



ALPB BULLPEN

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Opening Day 2022 Just 22 Days Away
Player signings accelerate in advance of season

ALPB BALLPARK FACTORS-2021

	Gms	H BA	V BA	Combo Avg	H 2B	V 2B	H 3B	V 3b	H HR	V HR	H Runs	V Runs	Tot 2B	Tot 3B	Tot HR	Tot XBH	Tot Runs	Tot RPG	H Hits	H AB	V hits	V AB
Charleston	60	.304	.244	.274	118	101	7	10	62	65	344	334	219	17	127	363	678	11.3	600	1974	479	1960
Gastonia	60	.290	.303	.297	117	103	16	4	93	102	432	484	220	20	195	435	916	15.3	590	2031	645	2127
High Point	59	.275	.263	.269	103	117	13	13	60	58	367	293	220	26	118	364	660	11.2	524	1903	534	2033
Lancaster	60	.280	.294	.287	119	111	15	9	79	108	421	491	230	24	187	441	912	15.2	573	2049	637	2167
Lexington	60	.309	.298	.303	115	116	13	2	101	113	467	407	231	15	214	460	874	14.6	634	2053	630	2112
Long Island	60	.271	.251	.261	94	89	8	8	50	57	344	272	183	16	107	306	616	10.3	513	1892	487	1942
So. Maryland	60	.282	.251	.266	91	107	17	6	58	57	352	320	198	23	115	336	672	11.2	533	1893	496	1980
York	60	.290	.266	.278	104	103	16	5	67	55	345	396	207	21	122	350	741	12.4	558	1925	537	2020

ATLANTIC LEAGUE NEWS AND NOTES

ALPB Showcase: The ALPB Professional Showcase was another success. Over 160 prospects registered and took part in two days of evaluation in front of ALPB managers and coaches. RHP Hector Guances (Pena) was the first player picked in the draft and went to **Staten Island**. The 6-6 native of the Dominican Republic has six years of experience in the Washington and Baltimore organizations. Other notable picks included C Alexis "Scrappy" Hopkins and 1B Alex Wemple, each selected by the **Kentucky Wild Health Genomes**. Hopkins is the first woman drafted by an ALPB team and just the second in baseball history selected for an on-field role. Wemple, 41, and a native of Kentucky, has criss-crossed the country in pursuit of his professional baseball dream. He was the 12th player taken in the first round.

MLB Experimental Rules: MLB announced on March 15 the two experimental rules that will be in play for the ALPB this season. Teams will continue to use the "double-hook" rule with a change providing that if the starting pitcher goes five innings, the team will not lose the DH for that game. In addition, the ALPB will return to the 2019 rule regarding the dropped pitch which allows a batter to take off for first base at any time during an at-bat. The 2022 version will credit those with reaching first successfully with a base hit.

Signings: **Long Island** has re-signed Johnni Turbo for his third season with the Ducks... Turbo has been an ALPB All-Star and earned a league championship with Long Island... Also returning to the Ducks will be RHP Scott Harkin who was 5-0 with the club in 2021 and INF Vladimir Frias who will start his third season with Long Island... **Lancaster** signed former Cubs OF Mark Zagunis and RHP Ben Wanger ... Wanger is returnee who also played for Team Israel in the 2021 Tokyo Olympics... **Southern Maryland** added a pair of former ALPB Relievers of the Year to the roster... Mat Latos (2019 Reliever of the Year) is back for his third season with Crustacean Nation while Endrys Briceno (2021 Reliever of the Year) returns for a second season with SMD... **York** has signed slugger Carlos Castro and C Lenin Rodriguez for return seasons with the Revs while newcomer OF Zach Racusin has also joined the club... **High Point** has signed RHP reliever Junior Rincon and versatile INF Diego Goris... Rincon hurled for Lancaster and Charleston in the ALPB in 2021 while Goris has played at the AAA level... **Gastonia** is returning Josh Skole from the 2021 club...

