyle Snyder, 40 Runelvys Hernandez, 41 Bryan Corey, 54 Craig Breslow, 59 Mike Burns, 68 Devern Hansack.

CATCHERS: 46 Alberto Castillo, 72 George Kottaras, 78 Kevin Cash.

INFIELDERS: 11 Joe McEwing, 12 Eric Hinske, 13 Alex Cora, 64 Dustin Pedroia, 71 Jeff Bailey, 76 Bobby Scales, 77 Ed Rogers, Scott White, Alex Prieto.

OUTFIELDERS: 3 Alex Ochoa, 22 Wily Mo Pena, 24 Manny Ramirez, 60 David Murphy, 75 Brandon Moss, Bryan Pritz.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE AND PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

DATE	TIME	OPP.	RED SOX PITCHERS	OPPOSING PITCHERS
Tue., March 13	1:05	at TOR	Kyle Snyder, Bryan Corey, Devern Hansack	A.J. Burnett, Casey Janssen, B.J. Ryan
Wed., March 14	*1:05	PIT	Kason Gabbard, Julian Tavarez	Zach Duke, Ian Snell, John Grabow
Thu., March 15	7:10at	NYM	Josh Beckett, Javier Lopez, Devern Hansack	TBA
Fri., March 16	1:05	at LAD	Daisuke Matsuzaka, Hideki Okajima, Manny Delcarmen	TBA

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2007 SPRING TRAINING RESULTS/SCHEDULE

Table with 8 columns: DATE, OPPONENT, SITE, RESULT, RECORD, WINNER, LOSER, ATTENDANCE. Lists training games from Feb 28 to March 12.

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(SS)—Split Squad Home Games at City of Palms Park, Fort Myers, Florida
TV—Game televised by NESN E—Game televised by ESPN R—Game broadcast by WRKO (680 AM)

ROSTER MOVES: The Red Sox made 5 roster moves yesterday to reduce their major league spring training roster to 47 players:
--Returned Rule 5 Draft selection, RHP Nick Debarr to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.
--Optioned RHP Kyle Jackson to Double-A Portland of the Eastern League.
--Assigned 3 non-roster players, LHP Abe Alvarez, C Dusty Brown, and OF Kerry Robinson to the minor league camp.
Boston has 47 players remaining in major league camp, including 11 non-roster invitees...the breakdown: 24 pitchers (4 non-roster invitees), 5 catchers (2 non-roster invitees), 11 infielders (4 non-roster invitees) and 7 outfielders (1 non-roster invitee)...with Debarr's return to TB, Boston has 39 players on its major league roster.
Boston made its 1st roster moves of the spring on March 9:
--Optioned RHP Edgar Martinez and RHP David Pauley to Triple-A Pawtucket.
--Assigned 3 non-roster invitees, INFs Luis Jimenez and Chad Spann and OF Jacoby Ellsbury to minor league camp.
--Announced that non-roster RHP Adam Bernero has reported to minor league camp to begin his rehab after undergoing ligament reconstruction surgery on his right elbow on February 28.

TODAY'S RED SOX PITCHERS

39-KYLE SNYDER, RHP

0-0, 4.15 ERA, 2 starts

2006 IN REVIEW: Was claimed off waivers from the Royals on June 16 and combined for a 4-5 record and 6.56 ERA (44 ER/60.1 IP) in 17 games (11 starts) with Kansas City and Boston...set major league career bests for wins, appearances, and strikeouts (57)...was also 1-5, 3.78 (34 ER/81.0 IP) in 13 games/12 starts at Triple-A Omaha and Pawtucket.

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CAREER NOTES: Was 1-3, 6.75 in 3 stints with Kansas City in 2005...missed entire 2004 season after undergoing surgery to repair a torn labrum in his right shoulder...was Kansas City's 1st round pick, the 7th overall player taken in the 1999 1st Year Player Draft.

41-BRYAN COREY, RHP

0-0, 0.00 ERA, 5 appearances

2006 IN REVIEW: Combined to go 2-1 with a 3.69 ERA (16 ER/39.0 IP) in 32 relief appearances with Texas and Boston...had pitched in just 4 major league games in his 1st 11 pro seasons...held opponents to a .241 batting average with lefthanded batters hitting just .225 (16-71)...was 1-0, 2.17 (9 ER/37.1 IP) with 15 saves in 28 minor league outings with the Rangers and Red Sox.

Table with 10 columns: DATE, OPP, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, BB, K. Shows performance for Bryan Corey.

CAREER NOTES: Spent entire 2005 season at Triple-A Albuquerque in Florida organization, finishing 2nd on the staff in appearances (44)...in 2004, opened year at Triple-A Iowa in Chicago Cubs organization before being released on May 5...signed with the Central League Yomiuri Giants of Nippon Professional Baseball and was 1-1, 5.48 in 21 relief appearances the rest of the season...has also pitched in the Tigers (1993-97, 1999), Diamondbacks (1998), A's (2000), Padres (2001) and Dodgers (2002-03) systems.

68-DEVERN HANSACK, RHP

0-0, 4.91 ERA, 2 "A" appearances

2006 IN REVIEW: Joined the Boston organization after a 2-year absence from professional baseball and earned pitcher of the year honors for Double-A Portland...went on to win 2 games in the SeaDogs' Eastern League championship series victory...was rewarded with a promotion to Boston and went 1-1 in 2 starts, including a 5-inning no-hit complete game win over Baltimore on the final day of the season...did not play winter ball in Nicaragua after pitching career high 163.2 innings in 2006.

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CAREER NOTES: Did not pitch professionally in 2004-05 after being released by Houston on March 29, 2004...ranked 3rd in wins (10) and 4th in games started (16) at Single-A Lexington in final season in Houston organization in 2003...worked as a lobsterman in his native Nicaragua in 2004-05.