BY THE NUMBERS

.303

Combined batting average for all hitters at Wild Health Field in 2021, the highest in the ALPB

.261

Combined batting average for all hitters at Fairfield Properties Ballpark (LI) in 2021, the lowest in the ALPB

107

Total home runs in 2021 at Fairfield Properties Ballpark, the fewest in the ALPB

214

Total home runs at Wild Health Field in 2021, the most in the ALPB

Skole pounded 23 homers and stole 30 bases for the Honey Hunters and was the only ALPB member of the 20-20 Club in 2021... **Southern Maryland** has added reliever Dylan Brammer and C Austin Re as well as SS Michael Baca... Returning to the **Lancaster Barnstormers** from 2021 will be RHP Cameron Gann and OF Devon Torrence... Torrence has a unique background, having played football at Ohio State and spending time with several NFL team.

Coaching: **Lancaster** has added former Detroit Tigers minor league coach and former MLB hurler Mark Johnson to its staff. The 'Stormers will return hitting coach Jeff Bianchi and first base coach/director of baseball operations Troy Steffy as well.

Community Relations: **Charleston** donated 10 cents of every dollar of merchandise sold in March to the local March of Dimes campaign... **The Ducks** will hold their media day on Saturday, April 16... **The Legends** are partnering with VirtCh to deliver professional quality in-house and broadcast production which will elevate the fan experience... **Lancaster's** Opening Night on April 29 will be a celebration of the 80's.

Pick	Team	Selection No.
1	Staten Island	Hector Guance, RHP
2	Kentucky	Traded to Long Island for OF Chris Shaw
	Long Island	Cody Beckman, LHP
3	Staten Island	Jordan Simpson, RHP
4	Kentucky	Robbie Kellerman, C
5	Staten Island	Anthony Rodriguez, LHP
6	Kentucky	Will Decker, UTIL
7	Staten Island	trade to York for PTBNL
	York	Matt Meyer, LHP
8	Kentucky	Alexis "Scrappy" Hopkins, C
9	Staten Island	traded to SoMD for PTBNL
	So Maryland	Junior Navas, RHP
10	Kentucky	Bradley Hines, RHP
11	Staten Island	Yohn Zapata, RHP
12	Kentucky	Alex Wemple, 1B
13	Gastonia	Kevin Lambert, SS
14	York	Adrian Alarcon, LHP
15	Lancaster	Josh Smith, LHP
16	Charleston	Kyle Robinson, OF
17	Lexington	Darrien Ragins, LHP
18	So Maryland	Dario Polanco, LHP
19	High Point	Thomas Derer, RHP

ON DECK

April 7
MLB Opening Day

April 15
Jackie Robinson Day

Thursday April 21-ALPB OPENING DAY
Lancaster at Gastonia, 6:15
Staten Island at Charleston, 6:35
Southern Maryland at Lexington, 7:05
Kentucky at High Point, 6:35

Friday, April 22
Lancaster at Gastonia, 6:15
York at Long Island, 6:35
Staten Island at Charleston, 6:35
Southern Maryland at Lexington, 7:05
Kentucky at High Point, 6:35

Saturday, April 23
Lancaster at Gastonia, 6:15
York at Long Island, 6:35
Staten Island at Charleston, 6:35
Southern Maryland at Lexington, 6:35
Kentucky at High Point, 6:35

Sunday, April 24
Lancaster at Gastonia, 4:15
York at Long Island, 1:35
Staten Island at Charleston, 5:05
Southern Maryland at Lexington, 5:05
Kentucky at High Point, 4:05

Tuesday, April 26
Kentucky at Gastonia, 6:15
Staten Island at Southern Maryland, 6:35
York at Lexington, 7:05
Lancaster at High Point, 6:35
Long Island at Charleston, 6:35

Wednesday, April 27
Kentucky at Gastonia, 6:15
Staten Island at Southern Maryland, 6:35
York at Lexington, 7:05
Lancaster at High Point, 6:35
Long Island at Charleston, 6:35

Thursday, April 28
Kentucky at Gastonia, 6:15
Staten Island at Southern Maryland, 6:35
York at Lexington, 7:05
Lancaster at High Point, 6:35
Long Island at Charleston, 10:35 am